Magnificat Project
INFORMATION MEETING
“Mary said, ‘Here I am, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word’” (Luke 1:38)

“…as Marianists, we are called to work for social justice and must be ‘yes-sayers,’ as well. –John Vogt
Objectives

- Students will foster an increased connection to the value of the CME of Service, Justice, and Peace.
- Students will learn to recognize and to name a need of their Apostolic Work site through thoughtful analysis and address that need through their service.
- Students will develop their time management skills.
- Students will develop their interpersonal skills through group collaboration and their interaction with their Apostolic Works site.
- Students will foster relationships with the chosen site and the community it serves.
- Students will develop the qualities of Mary's “Yes” attitude of modeling of love and compassion in order to be agents of change.
Important Dates

- August: Discernment in class
- Aug. 22/23: Meeting
- Sept. 14: Project Proposal DUE to Campus Ministry
- By Sept. 24: List of Groups/Mentors is publicized with preliminary Approval.
- Sept. 30: Mentors have contacted students to schedule first meeting
- Dates vary: Mentor Meeting (Mid-Point Check-In Reflection)
- March 31: Deadline for Project completion claim made to x2VOL using Mentor as verifier.
- April 15: Due Date for Final Mentor Meeting (Celebration/Sharing)-
  - Reflections must be completed and presented to Mentor by this date.
  - Mentor will verify your claim on x2VOL.
- May 15: Celebration of Apostolic Works- May Crowning Liturgy
FORM Groups

- Seriously consider schedules, dependability, interests, and gifts/talents of the people you consider working with.
- No more than 3 group members. Any more needs approval from Mrs. Sedik.
- You may work alone.
- If you are completing an Eagle Scout or Gold Award Project, see Mrs. Sedik.
Examples (this is not an exhaustive list):

- **Disabled:** Adult Day Cares, local schools, Special Olympics
- **Youth:** Guadalupe Center, YMCA, Boys & Girls Clubs, local schools/churches
- **Animals:** local city/county shelters, rescues, waystations
- **Environment:** Tree People, Heal the Bay, Parks & Recs
- **Elderly:** ONE Generation, local convalescent homes, OASIS at Guadalupe Center
- **Underprivileged/Homeless:** MEND, Hope of the Valley, Rescate, women’s shelters, Pregnancy Counseling Center

**NOTE:** If considering CCP, no Physical Plant projects will be approved. See appropriate person on campus.
Remember, you want to serve their NEEDS first and foremost. You are not creating a need for them.

Call or email the director of the organization.

Explain who you are and what you are doing this for/ why you have chosen this place.

Talk to them or set up an appointment to meet with them to discuss what needs this organization has. Ask them about the community/ clientele that they serve.

Be sure you are taking notes to refer back to and/or to bring back to your group.

Thank them for their time and let them know you will be in contact with them once you have further discussed/brainstormed ideas on how to meet those NEED(S).
BRAINSTORM Project Ideas

- Must include **DIRECT SERVICE**.
- Remember **sustainability** of Project.
- Examples of Possible Projects
  - **NOT approved**: Volunteer on a weekly basis with an already existing tutoring/coaching program.
  - **Approved**: Create a volunteer tutoring/coaching program in a community where one does not already exist.
  - **NOT approved**: Collect clothes/shoes and drop them off at the Goodwill
  - **Approved**: Work in a shelter, determine specific need, advertise and organize supply drive, deliver supplies directly to those in the shelter.
  - **NOT approved**: Participate in a charity walk
  - **Approved**: Organize a team, raise money, lead information sessions on issue, get involved in the planning of the walk, participate in the walk as a team leader.
DUE by September 14, 2018 to Campus Ministry in HARDCOPY.

Only those students/groups that have submitted a Proposal by the due date will be matched with a Mentor.
1. Name of Non-Profit you have chosen to serve and the community they serve.

2. Explain why you have chosen this Non-Profit and its community to serve.

3. Please provide a brief description of some possibilities for your project.

4. Why did you select this project and what need is this meeting for the Apostolic Works site?

5. How would this project help your group move towards Chaminade’s Graduation Outcomes? Please be specific, referencing Outcomes that apply.
6. What materials/supplies do you anticipate needing for this project? How will you acquire the needed materials/supplies?

7. If you are establishing a new program, what will happen to it after you have completed your project? If it will not continue after you graduate, have you informed the organization that it will only be short term?

8. What are some challenges you anticipate in serving this community and/or fulfilling this Project? Do you have any ideas on how to address those?

9. Please list each member and his/her anticipated responsibilities. Be as specific as possible.

10. Please list a month by month timeline for your project with anticipated completion date. Remember, that each group member is supposed to contribute approx. 25 hours EACH to the Project. (Note this includes brainstorming, researching, meetings, execution, reflection).
Fundraisers at CCP must be requested through Activities Office (bake sales, etc.)

We discourage schoolwide drives, but if you really feel the need, you must go through Activities Office.

Obtain all appropriate Signatures.
Then, you will be assigned a Mentor!