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Addressing poverty and hunger in Detroit through service with foodbanks and educational initiatives

Overview: Focus:HOPE is an organization dedicated to intelligent and practical solutions to the problems of hunger, economic disparity, inadequate education, and racial divisiveness. The organization has become a nationally renowned civil and human rights organization diligently working to bridge the racial divide in southeast Michigan through their food program, career training programs, and their HOPE Village Initiative. Focus:HOPE serves Detroit citizens with a food bank, early childhood education program, and initiatives for adult education and professionalization. The group will primarily discuss the social justice issues of poverty and hunger.

Day-to-day: Service includes working in the food bank, food store, early childhood education, yard-work, and career closet. In addition, service may include delivering food and housekeeping. An example of a day of service would be packing food boxes in the food bank from 9am to noon, delivering food boxes 1pm to 3:30pm, and helping with housekeeping duties 4:30pm to 5:30pm.

The Nitty-Gritty Details: The rooms are hotel style with linens, towels, and a private bathroom. Food is not included but there is a kitchenette at St. Paul's Retreat and a cafeteria at Focus:HOPE for lunch. Participants will be given a small budget for groceries, which can be used for breakfast or dinner.

SPECIFICATIONS

Location: Detroit, MI

Price: $330

Trip Price includes:

- Transportation
- Housing
- Tools/supplies needed for service

Transportation: Participants will travel by a 10 person van to the destination. The van will be used throughout the week for local transportation.

Housing: Church Retreat Center

Meals: Some meals provided

Social Justice Issue:

Physicality Level: Low

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