Overview: The Father McKenna Center in Washington D.C. acts as a triage center for men struggling with homelessness in the surrounding community. The center helps to refer clients to community resource providers who do direct programming including alcohol/drug rehabilitation, job training, and career placement. Services available to clients include meals, showers, laundry, phone, mail, transportation, computers, and clothing.

Day-to-day: Participants will have the opportunity to prepare and serve meals, as well as interact with the homeless population at the Father McKenna Center. Participants may also assist with the on-site Food Pantry and Hypothermia Program, which is a smaller shelter serving 33 men by providing a job, shelter, and alcohol/drug treatment programs.

The Nitty-Gritty Details: Students will sleep on pews, but should plan to bring air mattresses and sleeping bags. Men’s and women’s bathrooms and showers are available. Breakfast and lunch on each day of service is provided, but dinner is not. A small budget for groceries will be provided, and the group will have access to a kitchen to cook and prepare dinner.

Location: Washington D.C.
Price: $290
Trip Price includes:
- Transportation
- Housing
- Tools/supplies needed for service

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

Housing: On-Site in the Chapel
Meals: Some meals provided

Social Justice Issue:

Physicality Level: Low