

Dear Friend,

This summer, a group of high school youth from Shepherd of the Hills Parish will be traveling to New Orleans, LA. We will be joining hundreds of other young Catholics from across the country to participate in **Alive in You - Catholic Conference and Service Camp**. For six days, we will live in a school, sleep on air mattresses, and spend our time serving those that are less fortunate. Work projects include: deconstruction, painting, landscaping, building projects, and working with low income children at their schools. Our goal as a group is to be true servants and to help those in need, expecting nothing in return. Included in our **6 day trip** is a weekend Catholic Conference. It will be an incredibly moving experience to witness hundreds of young people, joyfully serving others and God.

It **costs \$380.00** for each teen to participate in the trip. That initial cost will cover materials, lodging, food, supplies, etc. The students are doing a variety of fundraisers to offset the cost of transportation. **This fundraiser will benefit the individual student who sent you the letter.** Your donation will go directly to the student you are sponsoring to offset the cost of their \$380 payment. Any donation they bring in through this fundraiser will then be given back to them. Would you be able to help? Can you sponsor a family member or friend? Can you make a donation to this student from Shepherd of the Hills Parish? Any donation is helpful and whatever you contribute matters, (\$10, \$20, \$50 or more; your donation is tax-deductible and we are happy to issue a receipt, upon request). As our group prepares, you will be with us in spirit, and your sponsorship will inspire us to work harder and longer while we are in New Orleans.

We are asking that donations be made by May 28th (however, we are accepting donations until the week of the trip, June 12-17). **Please include the name of the student you are sponsoring with your donation.** Please make checks payable to Shepherd of the Hills and mail to:

Shepherd of the Hills – Summer Mission Donation
c/o Brad Mintie
W1562 County Rd. B
Eden, WI. 53019

You are an important part of this mission. Without your generosity, prayers, and kindness this would not be happening. **This experience will challenge our group to live out their baptismal call to love and serve others.** Help us change the lives of others through God's grace and action!

If you have any questions about the mission trip or need any clarification, please contact Mr. Mintie at Shepherd of the Hills Religious Education office at 920-477-3551 ext. 208. To find out more about our trip please visit www.aliveinyou.com.

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