

Sierra Service Project 2015 Application
Middle School July 5th - July 10th, Stockton, Ca
High School July 18th - July 25th, Chiloquin, Oregon

Sierra Service Project (SSP) is celebrating their 40th year providing life-changing experiences through acts of service repairing homes and communities. Youth are invited to experience the profound power of serving people who have a culture and life experience different from their own. Church youth groups from many denominations from all over the western states travel to one of the summer sites for an unforgettable week of serving, learning, worship and fellowship!

Participants: Middle School: Youth entering the seventh grade or eighth grade in the fall – **NOTE reduced fee for this trip \$390**

High School: Youth entering the ninth grade in the fall through those just graduated.

Counselors: Adults lead work teams, work alongside and guide youth and participate in all activities. Counselors must be at least 25, pass a criminal background check and complete SSP online training. Younger mature adults may be considered.

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Location information:

Chiloquin, Oregon: Last summer our Middle School group went to Chiloquin, 30 miles north of Klamath Falls and had such a good experience we'll be returning with the High School youth this year to work with the Klamath Tribes and all members of the community. The Klamath Tribes include Klamath, Modoc, and Yahooskin and do not have any land, but their members primarily live in Chiloquin,.. Based on the 2010 census, 734 people live in Chiloquin and over 33% of the families live below the poverty line.

Stockton, Ca: Our High School group helped to pilot the Stockton site in 2013 so this year the Middle Schoolers get to experience this multicultural city. Join us to be part of Stockton's efforts to clean-up their city and provide a positive image of the good things taking place in the community. Work may involve home repairs or working at Boggs Tract Community Farm. Wednesday is devoted to learning about the city and visiting local nonprofits creating positive change.

Work Teams: We do repair work on the homes in the communities we serve. The type of work includes home weatherization, building wheelchair ramps and porches, roofing, and interior and exterior painting. Projects for junior high work teams are carefully pre-selected for safety. Work is done in teams of six to eight youth and adult counselors mixed from all the participating churches. Teams work at a home site about 6 hours daily and have one recreation afternoon. Evening activities include singing, cultural programs, worship and games. Please call or e-mail with any questions at (805) 550-9832, or leannbrooks@hotmail.com

Fees and Fee Payments: The total fee for one week of project is **\$450 per High School and \$390 per Middle School** participant. This includes meals, lodging, building materials, transportation from El Camino Real to the site and a t-shirt but does not include meals en route.

**Mail this application, with your deposit check for \$50, payable to Diocese of El Camino Real as soon a possible to:
Diocese of ECR, P.O. Box 689, Salinas, CA 93902 ATTN: Jo Ann**

Second payment of \$200 is due March 15th and FINAL PAYMENT OF \$200 (\$140) IS DUE BY May 15th
Space is limited applications will be accepted first come first serve. We often fill up early

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Application for: High School _____ Middle School _____ Counselor High School _____ Counselor Middle School _____

Applicant Name: _____ Phone: (____) _____

Address: _____ (city) _____ (zip) _____

Youth E-mail: _____ Church: _____

Current Grade: _____ Birth Date: _____ Gender _____ Shirt Size: (circle) S M L XL XXL (adult men's style T-shirts)

Parent/Guardian name(s) _____ Parent/Guardian signature _____

Parent/Guardian E-mail _____ Financial Assistance Requested (circle) Y N _____

Special Dietary needs _____