

April 1, 2015

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Dear JV,

Welcome to the Jesuit Volunteer Corps! I want to officially congratulate you on your placement and to confirm in writing that you have been accepted into the JVC program. My hope is that it will be a transformational year for you amidst the year's excitement and challenges.

The program is a holistic experience engaging in the four values of JVC: developing your personal and communal spirituality, adopting a simple lifestyle in a new neighborhood and city, forming community with people whom you have not met before, and working for social justice in solidarity with people oppressed and made poor. You will have the opportunity to discuss issues of social concern, to widen your circle of friends, and to discover how others relate their faith to the realities of their daily commitments. Hopefully, you will come away with powerful and heartfelt experiences and a deeper understanding from which to share those. Although it will be an intense year, the outcome depends a lot on your own openness and generosity.

Thank you for sending us your signed covenant in March. As staff members, we will be walking with you on the challenging journey to live out the JVC covenant. Please carefully consider the obligations and responsibilities mentioned in this covenant. In particular, I want to emphasize the duration of service. The JVC term is one full year. Subsequently, your agency, the people you serve, and your volunteer community will rely on you to complete the full program.

For more specific information about the JVC program, please refer to the Handbook, found at jesuitvolunteers.org/incoming-jv. Other important documents, including all the materials in this packet, will also be posted on this website for your reference.

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This packet contains a lot of important information, so please read through it carefully. Please pay special attention to the deadlines listed below, as some of them are quickly approaching! More specifics about arranging travel to Orientation and community information will be coming at a later date.

If you are still unsure about anything, do not hesitate to contact us. We know that your address may change in the next couple of months, so **please alert us immediately if your contact information changes between now and Orientation.**

I hope you have an enjoyable spring. The entire JVC staff looks forward to meeting you in August and working with you throughout the program year. Welcome to the JVC family!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Maggie Conley". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Maggie Conley
Interim President

Enclosures:

- Spring and Summer Overview
- Consent for Use of Name, Voice, and Likeness
- Medical Clearance
- Health and Wellness History
- Loan Deferment FAQ
- An Introduction to Fundraising for JVC
- Send Me to Serve: A Guide to *YOUR* Online Fundraising Page
- Stone Catching: a reflection by Former Jesuit Volunteer Emily Dillon

Please submit the following by **May 1, 2015**:

- Signed Consent for Use of Name, Voice, and Likeness
- Completed Medical Clearance (must be completed by a physician)
- Completed Health and Wellness History
- A clear .jpg photo of you (head shot preferred) that we may use for Orientation materials (e-mail to recruiter@jesuitvolunteers.org)

Unless otherwise stated, materials may be mailed to 801 Saint Paul Street; Baltimore, Maryland 21202; faxed to 410-244-1766; or scanned and e-mailed to recruiter@jesuitvolunteers.org.