

William H. Hannon Foundation Supports Jesuit Volunteer Corps 2017-18 Volunteer Program

August 09, 2017/Santa Monica, CA: The William H. Hannon Foundation has provided a \$10,000 grant to support the Los Angeles program of the Jesuit Volunteer Corps (JVC). This year, there are 16 Jesuit Volunteers who will provide over 30,400 hours of full-time professional volunteer service to 15 of L.A. area's most venerable service agencies, parishes and Catholic schools serving the most vulnerable people among us.

The JVC is the largest lay Catholic full-time volunteer program in the world and has been a pioneer in the service landscape for over 60 years. The Foundation's grant will go directly to support those Jesuit Volunteers participating in the August 2017 to July 2018 program year.

JVC ministries address a gamut of issues affecting the most disenfranchised and poor among us, including: teens and adults in addiction recovery; inner city schools; low-income elders; prisoners and the children of incarcerated parents; foster youth; homeless families; survivors of rape; refugees; runaway teens; people living with HIV/AIDS; housing development and advocacy; and adults with chronic mental and physical disabilities. JVC communities are located in East and South Central Los Angeles, serving about 14,000 people.

"Our Foundation's Board of Directors is a huge believer in the JVC mission. Jesuit Volunteers make an incredible difference in the lives of people in need in Los Angeles, and we're so pleased that many of the Jesuit Volunteers help in schools and agencies the Foundation also supports," said Kathleen Hannon Aikenhead, President of the William H. Hannon Foundation.

The following agencies will participate in the JVC program in Los Angeles this year:

- The Center at Blessed Sacrament
- Central American Resource Center (CARECEN)
- The Chrysalis Center
- Dolores Mission Parish
- Dolores Mission School
- Homeboy Industries
- Los Angeles Center for Law and Justice
- My Friend's Place
- Proyecto Pastoral
- St. Francis Center
- St. Joseph Center – Bread & Roses Café & Culinary Training Program
- Urban Compass
- Verbum Dei High School
- Westside Children's Center