



Fundraising Instructions

Monetary support is necessary for the Catholic Heart Work Camp Mission Trip and fundraising **must be taken seriously**. It is never easy to ask for money, but the response has always been positive among neighbors, co-workers (of parents too), relatives and friends. Sharing your words with others of how you will be of service to those less fortunate will be rewarding to you, as well as to those who give a donation. Be sure to allow more than your parents to share in this 'giving opportunity' for this mission trip.

High school students (including outgoing seniors) must fund-raise a minimum of \$250. Adult volunteers need not fund-raise, but are welcome and encouraged to! Fundraising should be complete by May 1, 2020, if you need more time, please let Allison Provinsal and your Youth Minister know.

Instructions:

1. Solicit donations ASAP in accordance with the tips below. Emails, letters, online fundraising such as Go-Fund Me and personal conversations are all effective means of soliciting donations, but letters are often the most effective.
This year, there are two ways to collect money:
 - Collect cash and/or checks from donors (checks should be payable to Fiat Ventures).
 - Direct donors to donate directly via the online page:
www.boldym.com/chwc2020donations
2. Record the donations on the Tracking Sheet. It is extremely important to indicate the full name and address of each donor so that they receive a tax deductible letter and a thank you letter with pictures from your trip. Cash and checks will both be accepted (checks should be payable to Fiat Ventures).
3. Once you have met your solicitation goal and collected all of the money, use the Tracking Sheet to log your donations at:
boldym.com/chwc2020fundraising.
If all of your donations were made online, you do not need to complete this step.
4. Place cash, checks, and tracking sheet in an envelope and mail or drop off to the parish office.
5. **Return the minimum \$250 donations by May 1, 2020. You are welcome to continue fundraising after that point, up until the trip!**

Fundraising Tips:

- Write your letters and get them in the mail as soon as possible so that the donations are returned to you by April 15, 2020. DO NOT DELAY!
- Be sure to indicate:
 - you are attending the Catholic Heart Workcamp Mission Trip and the dates
 - the trip is sponsored by Fiat Ventures and BOLD Youth Ministry
 - the total amount (\$250) that needs to be raised by each teen
 - the contributions/donations are used for trip expenses and to offset the cost for the individual teens
 - the reason why you have decided to attend this trip (this is very important!)
 - the due date for donations - April 15th (remember, you need to have everything submitted to your parish by May 1st)
- Include a modest request of financial support (perhaps the person sends a little more)
- Include a 'promise' to share photos, a note about experience, an email, etc. so that the contributor will know the outcome of their donation
- Thank the person/family member/friend in advance in the letter
- Be sure to include the words, "Check payable to Fiat Ventures."
- Enclose a self-addressed STAMPED envelope to you

Sample Fundraising Letter

Dear Friends and Family,

This summer instead of going to LBI in August, like I usually do, I have decided to participate in a trip to Pittsburgh, PA with Bold Youth Ministry from July 19th to July 24th. It's called the Catholic Heart Work Camp Mission Trip.

BOLD is partnering with CHWC (Catholic Heart Work Camp) to share the love of Christ by serving the neglected, brokenhearted and the marginalized in any way needed, and to inspire others to live as disciples of Christ through a life of service, while fostering our Catholic Faith through the sacraments, prayer and involvement in social service. I decided to take time from my vacationing beach week and participate in this service project.

Each one of us pays \$375 for our basic costs to participate in CHWC's program, but we are required to raise \$250 which helps to offset the costs of transportation, supplies, adult volunteers and more.

I am simply asking for a donation. It can be as generous as \$10. Even simply your prayers would be welcomed! Please do not feel obligated. I'm simply giving you a chance to help people less fortunate than yourself through my efforts.

If you are able to help, please return a check made out to "Fiat Ventures" in the self-addressed envelope I included by April 15th. If you provide your full name and mailing address you will receive a thank you with pictures and a tax deductible letter from BOLD after the trip this summer.

You can also donate online by going to boldym.com/chwc2020donations. Please include my name and email address (myname@gmail.com) so that the donation is credited towards my goal!

I'll be sure to send pictures and an overview of what happened when I get back!

Thank you.

With Love,

