



UNIVERSITY OF SAINT FRANCIS
St. Benedict the Moor
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TRANSFORMATION AND IMPACT

FIND YOURSELF IN THE SERVICE OF OTHERS ON AN IMMERSION/SERVICE TRIP TO

CHILE!



ABOUT THE TRIP

Escape winter and engage in a life-changing experience through the SF international service immersion trip, working with urban underprivileged youth and children in Valparaiso, Chile! This trip will take place March 4-13, 2027 during the high summer season of Chile (temperatures in the 80s).

The trip leader is Francisco Townsend. Francisco served as the leader of the past SF international Chile Trips from 2012-2015 and in 2026 and is passionate about the culture and people of Chile. Fluent in Spanish, Francisco's past experiences living and working for the YMCA in Valparaiso, Chile provide a unique focus for the trip.

WHAT WILL WE DO?

Service opportunities include everything from repairs and beautification of the local YMCA school to serving meals to the homeless to leading activities for urban youth. Participants will also be immersed in the culture and language of the area. They will spend some time exploring important historical and cultural sites in the cities of Valparaiso, Viña del mar, Con-Con, Renaca, and Santiago, Chile.

HOUSING, COST, AND MEALS/TRANSPORTATION

Participants will stay in Airbnb dormitory-style bedrooms. The cost of the trip is \$2,950, and it is all-inclusive, meaning it covers housing, meals, trip insurance, transportation, and several excursions.

APPLICATION PROCESS

All students who wish to participate in the service trip must complete the online application form no later than November 30th, 2026. Participant spots will be available on a first come, first serve basis. More application details to come! For more information, please contact Francisco Townsend using the info below.

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