

Urban Missionary Training Program

FIRST FRUIT shares the unconditional love of God through outreach and supportive housing MINISTRIES programs with people experiencing homelessness and trafficking in Southeastern, North Carolina for over two decades. Our local homeless community is familiar with First Fruit Ministries through continued community outreach over the last two decades. The trust in these relationships overcomes the fears that many homeless people have regarding accessing professional services. First Fruit Ministries focuses on supportive housing for women and families and outreach programs such as street meal programs, food pantry service and campus day shelter services including shower and laundry services, clothing, hot meals, medical care, resource navigation and housing referrals.

USBAN MISSION ARIES

Christian believers who join FFM's outreach and residential teams, care for others through faith and service, and mature through effectively ministering to those who are homeless or experiencing brokenness. This training opportunity focuses on establishing Urban Missionaries in their identities as sons and daughters of God, through whom God's unconditional love is shared with the most vulnerable people in our community.

EACH YEAR WE PROVIDE

victims of human trafficking with safe housing

families with rental assistance, ending their homelessness

unsheltered homeless showers, a laundromat, hot meals, and a medical clinic

AS AN URBAN MISSIONARY

- Serve at First Fruit Ministries for 25 hours per week and receive 5 hours of mentorship and training. (6-month commitment)
- Each Urban Missionary is partnered with a specific staff member or program. They join FFM's outreach and residential teams to mature through active faith and service.
- Urban Missionaries may participate in all ministry activities.
 They can also specialize in either an Outreach, Supportive Housing, or Administrative track for deeper exploration of social justice and poverty issues.
- There are fellowship and debriefing events, trainings, along with individual mentorship by Executive Staff and Community Mentors.

PROGRAM INCLUDES:

Urban Missionaries live on the ministry campus in a beautifully renovated single family home adjacent to the ministry campus. The program participation fee is \$500 per month. Your fees include training and materials, personal mentorship, room and utilities, meals on campus and groceries through our food pantry.

QUALIFICATIONS

Dedication to serving the Lord and a Biblical lifestyle

Training in Christian Missions, Chaplaincy and / or client facing service experience

Computer literate and knowledgeable in MS Office Suite and e-mail

Talented in interpersonal communication

Ability to multitask, prioritize workloads efficiently and effectively

Familiarity with the target population (general understanding of poverty issues, homelessness, substance abuse, etc.)

Ability to work independently and cohesively with staff and volunteers

18 years or older

Oversee volunteers in daily ministry activities

Sample week in the Urban Missions Program— you will work with our staff to create a unique schedule for you!

MONDAY

Volunteer in our Food Pantry Mentor a resident in our housing program Urban Missionary Bible Study



TUESDAY

Volunteer in our Ladies' Day Shelter passing out clothing, preparing meals, and offering transportation



WEDNESDAY

Rest Day Meet with Community Mentor



THURSDAY

On-call for on-campus residents until staff arrive Participate in Street Outreach to identify unsheltered homeless on the streets



FRIDAY

Rest Day Meet with Community Mentor



SUNDAY

Participate in Sunday Family Dinner and worship service with unsheltered homeless

Mentor a resident



Ready to take the next steps and 7

As an Urban Missionary at First Fruit Ministries, you'll spend one year serving people affected by homelessness or human trafficking. You'll learn the basics of street outreach, connecting individuals in crisis with resources, and support trafficking victims in recovery by living on campus with them. If you're ready to live out our call to "feed the hungry, clothe the naked, and care for those with no home," the Urban Missions program is for you!

Reach out to our Community Engagement Director, Alisa Newber, for an application and to set up your initial interview.

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