**FIA 2020 Work Site Preference Selection**

 All of the work sites that we have lined up for FIA are great places to serve. Please read all site location descriptions so you can decide where your talents can best be used. We will try our best to fit you where you would like to serve, but please remember that we have over 40 people to place, therefore not everyone will get their 1st choice or maybe even 2nd or 3rd. There is also a good chance you will NOT receive the same placement as your friends. Take this opportunity to meet some new people. Please rank your choices at the end of this form.

**Return this form to your Youth Minister no later than FEB. 12!**

**Habitat for Humanity**: While working at Habitat you will be helping provide shelter for local families. Please note for this site ***you will have to be 16 years old by March 15 to work at this location***(THEIR rules not FIA rules). Those that have worked at Habitat have helped paint, build, and dry walled. This site is great for those who enjoy working with their hands and learning new things. Learn more at https://www.gdmhabitat.org/

**ReStore by Habitat:** The Greater Des Moines Habitat for Humanity ReStore sells new and used home improvement materials to the public at discounted prices. All proceeds from ReStore benefit the mission of Greater Des Moines Habitat for Humanity to build more homes, communities, and hope right here in the Des Moines area. Volunteers will help prepare donations for display, assist customers, and keep the store clean and organized. You DO NOT need to be 16 to volunteer at the ReStore. Learn more at https://www.gdmhabitat.org/restore/

**Bidwell Riverside:**

Bidwell Riverside has been serving people in poverty on Des Moines’ south side since 1893. Volunteers will be guiding families through the grocery aisle of the food pantry.  They are a choice food pantry, meaning the families choose their own groceries rather than receiving a prepackaged box of food.  Volunteers will also be sorting the clothing and household donation items received in the clothing pantry.   Learn more at http://www.bidwellriverside.org/

**St. Vincent de Paul**

The SVDP Society gives women and men — young and old, and from every background — the means to join together to grow spiritually by offering person-to-person service to those who are needy and suffering. Volunteers will be receiving donations as well as sorting and organizing clothing. Learn more at http://svdpdsm.org/our-stores/

**<<<<<<<OVER FOR MORE CHOICES! >>>>>>>**

**GiGi’s Playhouse & DMARC Food Pantry (PAIRED TOGETHER)** We will go to DMARC on Monday & Wednesday, and Gigi’s on Tuesday.

**GiGi’s Playhouse Des Moines** provides free programs that are educational and therapeutic in nature to individuals with Down syndrome from birth through adulthood, their families and the community. *This year we will be working with the kids and adults on cooking classes*. Learn more at https://gigisplayhouse.org/desmoines/

Volunteers in the **DMARC Food Pantry** warehouse have three main responsibilities. Count all incoming individual food items, check each food item for container integrity and expiration date, and package food for distribution to the 13 partner pantry sites. Learn more at https://www.dmarcunited.org/

**Rebuilding Together**

Rebuilding Together is a new site this year. At this site, you will help repair homes for low-income homeowners who may be seniors, living with disabilities, or families with dependent children. There is no cost to qualified homeowners; all repairs are provided through volunteers. There is no age minimum for this site. Learn more at https://rebuildingdm.org/

**Catholic Charities Outreach Center**

When families do not have food, there are underlying needs that aren’t being met. Catholic Charities Outreach Center helps to meet immediate hunger needs and empower clients for a successful future. Volunteers at this location will help with normal day-to-day activities that serve their clients. Learn more at https://www.catholiccharitiesdm.org/our-services/outreach-center/

**FIA Worksite Preference Form**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Rank the worksites in order of preference** (1 being 1st choice-10 being last choice OR if you are open to any site, check the first option.)

**Return to your Youth Minister by Feb. 12:**

\_\_\_\_\_\_ **I am willing to work at any of the following sites in no particular order of**

 **preference, place me wherever there is need**

**OR Rank in order of preference**

\_\_\_\_\_\_ Habitat for Humanity (Leave blank if you will not be 16 years old by March 15)

\_\_\_\_\_\_ ReStore by Habitat (all ages ok, DON’T have to be 16)

\_\_\_\_\_\_ Bidwell Riverside

\_\_\_\_\_\_ St. Vincent de Pail

\_\_\_\_\_\_ DMARC & Gigi’s Playhouse

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