

February 12, 2019

Dear [Sponsor Name],

Hello from Seattle! As you may know, I am currently in my senior year at the Tackinaw High School, and I will be graduating this coming spring. I can't believe I'm almost finished with school! I'm nervous but excited for what God has for me in the future. One of my favorite authors writes, "Giving yourself to something you believe in is never irresponsible." For the past few years, I've been trying to discover my purpose and the unique plan that God has for my life. I've enjoyed volunteering while working and going to school, but I recently started feeling like God wanted me to serve in a more intentional way. **That's why I've joined a team from my church on a mission trip to Atlanta this summer!**

The week-long trip is this coming July. We'll serve as a team for one week, partnering with a missions organization called **Experience Mission** and the Salvation Army to support their work by building relationships with local people, leading children's programs for immigrant families, serving meals to those experiencing homelessness, and helping clean up low-income apartment complexes. We hope to the best of our ability to be the hands and feet of Jesus as we attempt to reach across racial and cultural barriers to love our neighbors in Atlanta.

Now, here's where you come in. A trip like this would not be possible without external support. It's my great desire that I would have a big network of people supporting me through prayer and donations. I've started fundraising and have some creative ideas to get as many people involved as possible. Knowing that people are supporting us from afar will encourage our team when we encounter challenges. I'd love it if you could be a part of my support network!

The best way to contribute financially is through a one-time or monthly donation. You can give through the Experience Mission website (which I recommended) or mail in the pre-addressed envelope and giving card that came with this letter. If you mail in donations, make sure you write checks out to "Experience Mission" (with my name and TeamID "5555" on the bottom line) in order to keep donations tax-deductible. (All donations made online will automatically be tax-deductible.) You can give one-time or monthly donations toward my trip through the EM website here → experiencemission.org/sponsor-a-volunteer

Thank you in advance for partnering with me in this adventure! I know it may be a sacrifice to support me financially, and I want you to know how much I appreciate it. I also want to be clear that your emotional and prayerful support means much more to me than any donation. I'd love to talk with you more about my mission trip or hear any creative ideas you might have for fundraising. Also, I invite you to follow my blog (listed below) for all my mission trip updates and stories! I can't wait to see what God continues to teach me through this opportunity. Thanks for being a part of it!

Sincerely,

Signature

Your Name



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