



# The Center

MISSION OUTSIDE THE BOX

## Summer 2022 Internship

The Center is a community engagement initiative of the Presbytery of Baltimore. We seek to inspire and equip churches and individuals to engage boldly with their neighborhoods - to get involved where Christ's love and justice are already at work.

Founded in 2011 by elders and pastors from the Presbytery of Baltimore, The Center hosts youth and adult groups from across the United States for mission experiences that prepare them to get involved in justice-making in their own communities. We also work alongside congregations to equip them with tools to deepen their community engagement. Since 2013, the Center has hosted youth and adults for hands-on, relational mission experiences in and around the Baltimore metro area, including Annapolis and Anne Arundel County.

### ***Internship Description:***

Interns will split their time among three main tasks:

1. Work with our summer groups – accompany visiting groups onsite during their hands-on mission experiences, including leading devotions and debriefs to frame the day; help with teaching evening programs, and planning and leading worship. Serve as a connector between the visiting group and our partners, facilitating the relationship between the two.
2. Provide administrative support for other summer staff who are serving onsite. Includes curriculum preparation; materials preparation and setup; and worship planning and setup. May also include running errands and helping with building maintenance.
3. Help Director and Assistant Director with other tasks, including planning and prepping for upcoming mission weeks; writing or researching for curriculum materials; and cultivating partnerships with churches and community groups.

Interns can expect to learn how to facilitate discussions with diverse groups about complex topics. They will also learn about community organizing and the tools it offers churches who want to engage in their neighborhoods. They will learn about the opportunities and the challenges facing any congregation that is willing to take the risk of making a long-term commitment to affecting change in its neighborhood. And they will be invited to take risks, think outside of the box, and bring their most creative ideas to their work.

### ***Internship requirements:***

Successful applicants will share a commitment to social change, and a willingness to learn about and support the various ways congregations are engaging in their neighborhoods. Additionally, applicants must:

- Be a self-starter, and ready to bring their most out-of-the box creativity and ideas
- Be willing to work flexible hours, including evenings and weekends
- Be able to work independently
- Have their own transportation
- Be comfortable working with and in economically, ethnically and racially diverse communities of people and in a variety of neighborhood settings
- Have a working knowledge of the Bible and be comfortable leading bible study, theological reflection and worship.

***Compensation and Housing:***

Interns are paid \$3500 for 10 weeks, and are reimbursed for mileage. Interns will be living in community with other interns for The Center. Housing will be provided free of charge. Interns wishing to arrange their own housing are welcome to do so, at their own expense.

To apply, send a cover letter explaining your interest in the position, a resume and a list of 3 references by ***FEBRUARY 1st*** to:

Rev. Kate Foster, Director

The Center

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Contact Kate Foster at the above email or at the phone number below with questions.

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