

**PIUS X SENIOR SERVICE HOUR PROGRAM**  
**Information for seniors and parents 2009-2010**

**Important Info: Service hours are required to graduate from Pius X High School! Please do not discard this sheet until you have completed your hours!**

**Why do you expect me to do service hours?** Because loving God means both having Faith and doing Good Works! The purpose of the program is to give you an experience of faith in action – sharing your time and talents with important charitable organizations, as an opportunity to apply the social justice teachings of our Catholic Faith in our lives.

**How many hours do I need?**

A minimum of 18 Agency hours (all 36 hours may be done as Agency)

A maximum of 18 Regular hours  
36 Total hours

**AGENCY HOURS**

Service performed for 501(c) (3) registered **non-profit charitable agencies** that are directly involved with the corporal or spiritual works of mercy as listed below:

**Corporal Works of Mercy**

Feed the Hungry  
Clothe the naked  
Visit the sick  
Bury the dead

Give drink to the thirsty  
Shelter the homeless  
Visit the imprisoned

**Spiritual Works of Mercy**

Admonish the sinner  
Counsel the doubtful  
Forgive all injuries  
Pray for the living and the dead

**Agency hours may be performed ONLY\* at the following charities and institutions:**

1. Catholic Social Services (including St. Louise Thrift Shop at 2201 O St.): Call Curt Kruger at 474 – 1600, ext. 150 for St. Louise
2. Matt Talbot Kitchen: 1911 R St. Call at least 24 hours in advance at 477 – 4116 or sign up in person. Dress code required for girls.
3. Food Bank of Lincoln: Suite A 4840 Doris Bair Cir. Call Cheri Lawrence 466 – 8170, ext. 106
4. The Gathering Place: 1448 E St., Call Kim at 476 – 7398
5. FoodNet: Check foodnetlincoln.org for the times and locations in the Lincoln community
6. Lincoln Action Program: Call Susie Brown at 471 – 4515.
7. The Lighthouse: 2530 N St; Call Sy'courul at 475 – 3220
8. Madonna Rehab Hospital: Call JoAnn Druke at 483 – 9500.
9. St. Elizabeth's Hospital: Call Danyel Wolfe or Robin Tetley at 219 – 7111.
10. Community Asthma Education Initiative: Call Cindy Rempe at 486 – 8032 or Shane Kennett 483 – 6105.
11. BryanLGH East: 481 – 3032
12. BryanLGH West: 481 – 5117
13. American Red Cross: 220 Oakcreek Dr; Call Linda Maly 441 – 6384; M – F 8:30 – 5:00; sometimes have weekend events
14. Lancaster Manor Nursing Home: 1001 South Street; Monday – Friday work with residents; call Laura Gilloon at 441 – 7101
15. Tabitha Meals on Wheels, Friendly Visiting, or Activities – times flexible, call Margo at 486 – 8563; 1 – 1 ½ hour training
16. Villa Marie School: 786 – 3625 (call soon to help with upcoming summer camp)
17. Nebraska Right to Life: Suite 4, 3341 Pioneers Blvd. Call Julie at 438 – 4802.
18. Lincoln Right to Life: Call Pam McCabe 489 – 7968
19. Birthright: 5625 O St, Suite 4; Call Paula Allen at 472 – 2581 or 423 – 2472.
20. Lincoln Crisis Pregnancy Center: 4247 O Street; call Sandy Strop at 483 – 4247
21. Bishop's Pastoral Plan for Pro-Life Activities: 215 Centennial Mall South, Suite 410; Call Greg at 477 – 7517 or email [gschlepp@alltel.net](mailto:gschlepp@alltel.net)
22. Habitat for Humanity: Call Nancy Muehling at 477 – 9184. (best to do during the summer)
23. St. Vincent de Paul Society: call Denise Dean at 432 – 2370, Tom Safranek at 474 – 2217, or call the store at 438 – 3135. You could also email Ken Knaus @ [ken\\_knaus@windstream.net](mailto:ken_knaus@windstream.net)
24. People's City Mission: 110 Q St. Call Todd Schmeackle at 475 – 1303.
25. Respite Network – helping parents with several young children: Call Ann at 434 – 3490, ext. 108
26. Big Brothers/Big Sisters: Dana Berger or Shawn Kean: Call 464 – 2227. You must begin this program in the summer if you want to do it for your service hours.
27. TEC, SKY Camp, Retreat Team, Mission trips, or other Family Life Office Programs: available by invitation only.
28. Mourning Hope – provides supportive environment for those grieving the death of someone significant in their lives; various ways to help; call Julie Hornen at 489 – 5396
29. Sewing for Babies: 1405 N. Cotner Blvd. #302; Call Jeannie Sanchez at 466 – 7630
30. Child Advocacy Center – located in Antelope Park, call Rachel at 476 – 3200.

31. Goodwill – various stores throughout Lincoln – contact Stefanie Harold at [Stefanie@lincolngoodwill.org](mailto:Stefanie@lincolngoodwill.org).
32. St. Teresa Thrift Shop: 36<sup>th</sup> & Randolph; Call Cyndi Vestecka at 489 – 4048 or 499 – 7443
33. Cedars Youth Services – Teen Court call Michelle at 437 – 8829; Early Childhood Center Call Shana 437 – 8845.
34. Friendship Home – Call Julie R at 437 – 9367; Application and interview needed to be accepted as a volunteer = call 1 month in advance of when you want to begin service
35. Indian Center – Call 438 – 5231
36. Clyde Malone Community Center – 2032 U Street – Call Nate Woods at 474 – 1110
37. City Impact – serving people of Lincoln's Urban Neighborhoods, Call Andrea at 477 – 8080.
38. Arthritis Center – 2121 S. 56<sup>th</sup>; Call at 489 – 6171
39. American Cancer Society – Call Tiffany or Pam at 423 – 4888
40. Alzheimer's Association – Call Fran Reinert at 420 – 2540 (call in August to help with Memory Walk or in May to help with Golf Event)
41. Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation – 1540 S. 70<sup>th</sup> St. Suite 104 – Call Sherry Berens at 484 – 8300
42. Other Voluntary, Non-Profit Health Organizations like #37, 38, 39, 40.
43. Center for People in Need – 2025 Holdrege – Call 476 – 4357 and ask for Megan
44. Sertoma Club – Call Dan Navratil at 436 – 1170
45. YWCA: 1432 N Street – Take a Break – call Shelley Swartz at 434 – 3494 ext. 139; Job Outfitters Program – call Ginny Gross at 434 – 3494 ext. 104
46. Special Olympics – on-line application at [www.sone.org](http://www.sone.org) and click on "volunteer"
47. Ten Thousand Villages – 140 N. 8<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 125; call Cindy at 475 – 4122; open Mon – Sat 10am – 9pm
48. Boys and Girls Club of America – call Mary Furnas at 420 – 0105
49. The Arc – 5609 S. 49<sup>th</sup> Street Suite 5 or thrift store at 26<sup>th</sup> & O – call Maggie Kileen at 421 – 8866
50. Wyuka Cemetery – 3600 O Street – call Lori at 474 – 3600 (call soon to help with Memorial Day work)
51. KVSS Spirit Catholic Radio – 1313 Eldon Drive – call John Soukup at 489 – 1005
52. Partners in Recovery – 2501 South Street – call Paige Namuth at 434 – 3968 or email her at [partnersinrecovery@yahoo.com](mailto:partnersinrecovery@yahoo.com)
53. Any Catholic Church in the diocese of Lincoln, including the Marian Sisters, Christ the King Sisters, Mary Queen of Mercy Sisters, Good Counsel Retreat House
54. Any Catholic Grade School in the diocese of Lincoln

### **REGULAR HOURS\***

Service performed for a 501(c) (3) registered **non-profit charitable organization** that regularly accepts volunteers. These hours do not have to be linked so closely to the corporal or spiritual works of mercy. Some examples include: teachers or coaches at Pius, tutoring, coaching at the YMCA, BOLT, the Pius Phone-a-thon, Guardian Angels Day Care, the Lincoln Arts Council, the Humane Society, 4-H (including Lancaster County Teen Council), State or County Fair, LCAD, Bright Lights, Lincoln City Libraries, Asian Cultural Center, City Parks & Rec Dept., Lincoln Public Schools, etc.

\*In **rare** cases, exceptions may be granted to allow students to perform agency hours at an unlisted agency or regular hours at an otherwise invalid location. However, **PRIOR APPROVAL** is necessary for these exceptions. If the student does not obtain prior approval, (s)he runs the risk of those hours being invalid and not counting toward the 36 total hours.

Note: Agencies regularly request that Pius students help them with various volunteer opportunities throughout the year. When such requests are made online, they will be announced to the Social Justice students as well as posted on the bulletin board across from Room 207. Students are responsible for contacting the listed contact person.

### **INVALID HOURS\* – DOES NOT COUNT FOR HOURS AT ALL!**

Service done for individuals, friends, neighbors, relatives, businesses, campaigns, or companies; work done for other obligations (NHS, Boy Scouts, Student Council, job); or work for which you are paid. These are important forms of service and work but **DO NOT** meet the program requirements! This includes working for insurance companies, banks, clinics, real estate offices, state organizations or the government (Department of Motor Vehicles, Health and Human Services, the Health Dept., etc.), dance studios, performing in shows, the military, Lincoln Police Department, Lincoln Fire Department, **assisted living facilities, nursing homes**, as well as worthy groups who are NOT non-profit (for example Holy Family Medical Specialties). In addition, all service projects must be *for the organization*, **not a personal project for an individual** who happens to work at a valid organization. Due to their strong religious differences from the Catholic Church, hours may not be performed for the Salvation Army. Due to the tax exempt status of Pius X High School, hours may not be performed for political campaigns or elections.

### **Recording Hours for Credit**

All service hours (both Agency and Regular) must be accurately recorded and signed by the charity's representative on the proper form. Use pink forms for Agency hours and green forms for Regular hours. Blank forms are available in the Main Office and near the Foundation Office. **Bring the correct form with you to the charity** when you go (that way you do not have to go back again later), and have them fill it out completely to ensure you receive credit. You may either drop your forms in the service hour box outside of the main office or mail them to the address below. **Any hours performed over the summer MUST be turned in by September 14, 2009.** Summer hours turned in after the deadline will only be

worth half-credit. Your service hours will be recorded and posted on a bulletin board across from room 207. Updates will also be available periodically on the Pius X website.

### **Deadlines for completion of hours**

Each semester is marked by four deadlines: progress reports, the end of the quarter, progress reports, and the end of the semester. Each student must complete a minimum of 25% of his/her hours (that is, 9 hours) by each of the four deadlines. Students not making the deadlines will be given an 'F' in Social Justice at that time, regardless of their academic grade. Having an "F" at any of these marking periods could contribute to ineligibility for sports and activities and placement on blue slip as any other "F" does. The deadlines for each semester are as follows:

#### **Fall Semester**

September 18<sup>th</sup> – Progress Reports – 9 hours completed  
October 16<sup>th</sup> – 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter ends – 18 hours completed  
November 13<sup>th</sup> – Progress Reports – 27 hours completed  
December 16<sup>th</sup> – End of 1<sup>st</sup> Semester – 36 hours completed

#### **Spring Semester**

February 5<sup>th</sup> – Progress Reports – 9 hours completed  
March 11<sup>th</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter ends – 18 hours completed  
April 9<sup>th</sup> – Progress Reports – 27 hours completed  
May 20<sup>th</sup> – End of 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester – 36 hours completed

Please note: no student may pass the Social Justice course, regardless of his/her academic grade, without completion of all 36 service hours.

### **Failure to Complete Service Hours**

**Fall Semester:** Students taking the Social Justice course during the **Fall** semester must have all of their service hours completed and turned in by **Wednesday, December 16<sup>th</sup>, 2009, at 11:30am**. Failure to fulfill this requirement of 36 service hours will result in the student receiving an F in Social Justice, needing to retake the class in the spring semester, and finishing all 36 hours. For example, if a student has completed 30 hours by December 16<sup>th</sup>, (s)he will retake the class and finish the remaining six service hours. No student will go through the graduation ceremony or receive a diploma until all service hours have been completed.

**Spring Semester:** Students taking the Social Justice course during the **Spring** semester must have all of their service hours completed and turned in by **Thursday, May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2010, at 11:30am**. Failure to fulfill this requirement of 36 service hours will result in the student receiving an F in Social Justice and not being able to go through the graduation ceremony. Students who turn in their remaining hours late (AFTER the deadline) will be allowed to have their grade changed to a passing grade and be able to receive a diploma from Pius X High School, **but will NOT be allowed to go through the graduation ceremony**. No student will receive a diploma until all service hours have been completed.

### **Plan ahead!**

Service hours are connected with your Social Justice class and therefore must be completed before or by the end of the semester when you take Social Justice. You may begin performing your senior service hours on May 29, 2009. If you are involved with sports, a job, or other activities during the semester in which you are taking Social Justice, or if you will have difficulty getting them done during the school year for any other reason, **please complete your service hours over the summer. This is one of the greatest gifts you could give to yourself as a senior!** It is difficult to foresee what challenges may arise for you during your senior year, so please take advantage of the summer and do your hours then. Know that if you choose to save your agency hours for the last 6 weeks of your senior year, you run the risk of having a very difficult time of finding an acceptable agency not already flooded with volunteers. In other words, many Pius students and LPS students wait until the last minute to complete their service hours, and agencies sometimes get "too full" to accept any more volunteers!

**Questions:** Contact Mrs. Morin at 488 – 0931 ext. 10136 or [lori.morin@piusx.net](mailto:lori.morin@piusx.net)  
Contact Mrs. Frayser at 488 – 0931 ext. 10117 or [jan.frayser@piusx.net](mailto:jan.frayser@piusx.net)

**\*\*Please know that Mrs. Morin and Mrs. Frayser are the only two people guaranteed to answer correctly any questions you may have regarding the senior service program. If you get a question answered by anyone else, you run the risk of receiving an invalid answer that will not be accepted!\*\***

Pius Summer hours: Monday – Friday 8:30 – 3:30 (to get & drop off service hour forms)  
Mail completed forms to:  
Pius X High School  
Attention: Senior Service Dept.  
6000 A Street  
Lincoln, NE 68510

**Please represent Pius X well in all of your efforts!**

***PIUS X HIGH SCHOOL***

***SENIOR SERVICE POLICY***

***2009 – 2010***