Service-Learning at Saint Joseph's University

Placement Information

In-Home Detention Services

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Transportation: Approximate travel time by car 15-20 minutes.

Description of Agency/Activities: For more than 15 years, NorthEast Treatment Centers has been setting the standard for In-Home Detention programs, delivering services to youth based upon the Resiliency Model of Childcare. In this holistic approach, they attempt to deter their clients from committing further crime and building their personal resiliency factors by expanding their knowledge base, introducing them to new experiences, and helping them to establish more productive and sustainable hobbies and passions.

While mandated to participate in our program, each client will receive intensive supervision from one of our highly trained Youth Workers, complete daily curfew calls, and engage in numerous community-based activities, including educations workshops, mentoring sessions, life skills development exercises, and cultural outings.

NET's In-Home Detention program has served close to 10,000 youth, with a positive discharge rate of 94 percent. Six months post discharge, 75 percent of former clients have remained uninvolved in the Juvenile Justice system.

Student Role in Agency:
St. Joseph’s University Service-Learning students will accompany youth who are participating in the In-Home Detention program in a variety of ways, including mentoring and tutoring. Furthermore, they accompany youth in their various programs and structured activities.

Orientation & Requirements: SJU and In-Home Detention Services policies require 4 clearances to volunteer at this placement: Criminal Background, Child Abuse History, FBI Fingerprinting and Minors on Campus Training Video. More information on how to complete these clearances is available at www.sju.edu/servicelearningstudents and at Placement Awareness Training.