Lutheran Settlement House – Adult Education Program

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Transportation: Approximate Travel Time By Car: 30 minutes, Parking lot available

Service Days/Times: Monday-Thursday 3-6pm
Placements Available: 2 students per day per time slot

Description of Agency/Activities:
Lutheran Settlement House exists to provide professional, social and educational services that support individuals and families in achieving their goals of self-sufficiency; to assist communities in improving their quality of life; to advocate for social justice, community and individual empowerment and to serve as a visible and active expression of the Church’s caring mission in the community. Programs include social activities and resource support for the elderly, adult education classes, ESL courses, and advocacy for its community members.

Student Role in Agency:
Students volunteering at Lutheran Settlement House will be working individually and in small groups with adults in the low-level literacy class. They will perform one on one tutoring with an adult and track their progress and learning throughout the semester. They will get to know the individual they work with and share about themselves and listen to the personal stories and obstacles to education for the adults and what impact on their life those obstacles have had.

Unique Features of Agency:
Lutheran Settlement House began in 1902 and seeks "to empower individuals, families, and communities to achieve and maintain self-sufficiency through an integrated program of social, educational, and advocacy services.” The teachers at Lutheran Settlement House incorporate into their class and tutoring time for the volunteers and students to interact and get to know one another, to build a relationship that helps them to work together.

Orientation: An orientation will be provided the first day of service.

Clearance Requirements: SJU and Lutheran Settlement Home 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.