## Sacred Heart Home

**Address:** 1315 W. Hunting Park Ave  
Philadelphia, PA 19140

**Phone:** (215) 329-3222

**Supervisor:** Ann McKnight- mckn3102@aol.com

**Transportation:** Approximate travel time by car: 30 minutes

**Service Days/Times:** Tuesdays, Thursdays: 10:00am-1:00pm

**Placements Available:** 3 students per day

**Description of Agency/Activities:** Sacred Heart Home is a care home for incurable cancer patients, established by the Sisters of St. Dominic. It is a home for those who need care due to the progression of their disease and whose situation is such that they or their families are no longer able to provide or pay for that care.

**Student Role in Agency:**
- Students will be visiting with patients who do not necessarily have family or friends to visit or keep them company.
- Students will be involved in the morning activities group where residents play bingo, paint, do arts and crafts and celebrate birthdays.
- Students can spend the remainder of their time at Sacred Heart reading the newspaper to patients, playing cards, bringing residents lunch, and taking patients on walks.
- Students are needed to listen and support the men and women who are suffering with cancer.

**Unique Features of agency:** It is the hope of the staff at Sacred Heart Home that the patients feel cared for in an atmosphere of peace and warmth, where love, understanding and compassion prevail. Sacred Heart Home is flexible and students are welcome to develop activities with residents.

**Orientation & Requirements:** An orientation will be provided the first day of service.  
*Parking lot is behind the building (alley way). Must press button and say you are from Saint Joseph’s University and Ann will let you through. Take door from parking lot and take the elevator to the second floor which is where Ann will greet you.*  
A Tuberculosis test within the year is required to begin volunteering with this community partner. You may choose any participating health physician’s office or the SJU Student
Health Center, located on the first floor of Sourin Hall and follow their directions. If you select the SJU Health Center, there will be a $10 fee to administer the injection. Any student who finds the $10 fee an economic hardship should contact Ella Guimond at x1334.