

Applicant Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## **NOTRE DAME-AMERICORPS ESSAY**

Please write an essay (1-3 pages). In the essay, please:

- describe the impact of an important event and/or relationship on your development and how this has impacted your desire to serve with Notre Dame Mission Volunteers-AmeriCorps
- discuss your decision to serve as a volunteer and your reasons for choosing *this* particular program, Notre Dame Mission Volunteers-AmeriCorps
- list your first three choices of service sites and/or cities where you would like to serve and your reasons for choosing these places.

(There is no right or wrong way to do this; just be thoughtful and honest ☺)

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**NOTRE DAME MISSION VOLUNTEERS SELF-REFERENCE FORM**

This self-reference form will help us know you better as we consider your application and placement with the NDMVA program. Please return this form with your completed application.

- 1. Describe your personality.**
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- 2. Evaluate your ability to live and work with others. What qualities help or hinder you?**
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- 3. Describe your strengths and weaknesses.**
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- 4. What would you see as possible areas of difficulty for you as a Notre Dame Mission Volunteer? (Where you would need support/development)**
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- 5. What characterizes your ability to get things done?**
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- 6. How do you respond to problems? Illustrate using a specific example.**
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- 7. For what type of work are you best suited? Be specific. Where would you like to serve?**

**8. Please check the box which best describes you in the following areas:**

<b>Personal Qualities</b>	<b>Excellent</b>	<b>Good</b>	<b>Average</b>	<b>Below Average</b>	<b>Unable to Judge</b>
Maturity					
Motivation					
Patience					
Sense of humor					
Creativity and imagination					
Comments/Examples					

<b>Work Qualities</b>	<b>Excellent</b>	<b>Good</b>	<b>Average</b>	<b>Below Average</b>	<b>Unable to Judge</b>
Adaptability to new & unstructured situations					
Decision-making ability					
Competence in performing assigned work tasks					
Effective use of time					
Punctuality & Professionalism					
Ability to work under pressure					
Teamwork ability					
Tact in dealing with others					
Dependability					
Comments/Examples					

<b>Interpersonal Qualities</b>	<b>Excellent</b>	<b>Good</b>	<b>Average</b>	<b>Below Average</b>	<b>Unable to Judge</b>
Ability to live with others, share & give support					
Ability to express feelings					
Ability to seek help when in need					
Openness to the poor, different cultures, classes, religions					
Openness to direction in work					
Comments/Examples					

**Additional Information**

**9. Are you interested in becoming a mentor for a child with an incarcerated parent?**

- no
- yes, please give me more information

**10. Where did you hear about our program?**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name and Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date