

Our Philosophy of Service

JVC Northwest recruits, places, and supports individuals interested in engaging with a *service that does justice*. Led by the communities and individuals with whom they serve, volunteers utilize and build on their skills to address pressing social and ecological needs across Northwest locales. The JVC Northwest volunteer experience is grounded in the *Ignatian* tradition of *praxis;* while volunteers serve alongside and accompany communities, they also rigorously reflect on and analyze social structures and cultures that contribute to inequity in order to co-create a more just and equitable world. Intentional community, spiritual nourishment, and authentic relationships enrich the JVC Northwest volunteer experience. Our volunteers transform into lifelong agents of change within their spheres of influence where they continue to work for a just and equitable future.