

CSM: Share the Experience!

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You've registered your group and are ready to head on into the inner-city – now it's time to get your church excited about your upcoming trip!

- Fill out the form at the bottom of this page and pass it on to the individual responsible for your church's bulletins. It can easily be used as your primary announcement. The more your congregation knows, the better prepared they will be to act as the sending component of your mission trip. Help them get involved by teaching about the city you're serving in, sharing specific prayer requests for your trip and even informing them as to how they can help financially if you will be fundraising.
- Show the CSM promotional DVD at your different worship services. If you did not request one already, please call 949-248-8200 to have our Home Office send you a copy. Let your congregation know what you'll be doing in the urban center you're headed to. Share about the different ministries CSM works with (can be found at <http://www.csm.org/cities.php>) and in what ways your group is excited to serve.
- Utilize the free promotional material on CSM's website (<http://www.csm.org/csmpromo.php>). You'll find awesome posters and logos!
- Use CSM's handy News Advisory Template to inform your local news stations about your upcoming trip. It can be found in the Group Leader's section of the website (<http://www.csm.org/leader/leaderindex.php>)!
- After returning from your trip, schedule a time during an upcoming worship service (or an entire sharing night!) specifically for the team to share about their trip. This would be a great opportunity to present a slideshow or video that helps the congregation learn about the experience your team had. Incorporate testimonies, a new song you learned or perform a drama you used in the city.
- For all you social networkers out there - create a Facebook Event (if your youth are on www.facebook.com already). You can even become a fan of CSM! Our page is entitled "Center for Student Missions (CSM)".
- Please email any reflections, videos or pictures to alumni@csm.org – we'd love to hear how God used your group in the city!

Hello! Please include the following in our church's next bulletin:

We're headed to _____! A group from our church will depart
(City site)
_____ for a short-term mission trip with the Center for Student Missions.
(Departure date)
We will be serving in the urban center until _____. To learn more about our
(Return date)
trip please talk to _____ or log onto CSM's website
(Group leader)
(www.csm.org). We are excited to share our experience with you!