



**St. Augustine Catholic Church Youth Ministry
Mission Trip to Haiti with the American Haitian Foundation: June 10-18, 2017**

Trip Proposal

Cost: \$1400 (estimate)

Included:

Round-trip flight from Atlanta to Port Au Prince
Travel and liability insurance
1 Checked bag with donations
Transportation in Haiti
7 nights lodging at Manolo Inn Petite River Hotel (double/triple room)
All meals
Offsite excursions
Security guards & escorts
All taxes, tips, & miscellaneous expenses

Payment Schedule:

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| November 6, 2016 | \$200 – deposit |
| December 6, 2016 | \$250 |
| January 8, 2017 | \$250 |
| February 8, 2017 | \$250 |
| March 8, 2017 | \$250 |
| <u>April 8, 2017</u> | <u>\$200 (or balance)</u> |

Total **\$1400*****

***In order to keep this trip as inexpensive as possible, we will be fundraising. All participants are required to participate in fundraising efforts, regardless of ability to pay, by working the events and helping to prepare for them.

We hope to raise enough so that the cost will be \$900 per person. This number of course will vary depending on the amount of help contributed by participants and the amount of money we make at the events. Students can also fundraise individually by sending out sponsor letters to their families, teachers at school, friends, etc.

Please be aware that the vaccinations and passports are an additional, individual cost and have a *specific deadline that must be made*. This information is in the Haiti Vaccinations and Passports Letter.



Vaccines and Passport Information

VACCINATIONS: It is strongly recommended that you work with your primary care physician to see what they can offer. You may want to schedule a yearly physical or well visit to discuss how best to prepare for your trip. Here is the CDC link regarding travel to Haiti:

wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/destinations/traveler/none/haiti

1. Hepatitis A: If people are caught up on their vaccinations they probably already have this. If not, 2 boosters are required that must be 6 months apart. ***That means you must have your first booster in October or November.*** The Health Department cost is \$99.00.

2. Typhoid: This vaccine is available in an injection for \$88 or in pill form for \$77 from the Health Department. Your insurance might cover it. Must make an appointment at the Health Department:

Hamilton County Health Department

921 E 3rd St, Chattanooga, TN 37403

(423) 209-8340

Monday, Wednesday, & Thursday 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Tuesday 8 a.m. – 6 p.m., and Friday 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

3. Malaria: This is a written prescription which needs to be obtained by contacting your primary care physician or walk-in clinic that will write a prescription. The Health Department will not do this. These are pills that are taken prior, during and after the trip. CVS quoted the most commonly prescribed drug as running about \$136 for a 2-week supply, but they have a discount card, and again most insurances will cover the cost with just paying co-pay.

PASSPORTS: Passports for Haiti need to be valid 6 months prior to travel and 6 months post. Average time after application is 4-6 weeks. ***If you do not have a valid passport or your passport will expire less than 6 months after our trip, you need to apply by November 15.***

1. Passport information: travel.state.gov/content/passports/en/passports/information/fees.html
You can find fee information in the center, gray box.

2. More info on travel to Haiti: travel.state.gov/content/passports/en/country/haiti.html

Passport photos can be obtained at CVS for \$12 or at the post office. Passport applications can be picked up at the post office, but please call (423)517-9328 to make appointment before coming in (preferably on a Saturday):

www.passportlocations.net/Tennessee/SignalMountain/SignalMountainPostOffice.html.

NOTE: Both parents must be present for children under 15. Children 16/over can have 1 parent plus legal ID (i.e. driver's license). They will also need certified copy of birth certificate and old passports to send off with application; these are returned to you.



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Itinerary Overview

Saturday, June 10

3:30 am Meet/Depart from St. Augustine Church
8:20 am Depart from Atlanta Hartsfield Jackson Airport
10:20 am Layover in Miami
1:45 pm Arrive Port Au Prince Mais Gate Airport
6:00 pm Arrive/Check in Manolo Inn Petite River Hotel

Sunday, June 11

Morning Mass
Afternoon Excursion to St. Eve's Mountain

Monday, June 12

Morning Workday at School
Afternoon Beach or Excursion with Haitian Students

Tuesday, June 13

All Day Celebration of the Feast of Saint Anthony

Wednesday, June 14

Morning Workday at School
Afternoon Beach or Excursion with Haitian Students

Thursday, June 15

Morning Workday at School
Afternoon Beach or Excursion with Haitian Students

Friday, June 16

Morning Workday at School
Afternoon Beach or Excursion with Haitian Students

Saturday, June 17

Morning Finish Work Projects at School
Afternoon Going Away Celebration with Haitian Families, Mass

Sunday, June 18

9:00 am Check out/Depart Manolo Inn Petite River Hotel
2:30 pm Depart from Port Au Prince Mais Gate Airport
6:00 pm Layover in Miami
9:45 pm Arrive Atlanta Hartsfield Jackson Airport
12:30 am (June 19) Estimated arrival at St. Augustine Church



Requirements & Important Deadlines

Participant Requirements:

Youth must be registered members of our parish and must...

- Be in high school currently
- Be in good general health
- Actively participate in Youth Nights (not missing more than 5)
- Attend necessary meetings
- Participate in fundraising, as decided by fundraising committee

Dates & Deadlines:

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| November 6 | <i>Deposit & commitment letter due to St. Augustine, \$200</i> |
| November 15 | Passport application deadline (the average time for issuing a passport after application is 4-6 weeks, but we're taking the holidays into account) |
| December 1 | Hepatitis A booster #1 deadline |
| December 6 | Payment due to St. Augustine, \$250 |
| January 8 | Payment due to St. Augustine, \$250 Give Catherine a copy of passport |
| January 9 | Last day for valid passport date of issue |
| February 8 | Payment due to St. Augustine, \$250 |
| March 1 | Last day to pull out of the trip & receive money back |
| March 8 | Payment due to St. Augustine, \$250 |
| April 8 | Payment due to St. Augustine, \$200 (or balance) |
| May 1 | Last day to pull out of the trip |
| June 1 | Hepatitis A booster #2 deadline |
| June 10 | Depart for Haiti |
| June 18 | Return from Haiti |

Checks should be made out to "St. Augustine Youth Ministry." Please write "Haiti trip" in the memo line.



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Commitment Letter

This is a commitment form for the mission trip to Haiti scheduled for June 10-18, 2017. **Your signature on this form confirms your intent to participate in this trip and that you are capable of paying the amount below.** Due to limited spots available on this trip, Catherine will interview each candidate if the sign ups exceed 15 people and determine from there who will be chosen to go.

Because the trip will be out of the country, the cost estimate of \$1400 is quite expensive. We are planning to fundraise, with a goal of providing 1/3 of the cost. Because this trip is a group effort, all participants will be required to help with fundraising. Chaperones will also pay the costs below and participate in fundraising efforts. Participants are also encouraged to fundraise individually using GoFundMe or sponsor letters.

Cost of the trip: \$1400 (estimate)

Deposit: \$200 - to secure spot on trip. Due by the November 6 trip meeting. Please make checks out to "St. Augustine Youth Ministry," and write "Haiti trip deposit" in the memo line.

Please fill out the following and return to Catherine no later than November 6.

Child's Name: _____ Grade: _____

Phone Number: _____

Parent's Email: _____

My child has permission to go on this trip and I understand the financial responsibilities.

Parent Signature: _____

I, _____, the parent, am interested in chaperoning the mission trip. I understand I must be VIRTUS certified, receive a background check, and fill out additional diocesan paperwork. _____ Yes _____ No

Any questions and concerns can be emailed to cwiedeman@staugustinecatholic.org.