



Broad Street Ministry

315 S. Broad Street | Philadelphia, PA 19107 | 215-735-4847 ext. 108

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT Immersion Day Information Packet

The Community Engagement Initiative believes that by engaging our neighbors socially, academically, and faithfully, we can spread the practice of radical hospitality beyond our doors. Join us, and together we can creatively and intentionally challenge systems of injustice and oppression facing our most vulnerable neighbors.

Immersion Days at Broad Street Ministry (BSM) welcome groups of all ages and types to engage in relational service with BSM's Hospitality Collaborative, surrounded by informative and provocative discussions and activities. You will be involved in a community that fosters creativity and lifelong learning with the flexibility to pursue the intersectionality of justice issues through a lens of faith.

Day Immersion Packages

Base Package

For groups of 10-19 people: \$45 per person base fee
For groups of 20-40 people: \$50 per person base fee

Service Experience: Serve a Breaking Bread meal or in another Hospitality Collaborative area

Learning Experience: Choose one of the following:

- 1 hr Theological Reflection
- 1 hr Workshop or Interactive Experience
- Worship Service

Optional Add-Ons: (choose up to 2)

- 1 hr Theological Reflection (+ \$5/person)
- 1 hr Workshop or Interactive Experience (+ \$5/person)
- 1 hr Center City Mural Tour (+ \$5/person)
- Worship Service

Read on for more information about these offerings!

Scheduling an Immersion Day

Schedule your Immersion Day for any available weekday, September through April. Prior to registering, contact the Community Engagement team to discuss potential dates at communityengagement@broadstreetministry.org

If you are interested in serving a Breaking Bread meal, you will need to schedule your Immersion Day at least four months in advance.

**Note: if you are interested in an Immersion Day on a Saturday – let us know! While we are not always able to do so, we may be able to accommodate these special requests.*

Imagine What You Can Learn & Do in a Day

Service Experience:

BSM's Hospitality Collaborative provides a myriad of social services while cultivating a sense of safe and inclusive community among guests, volunteers, and staff. Our services include the Breaking Bread meal, 315 Threadz (clothing), Personal Care, mail service, and therapeutic arts. You will be serving our guests in a dignified manner and helping to ensure that there is always a place at the table for each of our guests. In order to ensure volunteer registration, you must register for your Immersion Day at least four months in advance.

Learning Experiences:

Theological Reflection A theological reflection will frame a discussion and activity around scripture, seeking to identify specific ways in which Christians are called to be active disciples in the world, to extend radical hospitality, and to work towards justice in the world.

Mural Tour of Center City Philadelphia A walking tour of Center City intentionally calls groups to truly be in the city by using our senses and observation skills. On our walk, we'll notice our neighbors who seek shelter in the underground SEPTA concourse; we'll observe how the wage gap in Center City presents itself through resources, storefronts, and food access; we'll meet our neighbors who often go unnoticed as we pass by them on the street. The conversation on the walk will include causes and the traumatizing effects of homelessness and poverty.

Worship Service We'll give your group time to spiritually reflect and process experiences at BSM. The service includes music, scripture, and a time to move through creative, interactive prayer stations. It is a time to listen for God's call in our lives, to be comforted and challenged by prayer, and to be emboldened to keep working for justice upon return home.

Workshop or Interactive Experience Let us know which focus area you prefer (poverty, racism, mass incarceration) and we will offer an hour's workshop that includes both content and information, and interactive experiences to help your group better understand these issues.

For more information and with questions, contact:

communityengagement@broadstreetministry.org

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Frequently Asked Questions

Where can we park? BSM does not have its own parking, but within just a few blocks, we do have metered street parking and multiple parking garages. Your total cost does not include parking fees. Note: many garages will not accept oversized SUVs or passenger vans. If you'd like us to give you addresses of garages or parking lots, we can certainly do that!

What should we do about meals? We can schedule a time during your Day Immersion for your group to eat together, regardless of which base option you choose. Meals will be available at an additional charge.

The only food that BSM can provide is that which is being served for the Breaking Bread meal. We cannot tell you in advance what the meal will be. If you have members of your group with

dietary restrictions, please have them bring pre-packed meals to eat following the Breaking Bread meal.

If you choose to serve a Breaking Bread meal, please plan to pre-pack and bring your meal or plan to visit a nearby restaurant (we can suggest something!) during the time we schedule for you to eat.

Who can attend, and how many people can we bring? Anyone can attend! Immersion Days present an exciting opportunity in that anyone at all can come and find meaning. You can bring your Christian youth group, your adult coworkers or employees, your church mission committee, just a group of your friends, or an intergenerational group! Anyone over the age of 11 is welcome, and groups can be either secular or faith-based.

Our minimum group size is 10 people total. If a group is larger than 20 people, there will be an added fee of \$5 per person. We cannot accept groups larger than 40.

What should we bring and what should we leave at home? Please bring an open mind and a spirit of hospitality. BSM takes great care to ensure that all are graciously welcomed into our space regardless of gender identity, sexual orientation, mental health issues, socioeconomic status, race, and criminal history. Feel free to leave at home any stigmas against individuals experiencing scarcity and poverty.

You are welcome to bring your phones and cameras, but we ask that you put them away during your time engaging with BSM's guests. The goal is to be present and in solidarity with our community, and we find that phones and cameras actually create physical barriers between ourselves and another person. In addition, please do not plan on taking any photos of BSM's guests.

If you plan on eating a meal apart from what is provided with the Breaking Bread meal, please prepack and bring your food or bring money to dine at a nearby restaurant. BSM can provide you with refrigerator space, but we cannot reheat any food.

Bring a water bottle! We have water readily available, and we'd love to not have to use paper cups.

Appropriate attire and footwear for walking, especially if you choose to serve a Breaking Bread meal and/or go on the Mural Tour of Center City.

We're In!

How to Register for an Immersion Day

Check Availability and Scheduling Contact communityengagement@broadstreetministry.org or call Community Engagement at 215-735-4847.

We'll build the schedule of your day around the Hospitality Collaborative meal schedule and work within your time frame.

Volunteer shifts fill up early and quickly, so if you'd like to volunteer at a meal, please contact us at least four months ahead of your ideal date.

Registering for Your Immersion Day You'll find a registration form on the final page of this packet, or we can send you a copy via email.

We *cannot* accept registration forms if you have not discussed and confirmed dates with the Community Engagement Department prior to sending in your form.

Your registration will be complete when we receive your completed form along with 1/3 of your package price.

Pricing and Payments

How to calculate your total cost:

For Groups of 10-20:

$(\$45 \text{ base fee} + \text{Add-On} + \text{Add-On}) \times \# \text{ participants} = \text{Total Balance}$

For Groups of 20-40: $(\$50 \text{ base fee} + \text{Add-On} + \text{Add-On}) \times \# \text{ participants} = \text{Total Balance}$

We'll break the total balance into **three equal installments**, due at the following times:

Installment #1: first 1/3 of total balance, due upon registration

Installment #2: second 1/3 of total balance, due one month prior to your arrival (after we receive the 2nd installment, the number of participants for whom you are paying cannot be decreased)

Installment #3: final 1/3 of total balance, due upon your arrival for your Immersion Day

Payments can be made via checks made payable to Broad Street Ministry with **CE Immersion Day** noted in the memo line and mailed to the following address:

Broad Street Ministry
ATTN: Community Engagement
315 S. Broad Street
Philadelphia, PA 19107

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COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT Immersion Day Registration Form

Group/Institution: _____

Address: _____

Contact Name: _____

Title: _____

Email: _____

Daytime Phone: _____

What date would you like for your Immersion Day? _____

Total # of Participants _____

How many youth (<18) will you bring? _____

How many adults (>18) will attend? _____

How many group leaders will you bring? * _____

*For every 5 youth attending, there must be at least one adult leader

Is your group faith-based or secular? _____

What are your hopes and goals for your group as they participate in Broad Street Ministry's Immersion Day?

Do any members of your group have any special needs, including dietary restrictions (gluten-free, vegetarian, etc.), medical needs, or disabilities? If so, please explain:

Building the Immersion Day

Base Package:

PART I: Service Experience (please check ONE)

- Serve a Breaking Bread meal or
- Serve in another Hospitality Collaborative area

PART II: Learning Experience (please choose ONE of the following:

- 1 hr Theological Reflection
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Payment Calculation

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Payment Installment Schedule

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2019 PARTICIPATION CONTRACT

Please **CHECK EACH OF THE FOLLOWING ITEMS BELOW** to indicate your understanding of the terms of the Broad Street Ministry Immersion Day. Please contact the Community Engagement Initiative at communityengagement@broadstreetministry.org with questions.

- I agree that no participant (adult or youth) will arrive late or depart early in order to maintain group cohesion.
- I acknowledge that **all payments are non-refundable and non-transferable**. I understand the number of participants for whom I am paying cannot be lowered after the second payment has been submitted.
- I acknowledge that I have read and understand the Community Engagemetn **Immersion Day Information Packet** in full. I will share all of the information with our youth and adult participants.
- I will submit our **Participant Roster** no later than two weeks prior to our arrival.

Signature

Date

Print Name

Title

Church / Organization