Mission Statement
Urban Servant Corps is a faith-based, intentional community of full-time volunteers who seek to live simply while serving and accompanying those most in need through non-profit partner agencies in the heart of Denver.

Vision Statement
Acting for peace with justice, advocating for and with the oppressed, and sharing our abundance as we respond to Christ’s call to love.
Dear Community Partners, Alumni and Friends of Urban Servant Corps,

We’ve reached that time of year when our 2014-2015 volunteers have moved on to other exciting opportunities and this years volunteers are settling into their new roles at partner non-profit organizations. Our staff and board have a moment to catch our breath and reflect on the last year. This past year has been a time of consideration for the work of the previous year and time to look toward the future. First and foremost we welcomed two new team members, Erin Power, as the new Community Life Coordinator and Ann Franek, a Master of Social Work student from the University of Denver.

2015 has been a great year! Urban Servant Corps was blessed with a significant financial gift from the Lutheran Church of the Resurrection as they moved through the process of Holy Closure. With this blessing we can continue the work that we are so dedicated to doing while also investing additional resources into our properties and our programs. Additionally, we were chosen as the fiscal agent for LIFE in Service, a collaboration of all ELCA affiliated full-time volunteer organizations. Through this partnership we can continue to increase our recruitment efforts and promote Urban Servant Corps throughout the ELCA.

As a 2007-2008 alumni of Urban Servant Corps, I truly know the impact of this organization. Not only was I able to serve a wonderful community non-profit, Denver Urban Ministries, I learned valuable professional skills that helped to kick-start a non-profit career. I was also blessed with numerous lifelong friendships. Most importantly, I learned what it meant to step outside my comfort zone, take a risk, and to truly serve others. My volunteer experience also led me to where I am today, employed in my community, giving back to organizations and able to be the chair of the Urban Servant Corps, a position I am truly honored to be in.

As we move forward we will be thinking creatively about new strategies and opportunities for growth. We are continually grateful for the support we receive through generous donors like you! By giving to USC you are not only investing in the lives of our volunteers, but also in all the lives they touch through service in our community. Thank you.

Sincerely,
Carolyne Schultz,
USC Board Chair


2014-2015 Income
Total Income
$247,342

2014-2015 Expenses
Total Expenses
$219,103

2014-2015 USC BOARD MEMBERS

Anell Ewing, Chair
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USC Volunteers served 40 hours per week at these Non-Profit Partner Agencies

**Lutheran Family Services**
Promoting refugee and asylee success through services that heal, strengthen, and provide hope.

**Warren Village**
Helps low-income single parent families achieve personal and economic self-sufficiency – and to sustain it.

**New Legacy Charter School**
A small school for pregnant and parenting teens and their children with specially tailored options

**The Gathering Place**
Offers a community of safety and hope where positive relationships, choices, and essential resources transform lives.

**St. Francis Center**
Provides a place of transformation for people who are homeless.

**Earthlinks**
Provides a work program for people who are homeless and low-income to learn skills and create Earth-friendly products that sustain people and the planet.

**ECDC's ACC**
Helping refugees rebuild safe, sustainable lives in Denver

**Women's Bean Project**
Changes women's lives by providing stepping stones for self-sufficiency through social enterprise.

**Urban Peak**
Helps homeless and at-risk youth overcome real life challenges by providing essential services and a safe community, empowering them to become self-sufficient adults.
Erin Power, Community Life Coordinator
Erin Power joined the Urban Servant Corps staff this August and has jumped in with both feet (literally, she jumped in to her office on Day 1 -- that'll give you a sense of her energy level)! Erin hails from Bismarck, ND. She graduated from Black Hills State University and continued with her formal education at Iliff School of Theology. Erin also led an NCCC AmeriCorps team for a year. Erin says, "As a Diaconal Minister, my call is connecting church and world, and equipping others to serve in the world." She knowledge and passion for building healthy communities and connecting faith to daily life. We couldn’t ask for a better match for this position! Welcome aboard, Erin!

Ann Franek, University of Denver: Social Work Intern
Ann Franek is serving as a first-year graduate student in the Social Work program at the University of Denver. Growing up in Cheyenne, Ann continued her education by earning two degrees in Trumpet Performance from the University of Northern Colorado. Continuing her passion for music she enlisted in the United States Navy and spent the last five years in Pearl Harbor, HI serving as a musician in the Pacific Fleet Band. Ann has a deep passion for social justice, which led her to pursue a career in social work and join explore service and community at Urban Servant Corps!

Urban Servant Corps Impact Statement
Since 1987, Urban Servant Corps' full time volunteers have contributed more than 751,200 hours of service for more than 45 non-profit partner agencies in central Denver. Urban Servant Corps prepares tomorrow’s leaders through professional development, faith formation, household management, and environment stewardship. Program volunteers contributed immediate and direct service to people experiencing homelessness or in need of basic human services. Additionally, volunteers advocate for and with others for lasting solutions and long-term social change during their transformational year-long experience. In 2014-2015, 15 volunteers from 8 states, 10 colleges and ranging in age from 22-50, spent a year in service and accompaniment with people of Denver.

Support Urban Servant Corps!
Colorado Gives Day (12.8.15): The annual statewide movement to celebrate and increase philanthropy in Colorado through online giving! You can set up a one-time or recurring donation at: www.coloradogives.org

Community Shares of Colorado: Work place giving — www.cshares.com

Amazon Smile: Donate 0.5% of the price of your eligible Amazon purchases to USC at: www.smile.amazon.com

Recurring Donation:
www.urbanservantcorps.org/support

Thrivent Choice Dollars: As a member, you can designate funds to USC at: www.thrivent.com

Your generosity is a blessing.
Every gift makes a difference.