

# Mission Group Lodging – Student Ministry Groups General Information

Mission Centers of Houston (MCH) has two lodging options available for student ministry groups. Requests for a particular location will be considered but the Executive Director of MCH will make the lodging assignment based on availability, possible scheduling conflicts, and other groups already scheduled.

## (1) Joy Mission Center - 7629 Avenue F, Houston 77012

- Full size gym that can comfortably sleep up to 40 people on the floor
- Rolling dividers to separate males and females at night
- 2 additional bunk rooms with 8 beds in each room (16 total)
- 4 women's and 4 men's showers
- Full kitchen with cooking utensils and refrigeration
- Tables and chairs for dining, etc. (must be put up after use)
- Use of sound equipment if used for worship and/or group times
- Due to ministry programs at the center Monday through Friday groups are required to remove all bedding materials and personal goods from the gym each morning (small storage room provided)
  Wifi connection available

## <u>(2) Gano Mission Center - 1815 Gano St, Houston, TX 77009</u>

- Full size gym that can sleep up to 40 people on the floor
- Rolling dividers to separate males and females at night
- Second floor room that can sleep an additional 10-15 people on the floor
- 2 women's, 2 men's showers and 1 outdoor unisex shower
- Full kitchen with cooking utensils and refrigeration
- Tables and chairs for dining, etc. (must be put up after use)
- Use of sound equipment if used for worship and/or group times
- Due to ministry programs at the center Monday through Friday groups are required to remove all bedding materials and personal goods from the gym each morning (small storage room provided)
- Wifi connection available

## <u>Group Eligibility:</u>

- Churches and organizations working with MCH or MCH partner organizations as approved by the MCH Executive Director
- Focus of groups efforts is for disaster relief, recovery and restoration, evangelistic missions or assisting MCH with its mission ministries
- Preference will be given to groups currently involved with MCH and those involved in long term disaster recovery work in Northeast Houston



#### Age Requirements:

- Minimum age for students is 14 (except for MCH Admin and Mission Building which is restricted to adults only as described above)
- Chaperone (age 21 or above) to student ratio must be 7:1 or less
- Exceptions may be made for family mission trips but the exception must be approved by the MCH Executive Director

#### Suggested (tax deductible) donation to MCH for use of facilities

- *\$25/person/day or max of 110/person/week*
- Additional \$100 per group for cleaning. This allows us to bless a community resident who is willing to come in and clean after a group leaves. Groups are expected to leave facilities clean but this will provide a more thorough cleaning to ensure the facility is ready for the next group's arrival.
- The above figures are suggested minimums. MCH would appreciate any donations over and above these amounts to help fund our mission work.
- An advance donation of approximately 10% of the total will hold the reservation. The remaining 90% is due upon or before arrival. Donations can be made by check or credit card.

\* Please note that MCH does not provide food, meals, beverages, bed linens, cots, air mattresses, bedrolls, towels or toiletries. All groups must bring these items with them or make arrangements to have them delivered ahead of their scheduled arrival time

\*\* Food preparation for groups may be available for an additional cost. If interested, please indicate so in your email request.

Groups must comply with the MCH Volunteer Group Lodging Policies (see attached)

To check for available dates or request group lodging at MCH please email your request to Jeff Chadwick, Executive Director of Mission Centers of Houston, at <u>jeff@missioncenters.org</u> or call (713) 227-0304, ext. 104.