

"PREACH THE GOSPEL ALWAYS,
IF NECESSARY USE WORDS."
ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI



FrancisCorps

FREDDY is the cutest kid you could ever imagine. He's got a sparkle in his eye that tells you immediately that he is a real live wire. Full of energy and enthusiasm he tears through the corridors of the clinic where he visits for some fun and recreation. You see Freddy's got an immune disease that means he spends most of the time in the local children's hospital. He's a little boy but confined to crib really meant for an infant. His mother faithfully keeps vigil by his side day and night, sitting on a wooden straight-back chair nestled in a two foot space between the crib and the window. Our volunteer Molly Boyle discovered this wonderful little boy and his mother during one of her visits to the hospital. It took a bit of coaxing but Molly was able to convince Freddy's mom to take some time to go home, eat, and get some rest. Once a week Freddy gets his reprieve from the hospital crib and now comes to the clinic where Molly volunteers. There he gets to play with other kids, run around like a maniac and is loved by all the wonderful volunteers and staff. Mom also gets to relax, talk to some other parents whose children are sick, and time to meet with doctors, nurses and social workers who help her care for her son.

Freddy's story (and PS: Freddy is not his real name) is the kind of thing that our volunteers do every day both in Costa Rica and in Syracuse, NY. They make a difference! They serve the poor, the neglected and unloved. It's often very demanding work but they do it graciously. They love the people they serve, men and women, young and old, unconditionally and generously in a manner which would make Clare and Francis of Assisi so proud.



Our volunteers are able to do what they do because of you. Your belief in the power of loving service, your belief in God and in power of the Spirit of Assisi and finally your belief in the goodness of young people. One of our FrancisCorps families put it quite well:

More than is justified, we find often in our society that young people have been labeled as having grown increasingly self centered and less concerned with the general betterment of all. Lyle and I have been blessed to be able to witness over the past eight years the dynamism and character of some wonderful young people. They have been a source of inspiration and faith in the future of not only our church but society as well. We are so proud and grateful of our affiliation with Francis Corps. It is our hope and prayer that others will join us in continuing to support this wonderful living family!

– Tom Driscoll and Lyle Burns

So let me take this opportunity to say Thank You for all that you do to make FrancisCorps possible. We are preparing to say good-bye to our FC13 volunteers and on August 19, 2012 at 9:00 am we will welcome and commission the volunteers of FC14. You are all welcome to join us at the Franciscan Church of the Assumption in Syracuse to witness and celebrate the power of love; that of our volunteers, your love for the poor and God's love for each one of us.

Peace,

FRIAR
RICK



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MOLLY BOYLE

Thank you benefactors for providing all volunteers the opportunity to grow in faith and wisdom. The benefits I reaped from working at Albergue San Gabriel and living in community with other volunteers are priceless. My FrancisCorps experience opened my eyes to a whole new world and ultimately inspired me to follow the model of St. Francis: Preach the Gospel, if necessary use words.

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OUR NEXT GOAL

We need to raise \$15,000 to support the FrancisCorps program in Costa Rica where the work sites of the volunteers are too poor to provide a stipend. The friars in Costa Rica provide housing, the volunteers pay for their transportation and medical insurance and it's up to Friar Rick to raise \$5,500 for food for one year (11 months), \$5,500 for stipends for the 5 volunteers, \$1000 for transportation for the year and \$3,000 for utilities and maintenance for the year.



YOU'LL NEED SUNGLASSES!

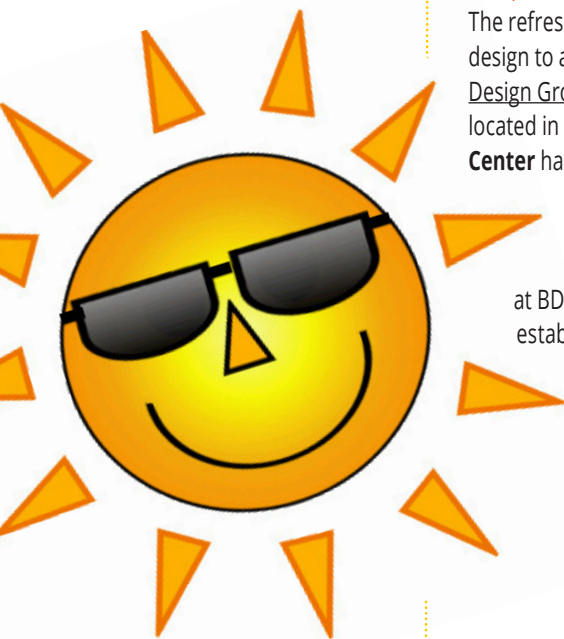
Bold, Energetic, Colorful and Fun.

The refresh of the FrancisCorps website takes web design to a whole new level thanks to Breakthrough Design Group in Syracuse, NY. This young company located in Syracuse University's **South Side Innovation Center** has helped us create a site that works for young adults, makes it easy to apply to FrancisCorps and invites donors to support our cause. Tison Kelley, the Principal Owner at BDG said it well: "The goal of this project is to establish an informative, attractive, and fun web presence."

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THE FC FAMILY

Jennifer Stewart (FC3) married to husband Jesse in Colorado this Fall. **Ed Smith (FC9 & 10)** married Amanda McNally this May. **Matt Bizzarro (FC2)** to marry Jennifer Lennon (July). **Laurie McCommas (FC9)** to marry Aaron King (July). **Becca LaPlante (FC9 CR)** to marry Christopher Burke (July). **Huy Huynh (FC6)** announced his engagement to his girlfriend Lizzy. **AJ LaPoint (FC10)** announced his engagement to his girlfriend Rebecca. **John Bradley (FC3)** and wife Rebecca gave birth to son Paul. **Joanna Keltos Tompkins (FC3)** and husband Trevor gave birth to daughter Clare. **Mark Murphy (FC3)** and wife Christi gave birth to son Donovan Patrick. **Kate Hogan Jamison (FC3)** and husband Jeff gave birth to son John. **Nathan Drahms (FC12)** and wife Angela gave birth to daughter Daniella. **Kristin Zipple (FC4)** and her husband RJ gave birth to daughter Clara. **Sarah Thompson (FC2)** and her husband Christopher gave birth to their first daughter Sophie. **Monica O'Brien Thielman (FC3)** and her husband are expecting baby #3 this Summer. **Michelle Bernier Brown (FC5)** and her husband Chris are expecting their first baby in November. **Nicole Bonk Wahleithner (FC6)** and her Jason are expecting their first baby in December. **Ed Smith (FC9 & 10)** graduated from Law School this month. **Anna Hickner (FC8)** got her PhD in psych this month in DC. **AJ LaPoint (FC10)** got an MA from Boston College. **Andréa Cook (FC7)** is a volunteer in India this Summer. **Anthony Mangan (FC11)** got his MA from RIT and will be pursuing his Ph.D in Denver. **Erin Petrovic (FC9)** just got her nursing degree. **Jeannie Rowland (FC12)** got her MA from Penn State and is doing work in Nicaragua. **Lea Rosemurgy (FC6)** is now a Nurse Practitioner. **Jordan Differding (FC12)** will be completing prerequisites for graduate speech pathology while working part-time at FrancisCorps. **Jim Moore (FC1-12)** is starting as Associate Campus minister at CUA this summer.



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