

# Ottawa Innerscity Ministries

## Volunteer Application Kit

Thank you so much for your interest in walking alongside Ottawa Innerscity Ministries as we strive to serve and reach out to Ottawa's poor and homeless. Ottawa Innerscity Ministries has been faithfully serving the poor for over 20 years. We have been able to do this in large part because of our dedicated and compassionate volunteers, who continually give of themselves. There are many exciting opportunities to serve in either front line ministry or behind the scenes. We value the impact of volunteers and we are blessed that you are considering this most important ministry.

### **O.I.M Vision Statement**

Ottawa Innerscity Ministries seeks to come along side the poor to demonstrate care and compassion, to build trust, to impart hope, to enable and empower individuals towards positive choices and radical life changes.

**OIM = H.O.P.E**

Helping  
Ottawa's  
Poor  
Everyday

**With hope, change is possible.**

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Micah 6: 8

## Volunteer Application

**Full Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Email** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone: Home** \_\_\_\_\_ **Business** \_\_\_\_\_

**Occupation** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of Your Church** \_\_\_\_\_

**Emergency Contact Name & Number** \_\_\_\_\_

**When did God become more than just a word to you?**

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## Reference

Please give the name and phone number of your Pastor/Minister so that we may contact him/her.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Number \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE:** Each applicant will be interviewed, will be required to complete the Urban Intervention Training (as soon as available), and must complete a police check.

Please mail the originals of this application as soon as possible to our office to the attention of Volunteer Coordinator.  
Thank you for your interest in Ottawa Innercity Ministries!

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## Volunteer Waiver Form

I, \_\_\_\_\_ am applying as a volunteer with Ottawa Innerscity Ministries. I have read and understood the volunteer guidelines. I am aware that because of the nature of this work there is some risk involved as I will be interacting with a variety of people in a variety of situations on the streets of Ottawa.

I hereby release Ottawa Innerscity Ministries from any and all liability of responsibility for any damages or injuries suffered or occasioned by me from any cause whatsoever in the course of my volunteer work with Ottawa Innerscity Ministries.

Name (print) \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Witness \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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## Volunteer Guidelines

### Mission Statement:

*Ottawa Innercity Ministries is an interdenominational Christian charitable organization serving the poor and homeless in downtown Ottawa.*

### Volunteer/Staff

- A) Must complete an application kit
- B) Must complete an interview
- C) Must attend Urban Intervention Training at the first available opportunity.
- D) Must complete a Police Record Check
- E) Must maintain client confidentiality except under exceptional circumstances as outlined in the O.I.M policy manual.
- F) Must adhere to O.I.M's Non-fraternization policy
- G) Must respect the core values of O.I.M as outlined below;

*We believe that all people are created in the image of God, and as such, are worthy of dignity and respect. This is reflected in every aspect of this organization's: evangelism, ministry to the clients, volunteers, supporters, partners and the business and general community.*

**Evangelism:** We will express the good news of the gospel of Jesus Christ in work and action without placing one above the other.

**Identification:** We will express our faith through love so that people will be able to identify with Jesus; his life, death and resurrection.

**Relationships:** We will demonstrate God's reconciliation through Jesus Christ in all of our relationships with one another.

**Spiritual Struggles:** We will share one another's burden by the power of the Holy Spirit.

**Justice and Mercy:** We will promote mercy and justice...for mercy without justice is weakness.

**Community:** We will reflect a healthy model of God's kingdom.

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Signature

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Date

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## Confidentiality Policy

Confidentiality and protection are important parts of the trust-building process.

All information on clients of Ottawa Innercity Ministries, including names and identifying characteristics, will be kept confidential within the OIM team of staff and volunteers.

The above applies, except in the following cases, as required by law:

1. If there is a danger of the individual seriously hurting him/herself, someone who can keep the individual safe will be notified.
2. If there is a danger of the individual seriously hurting someone else, the person at risk will be alerted.
3. If a child under 16 years of age has been sexually abused, the Children's Aid Society will be informed.
4. If a known sexual perpetrator is in close contact with a child under 16 years of age, the police will be notified.
5. Client files have been subpoenaed by the courts.

I have read, understood and agreed to abide by this confidentiality policy.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Witness \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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## Statement of Faith

### The Apostles' Creed

**I BELIEVE** in God, the Father almighty,  
Creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.  
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
And born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
Was crucified, died and was buried.

He descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again.  
He ascended into heaven,  
And is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
The holy catholic Church,  
The communion of saints,  
The forgiveness of sins,  
The resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Amen

Please print and sign your name to confirm that you have read the statement of faith and believe it to be true.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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