

COMPASSION WALK

a journey in their shoes



A Summer Program for Teens in Virginia Beach, Virginia
NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS
www.pinministry.org/Compassion

WHAT IS THE COMPASSION WALK?



exists to provide food, clothing, shelter, and free medical care for people in need while sharing about a God that loves them.

We challenge teens to complete our NEW homeless awareness program this summer! It's an opportunity to build Compassion for those who are homeless or extremely poor.

You will literally wear someone else's shoes and walk through the life of poverty: visiting multiple local shelters, outreaches, and human service personnel while having challenging conversations, such as, "Have you seen a good place to sleep for the night yet?" This is a great youth group day program or a single day's activity in a week-long summer camp schedule.

Available Dates: See Our Website

www.pinministry.org/compassion

Time: 9:30am-3:30pm

(please pack your lunches)

Meeting Place: PiN Headquarters

(Beach Church, 503 15th Street, Virginia Beach, VA 23451)

Price: \$20 per Teen + Optional \$20 T-shirt

(4:1 student/chaperone ratio requested, chaperones are free)

Group Size: Minimum of 20

(but we can combine individuals or smaller groups with other groups)

Ages: Middle or High School

(there are two separate programs for each school level)

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-Matthew 9:36



LEADERSHIP INFORMATION

What Does the Day Include?

- **High School Walk:** Students will be provided with someone's donated shoes; just as the homeless must do everyday. They will be touring the streets, woods, and multiple non-profit homeless services. PiN will arrange Q&A opportunities with homeless individuals and local service leaders. A lunch break will take place around noon; lunches can be either carried by your students or delivered. Total walk distance will be 10-13 miles, depending on weather and group fitness level.
- **Middle School Walk:** This program will be the same as above, except students will be wearing their own shoes over a total distance of 6-8 miles, depending on weather and group fitness level.



To Do Check List:

- Get an approximate number of students attending (group size is a minimum of 20; if you are a smaller group or individual, we can help fit you into a larger group). Make a decision on T-Shirts and get an application to each student.
- Confirm your date one month ahead of time by emailing: dallas.stamper@pinministry.org
- Download and use all the free promotional materials at: www.pinministry.org/WalkResources
- Pack lunches and make sure students come dressed appropriately for the weather (including sunblock and bug spray).
- Make sure you have a 4:1 teen/adult ratio. You will need an adult to stay behind to drive a rescue vehicle for teens who don't make it. This driver can also deliver lunches/water.
- Arrive at PiN's Headquarters at Beach Church, 503 15th Street in Virginia Beach by 8:45am.



Download the Promotional Video, Flyers, and Social Media Graphics to SHARE!

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COMPASSION WALK | STUDENT APPLICATION AND WAIVER

Name: _____ Age: _____ Previous Grade Level: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

E-mail: _____

Parent/Guardian's Name(s): _____

I'm coming as a: Group _____ / Family _____

Our Assigned Walk Date: ____/____/____ (Please write dallas.stamper@pinministry.org for date availability)

How confident are you in walking 10 miles?: Not - - - - - Kinda - - - - - Very

OPTIONAL T-SHIRTS

\$20 T-Shirts are available for groups during the walk. They will act as:

- matching group safety
- a souvenir after the walk
- an opportunity to bring up conversation about homelessness
- 100% of the profit helps the people you encounter during your walk

T-Shirts will only be available the day-of if everyone in the group is purchasing one. Otherwise, T-Shirts will be available for purchase for \$20 plus shipping online at www.pinministry.org/compassion after your experience.



My entire group is purchasing shirts for the Compassion Walk: Yes/No

I'm interested in buying a shirt afterwards through the website: Yes/No

Shirt Size (Adult Sizes): XS S M L XL XL XXL

FOR PARENTS: CONSENT AND WAIVER

My teen, named above, has permission to participate in PiN Ministry's Compassion Walk in Virginia Beach, VA. I understand the events in Virginia Beach will have adult supervision provided by myself or my student's youth group. I consider my student responsible in following rules, staying with the group, and using common safety precautions during the experience. In consideration of the awesome benefits to be derived from these activities, I hereby voluntarily waive any claim against PiN Ministry and its staff.

I will make sure my student brings weather appropriate clothing. I understand, for this experience, High School students will be provided shoes that might not necessarily fit; in the same way the homeless receive most donations. Each student or youth group is responsible for packing a lunch.

I understand that I, as a guardian, will be notified immediately if there are any medical needs. If I cannot be contacted, I hereby authorize my student to receive emergency medical care or first-aid treatment as needed in the event of illness or injury.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Phone: (____) _____

Street: _____ City: _____ Zip Code: _____

Please turn in this form one month prior to your desired walk date.

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COMPASSION WALK | ADULT CHAPERONE APPLICATION AND WAIVER

Name: _____ Age: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

E-mail: _____

I'm coming as a: Group _____ / Family _____

Our Assigned Walk Date: ____/____/____ (Please write dallas.stamper@pinministry.org for date availability)

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Compassion Walk and I would like one as well: Yes/No

I'm interested in buying a shirt afterwards through the website: Yes/No

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FOR CHAPERONES: CONSENT AND WAIVER

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Your Signature: _____ Phone: (____) _____

Street: _____ City: _____ Zip Code: _____

Emergency Contact Name: _____ Phone: (____) _____

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PRE-COMPASSION WALK QUESTIONNAIRE

Name: _____ Age: _____

I'm coming as a: Group _____ / Family _____

1. When you hear the word "homeless," what is the first word that comes to your head?

2. What do you think is the biggest cause of people becoming homeless?

3. When you are walking by a homeless person, how do you feel?

4. Would you ever eat food out of a trash can or dumpster?

5. If you were homeless and had no place to live tonight, where would you sleep?

6. Has anyone ever looked down on you? How did that feel?

7. Have you ever felt alone?

8. How do you feel when you don't get enough sleep?

9. How do you feel when you are hungry?

POST-COMPASSION WALK QUESTIONNAIRE

Name: _____ Age: _____

I'm coming as a: Group _____ / Family _____

1. How do you feel right now?

2. Where would you sleep, of all the places you saw today?

3. If your only way to eat tomorrow was the walk you went on and someone from a restaurant just through a bag of food in the dumpster. What would you choose?

4. When you walk by a homeless person, will you feel any different after this walk?

5. What was the worst part of the walk?

6. What was the best part of the walk?

7. When you here the word "Homeless," what do you think about now?

We encourage you to sit down with your parents or guardian and talk about how the walk has impacted you.





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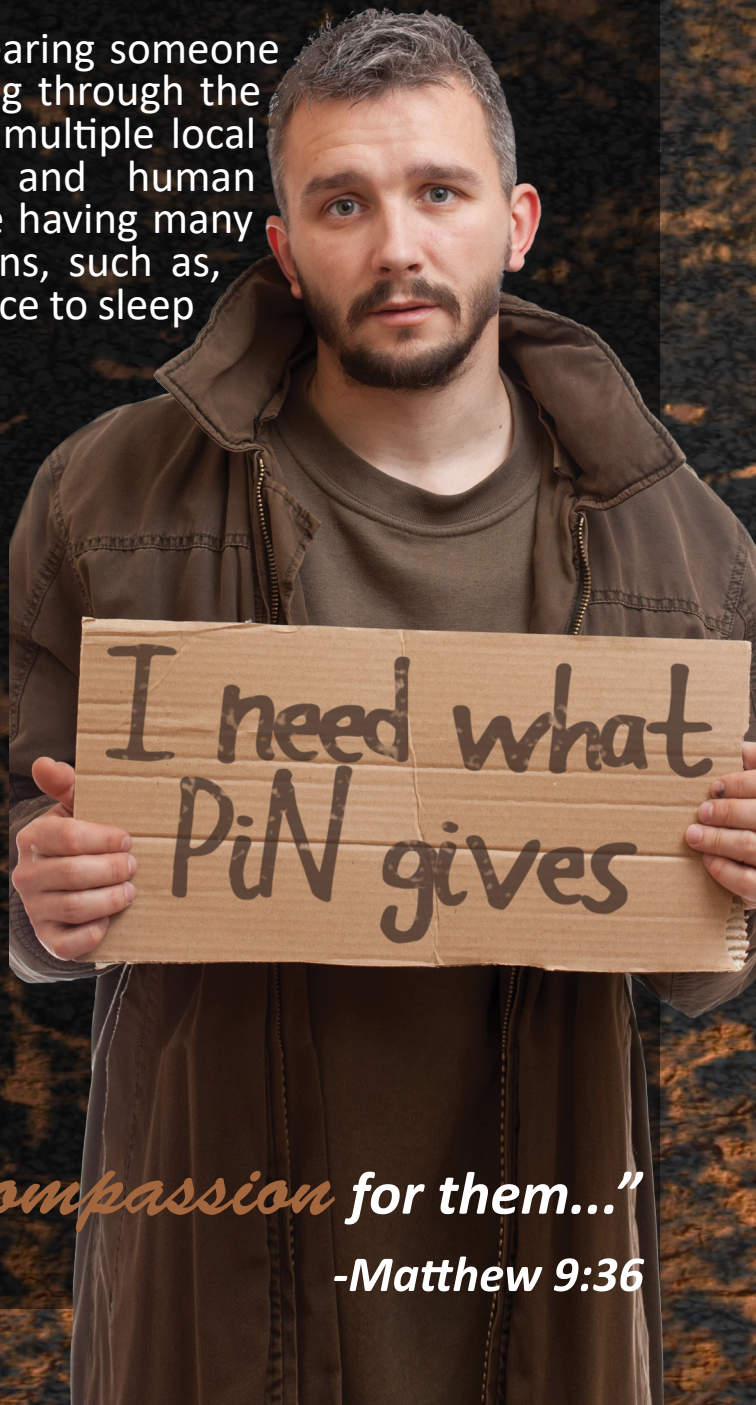


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Leader:
Date:
Time:
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