

Welcome to the Pavilion, we are so excited that you want to join with us in serving Jesus Christ our Lord. You are obeying his calling by wanting to help us in serving and hopefully leading others to the Lord.

The Pavilion is a ministry of the Bridge Street House of Prayer (BSHOP). The BSHOP works to point people to Jesus, help meet the physical needs of neighbors and offer a place of safety and refuge for the neighborhood. Beyond our neighborhood, God has given us a vision to see the whole city of Grand Rapids revived through the power and love of Jesus Christ.

“For in the time of trouble he shall hide me in his pavilion: in the secret of his tabernacle shall he hide me; he shall set me up upon a rock.” Psalm 27:5 NKJV

Our desire is that the Pavilion would be not only a resting place for the weary, but a launching pad into a new life. We want the Pavilion to be more than a landing-zone, but rather a bridge... a bridge from the streets of the West Side to full life in Jesus.

Before filling out the application, we would like you to read the following information. This information will give a little “heads up” about what you will be doing and what will be expected when involved in volunteering at the Pavilion.



Your main responsibilities in the coffee shop are as follows:

Loving people (based on Matthew 19:19)

Serving coffee and baked goods

Praying (whether for one another, those at the Pavilion, or for the neighborhood/city)

General cleaning

We also desire to facilitate unity and community among volunteers. Therefore, we will hold monthly staff meetings to provide a time of fellowship among volunteers, as well as take time to discuss ways we can move forward and improve our ministry in the Pavilion. Your participation in these events is highly encouraged.

We ask that you pray about being involved here. This volunteer opportunity will require commitment. Please know that we ask that you treat this like a job. Therefore, maintained personal hygiene, timeliness, willingness to follow instructions, and respectful attitudes are expected.

Please sign below if you are “on board!” :)

_____ Date _____

Print

Signature



Name: _____

Age & date of birth: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Phone (best place to reach you): _____

Please circle the best way to reach you: **Phone** **Email** **Text**

We are currently open from 12pm to 5pm Monday through Friday. Please check current availability. (flexible to change as time goes on):

_____ monday _____ whole shift other: _____

_____ tuesday _____ whole shift other: _____

_____ wednesday _____ whole shift other: _____

_____ thursday _____ whole shift other: _____

_____ friday _____ whole shift other: _____

How many shifts or hours per week are you willing to volunteer: _____

At the Bridge Street House of Prayer, we also hold neighborhood events and Saturday Night Worship Gatherings that include the operation of the Pavilion. If you are interested/willing to help with these events on an as-needed basis, please circle: **YES** or **NO**



These next few questions are about you. We ask these questions to help us learn more about your background, giftings, and relationship with Christ. This will enable us to know how to pray for you as well as encourage you. There are no right or wrong answers to any of these questions, so please answer them honestly.

School attending (if applicable) or Job:

Activities:

Church affiliation (if applicable):

Church activities:

Other activities involved in:

List previous ministry/volunteer/barista experience (place, date & role)

What are some goals or reasons you have for volunteering here:



List your strengths & talents:

List your weaknesses:

Do you currently have a mentor/discipler? (circle) **Yes** or **No**

Who is Jesus to you:

Below or on another piece of paper, please describe your spiritual journey and current relationship with God.



Waiver/Release

I, the undersigned, give my authorization to the Bridge Street House of Prayer representatives to verify the information on this form. The BSHOP may contact appropriate government agencies as deemed necessary in order to verify my suitability as a ministry worker. I am willing to request and submit to the BSHOP background reports on myself from the Michigan (or any other state) Department of Social Services central registry.

The information contained in this application is correct to the best of my knowledge. In consideration of the receipt and evaluation of this application by the BSHOP, I hereby release any individual, church, youth organization, charity, employer, reference, or any other person or organization including record custodians, both collectively and individually, from any and all liability for damages of whatever kind or nature that may at anytime result to me, my heirs, or family. I waive any right that I may have to inspect any information provided about me by any person or organization identified by me in this application.

Should my application be accepted, I agree to be bound by the constitution, statement of faith and policies of the BSHOP, and to refrain from conduct unbecoming to Christ in the performance of my services on behalf of the BSHOP. If I violate these guidelines, I understand that my volunteer status may be terminated. By signing this application, I state that all of the information given about myself is true.

I further state that I HAVE READ THE FOREGOING RELEASE AND KNOW THE CONTENTS THEREOF, AND I SIGN THIS RELEASE OF MY OWN ACCORD. This is a legally binding agreement, which I have read and understand.

Print: _____

Date: _____

Signature _____



Background Information

Have you, at anytime been involved in or accused, rightly or wrongly, of sexual abuse, maltreatment, or neglect? ____yes ____no

Have you ever been convicted of possession/sales of controlled substances or of driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs? ____yes ____no

Are you using illegal drugs? ____yes ____no

Have you been convicted of any crime more serious than a traffic violation? ____yes ____no

Have you ever been asked to step away from ministry or work with students or children in any setting, paid or volunteer? ____yes ____no

Is there any circumstance or pattern in your life which would make it inappropriate for you to serve with minors or would compromise the integrity of BSHOP? ____yes ____no

If you answered yes to any of the above questions please give an explanation.

