



This Summer ...

Give  
Grow  
Have Fun  
Meet Christ

Service-immersion  
week with

# Agape Service Project

Serving the farmworker  
community of Whatcom  
County

# Our Mission

Agape Service Project fosters service, community, & prayer as participants encounter Christ and uphold the dignity of our farmworker brothers & sisters.



Holy Family, Kirkland

St. Vincent de Paul, Federal Way

Holy Cross, Lake Stevens

St. Louise, Bellevue

St. Madeleine Sophie, Bellevue

St. Stephen the Martyr, Renton

St. Anthony, Renton

Christ the King, Seattle

Whatcom Catholic

*Thank  
you!*

2025 Groups!

O'Dea High School

Bishop Blanchet High School

Seattle Prep

Kennedy Catholic HS

Eastside Catholic

Holy Names Academy

Ignite groups

# BUILDING A CULTURE OF ENCOUNTER

## YOUTH . YOUNG ADULTS . FARMWORKERS

Farmworkers of Whatcom County

- Direct services:
  - Food bank & food delivery
  - Increased access to health & human services
  - Summer enrichment for children
  - College scholarships
- Uphold dignity of an often invisible population

Middle & High School Youth

- Tangible faith-in-action experiences
- Meet Christ in people, prayer, & gift of self
- Their passions for a better world have a place in the Church
- They have an individual purpose

College-aged Young Adults

- Formation in missionary discipleship & servant leadership
- Tangible faith-in-action summer
- Daily experience of prayer & service
- Crash-course in professional lay ministry/non-profit

# Agape 2025 Quick Facts

- 270 Youth & Adult Agape participants from 20 Catholic parishes and schools
- Agape Food Bank served an average of 738 households weekly over 10 weeks, providing dignified, joy-filled, culturally-relevant food access, a taco stand, and space for other health & human services to offer resources
- Distributed 493 backpacks with school supplies in August 2025
- The largest summer staff team to date - 12 total staff, including 5 young adults under 25 - providing leadership opportunities for young adults in the Church
- Over 30 hours of direct service & 11 hours of formation/prayer led by Agape staff for groups in 5-days



## **Agape Food Bank & Food Distribution**

**Set up & run food bank that serves the farmworker community; distribute food directly to housing**

## **Summer Enrichment for Children**

**Build relationships with children of farmworkers through recreational & educational activities**



## **Support Just Agriculture**

**Support Whatcom County farms that are working towards a just agriculture system - caring for creation & people**

# **MUTUALLY-BENEFICIAL SERVICE**

## **Advocacy Work**

**Engage with your elected officials to share stories of the farmworkers you met & advocate for them**

## Catholic Social Teaching

Daily programming roots our work in the rich social teachings of the Catholic faith

PRAY . LEARN . REFLECT

## Community Building

Strengthen your community through the culture of encounter



## Daily Reflections

Take time to process the experiences and how it connects to daily life

## Prayer

Start & end every day connecting with Christ as our reason for our service; Mass & Adoration

# TENTATIVE WEEK SNAPSHOT

**Sunday:** arrive to Bellingham Sunday afternoon, intro/community building, BBQ & activities at camp for farmworkers families, opening prayer & reflection

**Monday:** volunteer farm work, community building, social justice formation, activities for kids at farmworker housing

**Tuesday:** food bank set up, delivery of food boxes & activities at camps for farmworkers

**Wednesday (Food Bank Day):** Set up & run the food bank, Adoration

**Thursday:** Mass, advocacy work, concluding session, depart before lunch

**Everyday:** prayer, formation & reflection



# AGAPE LOGISTICS

**Staff** - 7+ staff lead and guide the entire week; Everything is covered - service projects, programming, reflections, meals, lodging

- Youth are exposed to the faith & witness of college servant leaders (& typically 1 seminarian)

**Cost** - \$450/youth + \$500 group fee

- Adult chaperones are FREE!

**Registration:** Open now!

**Location:** Bellingham, WA; Lodging - Assumption Catholic School & Church

**Tool Kit & Preparation Support** - Resources for promotion, formation, & planning; support to make it as easy as possible for YMs/group leaders



**We take care of  
logistics,  
you get to focus  
on your youth**

A vibrant field of sunflowers with bright yellow petals and dark brown centers, set against a clear blue sky and green foliage. The sunflowers are in various stages of bloom, with some fully open and others still budding.

# CONTACT & QUESTIONS?

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