



# What is Camp Restore Detroit?



## LEARN

### 1. Watch "What is Camp Restore Detroit?"

Discuss: What are your reactions to this video?

Is this what you expected our neighborhood in Detroit to look like?

## GROW

### 2. Watch this video about hope

Discuss: What are you most excited for this week?

What do you hope to learn and how do you hope to grow?

What is one way that you can work to restore hope in your community?

## MEET

### 3. Meet George Preston

George Preston is an involved community member that works hard to promote the welfare of his community. Learn more about his story and vision for Detroit!

## SERVE

### 4. Create a video for kids in our community

The kids in our community don't have their regular summer programming! Create a short video sharing a story, Bible story, song, play, or activity we can share with the kids in Detroit!



# Asset-based Community Development



LEARN

## 1. Watch this video to learn about ABCD

Discuss: Everything we do at Camp Restore Detroit is done with our community because we don't want to push them out, we want them to be part of the restoration. How is this different than fixing things by ourselves?

GROW

## 2. Watch this devotion about ABCD

Discuss: What gifts and talents do you have that you can love and serve your neighbor with?

What is one way you can work to discover and highlight the gifts of those around you?

MEET

## 3. Meet Sandra Turner-Handy

Sandra does so much in her community to help those around her and inspire others to do the same. She pushes for asset-based community development to build and stabilize her community. Her work with Camp Restore Detroit is so appreciated!

SERVE

## 4. Serve with a local partner organization

Maybe this means serving at a food pantry or gathering donations for a local ministry. Use connections you already have and continue to build on those partnerships!



# Detroit's History



## LEARN

### 1. Compare and contrast these two videos

- Visit Detroit
- Forgotten Places

What story does each video tell about Detroit?  
What's missing from these videos?

## GROW

### 2. Watch our version of Detroit's history.

What does our history tell that isn't in the first videos?  
Read Isaiah 43:1-19:  
What examples of God's faithfulness have you seen throughout your life? What new things have you seen God doing?

## MEET

### 3. Meet our Neighborhood Police Officers

The Neighborhood Police Officers (NPO) are a special police force who's role is to interact and build relationships with our community. They often attend community events and hang out with our campers at worksites. We are so thankful for them!

## SERVE

### 4. Write letters to first responders

You can write letters to the Neighborhood Police Officers we work closely with in Detroit, or write to first responders in your own community thanking them for their service. Letters to the NPO can be sent to 11187 Gratiot Ave., Detroit, MI 48213.



# Community Partnerships



LEARN

## 1. Watch [this video](#) about forming partnerships in the community

Discuss: How are these community partnerships demonstrating an asset-based community development model?  
What are the benefits of partnering with our community?

GROW

## 2. [Hear about all our community partners](#)

Using an ABCD lens, why are community partnerships important? How can thinking we can do everything ourselves hurt the body of Christ? How does partnering with our community build up the body of Christ?

MEET

## 3. Meet [Roxanne Jones](#)

Meet one of our awesome community leaders, Roxanne Jones! She does so much to help our community and works with agriculture and gardening to help make the community a better place.

SERVE

## 4. Serve members of your congregation or community

This could be doing yard work or picking up groceries for elderly or disabled members!



# Reflection



## LEARN

1. Think back on everything we talked about this week

Discuss: What stood out to you the most?  
Did this change your view of Detroit?

## GROW

2. Watch this video reflection

Discuss: What was your biggest take-away from this week and how does that impact your life?  
What are some ways that you can love and serve your neighbors, **right now** in your community?

## SERVE

3. Remember what you've learned

Carry what you've learned this week about helping others and your community into your daily life. Whether big or small, your efforts can make a difference.

## CLOSE

4. Watch our video closing

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# Virtual Week Schedule

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## Day 1: What is Camp Restore Detroit?

Learn more about Camp Restore Detroit and our mission in our community

## Day 2: Asset-Based Community Development

Hear and discuss the model of asset-based community development and its impact in our community

## Day 3: Detroit's History

Learn more about Detroit's history and how Camp Restore Detroit fits into its story

## Day 4: Community Partnerships

Get to know some of our community leaders and their hopes and dreams for the 9th precinct

## Day 5: Reflection

Take time to reflect on what you learned and how this week has helped you grow



# Leader's Guide

Hello, Group Leaders!

Thank you for engaging with Camp Restore Detroit Virtually! Although we wish with all our hearts we could be serving together in Detroit, we hope this material allows you and your groups to learn about Camp Restore Detroit and our community.

Using five topics we would cover if we were together, we created five sessions for you and your group to participate in, if you choose. Each session is broken into four sections: Learn, Grow, Meet, and Serve.

## Learn

You and your group can engage with videos discussing the topic for each section. The videos are followed by discussion questions to go deeper within small groups. This should take around 25 minutes (Includes opening, video, and small group discussion).

## Grow and Meet

In these videos, we dive into how each topic directly relates to CRD and end with a brief devotion and more discussion. Additionally, each day you will get to know one of our community leaders! This should take around 40 minutes (Includes both videos, followed by small group discussion).

## Serve

Even though we are not together in Detroit, there are still ways you can serve! Some of the service projects will still engage our community in Detroit while others can be used to serve in your very own community!

This section can be added onto the previous small group discussion.



# Leader's Guide (Continued)

## Serve Guide:

Some of the service projects may take some planning on your end so we have outlined them below.

If you would like suggestions for any of these events or would like to know some of the best ways to serve our Detroit community, contact us and we will do our best to help your group serve!

### Day 1:

Make a video for kids in our community. This could be reading a book, telling or acting out a story, doing a craft, or any other creative idea your group can dream! If we have specific video requests from our community families, we will let you know!

### Day 2:

In this section, we encourage you to serve with an organization in your community, especially if there is a specific organization your group or church has partnered with before! This could be anything from gathering donations to serving at a local food pantry.

### Day 3:

Write letters to first responders. You can write letters to the Neighborhood Police Officers we work closely with in Detroit, or write to first responders in your own community thanking them for their service.

### Day 4:

Following safety guidelines, find a way to serve those in your community! This could look like volunteering to do yard work for elderly members of the community, but pick something to serve those around you.



# Leader's Guide (Continued)

## Tips for Leaders:

- Groups of 5-6 work best for small group discussions because they allow everyone a chance to discuss
- The approximate times are based on small groups of 5-6; if you have larger groups anticipate extended times
- The days run most smoothly when both the Grow and Meet videos are watched before any discussion about the two takes place (this cuts down discussion time and makes in-depth conversations easier)
- Print out this guide (specifically the first page agenda) to keep track of the amount of time each section should take without having to switch screens or have two screens
- If you are using zoom breakout rooms to organize small groups (or a similar virtual meeting room), set timers on your breakouts to keep everyone on track with their discussions
- Download and play videos before the meeting starts so you know they will work on your device
- Be prepared for siblings or parent and student pairs to be sharing a device, making splitting up breakout rooms ahead of time more difficult

You can choose to do one or all the sessions in whatever time frame and format works best for your group. We would love to engage with your group virtually for your discussions! We will do our best to work with each group to personalize the sessions and give each group the best experience. Please email us at [detroit@camprestore.org](mailto:detroit@camprestore.org) with any questions. We hope to see you virtually this summer, and to serve with you in Detroit in the future!

-Camp Restore Detroit Team