



Lasallian Social Justice Institute

Child Poverty and the Work of Hope • Syracuse, NY • July 20-24, 2026

Lasallian Social Justice Institute (LSJI) is a formation program based on the Gospel that serves to promote the continuing process of conversion to solidarity with persons in poverty and to provide an authentic response to the Gospel and our Lasallian vocation.

In the summer of 2026, LSJI will take place in Syracuse, New York, where participants will explore the realities surrounding child poverty.

Through partnerships with local community organizations, participants will gain a deeper understanding of the lived realities of children and families experiencing poverty and the systemic forces that sustain it. Grounded in the Lasallian tradition and Catholic social teaching, the weeklong program will explore several interconnected issues impacting child poverty in the Syracuse community, including education, housing instability and food insecurity.



PARTICIPANTS

Anyone engaged in ministries within the Lasallian Region of North America is invited to participate in LSJI. Educators who have experience with service immersion opportunities in a Lasallian high school, college/university, San Miguel school or child care agency are particularly welcome to participate. Lasallian Youth moderators and service coordinators may be interested in the program.

This year's program is limited to 12 participants in total. Participation is capped at a maximum of two from any one ministry.



PHILOSOPHY AND GOALS

LSJI embodies the Lasallian commitment to association for the educational service of the poor and the rights of children. LSJI consists of four integrated components:

1. A face-to-face encounter with persons living in poverty.
2. An examination of the Lasallian tradition and the church teachings on poverty and social justice, as well as sociological and economic commentaries on these issues.
3. A community of Lasallians who will pray together and further discern their Lasallian vocation.
4. An exploration of their roles in creating programs of social justice as catalysts for influence and change in their local ministries.



COST PER PARTICIPANT

\$1,100*

*Note: Transportation to/from Syracuse is not included in fee.

DEADLINE TO REGISTER

Friday, May 8, 2026

Christian Brothers Conference must receive the online registration form and payment via credit card by this date.

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