



Preparing for the Service Learning in Public Policy Program

UPON ACCEPTANCE INTO SLIPP

You must complete several registration forms with your parents prior to your participation in SLIPP.

Please be sure to complete these forms online

1. Medical Information form
2. Student Information form
3. Travel form
4. Honor Code
5. Talent Release form

[Registration Link Click Here](#)

INFORMATION FOR YOUR RECORDS

In the event of an emergency, you may contact a student by calling 610-960-3357 and leaving a message. Please be sure to include your name, the name of the student you are trying to contact, and a call-back number.

DAY OF CHECK-IN

Check-in will be held in the Martha Washington Building. During check-in, you will receive a welcome packet and your room assignment. Any materials still owed are due at this time. Check-in will take place on Sunday, August 1, from 2-6 pm.

ATTIRE

Please bring **at least** one professional business attire ensemble. Pack primarily comfortable clothing that is appropriate for summer weather. We also ask that you consider your track of study (legal, education, or public health), and consider what you might need to wear during service work in this field.

PACKING CHECKLIST

There's nothing worse than realizing with horror that you've forgotten something important when you're away from home! Use this list as a sure-fire way to remember everything you need!

Check the weather forecast in the days leading up to the program. The summer months can be hot and humid, with occasional thunderstorms in the evenings. Pack clothing that is comfortable and appropriate for your track. All facilities on campus are air conditioned, but be advised that you will be spending time outside as well. Activities such as basketball, volleyball, frisbee, and football are available during free time.

If you own a laptop, we recommend that you bring it with you. We will have laptops available for use during the week, however the work you accomplish this week will be for your future use. There is wireless connection and internet access.

Make sure that all items are clearly labeled with your name. Make sure that your luggage is labeled with your first and last name, address, and phone number.

Suggested Packing List

- Toiletries
- Any medications needed (this includes over the counter medications for headaches, stomach problems, etc. The FFVF staff will not dispense any drugs or medications to student participants)
- Professional business attire
- Laptop
- Cellphone
- Charging cables
- A wake up method that works for you (cell phone, alarm clock, Mariachi band, etc)
- Rain coat and rain gear
- Spending money for snacks, souvenirs, and activities (King of Prussia, Dave and Busters, etc)
- Copy of health insurance card
- List of phone numbers and information concerning the program for your reference



Transportation for the Service Learning in Public Policy Program

Note: All plane, train, and bus arrivals should make arrangements to arrive at Freedoms Foundation by 6pm.

Arrival by plane via the Philadelphia Airport

Arrivals by plane will come into Philadelphia International Airport. Please try to arrive between 2-6 PM on Sunday. Freedoms Foundation will provide transportation for program participants from the airport to the Freedoms Foundation Campus. Please note that depending on your arrival time and the arrival times of others, you may have to wait at the airport for a scheduled trip.

When you arrive at the airport, go **directly** to the baggage claim area of the airline with which you are flying. A map of the Philadelphia Airport is available at: http://www.phl.org/terminal_map.html. A Freedoms Foundation Airport Representative (**who will be wearing a FFVF staff shirt and will be carrying an FFVF sign**) will meet you in your baggage claim area. Please remain in the baggage claim area of your airline until you are met by the Freedoms Foundation representative.

If you cannot find the Freedoms Foundation Representative, call the Foundation's staff cell phone promptly for further instructions.

Arrival by train

Train arrivals into Philadelphia from North or South should **disembark at Philadelphia 30th Street Station** (main terminal) and **take the R5 Paoli Local to the Paoli Station** (10 minutes from Valley Forge). This train leaves from the same 30th Street Station. Train arrivals from the West should **disembark directly at Paoli**. Call the Freedoms Foundation staff cell phone when you arrive at Paoli Station. Transportation will be provided from Paoli to the Freedoms Foundation.

Arrival by bus

If you wish to travel by bus, **take a Greyhound bus to the Norristown Transportation Station**. Call the Freedoms Foundation staff cell phone. Transportation from Norristown to the Freedoms Foundation will be provided.

Arrival by automobile

If you are driving, the Freedoms Foundation is located on Route 23. Please plan on arriving in the evening on Sunday, August 1, by 6 pm. **If using a GPS, use the following address: 1601 Valley Forge Road, Phoenixville, PA, 19460.**

Driving Directions to Freedoms Foundation

The Freedoms Foundation is located on Route 23 just outside of Phoenixville, Pennsylvania. The Foundation's street address is 1601 Valley Forge Road, Phoenixville, PA, 19460. Please use this address for all GPS service apps.

Please see the written directions below, if you need further directions, please call the Freedoms Foundation.

From the Pennsylvania Turnpike

Depart the turnpike at **Exit 326 (King of Prussia-Valley Forge)**. After the toll booth, take the first immediate right exit, "**Valley Forge National Historical Park.**" Follow past the Valley Forge Convention Center and continue on Route 23 west through Valley Forge National Historical Park. At the next traffic light (Route 252), proceed straight through on Route 23 West. Approximately one mile on your right at the top of the hill (where a large American flag is located) is the entrance to the Freedoms Foundation. Proceed to the Martha Washington Building for registration.

From I-95 and I-76

From I-95, take Route 676 West (Vine Street). This exit is located near the Benjamin Franklin Bridge or Center City Philadelphia. Stay on Route 676 which turns into **Route 76 West (Valley Forge)**. Take this highway for approximately 18 miles until the **Mall Blvd exit (last exit before the toll road and right after the Rt. 202 interchange)**. Follow the exit to the traffic light on Mall Blvd. Make a right at the traffic light onto Mall Blvd. Follow Mall Blvd to the traffic light and turn right onto Gulph Road. Follow Gulph past the Valley Forge Convention Center and continue on Route 23 west through Valley Forge National Historical Park. At the next traffic light (Route 252), proceed straight through on Route 23 West. Approximately one mile on your right at the top of the hill (where a large American flag is located) is the entrance to the Freedoms Foundation. Proceed to the Martha Washington Building for registration.

Departures

The program officially concludes at **2 PM on Friday, August 6th** after the Formal Farewell Luncheon. If you are **flying or taking a train or bus**, please plan your departure for after **4 PM**. Departures by automobile should be planned at **2 PM from the Freedoms Foundation**.

These departure times will allow you to participate in the entire program as well as accommodate transportation to your departure point. If you have any questions about your departure, please contact the Education Office.

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