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## **APPLICATION FORM**

(Please type or print clearly. Return completed application form and additional documents along with a face picture by email or regular mail to address above.)

I. PERSONAL I	NFORMATION	Place Photo Here
Date		
Name		
First	Middle	Last
Address		
City/State/Zip		
Permanent Address_		City/State/Zip
(If different from above)		
Home Phone	Cell Phone	Email Address
Date of Birth	Social Security#_	Religious Affiliation
Marital Status: Single	Married Engage	ed Divorced Separated Widowed
II. EMERGENCY	CONTACTS	
PRIMARY CONTACT I	PERSON	
Name		Address
Home Phone		City/State/Zip
Cell Phone		Relationship
SECONDARY CONTAC	CT PERSON	
Name		Address
Home Phone		City/State/Zip
Cell Phone		Relationship
III. FAMILY BACK	GROUND	
Father's Name		Mother's Name
Address		Address
City/State/Zip		City/State/Zip
Number of Siblings		

## **GENERAL INFORMATION** IV. COMMITMENT For what length of time would like to volunteer? When will you be available to start your service? BACKGROUND INFORMATION Are there any personal or financial obligations that would interfere or hinder your volunteer service with VIM? If yes, please explain. Have you ever been found guilty of a crime? If yes, please explain the nature of the offense and the outcome. Give dates and all pertinent information. Attach info if necessary. Do you have a valid driver's license?\_\_\_\_ State\_\_\_\_ ID#\_\_\_ Exp. date\_\_\_\_ Has your license ever been suspended? \_\_\_\_\_ Revoked? \_\_\_\_ If yes, please explain by giving dates and other pertinent information. If serving in a domestic area, are you willing to use your car during your service with VIM?\_\_\_ V. EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND (Please attach list if necessary.) Beginning with the most recent, identify all high schools/colleges/technical schools attended **Name and Location of Institution Dates attended** Major **Degree/Certificate** Please list any professional certifications/licenses obtained **License Name** License# Dates/Exp. Date State Please list any practical experience in your certification or specialty area/s **Place Dates** Levels State

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Please list other	profic	cient	skills	or ta	s that you have:						
VI. ACTIVITII	ES A	ND I	NTE	REST							
What do you mos	t enjo	oy doi	ng in	your	e time?						
Please list any o	ganiz	zation	s to v	which	belong:						
Name of Organizat	ion			Da		Participation					
In what geograph	nic ar	ea of	servi	ce are	 ı interested?						
Domestic li	ntern	ationa	al								
In what type of w	ork d	lo you	ı see	yours	articipating?						
Have you ever ex some details reg	-				ng outside your f	amily experi	ence	? If y	/es, p	lease	give
What is your pref				_	-	wo and value					
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Conversational											
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VII	. WORK EXPERIENCE	Please list your last t	wo employers	
1.	Name	Address	<b>.</b>	
	Phone			
	Position/Responsibilities:		Dates	
2.	Name	Address		
	Phone			
	Position/Responsibilities:		Dates	
VII	I. VOLUNTEER EXPE	RIENCE		
Ple	ase list all volunteers prog	grams with which you	have had experience. Ide	ntify program name,
	ation, your role and dates	-		
PRO	OGRAM LO	CATION	ROLE	DATES
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IV	REFERENCES			
	t at least three people to v	-	_	
	ch as employers, supervison I well enough to give an ac			
-	ployment record. Please	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	•	c, personanty and
1.	Name		Phone	
	Address		Relationship	
	City/State/Zip			
2.	Name			
	Address			
	City/State/Zip			
3.	Name			
	Address			
	City/State/Zin			

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## X. REFLECTION QUESTIONS - Please answer on separate paper.

The following questions should be answered with candor. Please remember that there are no *right or wrong* answers. Your honest response to each question will help us get to know you better and assist us in the placement process.

- 1. Why do you want to serve with the Bernardine Franciscan Sisters as a VIM member?
- 2. What do you hope to gain from this experience? Based on volunteer experiences in the past, describe that experience and its impact on your life and your desire to continue your work in service to others.
- 3. What is your present commitment to Christian service? How do you foresee yourself living out this commitment?
- 4. VIM members live in a faith-based Franciscan community, sharing meals, prayer, liturgy, daily work and social events. What is your understanding of what this means?
- 5. Describe your three major strengths and three weaknesses.
- 6. Describe a defining moment of transformation or transition in your life. What did you gain from the experience?
- 7. "This is our calling: to heal the wounded, to bind what is broken, to bring home those who are lost." St. Francis of Assisi How does this statement relate to you and your desire to serve as a Bernardine Franciscan VIM member?

Thank you for your time in completing this part of the VIM application. Understand your full application cannot be processed until we have received your medical forms and references.

This application is neither a binding commitment on your part nor on the part of Bernardine Franciscan Sisters' VIM Program. It does indicate a serious intention to become part of the Volunteers in Mission Program.

For your information: As part of our screening process, we do a background check on all serious applicants before they are admitted to the Volunteers in Mission Program.

I hereby certify that I have answered all sections of this application honestly and to the best of my ability. In submitting this application I understand and agree that all materials become property of Volunteers in Mission and that none of the materials will be returned to me. I understand that any misrepresentation or omissions on my part will exclude me from consideration in the VIM Program and may be cause for my dismissal or termination as a volunteer.

Signature		
Print Name	Date	
Office Use Only		
Date Application Received		
Medical Hx. & Info		
Physical Exam Report		
Mental Health Form		
References		

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