

St. Vincent de Paul Membership Information & Application

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul in the United States has three types of membership: the Active (Full) Member, the Associate Member, and the Contributing Member.

Active (Full) Members are those who participate regularly in the prayer life, meetings, and charitable activities through personal contact with the poor of the Vincentian Conference into which they have been received. An Active (Full) Member accepts the Rule and Statutes of the Society, belongs to the Catholic Church, and is received as a Vincentian brother or sister in to the Society's Conference.

Active (Full) Members are expected to:

- Attend regularly scheduled meetings
- Help plan and facilitate service activities
- Participate in service activities

Associate Members are those affiliated with the Society by formal action of the Conference with which the member will be joined. Associate Members include those who sincerely and publicly accept the Society's Rule but may or may not belong to the Catholic Church and may or may not attend Conference Meetings or engage in the works of the Society on a regular basis. Associate Members are kept informed of the developments and activities of their immediate groupings, as well as the general progress of the Society, particularly in the local area or diocese. They are invited to attend the general meetings and special observances of the Society and to participate in its charitable activities.

Contributing Members are those who regularly or in a substantial way provide in-kind or financial support but who do not engage directly in the Society's work. These members also are invited to the Society's general and festival meetings.

There is no membership fee. Members need a sincere desire to help the poor and a concern for the welfare of those in need.

Please complete the information below. Your membership application can be:

- mailed to Sacred Heart Church, 1627 Grand Ave, West Des Moines, IA 50265 OR
- placed in the St. Vincent de Paul Society's mail slot (located in the room between Church and the Parish Offices) OR
- Scanned and emailed (see the St. Vincent de Paul site to email scanned form)

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____