

# History

Mission Philadelphia is proud to celebrate its 21st year of partnership in service in Philadelphia. In Mission Philadelphia's early years, Trinity Youth Group provided assistance to shelters, Philadelphia parks and other venues. However, the constant change of locations did not allow for the development of long term partnerships and sustainable relationships in urban communities. For this reason, Mission Philadelphia joined forces with Urban Tree Connection (UTC). Urban Tree Connection's focused work on transforming abandoned spaces in the West Philadelphia corridor allowed Mission Philadelphia to provide concentrated, substantive advances in developing safe, inviting places for underserved neighborhoods, while also educating the area children in nature and the environment. In recent years, the collaboration has expanded to the development of urban farms. Urban areas have traditionally had poor access to healthy food, leading to high rates of obesity, diabetes and asthma. Mission Philadelphia is proud to be a part of this important work.

# Sponsorship

Mission Philadelphia would not be possible without the generous support of the companies and individuals who donate time and money each year. Among the many ways to give:

- Cash donations from companies, foundations, and individuals. 100% of these funds are used for materials or equipment for the annual project.
- In-kind donations of landscaping materials, soil, mulch, plants, trees, seeds, etc. from the 2017 materials list.
- Attend **Lobsterfest**, Trinity Youth Group's 22nd annual lobster dinner and fun day. This event, held in on June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4:00-7:00PM, in Solebury, PA, is an important local fundraiser for Mission Philadelphia. Local business sponsorships are available. (<http://www.trinitysolebury.org/lobster>)

Cash donation checks should be made payable to Trinity Church with "Mission Philadelphia" noted on the check. All donations are tax deductible. Mail to: Trinity Youth Group, Attn: Mission Philadelphia, P.O. Box 377, Solebury, PA 18963. For in-kind donations, please contact Kyle Evans at: [kyle.evans55@gmail.com](mailto:kyle.evans55@gmail.com)

# Mission:



**June 17-21, 2017**

**Trinity Episcopal Church,  
Solebury**

**Trinity Episcopal Church,  
Buckingham**

**The African Episcopal Church  
Of  
St. Thomas**

# What is Mission Philadelphia?

Each year Trinity Solebury youth, along with those from the African Episcopal Church of St. Thomas (AECST), work in Philadelphia's high need areas to help improve the quality of life for local residents. For the past 21 years, Trinity Solebury and AECST youth have worked side by side with residents to revitalize their neighborhoods by transforming abandoned lots into green spaces and community gardens that inspire and promote positive human interaction. Mission Philadelphia forges relationships with these neighborhoods, working together to break down racial and demographic barriers.

This year, we are thrilled that Trinity Buckingham youth will also participate.



# 2017 Projects

This year's Mission Philadelphia has the usual share of ambitious projects. They include mulching and planting various community gardens sites with shrubbery etc; transporting soil/filling beds: fence repairs: building out enclosed storage in the back of the Neighborhood Foods Farm shed; tiling of a wall on the Pearl Street education building. There will also be plenty of time to play with neighborhood children.



## **Registration: June 17 – June 21**

**Per Person Room (at Bryn Mawr College) and Board expenses:**  
*\$225.00 for the week or \$50 per day. Participants are asked to make a free will offering to offset these costs.*

Full Week

Select Days: \_\_\_\_\_

**Name:**

**Address:**

**Tel. #:**

**E-mail address:**