



What Is SERVE?

SERVE is an annual event where teenagers from Canadian Baptist churches across Western Canada come together to worship and serve in a local community. Through SERVE, youth hope to bless communities by demonstrating the love of Jesus through active service.

When and where is SERVE in 2026?

SERVE will be held in Wetaskiwin, AB from July 5-11, 2026 and hosted by Brightview Community Church. Wetaskiwin has a population of 13,000 and is located 70 kilometres south of Edmonton. The city name comes from the Cree word wĭtaskiwinihk, meaning "the hills where peace was made". More info [online](#).

Groups are asked to arrive for registration on Sunday, July 5 between 3:00-5:00pm. Groups will be released to travel home on Saturday, July 11 after breakfast.

Each group is responsible for transporting themselves to/from/during the SERVE week.

Who Benefits?

God will be glorified, we will be stretched and challenged, our youth groups will grow together and many people will experience God as we serve. The local church also benefits as we serve the surrounding community and make a positive impact for Christ and the church in their community.

What Will I Experience?

- New and rekindled friendships with other Canadian Baptist Youth
- Powerful worship & speakers who will challenge and encourage your faith
- Service opportunities that bless others & often teach practical skills
 - Examples: painting, running kids' day camps, sorting donations at a food bank, serving meals at a local mission, yard work, construction, serving on a First Nations Reserve, etc.
- Time for devotions, fun and recreation
- Exploration of a new part of Western Canada

What Is A Typical Day Like?

8:00am	Breakfast
9:00am	Serving at Ministry Sites
12:00pm	Bag Lunch at Ministry Sites
1:00pm	Serving at Ministry Sites
4:00pm	Clean up / Head Back
5:30pm	Supper
6:30pm	Leaders Meeting
7:30pm	Evening Worship Session with Guest Speaker, Band, Missions Moments & More...
9:00pm	Snack
9:30pm	Group Devo Time
11:00pm	Lights Out - Everyone in Bed

*** The schedule may vary. Following breakfast on Wednesday, July 8 all groups will have the entire day & evening free. Groups will be provided a list of available free day activities.

Where Do We Stay?

All participants will be staying in a Curling Centre. Be prepared to sleep on the floor. You are encouraged to bring some padding for under your sleeping bag. Guys and girls will be in separate quarters.

Who Is The Speaker And Band?

We are blessed to have Juno nominated artist Fraser Campbell and his band lead us in worship (www.frasercampbellmusic.com). More information about our speaker will be available in early 2026.

Who Is Able To Participate?

Student Participants age 12-19 who have completed Grade Six. No matter a participants age, discretion will be given to the Group Coordinator along with consultation from the student's parents/guardians, to decide whether he/she is able to handle a week-long mission event like SERVE. Keep in mind the participant's desire to serve God by serving others.

Leader Participants must be **20+** (if you have 19 year old leaders they may participate as junior leaders but must pay the student rates)

What Will It Cost?

Students (ages 12-19)

- Early Bird Rate - \$325 through April 30, 2026
- Regular Rate - \$400 from May 1, 2026 until May 31, 2026

Adult Leader (ages 20+)

- Early Bird Rate - \$100 through April 30, 2026
- Regular Rate - \$150 from May 1, 2026 until May 31, 2026

Adult Coordinator (1 per group)

- FREE

****Any registration requests after May 31 are not guaranteed. Email panderson@cbwc.ca*

What Does The Registration Fee Include?

Food during SERVE (except Wed. dinner), Housing, Evening Sessions, Coordinated Service Projects and a SERVE T-shirt.

What Are Some Other Costs To Consider?

Transportation to, from and during SERVE. Food costs during travel to/from SERVE. Free day activity and dinner. Spending money, missions offering and misc.

Bursary Opportunities

A limited number of need based bursaries are available through the Canadian Baptists of Western Canada. The application package is available online at www.cbwc.ca/serve.

Refund Policy

A full refund of the SERVE registration fee is available if requested on or before May 31. After May 31 a \$25 processing fee will be subtracted from all refunds. Refund requests should be made directly to Peter Anderson at panderson@cbwc.ca. Please allow up to 8 weeks for processing. ****In the event that SERVE 2026 is cancelled all registration fees will be fully refunded****

How Do I Register?

All registrations will be online. Just go to www.cbwc.ca/serve and follow the links. If you wish to participate but your church is not going, please contact us at panderson@cbwc.ca