

i S S A C H A R

CENTER FOR URBAN LEADERSHIP

Becoming agents of change in the heart of Denver

Thank you for your interest in the Issachar Center Apprenticeship!

This Apprenticeship is a cooperative venture, partnering with other local organizations to develop young urban leaders who, in the spirit of Issachar, “understand the times and know what God’s people should do.” Through a rigorous program of academics, discipleship and servant-leadership, the apprenticeship is designed to equip students with both skills and vision to exercise transformative leadership in the communities where they live.

The apprenticeship includes a scholarship of up to \$6,000/year in order to complete a post-high school degree at any Denver college/university, technical school or art institution as approved by Issachar leadership team.

By completing this application, you are expressing your desire to participate in the full apprenticeship program. This will require a significant investment of time, energy, and commitment well beyond what is required of a regular college student for 2-4 years. For that reason, be sure to read a description of the apprenticeship program before you complete this application. This description, along with an application timeline, are available at issachardenver.com.

Along with your typed application, please include:

- A signed copy of the Issachar Covenant
- High school transcript, current college transcript, and most recent college bill

Completed application packets should be sent to the following address (or you may drop the packet in the mailbox at the following address):

Issachar Center for Urban Leadership
Attn: Sierra
1220 E. 24th Ave
Denver, CO 80205
720-449-1232

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name _____

Current Address _____

Phone number(s) _____

Email address _____

Date of Birth _____ Where were you born? _____

Are you married? _____ Spouse's Name: _____

(If you are married, you and your spouse should fill out separate application forms)

Please list 4 references

Your references should include one teacher, one pastor or one ministry leader, one supervisor, and one mentor. One person may fulfill 2-3 of those roles, but please still supply 4 references. The reference must speak to your character, leadership skills and abilities.

Please advise these references that we will email them a reference form.

1. Name: _____ E-mail: _____

Phone: _____ Relationship: _____

2. Name: _____ E-mail: _____

Phone: _____ Relationship: _____

3. Name: _____ E-mail: _____

Phone: _____ Relationship: _____

4. Name: _____ Email: _____

Phone: _____ Relationship: _____

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:

Have you graduated from High School? *yes no* Year: _____

Do you have a GED? *yes no* Year received: _____

School where you graduated or received GED: _____

Are you currently enrolled as a student?: *yes no*

If yes, what is the name of your school?: _____

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY:

CURRENT/MOST RECENT EMPLOYER:

Company Name: _____

Name of your supervisor: _____ Phone: _____

Your role and responsibilities: _____

How long employed?: (years and months) _____

ANOTHER EMPLOYER:

Company Name: _____

Name of your supervisor: _____ Phone: _____

Your role and responsibilities: _____

How long employed?: (years and months) _____

CHURCH AND MINISTRY BACKGROUND:

1. What church do you attend? _____

How long have you attended this church, and how would you describe your commitment to this church? (e.g. very committed, just checking it out, part of the leadership team, etc.) Explain in detail the commitment level you choose.

Address or Location of the church: _____

Name of Pastor: _____

Phone number: _____

2. Are you currently serving, volunteering, or part of the leadership team for any other community organizations, ministries, or churches? *yes no*

If so, please describe your roles and responsibilities.

If not listed in references section, please give the name and phone number of person who supervised your serving or volunteering

Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

3. Tell us about other service/leadership roles you may have had in the past.

QUESTIONS ABOUT MINISTRY (Uplift, Young Life, Save our Youth, church, etc...)

What has been your involvement in ministry?

Why have you chosen to continue to do ministry in the future?

How has your ministry experience helped you grow spiritually and as a leader?

QUESTIONS ABOUT THE ISSACHAR COMMUNITY

Have you ever visited the Issachar Community? *yes no*

How did you hear about Issachar?

Tell us what you know about the program.

Why are you interested in living in community with others?

What questions or concerns do you have about participating in the Issachar community?

PERSONAL ESSAYS

For the following questions, please answer thoroughly. Attach your handwritten or typed answers on a separate page(s).

Please tell us about your experience of becoming a follower of Christ and your journey since becoming a follower of Christ.

1. Tell us about some of your personal accomplishments/victories.
2. Tell us about some of your personal defeats/regrets in the last 3-5 years.
3. Tell us about a time in the last year when you demonstrated leadership skills.
4. What does servant leadership mean to you and describe where you have demonstrated servant-leadership.
5. What are some of the intangible things about you – things others may or may not see – that make you a good candidate for leadership?
6. What are some of your goals for the next 3 years?
7. Looking even farther ahead, how do you envision your life 10 years from now? What are your hopes for life personally, professionally, financially?
8. What do you need to learn or change about your life in order to accomplish those goals?
9. Issachar is a diverse environment, with people from different ethnic, denominational and economic backgrounds. How do you anticipate that diversity might be good for you? How do you anticipate that it might be challenging?
10. What does the word “accountability” mean for you? Do you have accountability built into your life right now? What do you like and dislike about accountability? What is easy and what is challenging to you about accountability?
11. What are some of the unique challenges facing urban communities in our day? What role do you see yourself playing in response to those challenges?
12. Is there anything else that you want us to know, as we consider you as a candidate for apprenticeship at the Issachar Community?