

WHAT IS NOT INCLUDED IN MY SERVICE HOURS?

Initial interviews, transportation to the ministry site, lunch breaks, dinner breaks and hours being served to Teen Court due to a ticket do NOT count towards one's required ministry hours. However, training for a specific ministry can count towards one's hours. Babysitting (unless for a parish in a group child care setting with supervision), work for family and/or friends, and such do not count. Donations of goods do not count, regardless of the donations site's policy, but the time spent gathering the goods can count. Work done in one's home, even with parental and/or adult supervision, cannot be counted. "Double-dipping" is not allowed either. There are many other requirements a person can have besides NCHS, such as Confirmation hours at a parish, Eagle Scout service projects, etc. These hours gain the benefit of those programs, and are not counted as valid hours in the NCHS Christian Ministry Program. Further, even if parishes accept NCHS hours in lieu of their own Confirmation requirement, this is still "double-dipping" and is not allowed. See also "Nolan Catholic Service" above for more information. If there is a question as to whether a specific activity is allowed, please contact the Director of Christian Ministry for approval.