

Anne Montgomery House
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Anne Montgomery House is an intentional community founded to provide a one-year experience of community living for young women interested in spirituality and justice. The house is named for Sr. Anne Montgomery, RSCJ, a dedicated peacemaker who lived her Sacred Heart spirituality primarily through volunteer work with two groups: **Christian Peacemaker Teams** bringing peace to war-torn regions worldwide, and the **Plowshares Movement**, working for nuclear disarmament through nonviolent protest.

Three Religious of the Sacred Heart live in the community, Sr. Diane Roche, Sr. Julie Yachtis and Sr. Clare Pratt. There is room for between 2 and 4 younger members. Every member of the community contributes actively to social justice in some way, whether it be advocacy, protest, community organizing, or some forms of direct service. Organizations where members are (or have been) involved include, Sojourner Magazine, Network Lobby, Center for American Progress, (CAP) and the Stuart Center of the Society of the Sacred Heart.

Activities include:

- two liturgies, one at the start of the year and one near the end
- morning prayer and reflection Monday through Friday as a group
- three evenings of Taizé prayer a year
- workshops on topics such as discernment and centering prayer
- gatherings of young adults for sharing over a meal
- neighborhood engagement
- composting and recycling
- partnering with groups such as the Dorothy Day Catholic Worker, Living Wages, the Franciscan Action Network, Little Friends for Peace, and the Associates of the Society of the Sacred Heart

All members of the community help prepare meals, lead prayer and help with household chores. When we are not hosting events in the house, we maintain a moderately quiet atmosphere conducive to prayer and study,

The application process begins in March and consists of a written application which, if approved, is followed by an interview (either in person or by video conference). The cost for participation varies, but can range from \$700/month for a single room with a shared bath to \$1,400/month for a double room with private bath. The monthly fee included utilities, food, internet and housing.