

Mercy Global Action visited by Mercy Volunteer Corps and Gwynedd Mercy University

On Friday, May 19, Mercy Global Action had the privilege of hosting Mercy Volunteer Corps (MVC) and students from Gwynedd Mercy University at our New York office. MVC, an esteemed ministerial partner of the Sisters of Mercy of the Americas since 1993, has been empowering volunteers for social change since its establishment in 1978.

MVC's influence has extended both domestically and internationally. In addition to serving economically disadvantaged and marginalized communities within the United States, MVC has been dispatching volunteers to Guyana, South America, since 2000. *Their impact is truly remarkable, with over 1,000 volunteers deployed to 169 service sites spanning 24 states, South America, and Central America. Collectively, these volunteers have devoted an impressive 2,042,880 hours to service.*

The central mission of MVC revolves around addressing the multifaceted forms of injustice that persist in our contemporary world. Volunteers commit to a year-long service, collaborating with individuals who endure economic disparities, oppression, and marginalization. Whether engaged in education, healthcare, or social services, these volunteers experience personal growth and actively promote inter-culturalism and solidarity as they strive for positive change.



During MVC's visit, we had the privilege of introducing them to the work carried out by the Mercy Global Action office at the United Nations, as well as the alignment of our efforts with the broader Mercy World.

This visit provided a valuable opportunity to deepen our understanding and appreciation of how MVC's commitment to compassionate service and social change resonates with the global initiatives of the Sisters of Mercy.



We extend our sincere gratitude for the heartening visit from MVC and commend their unwavering dedication to making a meaningful impact in the lives of those in need. We also appreciate the opportunity to share valuable insights and eagerly anticipate future collaboration and partnership as we continue to pursue our shared goals.