

# REMEMBERING THE LIVES LOST TO VIOLENCE IN BALTIMORE CITY: MULTIMEDIA MEMORIAL PROJECT

If you are troubled over the violence in Baltimore City and looking for a way to use your creative energies to support families who have lost a loved one to violence, please consider joining a new initiative sponsored by the Archdiocese of Baltimore, in partnership with city agencies, universities and other nonprofits throughout the City. The purpose of the project is to create online testimonials commemorating the lives that have been lost through written stories, videos, podcasts and other media in order to demonstrate our support for the families who are suffering such a tragic loss of life. Through the project we hope to also raise awareness and unite our community in working to end this cycle of violence in our City.

As an additional aspect of the project, the Archdiocese is also organizing a network of volunteers who will provide support to families such as meals, baby and children's supplies, sympathy notes, etc. (More information on this aspect of the project is available at [www.archbalt.org/grief-ministry](http://www.archbalt.org/grief-ministry))

On the following page is a menu of options for how individuals can volunteer to participate in the Memorial Project. We are also seeking support from organizations or universities who can assist in creating the website and organizing a process for developing the online memorials. If you have additional suggestions for how we might add to the project, please feel free to indicate those in the space provided. Once we have gathered a sufficient number of partnering organizations and volunteers, we will contact you about times and locations of various trainings that will be offered.

Thank you in advance for devoting your time and talent to bringing peace and healing to our City.

Yes, I am interested in participating in the Memorial Project, and have indicated below the ways I would like to volunteer (feel free to check more than one).

I am not able to participate at this time, but please add me to your email list so that I can remain informed.

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NAME

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ADDRESS

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PHONE

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EMAIL

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OCCUPATION OR EXPERTISE

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AVAILABLE NUMBER OF HOURS/MONTH FOR VOLUNTEERING

I would like to volunteer by:

Assisting as a project organizer

Assisting in developing/maintaining website content

Writing obituaries

Creating commemorative videos, photographic, or other visual tributes

Creating commemorative podcasts

Composing music for videos or podcasts

Other \_\_\_\_\_

**Please return to:**

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*For more information or to sign up online, please visit [www.archbalt.org/grief-ministry](http://www.archbalt.org/grief-ministry)  
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