



ISP Chicago

The **Ignatian Spirituality Project (ISP)** invites people recovering from homelessness and addiction to encounter God's love, hope, and healing through spiritual companionship that transforms lives. Our decades of experience align with what social science research continues to find: recovering a sense of self-worth, purpose, and belonging is an essential, and often overlooked, element of the journey of recovery. It's the spiritual foundation that helps other supports—like jobs and housing—last.



1998-2026 by the numbers

- 150+ overnight retreats
- 7000+ spiritual reflection participants
- 35 current volunteers
...and growing



HISTORY

ISP was founded in Chicago in 1998 and was a key part of the formation of the entire ISP Network across the United States. As new teams and cities were added and formed, ISP Chicago took on a life of its own with a core group of team members, alumni, and social service agencies.

ABOUT US

ISP Chicago currently hosts nine overnight retreats per year (including one specialized training retreat for alumni leaders) as well as multiple small group reflection circles in person and virtually across the city. The alumni are a key component of the team, with several volunteers and alumni participating in national leadership and formation programs each year. 2026 marks the 2nd year ISP has been an official partner of Winter Walk Chicago, a citywide walk and movement to end homelessness.

COMMUNITY PARTNERS

ISP is grateful for the agencies, retreat centers, schools, and parishes that are a part of our work including:

- Bellarmine Jesuit Retreat House
- Bonaventure House
- SisterHouse
- Loyola University Chicago
- ...and many more!

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