Global Outreach is a unique exchange program linking America with Central/Eastern Europe. We invite American families to participate in the mission of our program - to build a civilization of love - by inviting into their homes high school students from post-communist European countries. This is a way to spread love, peace and unity among nations while learning about other cultures, customs and faith of people who live in different parts of the world. It also provides a wonderful opportunity to share with young people from Europe experiences of American freedom, tolerance and openness to other, sometimes very different, people. Global Outreach invites highly qualified students, primarily from Catholic secondary schools, to spend an academic year in U.S. Catholic high schools.

As a host family, your responsibilities would include providing room and board for your student, accepting him/her as a member of your family (not a guest), including him/her in your daily life and routines, and supporting him/her in achieving the objectives of the Global Outreach program.

G.O. is a small program so that careful attention can be given to students and host families. Throughout the year Global Outreach staff will be in regular contact with you and your student to provide any support that either of you might need.

If you are interested in learning more about hosting a GO student, please feel free to contact me at the address or phone number listed below. You can also go to the Global Outreach website www.globaloutreachprogram.com and click on Become a Host Family to view and print application materials for host families.

I look forward to hearing from your family.

God bless,

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Global Outreach is an exchange program with a difference. You can make a difference in their lives, as they will in yours.

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Our Mission...Global Outreach is committed to building a civilization of love in Central/Eastern Europe as well as in the United States through the formation of 21st century young Catholic servant-leaders who are committed to rebuilding the Church and society.

*By opening your heart and home, you will give an exceptional young person an experience of a lifetime – to live with an American family and experience the language, customs, culture, and faith life of our country.*

Global Outreach seeks Christian renewal for the Church in the former communist countries, by offering committed young Catholics the opportunity to attend a Catholic high school in the U.S. while living with Christian families.

Our carefully chosen foreign students grow in self-confidence, broaden their worldview and engage in rich faith experiences while in the U.S. Their growth in communication and in faith sharing skills helps them to "return as missionaries to their own countries," assisting with the "new evangelization" of their homelands.

American youth also benefit by experiencing the "universalilty" of the Church as they respond to the call of Pope John Paul II: "To build a civilization of love."

Global Outreach students come from the Czech Republic, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, and Slovakia. They are recommended by church and school officials based on the following criteria: strong faith, personal maturity, English proficiency, leadership ability, and good health. Since its inception in 1990, Global Outreach students have studied in three states: Wisconsin, Nebraska, and Minnesota, and in 17 different high schools. Students are expected to participate in school, parish and community activities, especially in youth ministry programs. As high school juniors, they are asked to share their culture, faith, and talents. Global Outreach emphasizes involvement in areas that will enable students to participate in the rebuilding of the Catholic Church and their societies through the development of faith sharing, volunteerism, public speaking, interpersonal communication, and organizational skills. Through the principles of servant leadership, Global Outreach seeks to form young adults who will make a difference in their countries, homes, schools, and faith communities.

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