

Long Term Volunteering (LTV) Vacancies List

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Chapter 1

Africa

1.1 Nigeria

1.1.1 VWAN Nigeria

1.1.1.1 Compenatory Centre & Placement Homes

Theme:	Disabilities
Location:	Coker Road, Ilupeju Estate, Lagos, Nigeria
Work starts:	Ongoing
Application:	Apply when ready to participate
Period:	Between 1 - 12 months
Vacancies:	5
Languages:	
↔ Project:	English
↔ Local:	English

Project Description:

The project is a special school where disadvantaged, mentally and physically impaired children are reformed and exposed to various basic learning, signs and sound communication. This is a welfare project that gives needed attention to the suffering of children especially the mentally disabled and vulnerable children in the society.

Detailed Information:

Work: Volunteer will work with some experienced staff in the school. Volunteers will give assistance in moving the children around, organizing entertainment, cultural events and various social events (games, courses of foreign languages, etc.).
Requirements: Bring some info of personal health material like how to brush teeth, washing hands, cutting nails, etc. Volunteers can also arrange cultural exchange, gardening, sport activities, making wall magazine, etc.

Food: The organization provides the local food materials and ingredients. Volunteers will do self-catering in a local kitchen together with local volunteers. The meal provided is general for all volunteers but optional meal is at volunteer's expense.

Accommodation: Volunteers will be accommodated in a room separated for the purpose. The home has simple facilities with all conveniences. Bathroom and toilet facilities are also available

Pocket money: Volunteer to arrange

Insurance: Kindly obtain your health insurance for appropriate months of stay before departure.

Fees: Fees is 200 euro for the project per month. No extra fee is demanded from volunteer on arrival. Pick up is arranged by VWAN on arrival and to the airport after project.

Visa: Please note: business visa should be obtained for 3 months but less than 6 months stay. If stay is more than 6 months, STR visa should be collected before departure. Tourist visa is only allowed for 1 month.

Others: Clean water is sometimes available through pipe-borne facilities but not always. Most often water is collected from borehole, streams, rivers or water tank. Volunteers usually boil this water for safe drinking.

1.1.1.2 Eruwa Farm Agricultural Projects (Village Side)

Theme:	Others
Location:	Eruwa Town, Ibarapa LGA, Oyo State, Nigeria
Work starts:	Ongoing
Application:	Decision date can also be done within 2 months before departure for the project
Period:	Between 1 and 12 Months - Start date between March and December
Vacancies:	10
Languages:	
↪ Project:	English
↪ Local:	English

Project Description:

Major idea of this project is to create opportunity for youths to acquire some skills on small scale farming. Cultural diversity is also exchanged. At the end, food would have been made available to the common man and possibly for market supply. Inter-cultural exchange: Few weekends are designated with some social activities. These include cultural nights, cultural exposition, entertainments, dancing, drum in an open show, camp fire, cultural wears and foods are displayed. It is tagged social nights and all volunteers and local youths in the

communities are involved.

Detailed Information:

Work: The project is tagged “operation food basket” which is organized in conjunction with a branch of an international NGO-YMCA in Nigeria. It is food for sustainable development in line with poverty alleviation programme of MDG goals. The farmland is a large sparse one with varieties of crops. It has different layers of cropping built along ridges and cultivated bumps for growing varieties of seeds. Much of bush clearing, planting, watering, ploughing and harvesting will be done. New cultivation of ridges and crop layers will be carried out.

Requirements: Bring some info of personal health material like how to brush teeth, washing hands, cutting nails, etc. Volunteers can also arrange cultural exchange, gardening, sport activities, making wall magazine, etc.

Food: The organization provides the local food materials and ingredients. Volunteers will do self-catering in a local kitchen together with local volunteers. The meal provided is general for all volunteers but optional meal is at volunteer’s expense.

Accommodation: Volunteers will be accommodated in room – dormitories – existing in the farm. The farm camp is big and has accommodation facilities with all conveniences. Bathroom and toilet facilities are also available.

Pocket money: Arrange by volunteer

Insurance: Kindly obtain your health insurance for appropriate months of stay before departure.

Fees: Fees is 200 euro for the project per month. No extra fee is demanded from volunteer on arrival. Pick up is arranged by VWAN on arrival and to the airport after project

Visa: Please note: business visa should be obtained for 3 months but less than 6 months stay. If stay is more than 6 months, STR visa should be collected before departure. Tourist visa is only allowed for 1 month.

Others: Clean water is sometimes available through pipe-borne facilities but not always. Most often water is collected from boreholes, streams, rivers or water tank. Volunteers usually boil this water for safe drinking.

1.1.1.3 God's grace social/orphanage home

Theme:	Children, teenagers, elderly people
Location:	Agbowo Village, Suburb of Lagos State, Nigeria
Work starts:	Ongoing
Application:	Apply when ready
Period:	One year
Vacancies:	5
Languages:	
↔ Project:	English
↔ Local:	English

Project Description:

The project is a child care centre (i.e. children and motherless home) located at the border of the suburb of main city. The inmates are the neglected or abandoned children that were left alone on the streets or highways for the reason of parents' unwillingness to maintain or bring them up. This is a direct result of early or unwanted pregnancy.

Detailed Information:

Work: Assist the children in cleaning, washing and providing a comfortable environment for the helpless children. Volunteers will give assistance in their social lives, distribution of food and tiding, organizing entertainment, cultural events and various social events (games, courses of foreign languages, etc.).

Requirements: Bring some info of personal health material like how to brush teeth, washing hands, cutting nails, etc. Volunteers can also arrange cultural exchange, gardening, sport activities, making wall magazine, etc. Only female volunteers are accepted for this project.

Food: The organization provides the local food materials and ingredients. Volunteers will do self-catering in a local kitchen together with local volunteers. The meal provided is general for all volunteers but optional meal is at volunteer's expense.

Accommodation: Volunteers will be accommodated in a room (dormitories). The accommodation has facilities with all conveniences. Bathroom and toilet facilities are also available.

Pocket money: Arrange by volunteer

Insurance: Kindly obtain your health insurance for appropriate months of stay before departure.

Fees: Fees is 200 euro for the project per month. No extra fee is demanded from volunteer on arrival. Pick up is arranged by VWAN on arrival and to the airport after project

Visa: Please note: business visa should be obtained for 3 months but less than 6 months stay. If stay is more than 6 months, STR visa should be collected before departure. Tourist visa is only allowed for 1 month.

Others: Clean water is sometimes available through pipe-borne facilities but not always. Most often water is collected from boreholes, streams, rivers or water tank. Volunteers usually boil this water for safe drinking.

1.1.1.4 Ijamido Children & Motherless Homes

Theme:	Children, teenagers, elderly people
Location:	Ilo Awela Road, Sango, Ogun State, Nigeria
Work starts:	Ongoing
Application:	Apply when ready to participate
Period:	Between 1 to 12 months
Vacancies:	5
Languages:	
↔ Project:	English
↔ Local:	English

Project Description:

The home was founded in 1958 by Mrs Irene Willoughby, who recognized the need of a home for abandoned children. Now, the home is run by the first baby of the home. There are about 150 children in the home, from newborn babies to university-attendants. Most of the children were found somewhere in the bush or on the road, where they were abandoned by their parents (due to unwanted pregnancy or not being able to raise the child financially).

Detailed Information:

Work: Volunteer has no fixed tasks but is free to find tasks for him/herself. In the morning he can take care of the babies, carry them around, change pampers, feed them and play with them. After the older children come back from school, he can help with homework (which is one of the major problems with the mass of over 100 children and just few staff), but also give extra lessons to smaller groups of children. In the afternoon he can arrange games, sports, and any other entertainment. He can also associate with the elders, that are the age of college-attendants.

Requirements: Bring some info of personal health material like how to brush teeth, washing hands, cutting nails, etc. Volunteers can also arrange cultural exchange, gardening, sport activities, making wall magazine, etc.

Food: The organization provides the local food materials and ingredients. Volunteers will do self-catering in a local kitchen together with local volunteers. The meal provided is general for all volunteers but optional meal is at volunteer's expense.

Accommodation: Volunteers will be accommodated in a room (dormitories). The accommodation has facilities with all conveniences. Bathroom and toilet

facilities are also available.

Pocket money: Arrange by volunteer

Insurance: Kindly obtain your health insurance for appropriate months of stay before departure.

Fees: Fees is 200 euro for the camp per month. No extra fee is demanded from volunteer on arrival. Pick up is arranged by VWAN on arrival and to the airport after project

Visa: Please note: business visa should be obtained for 3 months but less than 6 months stay. If stay is more than 6 months, STR visa should be collected before departure. Tourist visa is only allowed for 1 month.

Others: Clean water is sometimes available through pipe-borne facilities but not always. Most often water is collected from borehole, streams, rivers or water tank. Volunteers usually boil this water for safe drinking.

1.1.1.5 Little Saints Children Centre

Theme:	Children, teenagers, elderly people
Location:	Palmgrove, Lagos, Nigeria
Work starts:	Ongoing
Application:	Apply when ready to participate
Period:	1 - 12 months
Vacancies:	5
Languages:	
↔ Project:	English
↔ Local:	English

Project Description:

The project is a child care centre (i.e. children and motherless home) located in three different centres in Lagos. The children are the products of neglected or abandoned that were left alone on the streets or highways for the reason of parents' unwillingness to maintain or bring them up due to economic or social reasons. This is a direct result of early or unwanted pregnancy.

Detailed Information:

Work: Assist the children in cleaning, washing and providing a comfortable environment for the helpless children. Volunteers will give assistance in their social lives, distribution of food and tiding, organizing entertainment, cultural events and various social events (games, courses of foreign languages, etc.).

Requirements: Bring some info of personal health material like how to brush teeth, washing hands, cutting nails, etc. Volunteers can also arrange cultural exchange, gardening, sport activities, making wall magazine, etc.

Food: The organization provides the local food materials and ingredients. Volunteers will do self-catering in a local kitchen together with local volunteers. The

meal provided is general for all volunteers but optional meal is at volunteer's expense.

Accommodation: Volunteers will be accommodated in a room (dormitories). The accommodation has facilities with all conveniences. Bathroom and toilet facilities are also available.

Pocket money: Arrange by volunteer

Insurance: Kindly obtain your health insurance for appropriate months of stay before departure.

Fees: Fees is 200 euro for the project per month. No extra fee is demanded from volunteer on arrival. Pick up is arranged by VWAN on arrival and to the airport after project

Visa: Please note: business visa should be obtained for 3 months but less than 6 months stay. If stay is more than 6 months, STR visa should be collected before departure. Tourist visa is only allowed for 1 month.

Others: Clean water is sometimes available through pipe-borne facilities but not always. Most often water is collected from borehole, streams, rivers or water tank. Volunteers usually boil this water for safe drinking.

1.1.1.6 Modupe Cole Child Care Centre

Theme:	Disabilities
Location:	Lagos Mainland, AKoka, Nigeria
Work starts:	Ongoing
Application:	Apply when ready to participate
Period:	Between 1 - 12 months
Vacancies:	5
Languages:	
↔ Project:	English
↔ Local:	English

Project Description:

The home consists of a so called Bed-Ridden Station, which houses both highly mentally and physically disabled people of all ages (smaller children to almost 50 year old people). As the name indicates, they are not able to move around and spend their time in their beds, being fed and washed by staff. There are boys' and girls' hostels, for the more self-dependent ones. They are split into those for mentally challenged (like Down-Syndrome, Autism) and those for "only" physically challenged (e.g. Spinal Bifida), who use wheelchairs.

Detailed Information:

Work: Volunteers are expected to provide the following services for the challenged and vulnerable children: * auxiliary training in special areas related to

their own social works * assistance in moving physically challenged children around * distribution of food and other materials * organizing entertainment, cultural events and games, * courses of foreign languages, etc.) * helping the teachers in the school, e.g. paying special attention to one of the pupils or helping during breakfast break in feeding

Requirements: Bring some info of personal health material like how to brush teeth, washing hands, cutting nails, etc. Volunteers can also arrange cultural exchange, gardening, sport activities, making wall magazine, etc.

Food: The organization provides the local food materials and ingredients. Volunteers will do self-catering in a local kitchen together with local volunteers. The meal provided is general for all volunteers but optional meal is at volunteer's expense.

Accommodation: Volunteers will be accommodated in a room (dormitories). The accommodation has facilities with all conveniences. Bathroom and toilet facilities are also available.

Pocket money: Arrange by volunteer

Insurance: Kindly obtain your health insurance for appropriate months of stay before departure.

Fees: Fees is 200 euro for the project per month. No extra fee is demanded from volunteer on arrival. Pick up is arranged by VWAN on arrival and to the airport after project

Visa: Please note: business visa should be obtained for 3 months but less than 6 months stay. If stay is more than 6 months, STR visa should be collected before departure. Tourist visa is only allowed for 1 month.

Others: Clean water is sometimes available through pipe-borne facilities but not always. Most often water is collected from borehole, streams, rivers or water tank. Volunteers usually boil this water for safe drinking.

Chapter 2

Asia

2.1 India

2.1.1 SCI India

2.1.1.1 Cadre India

Theme:	North-South solidarity
Location:	Kanyakumari, South India, India
Work starts:	2011-05-03
Work ends:	2011-10-02
Application deadline:	2011-04-10
Decision date:	2011-04-15
Vacancies:	2
Languages:	
↔ Project:	English
↔ Local:	Tamil

Project Description:

CADRE-India is a non-partisan, secular, voluntary organization working in partnership with the rural poor of India. It aims at rendering help and assistance to the socio-economic and emotional uplifting of women, youth, children, the exploited classes and economically weaker sections of society without any discrimination of caste, class, religion or gender. Today CADRE-India directly reaches over 50 million people in Kanyakumari, Kerala, Orissa and Uttar Pradesh.

Detailed Information:

Work: Spending time with children, organizing games, drawing, singing, teaching English, visiting villages, meeting families and women and understanding their needs.

The project expects you to work 5 days per week.

Requirements: Motivated volunteer who wants to learn about the situation and condition of the less privileged children, women and rural poor.

Food: Volunteer has to pay for the provided vegetarian food.

Accommodation: provided by the project

Pocket money: none

Insurance: to be organised by the volunteer

Fees: 100 euro. One time payment to be handed to SCI India upon arrival.

Visa: The volunteer should apply for tourist visa. This will help them to save a lot of time.

Others: –

2.1.1.2 Centre for Tribals and Rural Development

Theme:	North-South solidarity
Location:	The Nilgiris, Tamilnadu State, India
Work starts:	2011-04-08
Work ends:	2011-10-09
Application deadline:	2011-03-25
Decision date:	2011-03-28
Vacancies:	2
Languages:	
↔ Project:	English
↔ Local:	Tamil

Project Description:

Centre for Tribals and Rural development is a non profit voluntary organization working for the welfare and promotion of the tribal population in the Nilgiris district. The organization has very many activities for the overall growth and development of the tribal population. Some of the major activities of the organization are: * provide housing for the tribal population by empowering traditional village maintenance * provide trainings about electrical wiring and water tanks * work on pipe lines and pathway * build steps linking buildings.

Detailed Information:

Work: Help to prepare trainings for adults about animal husbandry, fishery, organic farming and herbal medicine (cultivation, preparation and marketing).

Prepare and lead games and activities for children.

The project expects you to work 5 days per week.

Requirements: Motivated volunteer who wants to learn about the situation and condition of the less privileged tribal children, women and rural poor.

Food: Volunteer has to pay for the provided vegetarian food.

Accommodation: provided by the project

Pocket money: none

Insurance: to be organised by the volunteer

Fees: 100 euro. One time payment to be handed to SCI India upon arrival.

Visa: The volunteer should apply for tourist visa. This will help them to save a lot of time.

Others: –

2.1.1.3 Families for Children

Theme:	Children, teenagers, elderly people
Location:	Coimbatore, India
Work starts:	2011-04-22
Work ends:	2011-10-21
Application deadline:	2011-03-15
Decision date:	2011-03-20
Vacancies:	2
Languages:	
↔ Project:	English
↔ Local:	Tamil

Project Description:

Families for Children (FFC) is a private, non-profit, non-sectarian agency operating homes that care for hundreds of destitute children and women in India and Bangladesh. There are over 450 children residing in the project in India. The homes are comprised of 6 houses, which are owned by FFC. FFC has a large special care center for children who are mentally and or physically disabled. Excellent locally hired special educational teachers are employed to care for these children.

Detailed Information:

Work: Volunteer will mainly work with the children: organizing games, drawing, singing, teaching English or simply spending time with children and trying to understand their emotional needs.

Volunteer may be able to get involved in other activities of FFC, such as participating in the tailoring programme, helping with the goat farming or participating in the paper-making project.

The project expects you to work 5 days per week.

Requirements: Motivated volunteer who wants to learn about situation and condition of the less privileged children, women and rural poor.

Food: Volunteer has to pay for the provided vegetarian food.

Accommodation: provided by the project

Pocket money: none

Insurance: to be organised by the volunteer

Fees: 100 euro. One time payment to be handed to SCI India upon arrival.

Visa: The volunteer should apply for tourist visa. This will help them to save a lot of time.

Others: –

2.2 Japan

2.2.1 SCI Japan

2.2.1.1 Free Kids Village

Theme:	Environment
Location:	Takato, Nagano, Japan
Work starts:	2011-08-05
Work ends:	2011-09-30
Application deadline:	2011-06-25
Decision date:	2011-06-26
Vacancies:	1
Languages:	
↪ Project:	English
↪ Local:	Japanese

Project Description:

A unique community in a rural village in the mountains, 200 km west of Tokyo. It was established by Ms. Takako Iwatani in 2004. Over 20 people including children lead a self-sustaining and environmentally friendly life. The first SCI workcamp was held in August, 2009.

Detailed Information:

Work: Organic farming: weeding in the rice and vegetable fields, cutting thatch, making non-tilled soil, etc. Day-to-day housekeeping work

Requirements: Motivated to learn organic farming, live a big family-like life and respect environmentally sustainable life-style.

Food: Mostly vegetarian food is provided

Accommodation: A 100-year-old big farm house. Sometimes share a room with a volunteer from WWOOF.

Pocket money: 10,000 yen (about 80 euros)/month plus 2 round trips by bus between Tokyo and the project

Insurance: SCI insurance

Fees: None

Visa: Basically, only 3 months' tourist visa are possible due to the government

visa policy. However, English, Irish, German, Swiss, Austrian and Mexican probably have the possibility to extend the visa for another 3 months according to the bilateral agreement between the governments.

Others: –

2.2.1.2 Kanazawa farm

Theme:	Environment
Location:	Yaita, Tochigi, Japan
Work starts:	2011-08-20
Work ends:	2011-11-10
Application deadline:	2011-06-25
Decision date:	2011-06-26
Vacancies:	1
Languages:	
↔ Project:	Japanese
↔ Local:	Japanese

Project Description:

Kanazawa Farm is a private organic farm in a rural area, 150km east of Tokyo. Ms. Kanazawa grows rice, vegetables and chickens for eggs. She is inviting volunteers to help her with farming and day-to-day housework.

Detailed Information:

Work: The volunteer helps at the farm. He/She is also expected to coordinate weekend workcamps held at the farm. The volunteer gets a day off per week plus extra 5 days off during his/her service.

Requirements: Speak basic Japanese or motivated to learn at least to communicate with Ms. Kanazawa as she does not speak English, and interested in organic farming and love animals. S/he has to be able to work voluntarily.

Food: Eat with Ms. Kanazawa

Accommodation: An old farm house, sometimes with a volunteer from WWOOF

Pocket money: 10,000 yen (about 80 euros)/month plus two round trips by local train from Tokyo to the project

Insurance: SCI insurance

Fees: None

Visa: Only 3 months' tourist visa is possible due to the government visa policy but English, Irish, German, Swiss, Austrian and Mexican have the possibility to extend their visa for another 3 months according to the bilateral agreement between the governments.

Others: The life is very frugal and simple in contrast to the affluent and materialistic Japanese society.

2.2.1.3 Kanazawa farm

Theme:	Environment
Location:	Yaita, Tochigi, Japan
Work starts:	2011-05-20
Work ends:	2011-08-31
Application deadline:	2011-03-25
Decision date:	2011-03-31
Vacancies:	1
Languages:	
↔ Project:	Japanese
↔ Local:	Japanese

Project Description:

Kanazawa Farm is a private organic farm in a rural area, 150km east of Tokyo. Ms. Kanazawa grows rice, vegetables and chickens for eggs. She is inviting volunteers to help her with farming and day-to-day house-keeping work.

Detailed Information:

Work: The volunteers help at the farm. S/he is also expected to coordinate weekend workcamps. The volunteer gets a day off per week plus extra 5 days off during her/his service.

Requirements: Speak basic Japanese or motivated to learn to communicate with Ms. Kanazawa, at least as she does not speak English, and interested in organic farming and love animals. S/he has to be able to work voluntarily.

Food: Eat with Ms. Kanazawa

Accommodation: An old farm house, sometimes with a volunteer from WWOOF

Pocket money: 10,000 yen (about 80 euros) per month plus two round trips by local train between Tokyo and Yaita

Insurance: SCI insurance

Fees: None

Visa: Basically, only 3 months' tourist visa is possible due to the government visa policy. However, English, Irish, German, Swiss, Austrian and Mexican have probably the opportunity to extend their visa for another 3 months according to the bilateral agreement between the governments.

Others: The life is very frugal and simple in contrast to the affluent and materialistic Japanese society.

2.3 Nepal

2.3.1 SCI Nepal

2.3.1.1 Metta center Dhyankuti Bihar Monastery

Theme:	Children, teenagers, elderly people
Location:	Banepa, Nepal
Work starts:	2011-05-13
Work ends:	2011-12-30
Application deadline:	2011-04-14
Decision date:	2011-04-30
Vacancies:	1
Languages:	
↔ Project:	English
↔ Local:	Other

Project Description:

Metta center Dhyankuti Bihar (Monastery) is one of the Buddhist monasteries based in Banepa and needs one female volunteer to teach English language to orphaned girls living in the monastery.

Detailed Information:

Work: The volunteer will be teaching English to the orphaned girls based in the monastery. The language teaching takes around 3 to 4 hours every day. The volunteer can also help in the chores of the monastery for example in the maintenance of monastery garden, cleaning and furnishing of the monastery. There is a meditation session every day. Two times a month, a special gathering takes place when 150-200 people gather in the monastery. Volunteer can also participate in these monastery activities (and other activities as well) if she wishes to.

Requirements: Able to adapt to simple life of metta center, motivated towards teaching the orphans. Female volunteer.

Food: Provided in the metta center.

Accommodation: Provided in the metta center.

Pocket money: Rs.2000 per month

Insurance: Not provided

Fees: 350 euro for a stay of 1 to 3 months, 475 euro for 4 to 6 months and 850 euro for 7 to 12 months. Fees for non-SCI members are slightly higher. Fees cover administration costs, food and accommodation, teaching materials, pocket money.

Visa: You can get the visa in the Nepalese consulate in your country or you can get it on arrival in Nepal either in the airport or at the immigration office at the border.

Others: –

Chapter 3

Europe

3.1 Croatia

3.1.1 Volunteers Centre Zagreb

3.1.1.1 Velebit Association Kuterev

Theme:	Environment
Location:	Kuterevo, Velebit Mountain, Croatia
Work starts:	Ongoing
Application:	on going
Period:	6-12 months
Vacancies:	4
Languages:	
↔ Project:	English
↔ Local:	Croatian

Project Description:

The project is realized by Velebit Association Kuterev. Its main aims are preservation of natural and cultural heritage in the region. The main activities of the organization are the care of resident bears and the bear facilities within the Bear Refuge, informative and educational work with visitors and running the volunteers' station.

***Notice:** This is a European Voluntary Service (EVS) project. Restrictive rules concerning the age and home country of the participants apply. Please contact the SCI branch, group or partner organisation in your country for further information.*

Detailed Information:

Work: Vols will be involved in 1 or more activities associated with 1 of the 3 main

areas that the organization deals with: nature conservation, local community, culture and volunteering. According to preference, experience and motivation, vols will be involved in some of these activities: * Nature conservation projects (Bear Refuge Project, Non-invasive sampling for brown bear population genetic analyses, Road mitigation measures on amphibian populations, Bear Walking Trail) * Preserving indigenous knowledge * Preserving ethnological and natural heritage (collecting and documenting ethnological and natural values, using different forms and methods (interviews, photography, video) to create a collection that will be used for educational purposes) * Volunteer projects (coordination of groups during the workcamp season (April-September) the vols will work with leaders and coordinators of the volunteer groups, animating kindergarten and school children). Work: 5 days/week (ca. 30 hours), weekends off.

Requirements: We are looking for volunteers who can cope with living calm and uneventful life but also working in big teams with lot of people around them and in very dynamic, intensive and challenging environment. We do not have special demands for volunteers or previous skills or knowledge.

Food: Most of the meals will be prepared together with other volunteers.

Accommodation: Volunteers will live in the village of Kuterevo in the mountain of Velebit, where it borders the Nature Park. They will be accommodated within the village in an apartment, where they will have a private room or share a room with another volunteer.

Pocket money: 95 euro per month

Insurance: AXA insurance

Fees: none

Visa: –

Others: This project will be hosted by VUK (Velebitska Udruga Kuterevo), a partner organisation with which we have been working together for several years.

3.2 Great Britain

3.2.1 IVS GB

3.2.1.1 Earth Connections

Theme:	Environment
Location:	Isle of Eigg, North West Scotland, Great Britain
Work starts:	2011-04-30
Work ends:	2011-12-30
Application deadline:	2011-04-11
Decision date:	2011-04-18
Vacancies:	2
Languages:	
↔ Project:	English
↔ Local:	English

Project Description:

The Earth Connections Centre is a new environmental project on the Isle of Eigg, started by Norah and Bob Wallace. It will be an exciting venue for residential courses on practical sustainable living covering topics such as ecobuilding, food growing, climate change and global issues, wilderness exploration and more. Courses are being planned to start in summer 2011, but we need practical help to finish the building and get accommodation ready for visitors.

Detailed Information:

Work: We are renovating an old building and need help with many jobs painting and decorating, cleaning, sorting out stores, woodworking, repairing equipment etc. We also have an organic garden and work there includes planting, weeding, fruit tree care, fencing, and collecting seaweed from the beach for fertilizer.

The Centre, and the whole island, is run on renewable energy (wind, solar and hydro) so there will be opportunities to help with looking after these systems and learn more about them.

We work full days, but are also flexible with hours depending on family and job needs and weather! Saturday afternoons and Sunday is time off.

Requirements: We would like someone interested in environmental issues and wanting to learn more about practical sustainable living. Needs to be enthusiastic and willing to help out with a variety of jobs. Practical experience is preferred, though help will be given where necessary. We have 3 children (aged 8, 6 and 4) so volunteer needs to get on with young people and be part of family life.

Food: All meals will be provided. Food is vegetarian and vegan. We try to bake our own bread and grow our own vegetables.

Accommodation: You would be living in the Centre with us, and will be

expected to share household and cooking chores with us. Volunteers will have their own bedroom and shared bathroom.

Pocket money: Sorry, none provided

Insurance: Volunteers must have their own travel and health insurance, unless covered by the EEU.

Fees: None

Visa: IVS will issue a certificate of sponsorship for anyone living outside the EEU and who requires an entry visa. Details of how to do this are given to each volunteer by IVS.

Others: This project is on-going. Dates above are approximate.

Eigg is a beautiful and remote island, with a 100 people and a strong history and community. It is 1.5 hours boat journey from the mainland. Weather can be very wet, cold and windy, so be prepared for that.

3.2.1.2 The Edinburgh Cyrenians

Theme:	Socially disadvantaged
Location:	Edinburgh, Scotland, Great Britain
Work starts:	2011-05-31
Work ends:	2011-12-30
Application deadline:	2011-04-30
Decision date:	2011-05-06
Vacancies:	11
Languages:	
↔ Project:	English
↔ Local:	English

Project Description:

Cyrenians has two residential communities. Each community has up to eight residents aged 16-30, who come to live in the communities as a result of being homeless. Volunteers are peer mentors to the community residents. Volunteers and residents live within our community facility. Its hard work and very challenging, but a memorable experience.

Detailed Information:

Work: Volunteers are peer mentors to the community residents and do not substitute the work of paid staff. Volunteers and residents live within our community facility and manage the day-to-day domestic tasks and decisions within the building, which is their home. The process of being involved in decision-making empowers residents and helps to develop their confidence, skills and abilities. We endeavour to create equality between community members (residents and volunteers), but volunteers must note that the young men and women who come

to live here come as a result of their need for support. Volunteer support for a resident may include: * Accompanying a resident to the job centre * Helping a residents to cook a meal for the whole community * Acting as a sounding board for a problem or difficult situation * Offering mature and calm guidance

Requirements: Because the project is working with vulnerable people, there are very specific criteria. Interested volunteers will get the full information upon request.

Food: Provided

Accommodation: All accommodation and food costs are met by Cyrenians.

Pocket money: * Weekly pocket money * Holiday allowance at the three-month stage * Contribution towards travel expenses to the community when you first arrive

Insurance: yes

Fees: registration fee to sending branch.

Visa: UK Border Control requires that people living outside the EEU require a visa. IVSGB will provide sponsorship letter/certificate.

Others: As the post involves working with vulnerable young people, volunteers will need to obtain a letter or certificate of approval to confirm that they are fit to work with young people. Acquisition of this form of approval will vary from country to country.

3.3 Russia

3.3.1 SFERA Russia

3.3.1.1 Children's cancer hospital

Theme:	Children, teenagers, elderly people
Location:	Nizhniy Novgorod, Russia
Work starts:	2011-09-01
Work ends:	2012-03-01
Application deadline:	2011-03-25
Decision date:	2011-03-26
Vacancies:	1
Languages:	
↪ Project:	Russian
↪ Local:	Russian

Project Description:

The project realizes on the base of the children cancer hospital in cooperation with children creative center of Nizhniy Novgorod. Children usually spend more than 6 months in this hospital and they strongly need moral support first of all.

Notice: *This is a European Voluntary Service (EVS) project. Restrictive rules concerning the age and home country of the participants apply. Please contact the SCI branch, group or partner organisation in your country for further information.*

Detailed Information:

Work: The volunteer's tasks are: organizing of leisure time of children (games, hand craft and art studios, common events like watching cartoon etc.), individual supervising in making school homework, working on hospital decoration. In June, 1st we usually organize a charitable event for this hospital when everybody can gift something for children or can participate in common games, concerts, shows. So the volunteers will be able to practice administrative skills in planning and organizing such event.

Requirements: Volunteer has to be creative

Food: 80 euro per month provided

Accommodation: EVS volunteers usually live in flats with other volunteers or in families. Actually they have to share domestic facilities with 2-5 other volunteers or family members.

Pocket money: 90 euro per month

Insurance: AXA insurance

Fees: -

Visa: -

Others: -

3.4 Spain

3.4.1 SCI Catalonia

3.4.1.1 Patim: therapeutic community Los Granados

Theme:	Sexuality and gender
Location:	Castelln, Spain
Work starts:	2011-05-05
Work ends:	2011-08-15
Application deadline:	2011-04-05
Decision date:	2011-04-15
Vacancies:	1
Languages:	
↔ Project:	Spanish
↔ Local:	Spanish

Project Description:

Patim is an NGO specialized in raising awareness on addictions and other behavioral problems. The organisation provides treatments and helps drug addicts towards professional reinsertion. The volunteers will help by implementing and evaluating an educational programme called “A new masculinity in the 21st century: gender violence awareness”. It is directed towards patients of the day centre and of the therapeutic community, also called the residential unit of desintoxication (UDR) of Patim.

Detailed Information:

Work: The work consists in the implementation of a programme to raise awareness on gender violence, towards patients of two sites of Patim: the therapeutic community/residential unit of desintoxication (UDR) and the day centre. The project is supported by professionals of the structure and specific documentation and material. A training session will be provided the first week of the stay, which will include an introduction to the centre’s community life and more generally to the functioning of the organisation. The volunteers work 25 hours per week, from Monday to Friday (5 hours per day). The volunteers are entitled to two non-working days per week. They can also take part in other activities proposed by the centre and even propose complementary activities related to the planning established by the professional team.

Requirements: Volunteers interested in working with drug addiction, social reinsertion, therapeutic communities. Volunteers must have previous knowledge of Spanish language (at least understand and speak) because the activities of PATIM will be in Spanish and the patient of the therapeutic community only speaks Spanish.

Food: Patim will give to volunteers basic aliments. Volunteers can use the kitchen and share it with other volunteers or staff.

Accommodation: The accommodation can be a flat in the structure or in the therapeutically community, usually shared but in any case with another volunteer, never with patient or a therapist

Pocket money: 20 euro per week

Insurance: yes

Fees: none

Visa: –

Others: –

3.5 Switzerland

3.5.1 SCI Switzerland

3.5.1.1 Community Hirschenhof

Theme:	Environment
Location:	Untersueren (near Zug), Switzerland
Work starts:	2011-06-01
Work ends:	2011-09-01
Application deadline:	2011-04-01
Decision date:	2011-04-05
Vacancies:	1
Languages:	
↔ Project:	German, English
↔ Local:	Swiss German

Project Description:

The organic farm is located on a 900 meters mountain-plateau near Zug. From there you have a beautiful view on the lake and the Alps. Deer breeding is a part of the activities of the farm. Alternative courses are offered and a festival is organised. The farm welcomes guests for holidays and meditation and offers meals for hiking-tourists. They work regularly with people with special needs, who live in a caravan fleet, do garden work and handicraft. The farmer-family wishes to establish a community all around the year. It is an organic agricultural-, spiritual-, artisan-, community.

Detailed Information:

Work: According to season and your skills, you will do organic gardening, construction work, general farming, welcome visitors in the small restaurant, housework, you will be involved in arts project and maybe do some public relation activities. Moreover, Hirschenhof welcomes an SCI Workcamp with 6 to 8 volunteers every year in July. The LTV can help to organise the workcamp. You will work seven-eight hours five days a week. From time to time, the volunteer will also be asked to help the kids living in the house for different activities. You also have to be willing to live and work with people in difficult living situations and to share life and work in a community

Requirements: As the farm is located in a remote and very beautiful surrounding, it helps if you feel comfortable living away from “civilisation”. As the deer are slaughtered on the farm, you must be OK with the thought of going to see blood and dead deer at some stage of your stay. Basic knowledge in German is more than welcome.

Food: Provided by Hirschenhof. The food will not necessarily be organic.

Accommodation: Private caravan, shared showers and toilets

Pocket money: 150 CHF per month

Insurance: Provided by SCI

Fees: none

Visa: –

Others: Possibility to volunteer more than 4 months. It would really help if the volunteer has already basic knowledge of German for short terms periods (3-4 months). For longer periods, it is sufficient to have a strong motivation to learn German during the stay.

Chapter 4

Mediterranean Region

4.1 Palestine

4.1.1 Project Hope

4.1.1.1 Project Hope

Theme:	Children, teenagers, elderly people
Location:	Nablus, Westbank, Palestine
Work starts:	Ongoing
Application:	Feedback within 2 weeks. A copy of the application has to be sent to MIDI WG.
Period:	minimum 3 months. We may consider accepting shorter stays (for example 4 weeks).
Vacancies:	1
Languages:	
↔ Project:	English
↔ Local:	Other

Project Description:

Project Hope is a non-profit volunteer organization. that supports children denied access to basic services that every child needs in order to develop into healthy and well-balanced individual. They provide educational and recreational activities, medical and humanitarian relief and practical training that can empower them with hope and skills for the future. In Palestine, a nation where the majority of the population is age 18 or under and living under harsh conditions, this work is all the more important.

Detailed Information:

Work: The available resources and the political situation at any given time determine the events and programs. However, there is a special focus on providing

certain classes and activities on a regular basis: English Classes: experienced English teachers or people who speak English as a first language are wished. However, people who speak English well as a second language prove to be good teachers of low-level English classes. French Classes: Project Hope needs French teachers, preferably native tongue speakers, to lead beginner and intermediate level classes. Creative Arts: There are also occasional art and drama programs that are molded to each volunteer's skills and interests. Project Hope wants to use your initiative and skills. If you feel a program is missing, and you want to provide it, we will try to facilitate the creation of this program for you to lead. If you aren't sure of what to do, we will find something that matches your skills.

Requirements: Minimal age: 21 years. The people Project Hope is looking for should have some knowledge of education, administration or social work, be willing to work under pressure and be independent in nature. They are particularly interested in self starters and people with professional work experience. The situation in Palestine is very complex. A volunteer needs to have decent knowledge of the regional history and actualities and needs to be well prepared by his sending branch.

Food: Volunteers have to deal with and pay for their food. Living in Palestine is quite inexpensive. Aside from accommodation costs, you can easily live on 10 to 20 shekels (2.50 to 5 euro) per day, including transportation within Nablus.

Accommodation: Project Hope will arrange accommodation for your stay in shared accommodation for the international volunteers. They can also help you to arrange a private apartment upon request.

Pocket money: none

Insurance: to be organized by the volunteer

Fees: 500 NIS (about 100 euro) a month (includes various benefits such as Arabic lessons and Wifi) and also 100 USD (once) for materials for classes

Visa: –

Others: Volunteers have to deal with and pay for local transport.

4.1.2 Tent of Nations Palestine

4.1.2.1 Tent of Nations

Theme:	Peace and disarmament
Location:	Nahalin (near Bethlehem), Palestine
Work starts:	Ongoing
Application:	Feedback within 2 weeks. A copy of the applications to this project have to be sent to MIDI WG.
Period:	Minimum stay is 1 month, maximum is 3 months (visa expiration) between March 15 - November 15.
Vacancies:	1
Languages:	
↔ Project:	English, German, Arabic
↔ Local:	Arabic

Project Description:

The project aims at bringing people with different backgrounds together, to learn from each other and to try to understand each other. The situation in Palestine plays a central role.

Over 15 years the family fights in a peaceful way to prevent confiscation of a threatened piece of land. Foreign volunteers play an important role by showing international presence, by helping to cultivate and work the land and by providing information about the project back home.

Next to that activities are organised for local youth to give them the possibility to enjoy a day outside their daily problems.

Detailed Information:

Work: The work takes place on 'Daher's Wineryard'; the land of Tent of Nations. The work will consist of farm work like planting trees, watering plants, cleaning pieces of land, harvesting (tomatoes, grapes, olives, almonds, etc), caring for the animals, helping in the kitchen, creating (wall) painting as well as improving the infrastructure on the land (renovations, building of structures, digging new wells, cleaning caves, etc). Often new facilities will be built underground, because there is no permit to build on the land (the land is located in Area C, which is under full Israeli control).

During the summer children from the surroundings will come to the land and activities will be organised for them.

Of course the exact work will depend on the season and on which larger projects are running. Volunteers are invited to bring ideas and initiatives. However, be aware that there will be restrictions that you might not be used to (occupation, permissions, financial situation, security, etc).

Requirements: Minimal age: 21 years. You have to expect heavy physical work in rough conditions (hot during summer days and cold during nights).

Volunteers are expected to be at the land as much as possible, because the international presence is key. Volunteers will work 5 days a week. The free days will be agreed with the project (but not the same for all long term volunteers). The standard free days in Palestine are Friday (for Muslims) and Sunday (for Christians). These are also the days that the schools are closed.

Food: The meals will be simple but nutritious. Home grown vegetables, daily picked eggs, home picked and prepared olives and olive oil will be part of the diet. Usually the family will cook, but sometimes the volunteers will assist or create a meal.

Accommodation: Volunteers will stay in one of the two small houses or in a big tent (containing beds). Primitive living conditions!

Water: project is dependent on self-made cisterns. It is key to be very careful with the use of water. Drinking water is bought.

Pocket money: none

Insurance: to be organized by the volunteer

Fees: 150 euro per month to cover food and accommodation.

Visa: When you enter in Tel-Aviv (Ben Gurion airport), you will automatically receive a visa for 3 months. If you want to extend it, you will have to leave the country after three months. When re-entering it is unclear what kind of visa you will receive.

Others: It can always happen that Israel refuses entry. Even if this is seldom, you have to be aware that your trip is for your own risk - there is no refund possible from SCI or Tent of Nations. Plan well (collect tips about what to say and how to act,...)!

The project has installed solar panel, which produces few hours of electricity each evening. There is wifi. If you bring your laptop, you can use it.

Traveling in Palestine is a luxury. You will mostly be situated in a very remote place.

Chapter 5

North America

5.1 Canada

5.1.1 SCI-IVS USA

5.1.1.1 Camphill Ontario Community

Theme:	Disabilities
Location:	ONTARIO, Canada
Work starts:	Ongoing
Application:	decision within 2-4 weeks
Period:	12 months.
Vacancies:	1
Languages:	
↔ Project:	English
↔ Local:	English

Project Description:

We are a community of 60 people on 300 acres of woodlands and fields with a river running through, located about 90 km north of Toronto. We have 6 houses with up to 10 people in each. Recently we acquired a house in the Large city of Barrie, approximately 25 minutes away. We hope to build up an urban day centre there. We are a life sharing community. We live and work together helping each other where needed. Our involvement with each other is like a family, which means from morning to evening. One of the challenges is to be aware of each other's needs and to help each other to meet them.

Detailed Information:

Work: There would be possibilities to do domestic work, cooking, and helping the disabled adults with their daily routine, etc. You may also find yourself working in one of the workshops - weavery, woodshop, and bakery or in the summer

food processing. We also have a farm, a garden, maple syrup production, forestry, general land maintenance and a small store.

Requirements: Sensitivity to the needs of others, willingness to offer some physical care for people with special needs, driver's license (not required but it helps). Everyone is expected to support all aspects of our life including the religious and cultural expressions. must speak at least intermediate English

Food: provided

Accommodation: in the houses, usually a private room, shared bath

Pocket money: monthly. You will also get some money for vacation if you are here for a year.

Insurance: provided after 3 months

Fees: none for volunteers from abroad \$100.00 to SCI-LTV-USA for US volunteers

Visa: SCI will provide the documents for Visa

Others: Our life is inspired by Anthroposophy and Christianity as developed by Rudolf Steiner. We have an ongoing adult education program for our entire community plus an orientation program throughout the Fall and Winter season for new volunteers, based on an introduction to Anthroposophy and the philosophy of Camphill. The orientation course starts the beginning of October. Canada has a very extreme and challenging climate. It is wonderful to experience the four very dramatic seasons.

5.2 USA

5.2.1 SCI-IVS USA

5.2.1.1 American Conservation Experience

Theme:	Environment
Location:	Flagstaff, Arizona, USA
Work starts:	Ongoing
Application:	decision within 2 weeks
Period:	12-week minimum
Vacancies:	1
Languages:	
↔ Project:	English
↔ Local:	English

Project Description:

American Conservation Experience is a volunteer program for both international and American participants who want to make a difference in their world. ACE is grounded in the philosophy that international understanding and goodwill can

be achieved through cooperative labor on meaningful conservation projects . By attracting a corps of conservation-minded volunteers, ACE contributes to the breakdown of cultural barriers while advancing ecological awareness on a global scale.

Detailed Information:

Work: ACE volunteers come from many nations around the world to work in small teams on direct service projects for the National Forest Service, National Park Service and other land management agencies throughout Arizona, southern Nevada, and southern Utah. Typical projects include trail construction and maintenance, native plant re-vegetation, exotic species removal, fence construction, erosion control, and wilderness restoration. International volunteers contribute their energy and enthusiasm in a production-oriented atmosphere in which participants are encouraged to take pride in their team's accomplishments.

Requirements: very physically fit, ability to work in unpredictable weather conditions, accustomed to the rigors of tent life, must speak at least intermediate English

Food: not provided on days off unless there is some left from the field work

Accommodation: tents during work periods

Pocket money: none

Insurance: provided

Fees: none for applicants abroad \$100.00 to SCI-LTV-USA for US applicants

Visa: SCI will provide documents for Visa

Others: No drugs ever! No drinking on projects, even after hours. No smoking or drinking in accommodations or vehicles.

5.2.1.2 Cadmus – Buena Vista

Theme:	Disabilities
Location:	Massachusetts, USA
Work starts:	Ongoing
Application:	decision within 2 weeks
Period:	1 year preferred
Vacancies:	1
Languages:	
↔ Project:	English
↔ Local:	English

Project Description:

A life-sharing home where a couple, a volunteer coworker or two and three people with disabilities share their lives.

Detailed Information:

Work: At home everyone takes part in the daily chores such as cooking, driving, light cleaning, caring for individual's personal care, caring for the land and contributing to a health community life.

Requirements: Special person with a consciousness for the well being of all in the household. Driver's license is necessary. Police Background Report Required must speak at least intermediate English

Food: provided

Accommodation: Private room with shared bath.

Pocket money: \$125.00 per month

Insurance: not provided

Fees: none for volunteers from abroad \$100.00 to SCI-LTV-USA for US volunteers

Visa: SCI will provide documents for Visa

Others: Free time one day a week off, use of car and vacation time which could include a motor home trip.

5.2.1.3 Cadmus – Christopher House

Theme:	Disabilities
Location:	MASSACHUSETTS, USA
Work starts:	Ongoing
Application:	decision within 2 weeks
Period:	Six month minimum. Starting as soon as possible.
Vacancies:	1
Languages:	
↔ Project:	English
↔ Local:	English

Project Description:

A home in a small New England village where three generations of a family live with two people with special needs. Presently we have two milk cows and a calf, several chickens, two dogs and a cat in our care as well. Although there is plenty of work, we always make time for fun and relaxation.

Detailed Information:

Work: Mainly assisting in the program of our newest resident, a 27-year-old man, who needs to swim or hike every afternoon. He needs to be taken to the local community center and supervised for two or three hours while he swims laps or works in the gym. Since he will need help in the locker room, it would be helpful in our volunteer is a male.

Requirements: Driver's license, willingness to learn and to work with people

with disabilities. First Aid and CPR trainings are helpful. Police background check required must speak at least intermediate English

Food: provided

Accommodation: Private bedroom, shared bath, room.

Pocket money: provided

Insurance: provided

Fees: none for volunteers from abroad \$100.00 to SCI-LTV-USA for Us residents if accepted

Visa: SCI will provide documents for Visa

Others: –

5.2.1.4 Cadmus – Feill Sheathain

Theme:	Disabilities
Location:	MASSACHUSETTS, USA
Work starts:	Ongoing
Application:	decision within 2 weeks Police background check report required
Period:	minimum 6 months; one year or more preferred.
Vacancies:	1
Languages:	
↔ Project:	English
↔ Local:	English

Project Description:

Nestled in a sleepy neighborhood in Great Barrington this is a household is full of life and activity. The neighborhood is within walking distance of the town center. With nearly an acre of garden to enjoy and a dog and cat to love and care for us, we feel blessed to live in the Berkshires where cultural opportunities and friendly people enrich our daily lives.

Detailed Information:

Work: Helping in the running of the household, driving persons with disabilities to activities, helping persons with disabilities participate in classes or activities, helping residents with cooking, household chores, participating in therapeutic activities such as swimming and exercise, attending concerts or plays, helping residents achieve independence in daily living skills and personal tasks such as bathing and dressing. There will also be on-going projects such as crafts, gardening, building or organizing that will enhance the quality of life of our residents. The volunteer co-worker will have one set free day per week, several evenings free per week and other potential holiday opportunities when disabled residents are away on vacation.

Requirements: Willing to help care for adults with disabilities, enjoys children,

responsible enough to be left alone and in charge of the house, in possession of International or U.S. driver's license, (at least 6 months driving experience and driving record copy for insurance). No smoking inside the house. must speak at least intermediate English Police Background Report Required

Food: provided

Accommodation: Private bedroom with shared bath.

Pocket money: \$125 a month

Insurance: not provided

Fees: none for volunteers from abroad \$100.00 to SCI-LTV-USA for US residents

Visa: SCI will provide documents for Visa

Others: Volunteers must pay for international phone calls but internet access is available. There is an ongoing course in English as a second language available locally. Drivers License required

5.2.1.5 Cadmus – Shadowood

Theme:	Disabilities
Location:	MASSACHUSETTS, USA
Work starts:	Ongoing
Application:	decision within 2 weeks
Period:	6 months 1 year preferred
Vacancies:	1
Languages:	
↔ Project:	English
↔ Local:	English

Project Description:

Shadowood House is the home of an extended family. The configuration of the family changes from time to time as different people come and stay with us for a while. The house is owned by Nina. Living with her full time are Steven, Ginny and Peter, three adults with various mental and physical challenges.

Detailed Information:

Work: We are looking for a person who is self motivated, interested in learning and able to live openly with others. Work varies with the seasons and people's individual directions. There is the ongoing work of life like cooking, cleaning, laundry, gardening and helping people with personal care. There are many activities in the area that people take part in, so taking people to these requires a good bit of time. This life is always changing so flexibility and a good sense of humor are essential. Free time is one day a week and flexible time as needed.

Requirements: Driver's license Police background report required must speak at least intermediate English

Food: provided

Accommodation: Private bedroom and shared bath.

Pocket money: Some pocket money is provided.

Insurance: not provided

Fees: none for volunteers from abroad \$100.00 to SCI-LTV-USA for US residents

Visa: SCI will provide documents for Visa

Others: An ongoing course in English as a Second Language is available locally. Non smokers preferred.

5.2.1.6 Cadmus North Plain Farm – Life needs co-op

Theme:	Disabilities
Location:	MASSACHUSETTS, USA
Work starts:	Ongoing
Application:	decision within 2 weeks, Police background check report required
Period:	6 to 12 months
Vacancies:	1
Languages:	
↔ Project:	English
↔ Local:	English

Project Description:

In a large rambling farmhouse, dating back to 1720, about 20 people work daily at being a community. Seven of us have special needs. We believe that the most important thing in life is relationships. Everything else is how we give substance, value, and meaning to those relationships. “Everyone is perfect in their essential being and everyone is handicapped in bringing that perfect essence to expression.”

Detailed Information:

Work: Helping with the needs of others and work around the house. Helping with the needs of others can be giving someone a ride to a therapy or to work, helping someone take a bath, learn to write or make a phone call, doing their laundry or attending a play or concert. Our social awareness extends beyond the house, to neighbors, friends, and community needs, so we are active in recycling, hospice work, community clean ups, etc. Working around the house can be repairs, cleaning, garden work, cooking, building, making a compost bin or organisational or administrative work. We are very flexible. Our aim is to create a network of strengths to support our various weaknesses so that as a group we can achieve a productivity we can all enjoy.

Requirements: openness, willingness to join in, driver’s license must speak at least intermediate English Police background check required

Food: provided

Accommodation: In the house, private bedroom, shared bath.
Pocket money: \$120 per month
Insurance: yes
Fees: none
Visa: SCI will provide documents for Visa
Others: An ongoing course in English as a Second Language is available locally. Smoking only outside the house.

5.2.1.7 Camphill Soltane

Theme:	Disabilities
Location:	Pennsylvania, USA
Work starts:	Ongoing
Application:	decision within 2 weeks
Period:	12 months preferred
Vacancies:	1
Languages:	
↔ Project:	English
↔ Local:	English

Project Description:

A college experience for young adults with disabilities. We build community with young adults with developmental disabilities, recognizing the dignity, spiritual integrity and contributions of each and every individual. For over 60 years, Camphill communities like ours have challenged the notion of what it means to be developmentally disabled, and shown that each of us is a unique and essential link in the circle of humanity.

Detailed Information:

Work: Life is full and challenging and we need our volunteers to be willing to help in all areas. We have a strong sense of teamwork and mutual support. Volunteers live in a family home and share in the work of the home and community. This would include cooking, helping in the weavery and woodworking studios, orchard work and processing recyclables. We have a wonderful cultural and social life where members join in creating and sharing celebrations, festivals and events in and beyond the community.

Requirements: Smoking is allowed only outside the buildings. Illegal drugs will not be tolerated. At least intermediate level of speaking English

Food: provided

Accommodation: private room in a house, shared bath

Pocket money: provided. Vacation funds.

Insurance: after 3 months

Fees: none for volunteers from abroad \$100.00 to SCI-LTV-USA for US residents if accepted

Visa: SCI will provide documents for Visa

Others: Americans may join us as AmeriCorps members to qualify for the Education Award of \$4725 after one year of service.

5.2.1.8 Camphill Special School

Theme:	Disabilities
Location:	PENNSYLVANIA, USA
Work starts:	Ongoing
Application:	decision within two weeks
Period:	Commitment of 1 year preferably starting in August.
Vacancies:	1
Languages:	
↔ Project:	English
↔ Local:	English

Project Description:

A large Camphill Community committed to students with special needs. The school runs from grades 1-12. Volunteers live in the homes with a family and the special needs children.

Detailed Information:

Work: The coworkers are a part of a team of 4-5 coworkers and are expected to integrate themselves as active members of the house community.

Requirements: Independence, maturity, and a sense for responsibility would be important personality traits for these positions, as well as humor and patience.

Food: provided

Accommodation: In one of the homes, private room, shared bath.

Pocket money: monthly stipend

Insurance: yes

Fees: none for volunteers from abroad \$100.00 to SCI-LTV-USA from US residents if accepted

Visa: SCI will provide documents for Visa

Others: –

5.2.1.9 Camphill Special School Transitional Program

Theme:	Disabilities
Location:	PENNSYLVANIA, USA
Work starts:	Ongoing
Application:	Application to the project partner is required in addition to SCI application.
Period:	A year or more, starting late August 2009.
Vacancies:	1
Languages:	
↔ Project:	English
↔ Local:	English

Project Description:

Beaver Hill is a large house community for young adults from 18 to 21 with developmental disabilities. Most of the volunteer caregivers live at the house. It celebrates special events and other activities together. Care is continuous at Beaver Hill (no shift changes). Living together like this does not constitute a job so much as a way of life. The house community plays a key role in providing stability in human relationships and engendering a warm, positive, and well structured environment.

Detailed Information:

Work: The work is varied - cooking, cleaning, laundry and other community living support tasks for people with disabilities including person l care, recreational activities and household routines.

Requirements: Sensitivity to the needs of others, energy and enthusiasm, English speaking. Willingness to offer some physical care for people with special needs; driver's license No smoking, drugs or alcohol allowed.

Food: Mostly organic foods provided

Accommodation: Private room, shared bath.

Pocket money: provided

Insurance: provided

Fees: none for applicants from abroad \$100.00 to SCI-LTV for US applicants if accepted

Visa: SCI will provide documents for Visa

Others: –

5.2.1.10 Camphill Village Kimberton Hills

Theme:	Disabilities
Location:	PENNSYLVANIA, USA
Work starts:	Ongoing
Application:	decision within 2-4 weeks
Period:	12 months
Vacancies:	1
Languages:	
↔ Project:	English
↔ Local:	English

Project Description:

A vibrant farming and handcrafting community that includes adults with developmental disabilities. Kimberton Hills residents, living and working side by side, create a dynamic and caring community for people of all ages and varied abilities. Weekdays are structured by the morning and afternoon work sessions and three family-style meals shared in each house. Weekends have their own pace, including outings and trips, Sunday services, folk dances, concerts or other special gatherings.

Detailed Information:

Work: At Kimberton Hills, community members live together as expanded families throughout the village, fostering relationships based on respect and mutual support.

Requirements: must speak at least intermediate English

Food: provided

Accommodation: private room and shared bath

Pocket money: provided

Insurance: provided after 3 months

Fees: none for applicants from abroad \$100.00 to SCI-LTV-USA for US applicants if accepted

Visa: SCI will provide documents for Visa

Others: –

5.2.1.11 Community Homestead

Theme:	Disabilities
Location:	WISCONSIN, USA
Work starts:	Ongoing
Application:	decision within 2 weeks
Period:	12 months
Vacancies:	1
Languages:	
↔ Project:	English
↔ Local:	English

Project Description:

A community out in the country with people with disabilities. Established in 1995, we are now a lively group of about thirty-nine people in six households, just south of Osceola in rural north-western Wisconsin. Nestled into the rolling river bluffs of the St. Croix, we are centered around an organic dairy farm and garden.

Detailed Information:

Work: daily activities include garden, farm work, wood shop, crafts, baking, cooking, housework, volunteer work in town. Varied cultural activities in the evenings and weekends

Requirements: Police background report must speak at least intermediate English

Food: provided

Accommodation: private room shared bath

Pocket money: provided

Insurance: not provided

Fees: none for volunteers from abroad \$100.00 to SCI-LTV-USA for US residents if accepted

Visa: SCI will provide documents for Visa

Others: No drugs or drinking and no smoking in houses

5.2.1.12 House of Possibilities

Theme:	Disabilities
Location:	FLORIDA, USA
Work starts:	Ongoing
Application:	decision within 2 weeks
Period:	6-12 months
Vacancies:	1
Languages:	
↔ Project:	English
↔ Local:	English

Project Description:

A home for (currently) one autistic woman. this is a great experience for a volunteer looking for hands on experience of the way a human soul can shine through a severe disability. This experience can restore your faith in human nature.

Detailed Information:

Work: Help with personal needs laundry,driving resident to activities,cooking and willingness to help in other ways when requested

Requirements: Drivers License must speak at least intermediate English

Food: provided

Accommodation: private bedroom,shared bathroom

Pocket money: \$160.00 per month

Insurance: not provided

Fees: none for volunteers from abroad \$100.00 to SCI-LTV-USA for US residents if accepted

Visa: SCI will provide documents for Visa

Others: –

5.2.1.13 Innisfree Village

Theme:	Disabilities
Location:	VIRGINIA, USA
Work starts:	Ongoing
Application:	Separate application in addition to the SCI one is required. Application process: about one month
Period:	One-year minimum stay - the beginning time is not set - ever changing.
Vacancies:	1
Languages:	
↔ Project:	English
↔ Local:	English

Project Description:

A residential community with adults with mental disabilities, is nestled in the foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountains. Coworkers (residents with developmental disabilities), volunteers and staff create a dynamic lifestyle on 550 acres. Located near the center of our community are eight homes, a community center, weavery, bakery, woodshop, office, and gardens.

Detailed Information:

Work: Volunteers live in family homes of 2-10 disabled adults, helping with personal care, cooking, cleaning and working in the therapeutic workstations of weaving, woodworking, gardens, kitchens, and bakery. Two days off a week.

Requirements: Willing to work in a community, patience, humour, housekeeping skills, desire to care for adults with disabilities, 21 years or older. must speak at least intermediate English

Food: provided

Accommodation: Each volunteer has his/her own room. shared bathroom

Pocket money: \$215/month pocket money and 15 paid vacation days at \$35 /day.

Insurance: provided

Fees: none for volunteers from abroad \$100.00 to SCI-LTV-USA for US residents if accepted

Visa: SCI will provide documents for Visa

Others: Drivers of at least one-year experience can have access to automobiles for days off and drivers of 3 years can take out residents (called co-workers).

5.2.1.14 Leander House

Theme:	Disabilities
Location:	MASSACHUSETTS, USA
Work starts:	Ongoing
Application:	decision within 2 weeks
Period:	12 months
Vacancies:	1
Languages:	
↔ Project:	English
↔ Local:	English

Project Description:

Leander House is a small residential living community for adults with developmental disabilities. It is made up of three houses in the Southern Berkshire region of New England. This is where Jennie Reins lives in a large Victorian house with

her two small daughters, six mentally handicapped adults and 2 volunteer co-workers. Leander House has a relaxed atmosphere and the volunteer must be self-motivated and willing to take part in all aspects of life.

Detailed Information:

Work: The volunteers will to take part in all aspects of life. One set free day per week, several evenings per week free, 8 weeks per year free when the residents are away for the holidays and vacations. There is also the possibility of the coworker's offering something that they may wish to share (for example, a German language class, a cooking class).

Requirements: The volunteer must be self-motivated. Casual attire is more appropriate. Police background report required drivers license must speak at least intermediate English

Food: provided

Accommodation: private room and shared bathroom

Pocket money: \$175.00 per month

Insurance: not provided

Fees: none for applicants from abroad \$100.00 to SCI-LTV for US applicants if accepted

Visa: SCI will provide documents for visa

Others: Trainings while in service include First Aid, CPR, Human Rights, Passive Restraint, Fire Safety, and an optional English Language course. Extended time traveling, should be done during vacation times (when the special needs people are away for the holidays) or before or after the end of your time with us, and at your own expense.

5.2.1.15 American Conservation Experience-Santa Cruz

Theme:	Environment
Location:	California, USA
Work starts:	Ongoing
Application:	US Residents only 18-35 years old decision within two weeks
Period:	minimum 12 weeks
Vacancies:	1
Languages:	
↔ Project:	English
↔ Local:	English

Project Description:

diverse project opportunities in a range of settings and ecosystems in Yosemite and Kings Canyon National Park State Parks along the coastline Redwood Forests

Detailed Information:

Work: trail construction and maintenance planting native species weed removal fence construction erosion control wilderness restoration

Requirements: must speak at least intermediate English very physically fit capable of hard work 10 hr. days (40 hrs.a week) 3 days off each week projects in remote locations require 8 consecutive days of work followed by 6 straight days off

Food: provided on work days not provided on free days plan \$10.00-\$20.00 on average of 3 days per week

Accommodation: tents on work days youth hostels and student dormitories during free time

Pocket money: none

Insurance: provided

Fees: \$100.00 to SCI-LTV-USA if accepted

Visa: SCI will provide documents for Visa

Others: No drugs ever!No drinking on projects, even after hours. No smoking or drinking in accommodations or vehicles. Project code: LTV-O2K

5.2.1.16 Lukas Community

Theme:	Disabilities
Location:	NEW HAMPSHSIRE, USA
Work starts:	Ongoing
Application:	decision within 2 weeks
Period:	12 months preferred and at least 6 months, starting at various times of the year.
Vacancies:	1
Languages:	
↔ Project:	English
↔ Local:	English

Project Description:

We are special community of 40 people including co-workers, families with children, volunteers and 19 developmentally disabled adults. We share our lives, work and recreation in four extended family households. We are located about ninety minutes northwest of Boston in one of the most beautiful rural ares in the country.

Detailed Information:

Work: Within the households (supervising residents in personal hygiene, meal preparation and housekeeping as needed) and other work outside the home engaging residents in such activities, music, eurythmy, watercolor painting, and fitness

activities. As challenging as the work is, it is very fulfilling. Previous volunteers, remembering their time here and the friendships made with us, have often come back for short periods of time to visit and work. 2 days off per week. Break for vacations and opportunity to travel.

Requirements: An open mind, eagerness to learn, and a sense of commitment to the needs of residents; strong sense of responsibility to themselves and the work and a willingness to take on new challenges as time progresses and be willing to take suggestions from experienced co-workers, and above all, the desire to be here is the key to a successful year.

Food: provided

Accommodation: In houses, private room, shared bath, community eating in household.

Pocket money: \$200.00 per month

Insurance: provided by Lukas

Fees: none for volunteers from abroad \$100.00 to SCI-LTV-USA for US residents if accepted

Visa: SCI will provide documents for Visa

Others: Automobiles for personal use are not provided, but quite often volunteers purchase an automobile to share. Volunteer will need to sign an Agreement Form before coming. We have a three month trial period which gives both volunteer and house parents the opportunity to determine if our community is the right place.

5.2.1.17 Maple Hill Community

Theme:	Disabilities
Location:	NEW HAMPSHIRE, USA
Work starts:	Ongoing
Application:	decision within 2 weeks
Period:	For 6 to 12 months
Vacancies:	1
Languages:	
↔ Project:	English
↔ Local:	English

Project Description:

Maple Hill Community, located in NEW HAMPSHIRE, is a not-for profit organisation that is an extended family of a mother (Anitra Sorensen), two boys aged 16 and 19, 2 volunteer co-workers, and three adults with special needs.

Detailed Information:

Work: Helping with the needs of others might mean reading a book out loud,

helping with teeth brushing or bathing, going to a concert or art gallery together, helping someone learn a new skill, helping someone with homework, going skiing with someone, assisting with artistic activities (sculpture, weaving, watercolour painting, form drawing, etc.), or just sitting and talking and being a friend. Helping around the house and farm might include cooking, washing the dishes, helping cut and stack firewood, feeding the animals, collecting eggs, milking the goats, cleaning the house or barn, working in the garden, doing the laundry, helping with a building project, helping with the horseback riding program, helping collect and boil down maple syrup, or clearing a walking trail in the woods. Our goal is to find what each person enjoys and can contribute joyfully to keep the household and activities flowing in a harmonious way that all can enjoy.

Requirements: Openness, willingness to learn and help where needed. Must be non-smoker. must speak at least intermediate English

Food: provided. We have vegetarian meals.

Accommodation: In the house, private bedroom, shared bathroom

Pocket money: provided

Insurance: not provided

Fees: \$100.00 to SCI-LTV-USA for US applicants if accepted none for volunteers abroad

Visa: SCI will provide documents for Visa

Others: Prefer to have women to keep the gender mix in the house balanced.

5.2.1.18 Michael Fields Agricultural Institute

Theme:	Environment
Location:	MINNESOTA, USA
Work starts:	Ongoing
Application:	decision within 2-4 weeks
Period:	12 months preferred
Vacancies:	1
Languages:	
↪ Project:	English
↪ Local:	English

Project Description:

An unusual opportunity to get a first hand experience of cutting edge alternative agricultural practices. Michael Fields Agricultural Institute is devoted to developing and teaching an agricultural practice that can sustain the land and its resources. As a public, non-profit learning center, we seek to revitalize farming with research, education, technical assistance and public policy.

Detailed Information:**Work:** help with corn project**Requirements:** must speak at least intermediate English**Food:** provided**Accommodation:** private room and shared bath**Pocket money:** provided**Insurance:** not provided**Fees:** none for applicants from abroad \$100.00 to SCI-LTV for US applicants if accepted**Visa:** SCI will provide documents for Visa**Others:** –**5.2.1.19 Mission Wolf**

Theme:	Environment
Location:	COLORADO, USA
Work starts:	Ongoing
Application:	Along the SCI application, send resume and cover letter. Additional information may be requested.
Period:	A two month minimum commitment is required.
Vacancies:	1
Languages:	
↔ Project:	English
↔ Local:	English

Project Description:

Mission: Wolf is a peaceful wolf sanctuary located in the remote mountains of Colorado. Many people who visit the sanctuary are astounded by how far removed we are from civilization.

Detailed Information:

Work: Our first priority is the needs of the wolves - food, water, living space, companionship, privacy. The SCI volunteer may be asked to help with these tasks, which may include fence building, a year round project. The primary assignment of the volunteer will be education of visitors about wolves and office work. A volunteer staff of about 5 operates and oversees life at the refuge. Each spring, summer, and fall, M:W hosts groups of volunteer workers to help with the daily operations of the refuge. The SCI volunteer will assist in leading these groups.

Requirements: The volunteers need to have energy. There is a two week unpaid probationary period. All volunteers are asked to provide their own transportation and come self sufficient with their own food, bedding, tent and other items for the first two weeks. Volunteer will be picked up in Walsenburg, Colorado.

Dedicated individuals that survive two weeks on their own may qualify to fill a staff position.

Food: not provided

Accommodation: not provided scroll down to OTHERS: for more information

Pocket money: \$100/month

Insurance: not provided

Fees: \$100.00 to SCI-LTV-USA for US applicants if accepted none for applicants from abroad

Visa: SCI will provide necessary documents for visa

Others: A two month minimum commitment is required. In return, individuals may earn food privileges and secure a tipi or cabin to sleep in. A six month option may be available which provides room, board, health insurance, and a limited use of refuge vehicles.

5.2.1.20 Philadelphia Community Farm

Theme:	Disabilities
Location:	WISCONSIN , USA
Work starts:	Ongoing
Application:	Decision within 4 weeks.
Period:	12 months sometimes 6 months
Vacancies:	1
Languages:	
↔ Project:	English
↔ Local:	English

Project Description:

Assistant Houseparent: Caring for adults with special needs and managing a community household on a CSA farm.

Detailed Information:

Work: Assistant Houseparent caring for adults with special needs and managing a community household on a CSA farm.

Requirements: Skills of the volunteer expected by the hosting project Organizational skills, cooking, cleaning, household maintenance, social skills, sense of humor, all helpful. We will train volunteers in those areas of the work that they may be unaccustomed to doing. Must speak at least intermediate English.

Food: Biodynamic from our own farm and organic whole foods are provided

Accommodation: Private bedroom, shared bathroom in a community household

Pocket money: \$80-100 per month as per need

Insurance: Insurance not provided

Fees: none for applicants from abroad \$100.00 to SCI-LTV-USA for US applicants if accepted

Visa: SCI will send documents for visa

Others: Applications must include criminal background check from every country/state applicant has resided for the past five years. Americans may join us as AmeriCorp members to qualify for the Education Award of \$4725.00 after 1 year of service

5.2.1.21 The Bridge

Theme:	Disabilities
Location:	Virginia, USA
Work starts:	Ongoing
Application:	within two weeks
Period:	12 months
Vacancies:	1
Languages:	
↔ Project:	English
↔ Local:	English

Project Description:

The Bridge provides a family-like living environment for the full support of adults with traumatic brain injuries

Detailed Information:

Work: Provide companionship in scheduled activities. This includes accompanying residents with disabilities to physical rehabilitations and community functions. Help residents with daily skill development. Serve as liaison between residents and the senior house counselor and the director. Plan and cook meals. Provide transportation when needed. Facilitate social interactions among all Bridge residents and support interaction between the houses.

Requirements: Drivers License

Food: provided

Accommodation: private room with shared bathroom

Pocket money: \$300.00 per month

Insurance: not provided

Fees: none for applicants from abroad \$100.00 to SCI-LTV for US applicants if accepted

Visa: SCI will provide documents for Visa

Others: –