# Long Term Volunteering

Those who say it cannot be done should not interrupt the people doing it.

(Chinese proverb)

## Vacancies List

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## Chapter 1

## Africa

## 1.1 Kenya

#### 1.1.1 SCI Madrid

#### 1.1.1.1 Teaching activities with kids in Kiburanga

Theme:	North-South solidarity
Location	Kiburanga (Kenya) is in Kuria West constituency
Duration:	three months
Application:	Please, send us your CV and Motivation Letter as
	soon as you can.
Vacancies	1
Languages:	
$\hookrightarrow$ Project:	English
$\hookrightarrow$ Local:	Other

#### **Project Description:**

Kiburanga Women's Self-Help Group is a grassroot organization that was created in 2007. Their OBJECTIVES are: Involve women in economic development and in the fight against HIV/AIDS and drug abuse; Develop Kuria's cultural center and Conserve environment. They focused their attention at the need of better education for the kids in the community for their future and development. The volunteer would be of great output to the community as they will add more value, like teaching foreign languages to the local and teachers and pass on their skills and experience. TEACH FOR THE WORLD.

**Notice:** This is an Africa WG project. Please contact the SCI branch or partner organisation in your country for further information.

Work: - Teaching. - Playing with Kids/games. - Visit various schools to iden-

tify similarities and differences in schools activities. - Career guiding. - Coach on various games.

**Requirements:** Must be willing to work in a challenging environment. Must be committed to offer service

Food: Food in the Community. Access to clean and safe water.

**Accommodation:** - There will be a latrine and no toilets. - No shower but use of basins to bathe. - Majority of homes dont have electricity. - Homes with ventilations

Pocket money: None

**Insurance:** Volunteer has to organize the insurance by him/herself.

Fees: 230 EUR per month. Accommodation, lodging, food and transport.

Visa: Normally a visa is required to enter Kenya, but there are some states that do not need Visa. Please, check your visa regime in the kenian embassy. Visa invitation letter will be provided. Costs related to visa have to be covered by the volunteer.

Others: The host organisation in Kiburanga is "Kiburanga Women Self Help Group (KWSHG)". This organisation is not yet an official SCI partner, and the project is currently coordinated by SCI Madrid.

### 1.2 Nigeria

### 1.2.1 VWAN Nigeria

#### 1.2.1.1 Agbowa Ikosi Community Farm Projects

Theme:	Others
Location	Agbowa Ikosi Town, Suburb of Lagos State
Duration:	Between 1 to 12 months
Application:	Application is accepted when ready to participate
Vacancies	10
Languages:	
$\hookrightarrow$ Project:	English
$\hookrightarrow$ Local:	English

#### **Project Description:**

The major idea of this project is to create an opportunity for young people to acquire some skills on small scale farming. The poultry farm, rabbit and other pet animals will be supervised. The aim is to learn to grow one's own food, and possibly a bit extra to sell on the market. Cultural diversity is also exchanged.

The project serves as a means of support for the motherless and disabled homes located within the village. The products from the farm are partly consumed in those homes.

**Notice:** This is an Africa WG project. Please contact the SCI branch or partner organisation in your country for further information.

Work: Cleaning, collecting and counting of eggs. Rabbits and some other animals will be nursed. Regular cleaning of waste, transfer and replacement of animals.

**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: None

**Insurance:** Kindly obtain your Health Insurance for appropriate months of stay before departure.

**Fees:** 200 EUR per month. Feeding, accommodation, orientation, administration, monitoring and other logistics planning

**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. But most often water is collected from borehole, streams, rivers or water tank. Volunteers usually boiled this water for safe drinking. Pick up is arranged by VWAN on arrival. The volunteer will be dropped of at the airport after the project.

#### 1.2.1.2 Children Welfare Centre

Theme:	Children, teenagers, elderly people
Location	Federal Capital Territory, Garki, Abuja
Duration:	One year
Application:	Apply when ready to participate
Vacancies	5
Languages:	
$\hookrightarrow$ Project:	English
$\hookrightarrow$ Local:	English

#### **Project Description:**

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

**Notice:** This is an Africa WG project. Please contact the SCI branch or partner organisation in your country for further information.

Work: Assist the children in cleaning, washing and providing a comfortable environment for the children. Volunteers will give assistance in their social lives, distribution of food and tiding, organizing entertainment, cultural events and various social occasions (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: None

**Insurance:** Kindly obtain your Health Insurance for appropriate months of stay before departure.

**Fees:** 200 EUR per month. Feeding, accommodation, orientation, administration, monitoring and other logistics planning

**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. But most often water is collected from boreholes, streams, rivers or water tank. Volunteers usually boiled this water for safe drinking. Pick up is arranged by VWAN on arrival and to the Airport after project.

#### 1.2.1.3 Compenatory Centre & Placement Homes

Theme:	Disabilities
Location	Coker Road, Ilupeju Estate, Lagos
Duration:	Between 1 and 12 months
Application:	Apply when ready to participate
Vacancies	5
Languages:	
$\hookrightarrow$ Project:	English
$\hookrightarrow$ Local:	English

#### **Project Description:**

The project is a special school where disadvantaged, mentally and physically challenged children learn to communicate with signs and sounds. It is a welfare project that provides the required attention to these children needing special care.

**Notice:** This is an Africa WG project. Please contact the SCI branch or partner organisation in your country for further information.

Work: Volunteer will work with experienced staff in the school. They will help to assist the children, organize entertainment, cultural events and various social events (games, courses of foreign languages, etc.).

Volunteers can also arrange cultural exchange, gardening, sport activities, making wall magazine, etc.

**Requirements:** Bring some info of personal health: how to brush teeth, wash hands, cut nails, etc.

**Food:** Local food materials and ingredients are provided. Volunteers will do self-catering in a local kitchen together with local volunteers. The meal provided is general for all volunteers. Additional (optional) meals are at the 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: None

**Insurance:** Kindly obtain your health insurance for the duration of your stay before departure.

**Fees:** 200 EUR per month. Feeding, accommodation, orientation, administration, monitoring and other logistics planning

**Visa:** 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 tanks. Volunteers usually boil this water for safe drinking. Pick up is arranged

by VWAN on arrival. The volunteer will be dropped of at the airport after the project.

#### 1.2.1.4 Eruwa Farm Agricultural Projects

Theme:	Others
Location	Eruwa Town, Ibarapa LGA, Oyo State
Duration:	Between 1 and 12 months - Start date between
	March and December
Application:	Need to apply at least 2 months before departure
	for the project.
Vacancies	10
Languages:	
$\hookrightarrow$ Project:	English
$\hookrightarrow$ Local:	English

#### **Project Description:**

The major idea of this project "operation food basket" is to create the opportunity for young people to acquire some skills on small scale farming to allow them to grow their own food (and possibly extra food to sell on the market). Cultural diversity is also exchanged. Some weekends are designated to social activities. These include cultural nights, expositions, entertainments, dancing, drum in an open show, camp fire, display of cultural wears and foods. All volunteers and local youths in the communities are involved in those activities.

**Notice:** This is an Africa WG project. Please contact the SCI branch or partner organisation in your country for further information.

Work: 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. The volunteers will be involved in bush clearing, planting, watering, ploughing and harvesting. Cultivation of ridges and crop layers will be carried out.

**Requirements:** Bring some info of personal health: how to brush teeth, wash hands, cut nails, etc.

**Food:** Local food materials and ingredients are provided. Volunteers will do self-catering in a local kitchen together with local volunteers. The meal provided is general for all volunteers. Additional (optional) meals are at the 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: None

Insurance: Kindly obtain your health insurance for the duration of your stay

before departure.

**Fees:** 200 EUR per month. Feeding, Accommodation, Orientation, Administration, Monitoring and other Logistics planning

**Visa:** 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 tanks. Volunteers usually boil this water for safe drinking. \*Project is organized together with a branch of an international NGO-YMCA in Nigeria: food for sustainable development in line with poverty alleviation programme of MDG goals. \*Pick up is arranged by VWAN on arrival. The volunteer will be dropped of at the airport after the project.

#### 1.2.1.5 God's grace social-orphanage home

Theme:	Children, teenagers, elderly people
Location	Agbowa Village, Suburb of Lagos State
Duration:	One year
Application:	Apply when ready
Vacancies	5
Languages:	
$\hookrightarrow$ Project:	English
$\hookrightarrow$ Local:	English

#### **Project Description:**

The project is a child care centre (i.e. children and motherless home) located at the extreme part of the suburb of main city. The inmates are abandoned children that were found on the streets or highways because their parents' could not bring them up. This is often a direct consequence of early or unwanted pregnancies.

**Notice:** This is an Africa WG project. Please contact the SCI branch or partner organisation in your country for further information.

Work: Assist the children in cleaning and washing. Provide a comfortable environment for the children. Volunteers will help with the distribution of food and tiding, as well as organizing entertainment, cultural events and various social occasions (games, courses of foreign languages, etc.).

Volunteers can also arrange cultural exchange, gardening, sport activities, making wall magazine, etc.

**Requirements:** Only female volunteers can join this project. Bring some info of personal health: how to brush teeth, wash hands, cut nails, etc.

**Food:** Local food materials and ingredients are provided. Volunteers will do self-catering in a local kitchen together with local volunteers. The meal provided is general for all volunteers. Additional (optional) meals are at the 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: None

**Insurance:** Kindly obtain your health insurance for the duration of your stay before departure.

**Fees:** 200 EUR per month. Feeding, accommodation, orientation, administration, monitoring and other logistics planning

**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 tanks. Volunteers usually boil this water for safe drinking. Pick up is arranged by VWAN on arrival. The volunteer will be dropped of at the airport after the project.

#### 1.2.1.6 Ijamido Children & Motherless Homes

Theme:	Children, teenagers, elderly people
Location	Ilo Awela Road, Sango, Ogun State
Duration:	Between 1 and 12 months
Application:	Apply when ready to participate
Vacancies	5
Languages:	
$\hookrightarrow$ Project:	English
$\hookrightarrow$ 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 that was hosted in this 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, abandoned by their parents (due to unwanted pregnancy or not being able to raise the child financially).

**Notice:** This is an Africa WG project. Please contact the SCI branch or partner organisation in your country for further information.

Work: Volunteer has no fixed tasks but is free to find tasks for him/herself. In the morning he/she 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/she 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/she can arrange games, sports, and any other entertainment. He/she can also associate with the older inhabitants, that are the age of college-attendants.

Volunteers can also arrange cultural exchange, gardening, sport activities, making wall magazine, etc.

**Requirements:** Bring some info of personal health: how to brush teeth, wash hands, cut nails, etc.

**Food:** Local food materials and ingredients are provided. Volunteers will do self-catering in a local kitchen together with local volunteers. The meal provided is general for all volunteers. Additional (optional) meals are at the 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: None

**Insurance:** Kindly obtain your health insurance for the duration of your stay before departure.

**Fees:** 200 EUR per month. Feeding, accommodation, orientation, administration, monitoring and other logistics planning

**Visa:** 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 tanks. Volunteers usually boil this water for safe drinking. Pick up is arranged by VWAN on arrival. The volunteer will be dropped of at the airport after the project.

#### 1.2.1.7 Little Saints Children Centre

Theme:Children, teenagers, elderly peopleLocationPalmgrove, LagosDuration:1 - 12 monthsApplication:Apply when ready to participateVacancies5Languages: $\hookrightarrow$  Project:English $\hookrightarrow$  Local:English

#### **Project Description:**

The project is a child care centre (i.e. children and motherless home) located in three different centres in Lagos. Most children were abandoned on the streets or highways, often because of the parents' incapacity to bring them up due to economic or social reasons. This is often a consequence of early or unwanted pregnancies.

**Notice:** This is an Africa WG project. Please contact the SCI branch or partner organisation in your country for further information.

Work: Assist the children in cleaning and washing. Provide a comfortable environment for the children. Volunteers will help with the distribution of food and tiding, as well as organizing entertainment, cultural events and various social occasions (games, courses of foreign languages, etc.).

Volunteers can also arrange cultural exchange, gardening, sport activities, making wall magazine, etc.

**Requirements:** Bring some info of personal health material like how to brush teeth, wash hands, cut nails, etc.

**Food:** Local food materials and ingredients are provided. Volunteers will do self-catering in a local kitchen together with local volunteers. The meal provided is general for all volunteers. Additional (optional) meals are at the 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: None

**Insurance:** Kindly obtain your health insurance for the duration of your stay before departure.

**Fees:** 200 EUR per month. Feeding, accommodation, orientation, administration, monitoring and other logistics planning

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 tanks. Volunteers usually boil this water for safe drinking. Pick up is arranged by VWAN on arrival. Volunteer will be dropped of at the Airport after the project.

#### 1.2.1.8 Modupe Cole Child Care Centre

Theme: Disabilities
Location Lagos Mainland, AKoka
Duration: Between 1 - 12 months

**Application:** Apply when ready to participate

Vacancies 5

Languages:

 $\hookrightarrow$  **Project:** English  $\hookrightarrow$  **Local:** English

#### **Project Description:**

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

**Notice:** This is an Africa WG project. Please contact the SCI branch or partner organisation in your country for further 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 work \* 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 out during breakfast break.

Volunteers can also arrange cultural exchange, gardening, sport activities, making wall magazine, etc.

Requirements: Bring some info of personal health: material like how to brush teeth, wash hands, cut nails, etc.

**Food:** Local food materials and ingredients are provided. Volunteers will do self-catering in a local kitchen together with local volunteers. The meal provided

is general for all volunteers. Additional (optional) meals are at the 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: None

**Insurance:** Kindly obtain your health insurance for the period of your stay before departure.

**Fees:** 200 EUR per month. Feeding, accommodation, orientation, administration, monitoring and other logistics planning

**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. Often water is collected from boreholes, streams, rivers or water tanks. Volunteers usually boil this water for safe drinking. Pick up is arranged by VWAN on arrival. The volunteer will be dropped of at the Airport after the project.

#### 1.2.1.9 Patrick Speech & Language

Theme:	Socially disadvantaged
Location	G.R.A. Ikeja, Lagos State
Duration:	one year
Application:	Apply when ready
Vacancies	3
Languages:	
$\hookrightarrow$ Project:	English
$\hookrightarrow$ Local:	English

#### **Project Description:**

The project is an altruistic center where disadvantaged and mentally challenged children can learn to communicate with signs and sound. It is a welfare project that provides the needed attention to these children requiring special care.

**Notice:** This is an Africa WG project. Please contact the SCI branch or partner organisation in your country for further information.

Work: The volunteer will work with some experienced staff in the project. They will give assistance in counseling, entertainment, cultural events on various social occasions (games, courses of foreign languages, etc.). Volunteers can also arrange cultural exchange, gardening, sport activities, making wall magazine, etc.

**Requirements:** Bring some info of personal health: how to brush teeth, wash hands, cut nails, etc.

Volunteers with an affinity to communicate in signs are preferred.

**Food:** Local food materials and ingredients are provided. Volunteers will do self-catering in a local kitchen together with local volunteers. The meal provided is general for all volunteers. Additional (optional) meals are at the 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: None

**Insurance:** Kindly obtain your health insurance for the duration of your stay before departure.

**Fees:** 200 EUR per month. Feeding, accommodation, orientation, administration, monitoring and other logistics planning

**Visa:** 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 tanks. Volunteers usually boil this water for safe drinking. Pick up is arranged by VWAN on arrival. The volunteer will be dropped of at the airport after the project.

## 1.3 Togo

### 1.3.1 ASTOVOT Togo

#### 1.3.1.1 Assistance Teacher of Primary and Secondary School

Theme:	North-South solidarity
Location	Kloto and Agou
Duration:	Volunteer should stay for at least one month.
	Project is open from January to September.
Application:	Decision within 2 weeks after application form is
	sent to us.
Vacancies	2
Languages:	
$\hookrightarrow$ Project:	French
$\hookrightarrow$ Local:	French

#### **Project Description:**

ASTOVOT, aware of the negative impact of lack of teachers and the great number of students on the results of examinations at the end of the year, supports the government efforts to provide students with better conditions of education . So, we initiate this type of project as a long term in order to: - Enable effective assistance of students in their studies; - Support the unwell understood chapters and complete the unfinished agenda, - Initiate with them a method of study for adequate preparation of exams, - Increase the success rate of students.

**Notice:** This is an Africa WG project. Please contact the SCI branch or partner organisation in your country for further information.

Work: - The volunteer is placed in a school. S/he will do an internship with a teacher to get acquainted with the country's educational system and assist the teacher in its work. Then, S/he: - Prepares courses in collaboration with a teacher and organizes support classes in accordance with existing programs in the country for a better supervision of primary and secondary school students - Helps the teacher to correct copies of the students, - Guards students during the various assessments (written tests, homework table, final examinations) - Promotes extracurricular activities in clubs: drawing, drama, English, German, French and reading

The types of projects available are: French teacher English teacher; German teacher; Mathematics and Physical Sciences teacher Arts teacher; Music teacher; Professor of Sport; Support and assistance of blind people. The volunteer will also be responsible for extracurricular activities.

**Requirements:** - For primary school: specialized training is required. - For the college, a Bachelors Degree or equivalent training is required. - For high school, a Masters Degree or equivalent training is required. - To support / guidance of the blind, the volunteer should have working knowledge of Braille or have the desire to work with the blind and learn Braille.

**Food:** Provided by ASTOVOT.

Accommodation: in hosting families

Pocket money: None

**Insurance:** Volunteer has to get his/her own insurance.

**Fees:** 290 EUR per month. Administrative costs, costs for food and accommodation.

Visa: You need a visa to Togo. Information is available at the Togo embassy or consulate in your country. It is possible to obtain a visa at the airport but we recommend that you get in your country to avoid administrative complications.

Others: If possible, bring some manuals, gadgets or any educational material.

#### 1.3.1.2 Social and educational activities with children

Theme:	North-South solidarity
Location	Kpalimé
Duration:	Volunteer should stay for at least one month.
	Project is open from October to July.
Application:	Decision within two weeks after we received the
	application form.
Vacancies	3
Languages:	
$\hookrightarrow$ Project:	French
$\hookrightarrow$ Local:	French

#### **Project Description:**

ASTOVOT, in partnership with kindergartens and the center of ENVOL and VIVENDA, offers the volunteers the opportunity to get involved in educational activities. This allows to overcome the lack of teaching staff and introduce the children and staff to another culture (get the benefits of the cultural exchanges for a better education of the children). The volunteer can choose if he/she wants to work (i) in a kindergarten, (ii) with mentally challenged children at the ENVOL center, or (iii) with deaf and mute children at the VIVENDI center (please specify your prefernce in the application).

**Notice:** This is an Africa WG project. Please contact the SCI branch or partner organisation in your country for further information.

**Work:** The volunteers will participate in all the activities of the center:

Helping teachers to supervise children during the various activities.

Working with children in the different workshops: modeling and fabrication of various objects, collage and drawing, games, chat, music and dance, stories and songs.

Creating arts and cultural activities.

Assisting teachers in their daily work with children.

It is also possible to develop a joint program with the teachers.

Volunteers are also invited to present typical cultural aspects of their country: songs, dances, games and more.

The working time is six hours (6) per day.

**Requirements:** This project is open to any volunteer who loves to listen and communicate patiently with the children. However, a qualified specialist such as psychologist, skilled educator, speech therapist, social worker, physiotherapist, a skilled teacher is highly desirable.

Food: Provided by ASTOVOT.

Accommodation: in hosting families

Pocket money: None

**Insurance:** Volunteer has to get his/her own insurance.

Fees: 290 EUR per month. Administrative costs, costs for food and accommo-

dation.

Visa: You need a visa to Togo. Information is available at the Togo embassy or consulate in your country. It is possible to obtain a visa at the airport but we recommend that you get in your country to avoid administrative complications. Others: If possible, bring some manuals, gadgets or any educational material.

#### 1.3.1.3 Support to ASTOVOT coordination staff

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Theme: North-South solidarity

Location Kpalimé

**Duration:** Volunteer should stay for at least one month.

Project is open from January to September.

**Application:** Decision within 2 weeks after application form is

sent to us.

Vacancies

Languages:

 $\hookrightarrow$  **Project:** English, French

 $\hookrightarrow$  Local: French

#### **Project Description:**

In order to be more efficient in carrying out its activities, ASTOVOT coordination team is looking for people who want to bring further expertise to the organization. We offer a team work in a diverse and rewarding associative workplace. This project aims at: promoting volunteering, creating and implementing new projects, supporting the coordination team in its daily tasks.

**Notice:** This is an Africa WG project. Please contact the SCI branch or partner organisation in your country for further information.

Work: Promote voluntary work in schools and among the rural population.

Developp community activities in rural areas.

Create innovative projects in rural areas.

Fundraising.

Administrative work for ASTOVOT organisation.

Follow up of mid-term and long term volunteering projects.

Support the coordination for the activity reports in French and English.

Implement new projects in school or outside of school.

Requirements: The volunteer must know how to manage several projects, work independently, be flexible about working days/hours. S/He must also have a great sense of communication in order to motivate and manage a group of volunteers, as well as writing skills for the fundraising. Knowledge of English, computer and basic accounting is desirable. Experience in international workcamps and volunteering, knowledge of international organizations field will be helpful.

Food: Provided by ASTOVOT.

Accommodation: in hosting families

Pocket money: None

**Insurance:** Volunteer has to get his/her own insurance.

Fees: 290 EUR per month. Administrative costs, costs for food and accommo-

dation.

Visa: You need a visa to Togo. Information is available at the Togo embassy or consulate in your country. It is possible to obtain a visa at the airport but we recommend that you get it in your country to avoid administrative complications. Others: This project can be combined, if possible, with taking part in a second project, for example "Assistance to radio planet". If possible, bring some manuals, gadgets or any educational material.

#### 1.3.1.4 Support to Computer Centers Staff

Theme:	North-South solidarity
Location	Kpalimé
Duration:	Volunteer should stay for at least one month.
	Project is open all the year.
Application:	Decision within 2 weeks after application form is
	sent to us.
Vacancies	1
Languages:	
$\hookrightarrow$ Project:	French
$\hookrightarrow$ Local:	French

#### **Project Description:**

This project is initiated in response to requests made by some computer centers of the city of Kpalimé. This program is a unique opportunity for any student who opted for a career in the field of IT. It allows you to discover the particularities of computing science in a developing country. You can experience the contrast between computer training in Western countries and the realities of training in developing countries. Objectives: The project aims at: - Strengthening human resource capacity in computer centers - Supporting trainers to improve their assistance to learners

**Notice:** This is an Africa WG project. Please contact the SCI branch or partner organisation in your country for further information.

Work: Volunteers will assist the training staff to supervise and assist people in learning, Assisting the trainers in the daily work with young people, Making a joint program with trainers

Requirements: Perfect command of computer sciences.

**Food:** Provided by ASTOVOT.

Accommodation: in hosting families

Pocket money: None

**Insurance:** Volunteer has to get his/her own insurance.

Fees: 290 EUR per month. Administrative costs, costs for food and accommo-

dation.

Visa: You need a visa to Togo. Information is available at the Togo embassy or consulate in your country. It is possible to obtain a visa at the airport but we recommend that you get in your country to avoid administrative complications.

Others: If possible, bring some manuals, gadgets or any educational material.

#### 1.3.1.5 Support to Health Centers Staff

Theme:	North-South solidarity
Location	Kloto, Agou and Danyi
Duration:	Volunteer should stay for at least one month.
	Project is open all the year.
Application:	Decision within 2 weeks after application form is
	sent to us.
Vacancies	2
Languages:	
$\hookrightarrow$ Project:	French
$\hookrightarrow$ Local:	French

#### Project Description:

This project was initiated in response to requests made by the directors of social health centers of Kpalimé, namely the health center "Solidarity", the new health center of Zomayi. The project aims at: - Overcoming the lack of health staff, - Making the health centers benefit from external skills and know-how, - Providing international volunteers with a field of learning or enhancing skills in tropical medicine.

**Notice:** This is an Africa WG project. Please contact the SCI branch or partner organisation in your country for further information.

Work: Volunteer will help the staff to treat and assist patients. The centers have laboratories for analysis, health and maternity services where can work different bodies of medicine. Volunteer participates in: - Consultations of patients and pregnant women (prenatal) - Minor surgery for minor accidents - Weighing of children, - Vaccination, - Family planning sessions, - Biomedical Analysis

**Requirements:** Training in the health field is required. For specialists (midwives, nurses, laboratory assistant) in health or students who want to have the knowledge and skills in tropical medicine, this project is strongly indicated. Anyone wishing to do an internship, assist or serve as a caregiver may be admitted

Food: Provided by ASTOVOT.

Accommodation: Provided by ASTOVOT.

Pocket money: None

**Insurance:** Volunteer has to get his/her own insurance.

Fees: 290 EUR per month. Administrative costs, costs for food and accommo-

dation.

Visa: You need a visa to Togo. Information is available at the Togo embassy or consulate in your country. It is possible to obtain a visa at the airport but we recommend that you get in your country to avoid administrative complications.

**Others:** If possible, the volunteer can bring medical materials.

#### 1.3.1.6 Support to Libraries Staff

Theme:	North-South solidarity
Location	Kpalimé; Agou Nyogbo, Tové Ati
Duration:	Volunteer should stay for at least one month.
	Project is open from January to September.
Application:	Decision within 2 weeks after application form is
	sent to us.
Vacancies	1
Languages:	
$\hookrightarrow$ Project:	French
→ Local:	French

#### **Project Description:**

Reading helps to be open to cultures. Faced with the multiplicity and variety of information technology, most students are no more interested in reading and book culture. The project aims at supporting the library, encouraging students to be interested in reading and to develop interest in cultural activities such as drama, poetry, dance, etc. Various activities are organized: activities around albums, scientific activities, awareness campaign in schools, organizing games for children, reading contests with prizes, cultural events (theater, storytelling, African night followed by dancing.)

**Notice:** This is an Africa WG project. Please contact the SCI branch or partner organisation in your country for further information.

Work: Volunteers will be trained and work as a librarian in the library or come in support of local librarians, Run the library, manage the loan of books, Participating in awareness campaigns and cultural events designed to foster the love of reading in the target population.

Requirements: Motivation Food: in hosting families

Accommodation: in hosting families

Pocket money: None

**Insurance:** Volunteer has to get his/her own insurance.

Fees: 290 EUR per month. Administrative costs, costs for food and accommo-

dation.

Visa: You need a visa to Togo. Information is available at the Togoembassy or consulate in your country. It is possible to obtain a visa at the airport but we recommend that you get in your country to avoid administrative complications. Others: If possible, bring some manuals, gadgets or any educational material.

#### 1.3.1.7 Support to Radio Planète

Theme:	North-South solidarity
Location	Kpalimé
Duration:	Volunteer should stay for at least one month.
	Project is open from January to September.
Application:	Decision within 2 weeks after application form is
	sent to us.
Vacancies	1
Languages:	
$\hookrightarrow$ Project:	French
$\hookrightarrow$ Local:	French

#### **Project Description:**

The project of activities on the radio is held in Kpalimé at Radio Planet. Noting the rich intercultural debates and the thinking they bring to each one, we consider appropriate to share this exchange with radio listeners. Indeed, the debates allow people to question themselves, to think on the meaning of their behaviors and improvements that can be made.

**Notice:** This is an Africa WG project. Please contact the SCI branch or partner organisation in your country for further information.

Work: The volunteer will participate in the life of the radio at several levels: talk shows, variety shows, news, interviews and vox pops, etc.

Note: This project has very different hours from the others. The volunteer can choose his/her hours on the radio. Several programs are in Ewe (local language), the volunteer can not always participate. This project can be combined with the Project Support to ASTOVOT coordination Staff, which is 5 minutes from the radio.

**Requirements:** Motivation and spirit of tolerance

**Food:** Provided by ASTOVOT.

Accommodation: in hosting families

Pocket money: None

**Insurance:** Volunteer has to get his/her own insurance.

Fees: 290 EUR per month. Administrative costs, costs for food and accommo-

dation.

Visa: You need a visa to Togo. Information is available at the Togo embassy or consulate in your country. It is possible to obtain a visa at the airport but we recommend that you get in your country to avoid administrative complications. Others: If possible, bring some manuals, gadgets or any educational material.

## Chapter 2

## Asia

#### Indonesia 2.1

#### 2.1.1 IIWC Indonesia

#### Assisting Teaching at Dian Nuswantoro University 2.1.1.1

Theme:	Children, teenagers, elderly people
Location	Semarang City, Central Java Indonesia
Start:	2012-09-01
End:	2012-12-31
Application:	The volunteers will get the decision 2 weeks after
	their application is received.
Vacancies	1
Languages:	

Languages:

 $\hookrightarrow$  Project: English

 $\hookrightarrow$  Local: Malay, Indonesian

#### **Project Description:**

Organized together with UDINUS (Universitas Dian Nuswantoro), the volunteer will assist the English lecturer in the class. The students need to practice their English. The political and economical condition of Indonesia makes it difficult for the university to hire native speakers. Also it is quite difficult to invite native speakers due to the travel ban from some English speaking countries. Hence, the project is looking for volunteers with good English skills.

Work: Assist during English classes at the university, mainly during conversation classes. Run and manage the English conversation club.

Requirements: Fluent in English both oral and written. Cheerful, patient and highly motivated. Having teaching experience is a clear advantage. Willing to learn Bahasa Indonesia and English teaching methods in a fun and interesting

way.

**Food:** Buy your own food in food stalls around the university/boarding house. The provided pocket money should be sufficient to cover the basic daily meals.

**Accommodation:** Provided by the university (either with a host family or in a boarding house).

Pocket money: 600000 IDR per month

**Insurance:** Health insurance should be organized by the volunteer. IIWC will not cover any insurance.

Fees: None

**Visa:** Volunteer can get a socio-culture visa index 211 for 60 days. It can be extended twice (each extension for 30 days) in Indonesia. Costs related to visa (extension: 700000 IDR) have to be covered by the volunteer.

Others: If a volunteer stays more than 4 months, he/she needs to renew the visa abroad every 120 days. All cost related to extend and or renew the visa shave to be covered by the volunteers.

#### 2.1.1.2 Borobudur Young Guardian in Action Project

Theme: Art, culture, history

**Location** Borobudur Village, Magelang, Centra Java

**Project start:** 2012-03-01

**Duration:** Volunteers should stay for at least 2 months

**Application:** Volunteer will get a decision about his/her appli-

cation within 2 weeks.

Vacancies 1

Languages:

 $\hookrightarrow$  **Project:** English

→ Local: Malay, Indonesian

#### **Project Description:**

The world heritage volunteer program runs under the framework of the UNESCO World Heritage Education Program since 2008. The activity mostly consists in raising the awareness about the necessity to protect, preserve and promote cultural and natural heritage in general, and the inscribed or potential world heritage sites in particular.

This project furthermore aims at demonstrating the value of non-formal education as an approach to disseminate the values and expertise developed at intergovernmental level.

Work: \* Organize school based activities in 6 senior high schools in Magelang regency involved in the Young Guardian for Borobudur Temple and World Heritage Club

\* Together with local stakeholder, prepare the training for Young Guardian in Action Batch 4 2012.

- \* Support the bilateral and international workcamp organized in Borobudur temple (Summer 2012).
- \* Create and disseminate the educational material together with the senior high school students.
- \* Organize campaigns and direct outreach to the visitors of the temple for short discussions and to raise awareness.

Requirements: Motivated, passion, can work both independent and in team, knows and understands English (oral and written), knowledge of Bahasa Indonesia will be very helpful. We encourage the volunteers to learn Bahasa Indonesia in their home countries before departing to Indonesia. Also knowledge of history and/or world heritage sites will be very helpful.

**Food:** Provided by host family. If the volunteers like to cook, sometimes he/she can cook together with the host family. Please let us know if you are vegetarian and/or have specific allergy.

**Accommodation:** Boarding house in Indonesian family with simple bedding, shared kitchen and bathroom. Please note that the Indonesian life style is very modest compared to the European or American way.

Pocket money: None

**Insurance:** IIWC will not cover any health insurance. Volunteer has to organize the insurance by him/herself.

**Fees:** 150 EUR per month. Meals, accommodation, administration cost, orientation, supervision and evaluation, police letter

Visa: Volunteer can get a socio-culture visa index 211 for 60 days. It can be extended twice (each extension for 30 days). Visa invitation letter will provided by IIWC. Costs related to visa (extension: 375000 IDR) have to be covered by the volunteer.

Others: If a volunteer stays more than 4 months, he/she needs to renew the visa abroad every 120 days.

First long and middle term volunteering project organize by IIWC involving other stake holders of world heritage in Indonesia.

#### 2.1.1.3 IKIP PGRI Semarang

Theme: Children, teenagers, elderly people

Location Semarang city
Project start: 2012-03-01

**Duration:** Volunteers should stay at least for 2 months. **Application:** Volunteer will get a decision about his/her appli-

cation within 2 weeks.

Vacancies 1

Languages:

 $\hookrightarrow$  **Project:** English

← Local: Malay, Indonesian

#### **Project Description:**

Organized together with IKIP PGRI, the volunteer will assist the English lecturer in the class. The students need to practice their English. Since the political and economical situation of Indonesia makes it difficult for universities to hire native speakers, they partially rely on international volunteers. Also it is quite difficult to invite the native speakers due to the travel ban from some English speaking countries.

Work: \* Assist lecturers for the English courses at the university.

\* Run and manage the English conversation club

**Requirements:** \* Letter of recommendation about previous teaching of English is an asset.

- \* University background, cheerful, patient and highly motivated
- \* familiar with confidence building techniques

**Food:** Buy food in food stalls around the university/boarding house. The provided pocket money should be sufficient to cover the costs for basic daily meals.

**Accommodation:** Boarding house provided by university

Pocket money: 600000 IDR per month

**Insurance:** Health insurance should be organized by the volunteer. IIWC will not cover any insurance.

Fees: None

Visa: Volunteer can get a socio-culture visa index 211 for 60 days. It can be extended twice (each extension for 30 days). Visa invitation letter will provided by IIWC. Costs related to visa (extension: 700000 IDR) have to be covered by the volunteer.

Others: If a volunteer stays more than 4 months, he/she needs to renew the visa abroad every 120 days. All cost related to extend and or renew the visa should be bear by the volunteers.

#### 2.1.1.4 Mangkang Environment Project

Theme: Environment

**Location** Mangkang Semarang

**Project start:** 2012-02-01

**Duration:** Volunteers should stay at least for 2 months. **Application:** Volunteer will get a decision about his/her appli-

cation within 2 weeks.

Vacancies 2

Languages:

 $\hookrightarrow$  **Project:** English

← Local: Malay, Indonesian

#### **Project Description:**

Preserving natural diversity and seashore from abrasion. The main reason for abrasion are the lack of mangrove and the occurrence of too strong waves from the ocean. This project is organized by IIWC to answer the need of preserving the coastal side of North Java Sea in Mangkang Semarang.

Work: \* Planting mangrove at coastal/green belt in muddy habitat, organizing environmental educational activities with local schools, planning and running a campaign about environmental issues.

- \* Raising awareness of the mangrove issue in some universities and organizing weekend workcamps for mangrove planting and education
- \* Raising awareness among the local community
- \* Contributing to and joining the workcamp in Mangkang

Requirements: High motivation, patient, prepared to cope with Indonesia's basic sanitation and muddy streets!

Food: Cook by yourself, provided by host family or buy food in food stalls.

**Accommodation:** Volunteer house

Pocket money: None

**Insurance:** Health insurance should be organized by the volunteer. IIWC will not cover any insurance.

Fees: 150 EUR per month. Meals, accommodation, administration, orientation, monitoring & evaluation, police letter.

Visa: Volunteer can get a socio-culture visa index 211 for 60 days. It can be extended twice (each extension for 30 days). Visa invitation letter will provided by IIWC. Costs related to visa (extension: 700000 IDR) have to be covered by the volunteer.

Others: If a volunteer stays more than 4 months, he/she needs to renew the visa abroad every 120 days.

#### 2.1.1.5 MTs Nurul Huda Moslem Junior High School

Theme: Children, teenagers, elderly people

Location Demak Regency
Project start: 2011-09-08

**Duration:** Volunteers should stay at least for 2 months. **Application:** Volunteer will get a decision about his/her appli-

cation within 2 weeks.

Vacancies 1

Languages:

 $\hookrightarrow$  **Project:** English

→ **Local:** Malay, Indonesian

#### **Project Description:**

MTs Nurul Huda is one of Islamic schools located in the Demak Regency. This school is not a government school, although there is some support from government. However, the remainder of the fees has to be paid by the students. Although, this is a kind of private school, almost all the students there are from poor families. So, actually the school fee paid by the students is not very much.

Work: Teaching English and organizing additional supporting activities for school subjects.

Requirements: Good control of the English language.

There will be an introduction about decent behaviour to help the volunteer to adjust to the Moslem norms in schools.

Food: with the host family or you can cook by yourself

**Accommodation:** Boarding house in Indonesian family with simple bedding, shared kitchen and bathroom. Please note that the Indonesian life style is very modest compared to the European or American way.

Pocket money: None

**Insurance:** Health insurance should be organized by the volunteer. IIWC will not cover any insurance.

Fees: 150 EUR per month. Meals, accommodation, administration, orientation, monitoring & evaluation, police letter.

Visa: Volunteer can get a socio-culture visa index 211 for 60 days. It can be extended twice (each extension for 30 days). Visa invitation letter will provided by IIWC. Costs related to visa (extension: 375000 IDR) have to be covered by the volunteer.

Others: If a volunteer stays more than 4 months, he/she needs to renew the visa abroad every 120 days.

#### 2.1.1.6 Pasirsari Slump Area Project

Theme: Children, teenagers, elderly people
Location Pasirsari Village, Pekalongan City

**Project start:** 2011-12-01

**Duration:** Volunteers should stay at least for 2 months. **Application:** Volunteer will get a decision about his/her appli-

cation within 2 weeks.

Vacancies 1

Languages:

 $\hookrightarrow$  **Project:** English

← Local: Malay, Indonesian

#### **Project Description:**

Pasirsari village is a small village in East Pekalongan Municipality. It is close to the famous North Java main land road. With help from local staff from IIWC, volunteers will organize interesting non-formal education activities to motivate the children to stay at school or go back to school.

Work: The activities that the volunteer should organize include skill development, giving additional lessons to support the children's education, raising awareness and monitoring personal hygiene (washing hand, brushing teeth, etc.). Other tasks can vary according to the project's current needs and depend on the volunteer's own initiative.

**Requirements:** Volunteers are expected to be very open minded, independent and creative to join this challenging project. Awareness of difficulties resulting from the complexity of social and economical problems is necessary.

**Food:** Volunteers need to cook by themselves or buy food at food stalls around the boarding house.

**Accommodation:** Boarding house/volunteer house

Pocket money: None

**Insurance:** Health insurance should be organized by the volunteer. IIWC will not cover any insurance.

Fees: 150 EUR per month. Meals, accommodation, administration, orientation, monitoring & evaluation, police letter.

Visa: Volunteer can get a socio-culture visa index 211 for 60 days. It can be extended twice (each extension for 30 days). Visa invitation letter will provided by IIWC. Costs related to visa (extension: 375000 IDR) have to be covered by the volunteer.

Others: If a volunteer stays more than 4 months, he/she needs to renew the visa abroad every 120 days.

#### 2.1.1.7 SD Koalisi and Bangjo Street Children Shelter

Theme: Children, teenagers, elderly people

Location Semarang City
Project start: 2012-02-01

**Duration:** Volunteers should stay at least for 2 months **Application:** Volunteer will get a decision about his/her appli-

cation within 2 weeks

Vacancies 1

Languages:

→ Project: English

← Local: Malay, Indonesian

#### **Project Description:**

SD Koalisi Nasional Ngaliyan is a public elementary school. Because of the national standard, they need to offer better English classes for the students to allow them to improve their English in order to access higher education.

\* Bangjo Street Children Shelter is a project run by ASA PKBI supported by Pertamina Foundation. The aims are to provide a place especially for street children to study in a non-formal environment and access health and nutrition services.

Work: The volunteer will assist the teachers during standard English classes for 4th, 5th and 6th grade. Furthermore, he/she will be involved in the intensive English class for the 6th grade as well as the English class for teachers and school staff.

The volunteer will work at the school 3 days per week. He/she will do activities with ASA PKBI at the Bangjo Street Children Shelter for 2 days per week.

Requirements: \* good in English, cheerful, patient and high motivation.

Food: provided by host family or you can cook by yourself

**Accommodation:** Host Family about 700 meters from the project (pick up is available if it is needed)

Pocket money: None

**Insurance:** health insurance should be organized by the volunteer. IIWC will not cover any insurance.

Fees: None

Visa: Volunteer can get a socio-culture visa index 211 for 60 days. It can be extended twice (each extension for 30 days). Visa invitation letter will provided by IIWC. Costs related to visa (extension: 375000 IDR) have to be covered by the volunteer.

<sup>\*</sup> familiar with confidence building techniques

<sup>\*</sup> volunteer needs to be able to adapt to and switch between 2 different environments (school and shelter).

Others: If the volunteer stays more than 4 months, he/she needs to renew the visa abroad every 120 days.

#### 2.1.1.8 SD Muhammadiyah Semoya Brebah

Theme: Children, teenagers, elderly people

Location Sleman Regency, Yogyakarta

**Project start:** 2012-03-01

**Duration:** Volunteers should stay at least for 2 months. **Application:** Volunteer will get a decision about his/her appli-

cation within 2 weeks.

Vacancies 1

Languages:

 $\hookrightarrow$  **Project:** English

← Local: Malay, Indonesian

#### **Project Description:**

SD Muhammadiyah Semoya Brebah (Muhammadiyah Semoya Brebah Elementary School) is a private Islamic elementary school. The school would like to increase the activity of international volunteers. The spirit and motivation brought by volunteers are expected to raise the motivation of the students to study more for their future. There is a need to have international experiences for the students as well as the teachers to increase their knowledge and soft skills in term of non-formal education approaches combined with the formal education at school.

Work: Volunteer will assist teachers during English classes for 3rd, 4th and 5th grade. Furthermore, he/she will be involved in English classes for teachers and staff. The volunteer is expected to spend as much time as possible with local people for cultural exchange.

**Requirements:** \* Good English. Letter of recommendation about teaching English classes is preferable.

- \* Volunteer has to be cheerful, patient and highly motivated.
- \* familiar with confidence building techniques

**Food:** provided by the host family or cooking by yourself

**Accommodation:** Host family

Pocket money: None

**Insurance:** Health insurance should be organized by the volunteer. IIWC will not cover any insurance.

Fees: 150 EUR per month. Meals, accommodation, administration, orientation, monitoring&evaluation, police letter

Visa: Volunteer can get a socio-culture visa index 211 for 60 days. It can be extended twice (each extension for 30 days). Visa invitation letter will provided

by IIWC. Costs related to visa (extension: 375000 IDR) have to be covered by the volunteer.

Others: If a volunteer stays more than 4 months, he/she needs to renew the visa abroad every 120 days.

#### 2.1.1.9 Supporting Children Living at Prostitution Area

Theme:	Children, teenagers, elderly people
Location	Tegalrejo sub-village, Jatijajar Village, Bawen
	Municipality, Semarang Regency, Central Java
Project start:	2012-03-01
Duration:	Volunteers should stay at least for 2 months.
Application:	Volunteer will get a decision about his/her appli-
	cation within 2 weeks.
Vacancies	2
Languages:	
$\hookrightarrow$ Project:	English
$\hookrightarrow$ Local:	Malay, Indonesian

#### **Project Description:**

Children living in a prostitution area potentially experience daily life with a lack of non-formal educative interaction and space for playing with their peers. In Tegalrejo's prostitution area situated in the Semarang region uptown the city, more than 20 children live in this less advantaged situation. Since 2006 IIWC has started some IVS actions for children living in this area by organizing annual workcamps. The aim of the project is to facilitate play and learning activities for the children in a positive way as decreed by the convention on the rights of the child.

Work: Main activities: \* help teaching some school subjects such as English, math, geography and sciences \* make handicrafts \* drawing \* dancing and singing \* organize performances and expositions on a regular basis \* transfer your knowledge about world issues and development \* provide information about scholarships to children and parents \* organize fair trade programs \* give awards to the children who get good achievement in school.

Side activities: \* work camps \* cultural exchange \* scholarship for unfortunate children.

Additional work: \* teach English at an Islamic elementary school nearby the shelter. This school only has few students as well as few teachers. Because of a this lack of facilities not many parents are willing to send their children to this school. We expect to improve the collaboration by having international volunteers working in the shelter and teaching in school.

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**Requirements:** Motivated, high tolerance, ready to work and live near the prostitution area.

**Food:** Food can be provided by neighborhood for some amount of money, or volunteer can cook by her/himself at the volunteer house. It can also be bought at foodstalls nearby the accommodation

**Accommodation:** IIWC's Tegalrejo Volunteer House. IIWC rents one house for LTV and workcamp accommodation and activities with the children. Please not that the house only has basic Indonesian standard.

Pocket money: 460000 IDR per month

**Insurance:** Health insurance should be organized by the volunteer. IIWC will not cover any insurance.

Fees: 150 EUR per month. Meals, accommodation, administration, orientation, monitoring & evaluation, police letter.

Please not that the provided monthly pocket money is to help to cover the costs of the meals.

Visa: Volunteer will use Socio-Culture visa index 211 for 60 days, which can be extended up to 120 days. A visa invitation letter will provided by IIWC.

Others: If a volunteer stays for longer than 4 months, he/she needs to renew the visa abroad every 120 days. After 60 days, the visa can be extended twice (each extension for 30 days). The volunteer has to cover all the visa costs, including visa extension costs (700.000 IDR for each extension) and transportation for visa renewal.

## 2.2 Japan

### 2.2.1 SCI Japan

#### 2.2.1.1 Free Kids Village

Theme:	Environment
Location	Takato, Nagano
Start:	2012-07-23
End:	2012-10-20
Application deadline:	2012-06-22
Decision date:	2012-06-23
Vacancies	1
Languages:	
$\hookrightarrow$ Project:	Japanese
$\hookrightarrow$ Local:	Japanese

#### **Project Description:**

A unique community in a rural village in the mountains, 200 km west of Tokyo

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and 500km away from Fukushima Nuclear Power Plant. It was established by Ms Takako Iwatani in 2004. Over 20 people including disturbed children, teenagers on probation and relocated kids from Fukushima lead a self-sustained, environmentally-friendly life.

The first SCI workcamp was held there in August 2009.

Work: \* Organic farming: weeding in the rice and vegetable fields, cutting thatch, making non-tilled soil, etc.

\* Daily housekeeping work

**Requirements:** \* Motivated to learn organic farming and to live a big family-like environment.

\* Interested in an environmentally sustainable life-style and children.

Food: Mostly vegetarian food is provided.

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

Pocket money: 10000 JPY per month

**Insurance:** SCI Insurance

Fees: None

Visa: Basically, only 3 months' tourist visa is possible. However, English, Irish, German, Swiss, Austrian and Mexican are probably able to extend the visa for another 3 months according to the bilateral agreements between the governments. Others: Volunteer gets 2 free roundtrips by bus between Tokyo and the project.

#### 2.2.1.2 Kanazawa Farm

Theme:	Environment
Location	Yaita, Tochigi
Start:	2012-06-25
End:	2012-09-21
Application deadline:	2012-05-26
Decision date:	2012-05-27
Vacancies	1
Languages:	
$\hookrightarrow$ Project:	Japanese
→ Local:	Japanese

#### Project Description:

Kanazawa Farm is a private organic farm in a rural area, 150km east of Tokyo and only 100km away from the Fukushima Nuclear Power Plant. 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.

Work: The volunteer helps 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 as she does not speak English. Interested in organic farming and fond of animals.

Food: Eat with Ms. Kanazawa

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

Pocket money: 10000 JPY per month

**Insurance:** SCI Insurance

Fees: None

Visa: Basically, only 3 months' tourist visa is possible. However, English, Irish, German, Swiss, Austrian and Mexican volunteers are probably able to extend the visa for another 3 months according to the bilateral agreements between the governments.

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

The volunteer gets two roundtrips by local train between Tokyo and Yaita.

# 2.3 Thailand

## 2.3.1 DALAA Thailand

#### 2.3.1.1 Kok Payom fishermen village

Theme:	Environment
Location	Kok Payom village, La Ngoo district, Satun
	province (south of Thailand)
Duration:	Minimum 2 months all year around.
Application:	Volunteer will get a decision about his/her appli-
	cation within 2 or 3 weeks.
Vacancies	4
Languages:	
↔ Project:	English
$\hookrightarrow$ Local:	Other

## **Project Description:**

Kok Payom is a small fishermens village with a population of about 600 villagers. The village is next to a big river and because it is only 10 km from the Adaman sea. It is a very peaceful location surrounded by an area of mangrove forest. There is a strong community with many families having lived in the village for

over 100 years. They really want to conserve their traditional way of life even if there are a lots of pressure and conditioning coming from the city. The villagers want to be actors to preserve their life style, the nature for the next Kok payom generation.

Work: Join a strong local fisherman community. Join them to raise awareness toward environment and self-sufficiency. DaLaa is joining activities in Kok Payom for 3 years already. To be a part of the future, we started a new project there 6 month ago. Creation of an alternative school (Klong toh Lem Academy) in the mangroove forest near Kok Payom. This green school aims that the human being can live in harmony with nature. Every sunday, we go to the Academy with children of the village. The children can learn ancestral way of life in Kok Payom from the villagers. How we can live in concordance with the nature. To be independent, self-sufficient, a lots of fruits trees, vegetable, spice were planted. The volunteer can possibly do the following activities: - Teach at the local school - Organize nature trips with children - Plant young seedlings in the mangrove forests - Cultivate more seedlings in the nursery - Organize fun and enjoyable

Requirements: This project is for volunteers who: -respect and are willing to understand other cultures and backgrounds -are open-minded and flexible -love nature and like enjoying all its benefits -love children -love organizing fun activities for kids -are willing to live together and work together with the local community and the other volunteers -are willing to adapt and enjoy simple conditions of living, Thai style -do not mind having little privacy -like doing physical work

**Food:** Volunteers usually eat at school for lunch (when they are teachingthem). For dinner, volunteer cook by themselves. Sometime villagers come and join to have dinner together. We are in fisherman village so a lot of fish and of course rice

**Accommodation:** You will stay in our Environment House, dormitory style with the other volunteers. Most of the time volunteers should be in Sala, the meeting, eating and teaching place of the village. The shower and toilets are really basic and typical style.

Pocket money: None

activities to the village children

**Insurance:** Participant is responsible for their own insurance. Volunteers should take an insurance from their own country.

Fees: 190 EUR per month. Accommodation, food, transport during the project, materials and partly for our organization

Visa: We provide invitation letter to get NON-IMMIGRANT visa.

Others: Meeting point: Hat Yai (from Bangkok you can choose to travel by plane, bus or train).

#### 2.3.1.2 Roywan Pan Pba Alternative School

Theme: Environment Location Kuan Mai Bong, Cha Huat district, Nakorn Sritammarat Province, South Thailand **Duration:** minimum 2 months, all year around Application: volunteer will get a decision about his/her application within 2 or 3 weeks Vacancies 6 Languages: **→** Project: English  $\hookrightarrow$  Local: Other

### **Project Description:**

This Alternative School was started from nothing but motivation and solidarity in March 2011 by the initiatives of a local environmental activist Pi Ju along with endless support of Kuan Mai Bong villagers and the work of the pilot international volunteers from Finland, Denmark, Germany and Thailand. The main aim shared with the local community of Kuan May Bong is to make the next generation (local kids) be able to stay self-sufficient in their environment and to respect it as a vital part of their life.

Work: Build and run this alternative school together with local and international volunteers. Volunteers also dedicate themselves for community work when there's need.

In the clearing around the school, volunteers will grow their own fruit, vegetables, raise chickens and fish (agricultural self-sufficiency). On week-ends, the kids gather at the school to do activities with the volunteers. About 25 children come every week-end to spend time at the school. The volunteers decide together how the school days are spent. The opportunities are endless: teaching different subjects such as basic English, art, agriculture, games The kids vary in age, the youngest ones are approximately 7, and the oldest about 20. This is never a problem.

Requirements: This project is strongly recommended to people coming with motivation to be surrounded by nature, loving the tranquility and able to stay away from "civilization" because there are only few opportunities for a trip to a town. Volunteers should bear in mind that they are going to work in a team, everything will be shared, and responsibility is taken equally. Above all, full involvement in community matters is a must.

**Food:** Budget for food is provided. The host will take care of it which includes cooking for you and you can help assist the cooking task. You will have a chance to learn how to cook Thai style. Dont worry, not all Thai food is really spicy.

**Accommodation:** Basic accommodation in the school area. Huts for 2 people to be shared, simple living conditions. Plus, toilet/bathroom is a really typical,

shared Thai style. Volunteers will also have the opportunity to stay with a host family during their stay.

Pocket money: None

**Insurance:** Participant is responsible for his/her own insurance.

Fees: 190 EUR per month. Accommodation, food, transport during the project,

materials and partly for our organisation

Visa: We provide invitation letter to get a NON-IMMIGRANT visa.

Others: -

# Chapter 3

# Europe

# 3.1 Croatia

## 3.1.1 Velebit Association Kuterevo

### 3.1.1.1 Kuterevo - refuge for bears & people

Theme: Environment

Location Kuterevo, Lika region

**Duration:** LTV can last from 3 to 6 months, with the begin-

ning between April and June.

**Application:** Application form with CV should be sent before

1st of May. Sooner the better. We will respond within 2 weeks. Additional information may be

asked.

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Vacancies

Languages:

→ **Project:** English, Croatian

→ Local: Croatian

#### **Project Description:**

Velebit Association Kuterevo was founded in 1995 and since then it works for preservation of natural and cultural heritage. In 2002 the Bear Refuge was founded and today the village hosts more than 20 000 visitors and 200 volunteers. Besides the Bear Refuge, the Volunteers Station was founded as a place for cultural exchange and sustainable living education. We believe that without a broad understanding of human coexistence with wilderness, we won't be able to preserve bears. Thus the refuge creates space for education, exchange, learning and experiencing sustainable living.

Work: The work in the Refuge from Spring till Autumn includes building of

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new enclosures for the bears, new facilities for volunteers and visitors (paths, toilets, houses) and maintenance of the old ones. In that period the Refuge hosts around 20 groups of volunteers (Belgian Scouts, SCI international workcamps, Peace Caravan, German red Cross, Bouworde Belgium etc.) as well as more than 50 individual volunteers that are coming from all over the world. Depending on the season, the volunteers will be involved in: gardening, building, constructing, coordinating work of groups, helping in organization of events, collecting food for the bears, making souvenirs etc. The volunteer will work 7 hours per day and approximately 6 days per week. Sometimes more and sometimes less, what will depend on the weather conditions and amount of volunteers and groups present in the refuge. The work can be physically very demanding and socially intensive due to a big voluntary community.

Requirements: We are open for different profiles, but a certain advantage will be give to candidates ready for physical work and skilled in working with tools for constructing and building (chain-saw, hammers, ax), carpentry and other outdoor tasks. Volunteers should be open-minded, communicative, flexible and reliable. Driving license is also an advantage. The preference will be given to people not suitable for EVS.

**Food:** Food is provided and prepared together with other volunteers. Mostly vegetarian, based on groceries from the local community, but still in accordance with every person's needs.

**Accommodation:** Volunteers will live in the village, the Volunteers Station, an old house with very basic conditions were all volunteers gather. There is an outdoor bathroom with solar heating system, common kitchen and composting toilets.

Pocket money: 50 EUR per month

**Insurance:** Volunteers should get insurance for themselves.

Fees: None

**Visa:** For LTV projects longer than 3 months, the volunteer will have to apply (in Croatia) for a residence permit. We will also provide necessary documents if visa would be needed.

Others: The organization is open for different arrangements according to the volunteer's needs and financial situations (ei. it would possible to cover part of the travel costs and similar).

# 3.2 Czech Republic

# 3.2.1 INEX Czech Republic

# 3.2.1.1 SDA MTV 02 Organic Farming - Ashram Yoga Centre

Theme:	Environment
Location	village Strilky, Moravian region, Czech Republic
Duration:	$3 \text{ months during } 01/04 \ 30/10$
Application:	Age:18+
Vacancies	2
Languages:	
$\hookrightarrow$ Project:	English
$\hookrightarrow$ Local:	Czech

### **Project Description:**

The project is focused on organic gardening, as our farm is a certified farm following the principles of organic gardening, partly also biodynamic gardening and permaculture. Fruits and vegetables produced in our garden are mostly used in our ashram kitchen. The volunteers will have opportunity to see the production from the field to the table. The goal of the project is enabling young people learn about healthier and sustainable way of farming (and living), give them opportunity to live in the countryside and perhaps motivate them for living a rural/more natural life.

Work: Work: Our farm has 2-3 employees. The volunteers will help mainly in the vegetable garden, in the orchard and in the park. The volunteers will work 7 hours per day. The weekends will be free. Be prepared for sometimes demanding work outside (weather changes, sun, ).

Leisure time: After work and on weekends the volunteers will have the opportunity to go for walks, visit sights or take trips to the surrounding countryside. In the Chriby hills it is possible to see ruins of the old Strilky castle and ruins of Cimburk castle (near Korycany), where some cultural events take place. The town Kromeriz with historical monuments on the UNESCO list is 25 km far away. **Requirements:** 1 Flexibility, responsibility, sociability, patience and maturity 2 Interest in working in the garden, desire to gain experience; experience with gardening is an advantage 3 Good physical condition 4 Letter of motivation 5 Medical statement 6 Good knowledge of English 7 Acceptance of our spiritual environment and vegetarian lifestyle (see the Note) 8 Interest in yoga is an advantage

rules to be followed: no drugs, alcohol and smoking, no meat and eggs consumption in the ashram area.

**Food:** The meals are provided in the castle. The food is vegetarian only (often

Indian type).

Accommodation: In a room (usually multiple-bed room) in the castle or in a

building opposite the castle.

Pocket money: 50 EUR per month

**Insurance:** basic insurance (responsibility and accidents) is provided, but vol-

unteers should have an additional insurance on his/her own

Fees: None Visa: – Others: –

## 3.3 Great Britain

#### 3.3.1 IVS GB

### 3.3.1.1 Camphill Village Trust, Newton Dee Village

Theme:	Disabilities
Location	Aberdeen, Scotland
Start:	2012-08-31
End:	2013-08-31
Application deadline:	2012-07-15
Decision date:	2012-07-29
Vacancies	2
Languages:	
$\hookrightarrow$ Project:	English
$\hookrightarrow$ Local:	English

#### **Project Description:**

Newton Dee Community is one of 11 centres established in England and Scotland by the Camphill Village Trust to provide home life, meaningful work, opportunities for personal growth, friendship, social interaction, education, training and cultural and spiritual inspiration for adults with learning disabilities and other special needs.

Work: Helping out whenever needed in houses, workshops, farms and gardens. Coworkers work to enable those with special needs to fulfil their potential. That means providing support at home, at work in our gardens, farms and craft workshops, and by involvement in our social, cultural and educational activities. The work isnt simply care. The individuals with special needs who live in our Community are able to do much for themselves. The role of co-workers is as enablers. Co-workers create an environment that helps those with special needs to accomplish much in their lives, which might otherwise be difficult or impossible. One

day off per week, 21 days holiday if stahying for one year

**Requirements:** Somebody who would be willing to involve themselves with all aspects of life. Willingness to learn, openness to other spiritual ways. Should speak English well enough to hold a conversation.

**Food:** Healthy organic (most of the time). Three meals a day, eating together as in a family.

**Accommodation:** Depending on the house, in a single room

Pocket money: 130 GBP per month

**Insurance:** LTV would be covered by SCI for the duration of their stay. However they would need to provide their own separate travel insurance

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: Applicants need to complete a specific application form, please ask for a copy from IVS. Interviews will be held by Skype. Cultural factor to be considered - anthroposophical background, the volunteer would require openess to experience this. The duration of the position would be for one year. Age Limit: 18-40 years old. Training offered: first aid, moving and handling, first year foundation course

# 3.3.1.2 Corbenic Campbill Community

Theme:	Disabilities
Location	Dunkeld, Scotland
Start:	2012-07-08
End:	2013-07-31
Application:	Decision will be made two weeks after date of
	skype interview
Vacancies	5
Languages:	
$\hookrightarrow$ Project:	English
$\hookrightarrow$ Local:	English

#### **Project Description:**

The volunteer will be caring for and working alongside adults with learning disabilities. This is a community for adults with learning disabilities consisting of five households and a variety of workshops.

Work: Living and sharing house with adults with learning disabilities. Helpng with personal care, housework, preparing meals etc, working in one of our workshops; garden, estate, farm, craft, candles, bakery and woodwork. Working 49

hours, with one day off per week then one long weekend in three.

**Requirements:** We are looking for someone who is able to share living spaces, flexible in working times and who speaks good English, interested in people, willing to learn and who takes the initiative.

**Food:** The volunteers would eat in the house with the other volunteers and residents. Organic food where possible, own bakery provides bread. Eating together in the households.

**Accommodation:** The volunteers would stay in the community and might be required to share a room, however most have their own room.

Pocket money: 140 GBP per month

**Insurance:** Volunteers will be covered by SCI insurance throughout duration of stay. However they would need their own separate travel insurance.

Fees: None

**Visa:** IVS will issue a certificate of sponsorship for anyone living outside the EEU and who requires an entry visa.

Others: The successful volunteer will be required to supply two references (forms supplied). A police check is also required. Volunteer will need to complete a Corbenic application form and supply a photograph.

The Community celebrates Christian festivals so volunteers would need to be willing to accompany residents in celebration or church visits.

Interviews will be held via Skype.

Introductory training courses are offered in various subjects.

#### 3.3.1.3 Earth Connections

Theme:	Environment
Location	Isle of Eigg, North West Scotland
Duration:	minimum one month
Application:	Applicant will be contacted directly by Norah
	Barnes, either by email or telephone
Vacancies	2
Languages:	
$\hookrightarrow$ Project:	English
$\hookrightarrow$ Local:	English

## **Project Description:**

The Earth Connections Centre is a new environmental project on the Isle of Eigg, started by Norah Barnes 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.

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: None

**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. Applications for 2012 will be accepted from March and 3-6 months is a good length to stay. Earth Connections can have volunteers until Oct/Nov.

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.

### 3.3.1.4 Emmaus Cambridge

Theme: Socially disadvantaged Location Cambridge, England **Duration:** minimum three months Application: Application decisions will be made within one to two weeks Vacancies 1 Languages:  $\hookrightarrow$  Project: English  $\hookrightarrow$  Local: English

### **Project Description:**

Emmaus Communities enable people to move on from homelessness, providing work and a home in a supportive, family environment. Companions, as residents are known, work full time collecting and reselling donated furniture. This work supports the Community financially and enables residents to develop skills, rebuild their self-respect and help others in greater need.

Work: The work will include sorting out deliveries and receiving furniture in the warehouse, sorting out Bric-a-Brac, tidying the shop, dealing with customers, going out in the van, cooking/cleaning of the accommodation as well as anything which may be asked of you depending upon your skills. In return for your work you will be given an allowance of GBP40.00 per week. That is yours to spend as you wish. You will also receive GBP10.00 per week as savings. This will be given to you when you leave the Community.

**Requirements:** We would like someone interested in social issues, willing to learn, flexible can do attitude, preferably male as it can be difficult for young females in a very male environment.

**Food:** Eat all together in dining room. Share the cooking with 28 others on a rota basis

**Accommodation:** En suite roomn within the Community

Pocket money: 40 GBP per week

**Insurance:** Through SCI

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: Interviews will be held over the telephone. Please request an Emmaus application form from IVS and copies of further information.

#### 3.3.1.5 One World Health and Well-being Summer Festival

Theme: Others Location Brighton, England **Duration:** nine months Application: Decision to be made as soon as possible after interview Vacancies 2 Languages:  $\hookrightarrow$  Project: English English  $\hookrightarrow$  Local:

### **Project Description:**

The One World Health and Wellbeing Festival is organised by the One World Health Foundation CIC (community interest company). This is a non-profit organisation run by a small professional management and supported by a large number of volunteers from the UK and all over the world. Any profit is directed to evolving community projects in Portugal and UK. The One World Festival started in 1995 and since then we have organized over 25 inspirational gatherings in England, Scotland, Spain and Italy. The founders are Joao Borges and Maria Gillott

Work: Office and management support for the One World Summer Festival. You will be working 30 hours per week on average. Most weekends and public holidays are free except when the festivals are ongoing. The applicant will be helping to promote and organise all aspects of the festival. Job includes admin, computer and phone skills.

**Requirements:** Applicants need to be office/management minded. Also fluent in English and interested in an holistic life-style and healthy eating.

**Food:** Most food provided is vegetarian with fish option (macrobiotic style).

**Accommodation:** In a single room at Ohsawa House (where the office is as well)

Pocket money: 30 EUR per week

**Insurance:** Through SCI

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: One Work pay travel at the end of the project and other relevant expenses. This is a holistic and alternative working environment. Please apply with a motivational covering letter and a CV. Application decision will be made within two weeks. Training courses are offered in Excel, Access, Indesign and all tools required for the job.

#### 3.3.1.6 Simeon Care for the Elderly

Theme: Children, teenagers, elderly people Location Aberdeen, Scotland **Duration:** 12 months, minimum six months Application: Applicants will be interviewed by telephone or skpe Vacancies 6 Languages:  $\hookrightarrow$  Project: English  $\hookrightarrow$  Local: English

### **Project Description:**

Simeon provides a home, care and companionship to 17 elderly frail people. We live together as a loving, caring family and help to make the last years of life rich, joyful and rewarding, both for those of us who care and those of us who are cared for.

Ours is a unique model of old age care. We are part of the Camphill movement and the first care home of its kind in the world. Our wish is that others are inspired by our approach to create homes for ageing people that bring peace, happiness and fulfillment.

Work: About 46 hours/week in flexible shifts. Two consecutive days off per week. You live and work in the community providing personal care and support to elderly residents, sharing all activities of daily living, joining in the care and upkeep of the houses and gardens.

Requirements: Some previous experience of care or social work with vulnerable people is desirable, but not essential as we will provide training and guidance. It is essential to have a good grasp of the English language. You should be willing to learn and accept instruction and be ready to share your gifts and talents. We are looking for people with a compassionate and caring nature, with a desire to help in practical everyday tasks that will make people feel comfortable.

**Food:** We normally eat together, family style, for three meals a day with the residents. The main midday meal is prepared by our cook. During your time off foods (including snacks and ingredients from the larder) is available.

**Accommodation:** You will have your own furnished room and shared bathroom facilities. You will be provided with towels and linen and will be able to do your own laundry as well as make use of the kitchen and communal spaces.

Pocket money: 150 GBP per month

**Insurance:** Covered under SCI for the duration of your stay, but not for travel

Fees: None

Visa: IVS will issue a certificate of sponsorship for anyone living outside the EEU and who requires an entry visa. Simeon is registered with UK Border Agency and is able to issue certificates of sponsorship.

**Others:** There are opportunities to meet and do things with the volunteers living and working in nearby Camphill centres.

Simeon trains all volunteers using a nationally recognised Induction in Social Care programme within the the first three months of joining Simeon. This includes training in first aid, manual handling, infection control, food safety, and fire safety. In addition we offer foundation talks on Campbill and Anthroposophy and related subjects.

### 3.3.1.7 The Edinburgh Cyrenians

Theme:	Socially disadvantaged
Location	Edinburgh, Scotland
Duration:	Volunteers should stay for at least 3 months
Application:	Volunteer will be contacted directly by the Edin-
	burgh Cyrenians
Vacancies	11
Languages:	
$\hookrightarrow$ Project:	English
$\hookrightarrow$ 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. It's hard work and very challenging, but a memorable experience.

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. Age range for volunteers 16-30.

Food: Provided

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

Pocket money: 30 GBP per week

Insurance: yes
Fees: None

**Visa:** UK Border Control requires that people living outside the EEU require a visa. IVS GB 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. Holiday allowance at the three-month stage and contribution towards travel expenses to the community when you first arrive.

Available intake dates for 2012 - 31st May, 1st June, 30th June, 1st August, 2nd Oct, 11th Oct, 24th Oct

# 3.4 Ireland

#### 3.4.1 VSI Ireland

## 3.4.1.1 Camphill Community Grangemockler

Theme:	Disabilities
Location	Co. Tipperary Republic of Ireland
Start:	2012-09-12
End:	2013-09-12
Application deadline:	2012-08-06
Decision date:	2012-09-03
Vacancies	4
Languages:	
$\hookrightarrow$ Project:	English
$\hookrightarrow$ Local:	English

#### **Project Description:**

Camphill Grangemockler is a community of international volunteers and adults with special needs situated on 50 acres in Co. Tipperary. We have an organic/biodynamic farm and garden and a weaving workshop and try to involve the local community as much as possible. We aim to create a community in which vulnerable adults, many with learning disabilities, can live, learn and work with others in healthy social relationships based on mutual care and respect. We are about 40 people in total, living in 4 houses and a few smaller buildings on the estate.

Work: Camphill Grangemockler is a place where people with and without special

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needs live and work together. Volunteers are asked to help in the personal care of adults with special needs, both physically and socially. Volunteers may have a variety of tasks such as cooking, helping on the land or assisting in the weavery, as well as taking an active part in cultural activities and community-building.

**Requirements:** A good level of English (understanding and speaking) is essential, as well as interest and enthusiasm. Applicants should be at least 19 years of age.

Food: Volunteers receive full board and lodging. .

**Accommodation:** They have a single room in one of the community houses they share with other volunteers from all over the world and people with special needs

Pocket money: 50 EUR per week

Insurance: Volunteers should look after your own health insurance, however,

public liability is covered.

Fees: None

Visa: If the volunteer is selected and needs a visa Camphill will assist with invitation letter etc.

Others: Applicants are required to fill in our application form and go through a skype interview; then to provide us with a CV, a police check, a copy of a photographic ID, three written references, a letter of motivation and fill in our medical declaration. Upon acceptance non-EU applicants are sent a letter of invitation to apply for their VISA. Upon arrival volunteers are required to sign a contract stating their commitment.

# 3.5 Northern Ireland

# 3.5.1 VSI Ireland

## 3.5.1.1 Glebe House Childrens centre

Theme:	Children, teenagers, elderly people
Location	Strangford, Downpatrick, Co. Down, Northern
	Ireland
Start:	2012-06-13
End:	2012-08-31
Application deadline:	2012-05-13
Decision date:	2012-05-20
Vacancies	4
Languages:	
$\hookrightarrow$ Project:	English
→ Local:	English

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### **Project Description:**

We are looking for volunteers, who are interested in working closely with children and young people on our 2012 summer residential programme. The summer programme begins in mid June and runs until 31st August, with one week residential programmes. The LTV will not be expected to take part in all of the residential and will be allocated time off as necessary.

Work: These posts are geared to the needs of the Glebe house childrens programme and the volunteers will be fully involved in every aspect of it, organizing and joining in games sessions, organizing and going on trips out, taking part in and running activities. The LTVs will also share responsibilities for, child care, supervision and the associated routines of running the residential. Volunteers should be willing to work full time, in a residential capacity at our Centre in Strangford, Co. Down, Northern Ireland. The work of the LTV is varied but at times quite repetitive.

**Requirements:** The volunteers do not need to have any previous experience but do need to be well motivated and willing to learn, they should have the ability to cope well under the sometimes hectic and very busy programmes that Glebe House provides. All volunteers must be over 18 years old and able to speak English to an acceptable degree. Volunteers will have to provide a police check + 2 references.

**Food:** Meals are provied for all volunteers

**Accommodation:** Will be at the Centre probably in a dormitory.

Pocket money: 20 GBP per week

**Insurance:** Covered under a comprehensive insurance

Fees: None

Visa: Only open to volunteers who do not require a visa for Northern Ireland. Others: Pocket money only for volunteers who stay for the whole project.

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# 3.6 Spain

#### 3.6.1 SCI Madrid

#### 3.6.1.1 BASIDA

Theme: Socially disadvantaged Location Aranjuez (MAdrid), Navahondilla (vila) and Manzanares (Ciudad Real) **Duration:** 3 months **Application:** volunteer will get a decision about his/her application within 2 weeks Vacancies Languages:  $\hookrightarrow$  Project: Spanish  $\hookrightarrow$  Local: Spanish

### **Project Description:**

BASIDA is an NGO that provides medical and psychosocial support to HIV-positives, drugs addicted people and others with special needs. Since 1987, it has opened three centres; all of them run by a multi-professional voluntary staff. The physical and psychological recovery a well as the social rehabilitation of Basida residents are being achieved thanks to close teamwork focused on proving them that someone really cares for them. Basida team tries to help those attending the centre, that for long time have only experienced social exclusion, to regain hope and self-esteem.

Work: -Participating in the everyday life of the Centre -Personal care of residents who might need it (such as helping out to get dressed -An important part of your stay will be socialising with the community of the centre - Helping in physical and psychological rehab activities - Preparing workshops (wood, gardening, sports, alphabetization, children, etc.) - Daytrips accompaniment - Centre maintenance (laundry, cleaning, kitchen, etc.)

**Requirements:** - Maturity - Interested in AIDS and drug abuse problematics. - Motivated in learning Spanish culture and language - Basic knowledge on spoken Spanish. - Reliable (non drug use is allowed in the centre, including tobacco and alcohol) - Dynamic

**Food:** Meals will be taken with the residents in the common dining-room.

**Accommodation:** Double rooms with bathroom

Pocket money: None

Insurance: Volunteers must have their own travel and health insurance, unless

covered by the EEU

Fees: None

Visa: SCI Madrid will issue a certificate of sponsorship for anyone living outside

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the EEU and who requires an entry visa. Details of how to do this are given to each volunteer by SCI.

Others: -

# 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

**Duration:** minimum 3 months. We may consider accepting

shorter stays (for example 4 weeks).

**Application:** Feedback within 2 weeks. A copy of the applica-

tion has to be sent to MIDI WG.

Vacancies 1

Languages:

 $\hookrightarrow$  **Project:** English  $\hookrightarrow$  **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.

**Notice:** This is a MIDI WG project. Only volunteers from the following organisations can apply for this project: SCI Belgium, VIA Netherlands, SCI Germany, SCI Switzerland, SCI Catalonia, SCI Italy, SCI Hellas, SCI France, KVT Finland, IVS Great Britain, VSI Ireland. Please contact the SCI branch or partner

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organisation in your country for further 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 volunteers 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. Requirements: Minimal age: 21 years. Basic knowledge of education, admin-

**Requirements:** Minimal age: 21 years. Basic knowledge of education, administration or social work, be willing to work under pressure and be independent in nature. Especially looking for 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.

Be ready to share life and work with other long term volunteers.

**Food:** Volunteers have to deal with and pay for their food. Estimated cost of life in Nablus: USD300 per month including food and transportation (ex.: Sandwich between 3 and 10NIS). Transportation cost inside Nablus is 2,50 NIS for one way. **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 appartment upon request.

Pocket money: None

**Insurance:** to be organized by the volunteer

**Fees:** 150 USD per month. Accommodation, Arabic lessons and Wifi. In addition: 100USD one time payment to support the project (material + equipment).

Visa: -

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

Only volunteers from the following organisations can apply for this project: SCI Belgium, VIA Netherlands, SCI Germany, SCI Switzerland, SCI Catalonia, SCI Italy, SCI Hellas, SCI France, KVT Finland, IVS Great Britain, VSI Ireland

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## 4.1.2 Tent of Nations Palestine

#### 4.1.2.1 Tent of Nations

Theme: Peace and disarmament
Location Nahalin (near Bethlehem)

**Duration:** Minimum stay is 1 month, maximum is 3 months

(visa expiration) between March 15 - November

15.

**Application:** Feedback within 2 weeks. A copy of the applica-

tions to this project have to be sent to MIDI WG.

Vacancies 1

Languages:

→ **Project:** English, German, Arabic

 $\hookrightarrow$  Local: Arabic

### **Project Description:**

Tent of Nations is an educational and environmental family run farm, growing olives, vines, almonds, various vegetables & fruit trees.

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 the land and by providing information about the project back home.

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Work: The work takes place on 'Daher's Wineyard'; 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.

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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)

**Requirements:** Be ready for heavy physical work in rough conditions (hot during summer days and cold during nights) and isolated location.

Volunteers are expected to be at the land as much as possible, because the international presence is key (also: traveling in Palestine is a luxury).

5 work days a week. Free days will be agreed with the project (not the same for all long term volunteers).

It can happen that Israel refuses entry. This is at your own risk (no refund from SCI or Tent of Nations).

**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 EUR per month. To cover food and accommodation. Part of the sum is dedicated to support the project.

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: 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.

Only volunteers from the following organisations can apply for this project: SCI Belgium, VIA Netherlands, SCI Germany, SCI Switzerland, SCI Catalonia, SCI Italy, SCI Hellas, SCI France, KVT Finland, IVS Great Britain, VSI Ireland

# Chapter 5

# North America

# 5.1 USA

## 5.1.1 SCI-IVS USA

### 5.1.1.1 American Conservation Experience

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Theme:	Environment
Location	Flagstaff, Arizona
Duration:	12-week minimum
Application:	decision within 2 weeks
Vacancies	1
Languages:	
$\hookrightarrow$ Project:	English
$\hookrightarrow$ Local:	English

#### Project Description:

American Conservation Experience (ACE) 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.

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 revegetation, exotic species removal, fence construction, erosion control, and wilderness restoration. International volunteers con-

tribute their energy and enthusiasm in 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: Provided. Tents during work periods.

Pocket money: None Insurance: provided

Fees: None

Visa: SCI will provide documents for Visa

Others: British volunteers cannot join this project through SCI.

No drugs ever! No drinking on projects, even after hours; no smoking or drinking

in accommodations or vehicles.

#### 5.1.1.2 American Conservation Experience – Santa Cruz

Theme: Environment California

**Duration:** minimum 12 weeks

**Application:** decision within two weeks

Vacancies

Languages:

 $\hookrightarrow$  **Project:** English  $\hookrightarrow$  **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

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

Requirements: This project is only open to US Residents from 18-35 years old. 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 USD10.00-USD20.00 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: None

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

#### 5.1.1.3 Cadmus - Feill Sheathain

Theme:DisabilitiesLocationMassachusettsDuration:minimum 6 months; one year or more preferred.Application:decision within 2 weeks; Police background check report requiredVacancies1Languages: $\ominus$  Project:English $\ominus$  Local:English

#### **Project Description:**

Nestled in a sleepy neighborhood in Great Barrington this is a household full of life and activity offering a home to persons with disabilities. 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.

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 USD per month

**Insurance:** not provided

Fees: None

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.

#### 5.1.1.4 Cadmus – Christopher House

Theme: Disabilities
Location Massachusetts
Duration: Six month minimum. Starting May 15 2012
Application: decision within 2 weeks
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.

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: 150 USD per month

**Insurance:** provided

Fees: None

Visa: SCI will provide documents for Visa

Others: -

## 5.1.1.5 Camphill Soltane

Theme: Disabilities
Location Pennsylvania

**Duration:** 12 months preferred decision within 2 weeks

Vacancies 1

Languages:

 $\hookrightarrow$  Project: English  $\hookrightarrow$  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.

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: 170 USD per month

**Insurance:** after 3 months

Fees: None

Visa: SCI will provide documents for Visa

Others: Americans may join us as AmeriCorps members to qualify for the Ed-

ucation Award of USD4725 after one year of service.

## 5.1.1.6 Camphill Special School Transitional Program

Theme: Disabilities
Location Pennsylvania

**Duration:** A year or more, starting late August 2009.

**Application:** Application to the project partner is required in

addition to SCI application.

Vacancies 1

Languages:

 $\hookrightarrow$  **Project:** English  $\hookrightarrow$  **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.

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: 160 USD per month

Insurance: provided

Fees: None

Visa: SCI will provide documents for Visa

Others: -

### 5.1.1.7 Camphill Village Kimberton Hills

Theme: Disabilities
Location Pennsylvania
Duration: 12 months starting in late august 2011
Application: decision within 2-4 weeks

Vacancies 22

Languages:

 $\hookrightarrow$  Project: English  $\hookrightarrow$  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, folk dances, concerts or other special gatherings.

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: 130 USD per month

**Insurance:** health coverage provided after 3 months

Fees: None

Visa: SCI will provide documents for Visa

Others: -

#### 5.1.1.8 Community Homestead

Theme: Disabilities
Location Wisconsin
Duration: 12 months
Application: decision with

**Application:** decision within 2 weeks

Vacancies 1

Languages:

 $\hookrightarrow$  **Project:** English  $\hookrightarrow$  **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.

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 En-

glish

Food: provided

Accommodation: private room shared bath

Pocket money: 100 USD per month

Insurance: not provided

Fees: None

Visa: SCI will provide documents for Visa

Others: No drugs or drinking and no smoking in houses

#### 5.1.1.9 House of Possibilities

Theme:	Disabilities
Location	Florida
Duration:	6-12 months as soon as possible
Application:	decision within 2 weeks
Vacancies	1
Languages:	
$\hookrightarrow$ Project:	English
$\hookrightarrow$ 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.

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 non-

smoker preferred **Food:** provided

**Accommodation:** private bedroom, shared bathroom

Pocket money: 160 USD per month

**Insurance:** not provided

Fees: None

Visa: SCI will provide documents for Visa

Others: -

#### 5.1.1.10 Innisfree Garden Intern

Theme: Environment Location Innisfree Village, Crozet VA **Start:** 2013-04-01 End: 2013-09-30 Application deadline: 2013-03-01 Decision date: 2013-03-15 Vacancies 1 Languages:  $\hookrightarrow$  Project: English  $\hookrightarrow$  Local: English

### **Project Description:**

Innisfree village is a community for adults with mental disabilities. The garden workstation manages a CSA from April to September that requires a garden intern.

Work: The intern will be responsible for harvesting and planting organically grown produce, natural weed and pest control, and the general well-being of the individuals who benefit the most from our project.

Requirements: Applicant must be flexible to long hours at times that will fluctuate with the season. must speak at least intermediate English

Food: meals including produce from our gardens

**Accommodation:** a room in one of our family style houses or cabin shared bathroom

Pocket money: 250 USD per month Insurance: provided by Innisfree

Fees: None

Visa: SCI or Innisfree will send documents for visa

Others: -

## 5.1.1.11 Innisfree Village

Theme: Disabilities Location Virginia

**Duration:** One-year minimum stay - the beginning time is

not set - ever changing.

**Application:** Separate application in addition to the SCI one is

required. Application process: about one month

Vacancies 1

Languages:

 $\hookrightarrow$  **Project:** English  $\hookrightarrow$  **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.

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 USD per month

**Insurance:** provided

Fees: None

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).

Volunteer gets 15 paid vacation days at 35 USD/day.

#### 5.1.1.12 Leander House

Theme:DisabilitiesLocationMassachusettsDuration:12 months

**Application:** decision within 2 weeks

Vacancies 8

Languages:

 $\hookrightarrow$  **Project:** English  $\hookrightarrow$  **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 coworkers. Leander House has a relaxed atmosphere and the volunteer must be self-motivated and willing to take part in all aspects of life.

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 coworkers 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.willingness and ability to help and care for adults with disabilities; willingness to be around children; ability to work with a team; ability to be left alone and in charge of a household; a graduate of high school. (18 yrs. old) Police background report required drivers license (international) 6 mos. experience must speak at least intermediate English

Food: provided

Accommodation: private room and shared bathroom

Pocket money: 175 USD per month

**Insurance:** not provided

Fees: None

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.

### 5.1.1.13 Lukas Community

Theme: Disabilities
Location New Hampshsire

**Duration:** 12 months preferred and at least 6 months, start-

ing at various times of the year.

**Application:** decision within 2 weeks

Vacancies 1

Languages:

 $\hookrightarrow$  **Project:** English  $\hookrightarrow$  **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.

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 USD per month

**Insurance:** provided by Lukas

Fees: None

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.

#### Michael Fields Agricultural Institute 5.1.1.14

Theme: Environment Location Minnesota

**Duration:** 12 months preferred Application: decision within 2-4 weeks

Vacancies

Languages:

 $\hookrightarrow$  Project: English  $\hookrightarrow$  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.

Work: help with corn project

Requirements: must speak at least intermediate English Food: no large amount of pocket money to cover food **Accommodation:** private room and shared bath

Pocket money: 600 USD per month

Insurance: not provided

Fees: None

Visa: SCI will provide documents for Visa

Others: -

#### Mission Wolf 5.1.1.15

Theme: Environment Location Colorado **Duration:** A two month minimum commitment is required. Along the SCI application, send resume and cover Application:

letter. Additional information may be requested.

Vacancies

Languages:

 $\hookrightarrow$  Project: English  $\hookrightarrow$  Local: English

#### **Project Description:**

Mission Wolf is a peaceful wolf sanctuary located in the remote mountains of Col-

orado. Many people who visit the sanctuary are astounded by how far removed we are from civilization.

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 USD per month

Insurance: not provided

Fees: None

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.

#### 5.1.1.16 North Plain Farm – Life needs co-op

Theme:	Disabilities
Location	Massachusetts
Duration:	6 to 12 months
Application:	decision within 2 weeks, Police background check report required
Vacancies	1
Languages:	
$\hookrightarrow$ Project:	English
$\hookrightarrow$ 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."

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 USD 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.

## 5.1.1.17 Philadelphia Community Farm

Theme: Disabilities

Location Wisconsin

Duration: 12 months sometimes 6 months

Application: Decision within 4 weeks.

Vacancies 1

Languages:

On Project: English

 $\hookrightarrow$  **Project:** English  $\hookrightarrow$  **Local:** English

# Project Description:

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

Work: Assistant Houseparent caring for adults with special needs and man-

aging 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 USD per month Insurance: Insurance not provided

Fees: None

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 USD4725.00 after 1 year of service

#### 5.1.1.18 Shadowood

Theme:	Disabilities
Location	Massachusetts
Duration:	6 months, 1 year preferred
Application:	decision within 2 weeks
Vacancies	1
Languages:	
$\hookrightarrow$ Project:	English
$\hookrightarrow$ 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.

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: 150 USD per month

Insurance: not provided

Fees: None

Visa: SCI will provide documents for Visa

Others: An ongoing course in English as a second language is available locally.

Non smokers preferred.

### 5.1.1.19 The Bridge

Theme:	Disabilities
Location	Virginia
Duration:	12 months
Application:	within two weeks
Vacancies	1
Languages:	
$\hookrightarrow$ Project:	English
$\hookrightarrow$ Local:	English

# **Project Description:**

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

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 USD per month

**Insurance:** not provided

Fees: None

Visa: SCI will provide documents for Visa

# 5.1.2 Volunteers For Peace USA

#### 5.1.2.1 Community Reentry, Social Justice

Theme: Socially disadvantaged Location Burlington, Vermont

**Duration:** minimum 10 weeks, maximum 6 months

**Application:** Applications are accepted year round. Placements

take 2 weeks due to the need for a Skype interview

with the potential volunteer.

Vacancies 3

Languages:

 $\hookrightarrow$  **Project:** English  $\hookrightarrow$  **Local:** English

# **Project Description:**

Project provides housing and opportunities to men and women getting out of prison so that they can successfully transition back into the community.

Work: Vols will be working as a Resident Advisor as well as on administrative tasks in small office. Volunteers are also expected to support the residential community by participating in group activities.

**Requirements:** Vols must be 22+, speak fluent English and have basic computer skills. Absolutely NO alcohol or drug use permitted during the stay. VFP Motivation Form and email interview required.

**Food:** Shared room in large Victorian house, meals & laundry provided.

**Accommodation:** Shared room in large Victorian house, meals & laundry provided.

Pocket money: None

**Insurance:** YES, SCI insurance is provided for all volunteers.

Fees: None

Visa: Depending on country the volunteer is coming from a visa may be required.

### 5.1.2.2 Community Reentry, Social Justice

Theme:Socially disadvantagedLocationRutand, VermontDuration:Minimum 10 weeks, Maximum 6 monthsApplication:Applications are accepted year round. Placement takes 2 weeks due to need for Skype interview.Vacancies4Languages: $\ominus$  Project:English $\ominus$  Local:English

### **Project Description:**

Project provides a transitional drug, alcohol and violence free housing opportunity to men and women getting out of prison so they can successfully reconcile with the community before living independently.

Work: Vols will work 5-6 hrs/day doing computer and office work, participation in various components of fundraising activities, student recruitment, representing Dismas at speaking engagements on college campuses and at civic organizations, working with clothing and food donations, participating in house group activities, and visiting prisons. As a resident of the house, volunteers will live as an equal to and with the same expectations as the former prisoner residents: presence at the evening meal Monday through Friday is required, as is presence at the weekly house meeting one evening during the week; no smoking inside the house; no intimate relationships between residents and/or volunteers permitted.

**Requirements:** Vols must be 22+, speak fluent English and have basic computer skills. Absolutely NO alcohol or drug use permitted during the stay. VFP Motivation Form and email interview required

**Food:** : Modestly furnished shared room in a large Victorian house; sheets, towels, meals, laundry provided.

**Accommodation:** : Modestly furnished shared room in a large Victorian house; sheets, towels, meals, laundry provided.

Pocket money: None

**Insurance:** SCI Insurance is provided for all volunteers in this project.

Fees: None

 ${f Visa}$ : Visa may be required depending on the country the volunteer comes from.

VFP provides the needed invitation letter.

#### 5.1.2.3 Disability and kids

Theme: Disabilities

Location Glenmoore, Pennsylvania

**Project start:** 2012-08-25

**Duration:** 25-Aug-2012 to 31-Jul-2013

**Application:** Applications are open until the project is filled.

Placement takes a minimum of two weeks and a

Skype interview is required.

Vacancies 10

Languages:

 $\hookrightarrow$  **Project:** English  $\hookrightarrow$  **Local:** English

#### **Project Description:**

Nonprofit Pennsylvania Approved Private School and Waldorf school accredited by AWSNA and the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools Commissions on Elementary and Secondary Schools that offers day and residential programs for children and youth with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

Work: In the main community our work is dedicated to the 5-18 set and life revolves around school, pre-vocational programs, and recreational activities. The objective for this age group is to build self-help, life, independence, and personal hygiene skills and help maintain them throughout the year and of course indefinitely. The Transition program is dedicated to furthering the self-help, independence, life skills of our students aged 18-21; This is done through hands on vocational work on our farm, the local CSA and adult village Kimberton Hills. Our goal is to extend as much as familial setting as possible for all involved and well-rounded hands-on education for the children. The workday begins at 6:45 am with a house meeting to plan the day and ends at approximately 8:30 pm. During the day there are downtime (an hour and half between breakfast and class helping, and hour during rest hour).

Requirements: We want our volunteers to work with the children and encourage as much independence as possible, not to see the limitations, but rather see the potential of the students. Camphill Application Form required. No drugs or alcohol allowed. Dietary needs are accommodated. No smoking in houses or in front of children. Camphill will obtain the appropriate work visa for the volunteers.

**Food:** All volunteers have their own bedroom provided in one of our 11 houses with share living facilities. We provide room/board, medical insurance, minor personal needs (soap, shampoo, etc) access to our fleet of cars and a USD160.00 monthly stipend.

Accommodation: All volunteers have their own bedroom provided in one of

our 11 houses with share living facilities. We provide room/board, medical insurance, minor personal needs (soap, shampoo, etc) access to our fleet of cars and a USD160.00 monthly stipend.

Pocket money: 160 USD per month

Insurance: Yes via the Camphill community. Request details from them with

the application. **Fees:** None

Visa: Yes but they will provide all the documentation and facilitate the obtain-

ing the visa. Others: –

### 5.1.2.4 Disabled summer camp

Theme: Disabilities Location Goshen, Vermont **Start:** 2012-06-17 End: 2012-08-12 **Application:** Applications are accepted until the project is filled. Placement takes two weeks and requires a Skype interview. Vacancies 10 Languages:  $\hookrightarrow$  Project: English

#### **Project Description:**

 $\hookrightarrow$  Local:

Project provides camping experiences for Vermont children and adults who have physical and mental challenges. Camp Thorpe has both a childrens camping program (Mountain Reach) and a camping program designed for adults (Pine Haven).

English

Work: Work as a summer camp staff member and enjoy the activities and events that take place as you support our special needs population. You will help our campers as they benefit from a fun, safe residential camping experience. You will take part in all activities including swimming, sports, arts & crafts, music, dance and more! Job Rotations will include supervision and care of assigned campers during a six hour time block; supporting staff in special activities in Nature, Sports, Arts and Crafts; kitchen work including set up, light prep work and clean-up; one-to-one assistance and support of a camper; office work and light maintenance under the direction of the maintenance supervisor.

Requirements: Interest in working with children and adults who have special needs. Volunteers must pass a background check with the sponsoring organiza-

tion and may be subject to additional requests for information by Camp Thorpe. Volunteers will be expected to work a 10 hour rotation, which combines one or more of the activities listed under work above. No smoking, alcohol/drugs. VFP Motivation Form and Phone interview required

**Food:** You will share a small cabin with three campers. All meals are provided. Vegetarian entrées available. Laundry facilities are provided.

Accommodation: You will share a small cabin with three campers. All meals are provided. Vegetarian entrées available. Laundry facilities are provided.

Pocket money: None

**Insurance:** SCI Insurance is provided for all volunteers.

Fees: None

Visa: Visa may be required depending on the country the volunteer is coming

from. VFP provides the needed invitation letter.

Others: -

# 5.1.2.5 Explore new York

Theme:	Disabilities
Location	New York City, New York
Duration:	Minimum 3 weeks, Maximum 3 months
Application:	Applications are accepted year round. Placement
	takes up to 2 weeks and requires a Skype interview.
Vacancies	4
Languages:	
$\hookrightarrow$ Project:	English
$\hookrightarrow$ Local:	English

#### **Project Description:**

Project is dedicated to helping individuals with developmental disabilities and mental retardation to grow through challenging and safe travel experiences.

Work: Vols will co-lead small groups of adults with special needs on short vacations to various destinations. Responsibilities include ensuring safety, providing emotional and physical support, enhancing fun, budgeting, driving and activity planning 24 hours a day while on trips. Vols must be willing to assist with all Adult Daily Living skills (brushing teeth, separating dirty clothes, showering etc). This is very challenging work, yet also very rewarding and fun. Experience working with this population is an asset but not required. Training will be provided. Between trips, some light office work or assistance is required.

**Requirements:** Responsible, motivated vols age 21-35 with drivers license strongly preferred. No alcohol during trips. Fluent English. VFP Motivation form and phone/Skype interview required.

**Food:** While on trips you will stay in hotels. In between trips, you will stay at a youth hostel. Volunteers will be responsible for their own meals, transportation and activities when not on a trip.

Accommodation: While on trips you will stay in hotels. In between trips, you will stay at a youth hostel. Volunteers will be responsible for their own meals, transportation and activities when not on a trip.

Pocket money: None

**Insurance:** SCI insurance is provided for all volunteers.

Fees: None

Visa: Visa may be required depending on the country the volunteer comes from.

VFP provides required invitation letter.

Others: -

### 5.1.2.6 Growing friendships in Vermont

Theme: Environment Location West Burke, Vermont **Start:** 2012-05-01 End: 2012-09-30 **Application:** Application open until project is filled. Acceptance takes about 2 weeks and requires a Skype interview. Vacancies 4 Languages:  $\hookrightarrow$  Project: English

#### **Project Description:**

 $\hookrightarrow$  Local:

Develop skills necessary to supervise basic building projects and garden upkeep. This includes: turning soil, weeding, gathering and hauling trees, composting, cutting firewood, using tree saws, shovels, axes and other garden tools. Construction projects include: building a large deck, gazebo and outhouse. Volunteers will be nailing, moving materials, digging foundations, making beams and posts, using hand and power tools. No construction experience necessary.

English

Work: Learn how to participate in staffing Oscar Farm. Develop skills necessary to supervise basic building projects and garden upkeep. This includes: turning soil, weeding, gathering and hauling trees, composting, cutting firewood, using tree saws, shovels, axes and other garden tools. Construction projects include: building a large deck, gazebo and outhouse. Volunteers will be nailing, moving materials, digging foundations, making beams and posts, using hand and power tools. No construction experience necessary.

Requirements: To better experience each other and nature we do not allow cellphones, ipods or any electronic device. Calls home are allowed upon request. Food: Indoor sleeping and cooking facilities with mattresses and blankets. We can meet any reasonable dietary needs. Boots, raingear and warm clothes are recommended.

**Accommodation:** Indoor sleeping and cooking facilities with mattresses and blankets. We can meet any reasonable dietary needs. Boots, raingear and warm clothes are recommended.

Pocket money: None

**Insurance:** SCI Insurance is provided for all volunteers.

Fees: None

Visa: Visa may be required depending on the country the volunteer comes from.

VFP provides required invitation letter.

Others: 3 month minimum.

# 5.1.2.7 House and building restoration

Theme:	Others
Location	New Orleans, Louisiana
Duration:	Minimum 1 month, Maximum 3 months
Application:	Applications are accepted year round. Placement takes up to 2 weeks and my require a Skype inter-
	view.
Vacancies	15
Languages:	
$\hookrightarrow$ Project:	English
$\hookrightarrow$ Local:	English

### **Project Description:**

Non-political, secular organization dedicated to helping this historic neighborhood recover and return to its former vibrant self.

Work: Experienced carpenters, roofers, plumbers, painters and other tradesmen needed for rebuilding homes in the flood-damaged Lower Ninth Ward of New Orleans. Unskilled volunteers will be trained by skilled staff. All aspects of home rebuilding will be addressed, from roofing to finish carpentry. 5-day week of full work days. Medium-term volunteers provide free labor to neighborhood residents, so they can return home after Hurricanes Katrina and Rita.

**Requirements:** VFP Motivation Form required. Volunteers must have some English language skills in order to ensure workplace safety. EXTRA FEE: USD480 regardless of length of stay. Fee due in US Dollars upon arrival.

**Food:** Housing is in dormitory style bunkrooms. No smoking in the house. No

drugs allowed. Vegetarian meals available.

**Accommodation:** Housing is in dormitory style bunkrooms. No smoking in the

house. No drugs allowed. Vegetarian meals available.

Pocket money: None

**Insurance:** SCI Insurance is provided for all volunteers.

Fees: 480 USD one time payment. Housing, food and supplies.

Visa: Visa may be required depending on the country the volunteer comes from.

VFP provides required invitation letter.