

# *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 Nigeria

#### 1.1.1 VWAN Nigeria

##### 1.1.1.1 Agbowa Ikosi Community Farm Projects

<b>Theme:</b>	Others
<b>Location</b>	Agbowa Ikosi Town, Suburb of Lagos State
<b>Duration:</b>	Between 1 to 12 months
<b>Application:</b>	Applications are accepted throughout the seasons for the volunteer/s to participate. The project is on-going.
<b>Vacancies</b>	10
<b>Languages:</b>	
↔ <b>Project:</b>	English
↔ <b>Local:</b>	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.

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**Work:** Cleaning, collecting and counting of eggs. Rabbits and some other an-

imals 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 off at the airport after the project.

#### 1.1.1.2 Alba Home School Center for Children, Ibadan

<b>Theme:</b>	Socially disadvantaged
<b>Location</b>	G.R.A. Jericho, Ibadan, Oyo State
<b>Duration:</b>	one year
<b>Application:</b>	Application is accepted throughout the seasons for the volunteer/s to participate. The project is on-going.
<b>Vacancies</b>	5
<b>Languages:</b>	
↔ <b>Project:</b>	English
↔ <b>Local:</b>	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.

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**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 off at the airport after the project.

### 1.1.1.3 Children Welfare Centre

<b>Theme:</b>	Children, teenagers, elderly people
<b>Location</b>	Federal Capital Territory, Garki, Abuja
<b>Duration:</b>	One year
<b>Application:</b>	Applications are accepted throughout the seasons for the volunteer/s to participate. The project is on-going.
<b>Vacancies</b>	5
<b>Languages:</b>	
↔ <b>Project:</b>	English
↔ <b>Local:</b>	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.

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**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.

#### 1.1.1.4 Compenatory Centre & Placement Homes

<b>Theme:</b>	Disabilities
<b>Location</b>	Coker Road, Ilupeju Estate, Lagos
<b>Duration:</b>	Between 1 and 12 months
<b>Application:</b>	Applications are accepted throughout the seasons for the volunteer/s to participate. The project is on-going.
<b>Vacancies</b>	5
<b>Languages:</b>	
↔ <b>Project:</b>	English
↔ <b>Local:</b>	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 off at the airport after the project.

#### 1.1.1.5 Eruwa Farm Agricultural Projects

<b>Theme:</b>	Others
<b>Location</b>	Eruwa Town, Ibarapa LGA, Oyo State
<b>Duration:</b>	Between 1 and 12 months - Start date between March and December
<b>Application:</b>	Applications are accepted throughout the seasons for the volunteer/s to participate. The project is on-going.
<b>Vacancies</b>	10
<b>Languages:</b>	
↔ <b>Project:</b>	English
↔ <b>Local:</b>	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 off at the airport after the project.

#### 1.1.1.6 Grace Social- Orphanage Home

<b>Theme:</b>	Children, teenagers, elderly people
<b>Location</b>	Agbowo Village, Suburb of Lagos State
<b>Duration:</b>	One year
<b>Application:</b>	Applications are accepted throughout the seasons for the volunteer/s to participate. The project is on-going.
<b>Vacancies</b>	5
<b>Languages:</b>	
↔ <b>Project:</b>	English
↔ <b>Local:</b>	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 off at the airport after the project.

### 1.1.1.7 Ijamido Children & Motherless Homes

<b>Theme:</b>	Children, teenagers, elderly people
<b>Location</b>	Ilo Awela Road, Sango, Ogun State
<b>Duration:</b>	Between 1 and 12 months
<b>Application:</b>	Applications are accepted throughout the seasons for the volunteer/s to participate. The project is on-going.
<b>Vacancies</b>	5
<b>Languages:</b>	
↔ <b>Project:</b>	English
↔ <b>Local:</b>	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 off at the airport after the project.

#### 1.1.1.8 Little Children Centre

<b>Theme:</b>	Children, teenagers, elderly people
<b>Location</b>	Palmgrove, Lagos
<b>Duration:</b>	1 - 12 months
<b>Application:</b>	Applications are accepted throughout the seasons for the volunteer/s to participate. The project is on-going.
<b>Vacancies</b>	5
<b>Languages:</b>	
↔ <b>Project:</b>	English
↔ <b>Local:</b>	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.

#### 1.1.1.9 Modupe Cole Child Care Centre

<b>Theme:</b>	Disabilities
<b>Location</b>	Lagos Mainland, AKoka
<b>Duration:</b>	Between 1 - 12 months
<b>Application:</b>	Applications are accepted throughout the seasons for the volunteer/s to participate. The project is on-going.
<b>Vacancies</b>	5
<b>Languages:</b>	
↔ <b>Project:</b>	English
↔ <b>Local:</b>	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, Autism) 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 off at the Airport after the project.



## 1.2 Togo

### 1.2.1 ASTOVOT Togo

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

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

### 1.2.1.2 Disadvantaged Young People Training Centers

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

#### **Project Description:**

Different types of long-term projects are initiated by ASTOVOT in partnership with the center AGERTO to: - Overcome the lack of trainers, - Help the center authorities with the management of the center, - Put the young people in contact with another culture.

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

**Work:** Assisting the trainers to lead young people in training, Working with young people in the various workshops (masonry, carpentry, welding, sculpture, batik, sewing, painting, weaving), Making arts and cultural activities, Assisting the trainers in the daily work with young people, Assisting the staff of the center in the office work: reports, translation of documents (French, English and

German), Teaching languages. It is also possible to develop a program with the trainers. Volunteers are also invited to present the typical cultural aspects of their country.

**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 accommodation.

**Visa:** You need a visa to Togo. Information is available at the embassy or consulate of Togo 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.

### 1.2.1.3 Social and educational activities with children

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

#### 1.2.1.4 Support to ASTOVOT coordination staff

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

Develop 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 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 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.

### 1.2.1.5 Support to Computer Centers Staff

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

### 1.2.1.6 Support to Health Centers Staff

<b>Theme:</b>	North-South solidarity
<b>Location</b>	Kloto, Agou and Danyi
<b>Duration:</b>	Volunteer should stay for at least one month. Project is open all the year.
<b>Application:</b>	Decision within 2 weeks after application form is sent to us.
<b>Vacancies</b>	2
<b>Languages:</b>	
↔ <b>Project:</b>	French
↔ <b>Local:</b>	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 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, the volunteer can bring medical materials.

### 1.2.1.7 Support to Libraries Staff

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



### 1.2.1.8 Support to Radio Planète

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

# Chapter 2

## Asia

### 2.1 Indonesia

#### 2.1.1 IIWC Indonesia

##### 2.1.1.1 Borobudur Young Guardian in Action Project

<b>Theme:</b>	Art, culture, history
<b>Location</b>	Borobudur Village, Magelang, Centra Java
<b>Project start:</b>	2012-11-01
<b>Duration:</b>	Volunteers should stay for at least 2 months
<b>Application:</b>	Volunteer will get a decision about his/her application within 2 weeks.
<b>Vacancies</b>	1
<b>Languages:</b>	
↔ <b>Project:</b>	English
↔ <b>Local:</b>	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 inter-governmental 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:** IWC 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 IWC. 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 IWC involving other stake holders of world heritage in Indonesia.

### 2.1.1.2 SD Koalisi and Bangjo Street Children Shelter

<b>Theme:</b>	Children, teenagers, elderly people
<b>Location</b>	Semarang City
<b>Project start:</b>	2012-02-01
<b>Duration:</b>	Volunteers should stay at least for 2 months
<b>Application:</b>	Volunteer will get a decision about his/her application within 2 weeks
<b>Vacancies</b>	1
<b>Languages:</b>	
↔ <b>Project:</b>	English
↔ <b>Local:</b>	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.

\* familiar with confidence building techniques

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

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

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

### 2.1.1.3 SD Muhammadiyah Semoya Brebah

<b>Theme:</b>	Children, teenagers, elderly people
<b>Location</b>	Sleman Regency, Yogyakarta
<b>Project start:</b>	2012-03-01
<b>Duration:</b>	Volunteers should stay at least for 2 months.
<b>Application:</b>	Volunteer will get a decision about his/her application within 2 weeks.
<b>Vacancies</b>	1
<b>Languages:</b>	
↔ <b>Project:</b>	English
↔ <b>Local:</b>	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.

## 2.2 Japan

### 2.2.1 SCI Japan

#### 2.2.1.1 Free Kids Village

<b>Theme:</b>	Environment
<b>Location</b>	Takato, Nagano: 200km west of Tokyo, 500km far from Fukushima
<b>Start:</b>	2013-05-06
<b>End:</b>	2013-07-31
<b>Application deadline:</b>	2013-04-06
<b>Decision date:</b>	2013-04-10
<b>Vacancies</b>	1
<b>Languages:</b>	
↪ <b>Project:</b>	Japanese
↪ <b>Local:</b>	Japanese

#### **Project Description:**

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

<b>Theme:</b>	Environment
<b>Location</b>	Yaita, Tochigi
<b>Start:</b>	2013-03-04
<b>End:</b>	2013-05-25
<b>Application deadline:</b>	2013-01-15
<b>Decision date:</b>	2013-01-19
<b>Vacancies</b>	1
<b>Languages:</b>	
↔ <b>Project:</b>	Japanese
↔ <b>Local:</b>	Japanese

#### **Project Description:**

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

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

**Requirements:** \* Speak basic Japanese or motivated to learn it at least to communicate with Ms Kanazawa as she doesn't speak English

\* Interested in organic farming and love animals.

\* S/he has to be able to work voluntarily.

**Food:** Eat with Ms Kanazawa

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

**Pocket money:** 10000 JPY per month

**Insurance:** SCI Insurance

**Fees:** None

**Visa:** 3 months' tourist visa only due to the government visa policy but English, Irish, German, Swiss, Austrian and Mexican are able to extend the visa for another 3 months according to the bilateral agreement between the governments.

**Others:** The life is very frugal and simple in contrast to the affluent and mate-

realistic Japanese society.

Volunteer gets two free roundtrips by local train from Tokyo to the project.

## 2.3 Thailand

### 2.3.1 DALAA Thailand

#### 2.3.1.1 Kok Payom fishermen village

<b>Theme:</b>	Environment
<b>Location</b>	Kok Payom village, La Ngoo district, Satun province (south of Thailand)
<b>Duration:</b>	Minimum 2 months all year around.
<b>Application:</b>	Volunteer will get a decision about his/her application within 2 or 3 weeks.
<b>Vacancies</b>	6
<b>Languages:</b>	
↔ <b>Project:</b>	English
↔ <b>Local:</b>	Other

#### **Project Description:**

Kok Payom is a small fishermen's 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 since 2009. To be a part of the future, we started a new project there in 2011. Creation of an alternative school (Klong toh Lem Academy) in the mangrove 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 activities to the village children

**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 teaching them). 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

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

**Fees:** 205 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

<b>Theme:</b>	Environment
<b>Location</b>	Kuan Mai Bong, Cha Huat district, Nakorn Sritammarat Province, South Thailand
<b>Duration:</b>	minimum 2 months, all year around
<b>Application:</b>	volunteer will get a decision about his/her application within 2 or 3 weeks
<b>Vacancies</b>	6
<b>Languages:</b>	
↔ <b>Project:</b>	English
↔ <b>Local:</b>	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, ducks, pigs and fish (agricultural self-sufficiency). On week-ends, the kids gather at the school to do activities with the volunteers. A group of children (between 10 and 30) 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, it can be from 7 to 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. Don't 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:** 205 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:** –

### 2.3.1.3 Wipawadi fruit garden community

<b>Theme:</b>	Environment
<b>Location</b>	Wang Pack Wenn village, Wipawadi district, Surat Thani province (South of Thailand)
<b>Start:</b>	2013-02-01
<b>End:</b>	2013-03-10
<b>Application:</b>	Volunteer will get a decision about his/her application within 2 or 3 weeks.
<b>Vacancies</b>	6
<b>Languages:</b>	
↔ <b>Project:</b>	English
↔ <b>Local:</b>	Other

#### Project Description:

Wang Pack Wenn is a small village of a mountainous area in South Thailand, close to Khao Sok national park. Villagers are mainly working in rubber and oil-palm plantations. 10 years ago, a Thai-French family started to plant a fruit garden on 6 hectares on the sides of a river with the aim of a self-sufficient community. They left now to Borneo and give the opportunity to DaLaa to take care of this garden with the main aim to make it as a gathering alternative learning center for local children: Give the coming generations the opportunity to have a sustainable life around there.

**Work:** Continuation of our 6 months volunteering project in 2012, we finish the gathering hut in the garden. Volunteers will: Take care of the agro-forest and vegetable garden (planting seeds, nursing young plants, cutting the grass around young trees, gardening, collecting fruits, repair the tools,etc). Organize activities with local kids at the local school and in our garden. Give small trees around to interested people Take part with local villagers activities when possible Community daily life includes getting our food, cleaning, cooking, caring for each others We can start any other projects according to our aims.

Take a step out of the polluting society, back to a simple life, with time for breath and inner reflection.

**Requirements:** This project is for volunteers who -respect and are willing to understand other cultures and backgrounds -are open-minded, flexible -love nature and like enjoying all its benefits(living in the forest!) -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:** Healthy food is the basic of an healthy mind; strong importance on our alimentation. Fruits in big quantity. avoid industrial food,fried food, meat. Cook 2 meals a day (rice or potatoes with vegetables, curries, salads, soups) fruits any

time.

**Accommodation:** Sleeping in a hut (without electricity), small mattresses mosquito nets provided; the main house where we cook and eat has electricity close to a small village; dry toilets and a close shower; or in the river; hand washing clothes

**Pocket money:** None

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

**Fees:** 255 EUR one time payment. 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: Phun Pin(Surat Thani) (from Bangkok you can choose to travel by bus or train).

# Chapter 3

## Europe

### 3.1 Great Britain

#### 3.1.1 IVS GB

##### 3.1.1.1 Camphill School Aberdeen

<b>Theme:</b>	Disabilities
<b>Location</b>	Aberdeen, Scotland
<b>Start:</b>	2013-08-04
<b>End:</b>	2014-08-31
<b>Application:</b>	Applicant needs to complete a specific application form obtained from IVS.
<b>Vacancies</b>	1
<b>Languages:</b>	
↔ <b>Project:</b>	English
↔ <b>Local:</b>	English

#### **Project Description:**

We provide residential, day care and respite accommodation to approximately 88 children and young adults with a wide variety of special needs. Care, education, therapy and creative activities are integrated. Relationships and social interaction, based on mutual care and respect, promote health development and resilience along with physical and emotional wellbeing.

Our children and young adults belong to a house community. Each house community varies in size and accommodates approximately 5/10 children/young adults and 10/12 senior co-workers and volunteers.

**Work:** Your major responsibility at all times is to the child/young adult in your care, whether in the classroom or the house. The task is to care for and to educate each child/young adult to the fullest extent possible. As a new co-worker

you will be helped by more experienced colleagues to learn how to establish a successful relationship with the child/young adult, how to gauge what expectations to have for the individual, and how to develop each person's potential to the fullest extent possible, so that maximum independence and self-reliance are achieved. Think of it this way: you are setting out on a personal learning experience while helping the person in your care to themselves embark on a similar voyage of discovery. Their needs are paramount at all times.

**Requirements:** We would like someone interested in social issues, willing to learn, flexible 'can do attitude' and be able to communicate in English.

**Food:** Food is provided

**Accommodation:** We provide living accommodation and full board. Volunteers will have their own bedroom but all other accommodation is shared.

**Pocket money:** 160 GBP per month

**Insurance:** Basic insurance through SCI. Separate travel insurance will be required

**Fees:** None

**Visa:** Camphill School will issue a certificate of sponsorship for anyone living outside the EEU and who require an entry visa. Details of how to this are given to each volunteer by Camphill School. IVS will help with the visa process

**Others:** GBP200 is provided towards the cost of your journey home. Over a period of 12 month you will have 6 weeks annual leave. Interviews will be via the telephone or skype. Training/courses provided - Core training on arrival, Foundation Year Programme, BA (Hons) Social Pedagogy. Further information available through IVS.

### 3.1.1.2 Camphill Village Trust, Newton Dee Village

<b>Theme:</b>	Disabilities
<b>Location</b>	Aberdeen, Scotland
<b>Start:</b>	2013-06-02
<b>End:</b>	2013-12-31
<b>Application:</b>	An interview will be arranged after references have been checked
<b>Vacancies</b>	2
<b>Languages:</b>	
↔ <b>Project:</b>	English
↔ <b>Local:</b>	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. Co-workers 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 isn't 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 staying 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 openness 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

### 3.1.1.3 Corbenic Camphill Community

<b>Theme:</b>	Disabilities
<b>Location</b>	Dunkeld, Scotland
<b>Start:</b>	2013-08-04
<b>End:</b>	2014-08-31
<b>Application:</b>	Decision will be made two weeks after date of skype interview
<b>Vacancies</b>	5
<b>Languages:</b>	
↔ <b>Project:</b>	English
↔ <b>Local:</b>	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. Helping 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.



#### 3.1.1.4 Earth Connections

<b>Theme:</b>	Environment
<b>Location</b>	Isle of Eigg, North West Scotland
<b>Duration:</b>	February 2013 for one to three months - minimum one month
<b>Application:</b>	Applicant will be contacted directly by Norah Barnes, either by email or telephone
<b>Vacancies</b>	2
<b>Languages:</b>	
↔ <b>Project:</b>	English
↔ <b>Local:</b>	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.

**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 (9am-4pm, but are also flexible with hours depending on family and job needs and weather! Saturday afternoons and Sunday is time off. You will have the chance to take part in camping trips and yoga classes, as part of some courses.

**Requirements:** We would like someone interested in environmental issues and wanting to learn more about practical sustainable living. The volunteer 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 11, 9 and 7) so volunteer needs to get on with young people and be part of family life.

**Food:** All meals will be provided and we generally eat together as a family. Food is freshly cooked, vegetarian and vegan - we try to bake our own bread and grow our own vegetables, fruit and honey.

**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. We also have a library in the centre which you can use as a quiet space.

**Pocket money:** None

**Insurance:** Volunteers are covered by SCI insurance (this is third party and only covers volunteers when they are at work - not during leisure activities). Volunteers should take out additional insurance to cover travel and health.

**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:** Eigg is a small and beautiful island, with only 100 people on it who have a strong history and community. It is 1.6 hours board journey from the Scottish mainland, so when arriving in the UK, volunteers will have to travel to us by bus or train, and then a ferry. Volunteers need to be prepared for remote island life and a variety of weather. Eigg has a shop, cafe and museum, beautiful beaches to explore and a lively music scene in the summer. For more info to to [www.isleofeigg.net](http://www.isleofeigg.net)

### 3.1.1.5 Emmaus Cambridge

<b>Theme:</b>	Socially disadvantaged
<b>Location</b>	Cambridge, England
<b>Duration:</b>	minimum three months
<b>Application:</b>	Application decisions will be made within one to two weeks
<b>Vacancies</b>	1
<b>Languages:</b>	
↔ <b>Project:</b>	English
↔ <b>Local:</b>	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. This position is for a maximum of three months.

**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.

#### 3.1.1.6 Simeon Care for the Elderly

<b>Theme:</b>	Children, teenagers, elderly people
<b>Location</b>	Aberdeen, Scotland
<b>Start:</b>	2013-03-31
<b>End:</b>	2013-12-31
<b>Application:</b>	Applicants will be interviewed by telephone or skype
<b>Vacancies</b>	6
<b>Languages:</b>	
↔ <b>Project:</b>	English
↔ <b>Local:</b>	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 Camphill and Anthroposophy and related subjects.

### 3.1.1.7 The Edinburgh Cyrenians

<b>Theme:</b>	Socially disadvantaged
<b>Location</b>	Edinburgh, Scotland
<b>Start:</b>	2013-05-01
<b>End:</b>	2014-02-28
<b>Application:</b>	Volunteer will be contacted directly by the Edinburgh Cyrenians
<b>Vacancies</b>	11
<b>Languages:</b>	
↔ <b>Project:</b>	English
↔ <b>Local:</b>	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.

All the posts for 2012 have now been filled, however we are recruiting for placements starting January 2013 onwards.

**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

**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

### 3.1.1.8 Tiphereth Camphill

<b>Theme:</b>	Disabilities
<b>Location</b>	Edinburgh
<b>Start:</b>	2013-06-01
<b>End:</b>	2014-06-30
<b>Application:</b>	The applicant will receive a response as soon as possible after applying
<b>Vacancies</b>	2
<b>Languages:</b>	
↔ <b>Project:</b>	English
↔ <b>Local:</b>	English

#### **Project Description:**

Tiphereth is a Camphill Community in Edinburgh, located on the outskirts but with a direct bus route into the city centre. We live with and support adults with learning disabilities and associated physical disabilities. Our community has four residential houses caring for a total of 14 residents. In each house a family and volunteers support the residents; living alongside them and sharing their lives. During the day our residents take part in many activities which also need support from us.

**Work:** As a volunteer with us you will live in one of our community houses. You will be supported to work alongside us sharing your lives with us and working in our houses and day service projects. In the house you will help to support residents with all aspects of their lives which involves personal care, in some cases assisting with bathing and dressing, recreational care. We share time together doing activities, accompanying our residents on outings, as well as general house tasks. In our day service you will help us by supporting our many and varied projects, from, environmental work, gardening and composting, to arts and craft activities and food processing.

**Requirements:** We are looking for long term volunteers, who commit usually for 1 year, who will live and work within our community. On occasions we are able to support shorter placements, but we don't have many vacancies for short term volunteers.

**Food:** We eat together and all your food will be provided. Most weeks you will have two days off to rest and explore Edinburgh and the Scottish cultural life.

**Accommodation:** You will have your own bedroom in one of our community houses. You will share the living facilities and bathrooms.

**Pocket money:** 210 GBP per month

**Insurance:** You will be covered under SCI insurance during your stay, however you will need to obtain your own travel insurance.

**Fees:** None

**Visa:** IVS will help with the visa process

**Others:** You can have four weeks holiday per year and we give you extra pocket money for your holiday. You will receive a comprehensive training and induction program with the opportunity to do courses in such topics as epilepsy, first aid, autism, protection of vulnerable adults and other social care topics. Life is varied, the projects exciting and the people generous and friendly so you will grow with us in experience whatever your future plans.

## 3.2 Russia

### 3.2.1 Sodrujestvo

#### 3.2.1.1 Promotion of volunteering in Kazan

<b>Theme:</b>	Children, teenagers, elderly people
<b>Location</b>	Kazan
<b>Duration:</b>	Minimum stay 3 months.
<b>Application:</b>	Volunteer will get a decision about his/her application within 2 weeks.
<b>Vacancies</b>	1
<b>Languages:</b>	
↪ <b>Project:</b>	Russian
↪ <b>Local:</b>	Russian

#### **Project Description:**

Sodrujestvo is a non-government organization working in the field of intercultural communication and education, making international projects for students and school children on the topics of intercultural diversity, tolerance, global issues, foreign languages. Our organization is based in Cheboksary, Russia. 1,5 years ago we started a branch in Kazan. This is a big and fast-developing city with unique history and culture. Volunteer will be helping to develop our branch in Kazan, bringing international spirit to the 1000-year-old city. There will be a lot of work and it will be interesting.

**Work:** - Promotion of volunteering by making presentations in schools and universities about international voluntary movement, giving away flyers, making posters and organizing other activities

- Making presentations about his/her home country
- Organizing clubs of intercultural communication, English-speaking clubs, clubs of speaking volunteers native language at schools and universities
- Assisting at the lessons of foreign languages at schools and universities
- Helping in the office of the organization, communicating with visitors, answering

e-mails

- Participating in the project organized by Sodrujestvo (including summer camps for school kids in Cheboksary)

**Requirements:** Motivation to work in the area of interculturality; interest to Russia, Russian language and culture; good knowledge of English; knowledge of other languages (German, French, Italian, Spanish etc.) is welcome; Knowledge of Russian would be useful, too. We would also like the volunteer to have the experience in international and/or voluntary projects and to be not younger than 20 and not older than 35. Certificate of good conduct is required.

**Food:** The volunteer will be given 100 euro/month for buying food.

**Accommodation:** Provided in the flat of a local volunteer or in a dormitory room.

**Pocket money:** 100 EUR per month

**Insurance:** Please, bring your own insurance

**Fees:** None

**Visa:** Volunteers from most of the countries will need visa for coming to Russia. Sodrujestvo will provide the invitation letter and everything that would be needed in order to receive the visa.

**Others:** Motivation letter is required.

## 3.3 Spain

### 3.3.1 SCI Madrid

#### 3.3.1.1 BASIDA

<b>Theme:</b>	Socially disadvantaged
<b>Location</b>	Aranjuez (MAdrid), Navahondilla (vila) and Manzanares (Ciudad Real)
<b>Duration:</b>	3 months
<b>Application:</b>	volunteer will get a decision about his/her application within 2 weeks
<b>Vacancies</b>	1
<b>Languages:</b>	
↔ <b>Project:</b>	Spanish
↔ <b>Local:</b>	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 as 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 the EEU and who requires an entry visa. Details of how to do this are given to each volunteer by SCI.

**Others:** –

## 3.4 Switzerland

### 3.4.1 SCI Switzerland

#### 3.4.1.1 Center for asylum seekers in Belfond

<b>Theme:</b>	Antiracism, antifascism, refugees, ethnic minorities
<b>Location</b>	Belfond, Jura region, near Saignelégier
<b>Start:</b>	2013-05-01
<b>End:</b>	2013-11-01
<b>Application deadline:</b>	2013-01-15
<b>Decision date:</b>	2013-01-25
<b>Vacancies</b>	1
<b>Languages:</b>	
↔ <b>Project:</b>	French
↔ <b>Local:</b>	French

#### **Project Description:**

The centre for asylum seekers in Belfond is the place that welcomes all asylum seekers received by Canton Jura. The centre can host 80 asylum seekers from various origins including families with children. The centre is run by AJAM, the association responsible for the asylum seekers in the Canton Jura.

**Work:** Spending time with the asylum seekers and helping them in daily life, organising recreational activities, helping the centre team. The main tasks (supported by the staff member) will be the organisation and development of recreational activities for the asylum seekers (and for the kids when there are some, e.g. sports, cultural and educational activities, etc.). The volunteer will also do administrative work including filing asylum seekers (AS) entry/exit, etc.. The volunteer will work 40 hours per week and may be asked to work during the weekends (but gets 2 days off per week).

**Requirements:** to be very motivated, autonomous, self-reliant, responsible and interested in asylum seeker issues. Driving license needed. The volunteer should have enough French knowledge in order to communicate with the asylum seekers and the staff.

**Food:** Provided in the centre. The volunteer gets 15frs/day when he/she is not able to eat at the centre.

**Accommodation:** Since the centre is located in a quite isolated area, the volunteer will have a flat in the village of Saignelégier (15 minutes by bus from the center) to have a more active social life outside of the project.

**Pocket money:** 200 CHF per month

**Insurance:** SCI insurance

**Fees:** None

**Visa:** –

**Others:** –

# Chapter 4

## Mediterranean Region

### 4.1 Palestine

#### 4.1.1 Project Hope

##### 4.1.1.1 Project Hope

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

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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 volunteer's skills and interests. Project Hope wants to use your initiative and skills. If you feel a program is missing, and you want to provide it, we will try to facilitate the creation of this program for you to lead.

**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 apartment 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

## 4.1.2 Tent of Nations Palestine

### 4.1.2.1 Tent of Nations

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

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

## 4.2 Turkey

### 4.2.1 GENCTUR Turkey

#### 4.2.1.1 Dreams Academy

<b>Theme:</b>	Disabilities
<b>Location</b>	stanbul (Asian side)
<b>Start:</b>	2013-01-05
<b>End:</b>	2013-05-31
<b>Application:</b>	Volunteers can apply any time and we decide within 10 days. Provide a detailed motivation letter (also describing experience related to the project).
<b>Vacancies</b>	6
<b>Languages:</b>	
↔ <b>Project:</b>	English
↔ <b>Local:</b>	Turkish

#### **Project Description:**

DA is a project realized with the financial support of UNDP and Turkey Vodafone Foundation. DA has educated over 2000 socially disadvantaged individuals in art education workshops free of charge. DA carried out two innovative and creative projects. Social Inclusion Band which has the motto of “ Music For All “ has youngsters with disabilities and professional volunteer musicians. The band gives concerts regularly in the best clubs in Istanbul. Dreams Dance Company which is a drama and dance group, performed on the scene with professional artists. This year they are performing GREASE Musical.

**Work:** International volunteers will help the projects in the Dreams Academy Center in Bat-Ataehir (at the Asian site of stanbul ) with all aspects of workshop preparation, workshop performances as well as any other office or field work related to the project. Serving and assisting people with disabilities at workshops, assisting the instructors before and after workshops, organizing and running events on and off-site. Volunteers will work 6 days a week and most of the weekends they will be busy. 8 working hours per day is requested.

**Requirements:** Candidates should be at least 20 years old and have a strong motivation to work with disabled people, socially disadvantaged groups & individuals. Previous experiences are preferable but good mood & good wills are more essential. Please be aware that you might be the only volunteer in the project during your stay. Also, you will only have limited time to visit the city, due to long working hours which cannot be bargained. If you do not agree with these conditions please do not apply.

**Food:** Lunch is supplied at the center. Volunteers will prepare their meals by



the given food for breakfast and dinner.

**Accommodation:** Volunteer rooms near Dreams Academy Center at the Asian site of Istanbul. Sleeping bag and mat are not necessary. No alcohol is permitted at the center.

**Pocket money:** None

**Insurance:** Volunteers MUST obtain their travel and health insurance by their own, before arriving in the project.

**Fees:** None

**Visa:** Please check <http://www.mfa.gov.tr/visa-information-for-foreigners.en.mfa>  
If you need an invitation letter please send your full name (like in the passport), place & date of birth, nationality, pass number to [workcamps.in@genctur.com](mailto:workcamps.in@genctur.com)

**Others:** Project code: GEN-MTV2

#### 4.2.1.2 Dreams Academy

<b>Theme:</b>	Disabilities
<b>Location</b>	Istanbul between 01 Jan. - 01 June 2012.
<b>Start:</b>	2012-10-01
<b>End:</b>	2012-12-31
<b>Application:</b>	A detailed motivation letter has to be sent together with the application. Confirmation is within 2 weeks.
<b>Vacancies</b>	10
<b>Languages:</b>	
↔ <b>Project:</b>	English
↔ <b>Local:</b>	Turkish

#### **Project Description:**

Dreams Academy (DA) is a project realized with the financial support of UNDP and Turkey Vodafone Foundation since 2008. DA has educated over 500 socially disadvantaged individuals & people with disabilities in its art education workshops for free, as well as carried out two sub-projects with its innovative and creative pattern. Social Inclusion Band which consists of young and talented people educated by the workshops of DA and DA Theatrical Company which is a drama and dance group performed on the scene with professional artists.

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**Work:** Dreams Academy volunteers will help the project at the Dreams Academy Center in Ataehir (at the Asian site of stanbul ) with all aspects of workshop preparation, workshop implementation as well as any other office or field work related to the project. Serving and assisting people with disabilities at workshops, assisting the instructors before and after workshops, organizing and running events on and off-site. Volunteers will work 6 days a week and have 1 day free in the weekdays as most of the weekends they will be busy. 8 working hours is requested. Please note that although the project is in stanbul you will have a limited time to visit the city, due to long working hours which can not be bargained. If you do not agree with these conditions please do not apply. One can start any time but please be aware that, as the beginning dates are flexible for each volunteer, you might be the only volunteer during your stay if there is no other application for the same period.

**Requirements:** Candidates should be at least 20 years old and have a strong motivation to work with disabled people, socially disadvantaged groups & individuals and write a detailed motivation letter including their experience (if any) and wish to be a part of a hard working team. Previous experiences are preferable but good mood & good wills are more essential.

**Food:** Lunch is supplied at the center. Volunteers will prepare their breakfast and dinners themselves with the provided food.

**Accommodation:** Volunteer house near Dreams Academy Center at the Asian site of Istanbul. Sleeping bag and mat are not necessary.

**Pocket money:** None

**Insurance:** No. Volunteers should obtain their own insurance before arriving to the project.

**Fees:** None

**Visa:** To check if you need a visa for Turkey and how to obtain it please visit <http://www.mfa.gov.tr/visa-information-for-foreigners.en.mfa>

**Others:** Volunteers talented in dance, drama, playing a music instrument, juggling, photography, film, drawing, rhythm, vocal/choir will be preferred, although you may offer to teach another art or activity. Applications without motivation letter will not be considered. ATTENTION : The project will move to a seaside town after 1st of June till 30 Sep. 2012. During this period the volunteers will stay under tents.

# Chapter 5

## North America

### 5.1 USA

#### 5.1.1 SCI-IVS USA

##### 5.1.1.1 American Conservation Experience

<b>Theme:</b>	Environment
<b>Location</b>	Flagstaff, Arizona
<b>Duration:</b>	12-week minimum
<b>Application:</b>	decision within 2 weeks
<b>Vacancies</b>	1
<b>Languages:</b>	
↔ <b>Project:</b>	English
↔ <b>Local:</b>	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 at the present only open to US citizens

**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

<b>Theme:</b>	Environment
<b>Location</b>	California
<b>Duration:</b>	minimum 12 weeks
<b>Application:</b>	decision within two weeks
<b>Vacancies</b>	1
<b>Languages:</b>	
↔ <b>Project:</b>	English
↔ <b>Local:</b>	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

<b>Theme:</b>	Disabilities
<b>Location</b>	Massachusetts
<b>Duration:</b>	minimum 6 months; one year or more preferred.
<b>Application:</b>	decision within 2 weeks; Police background check report required
<b>Vacancies</b>	1
<b>Languages:</b>	
↔ <b>Project:</b>	English
↔ <b>Local:</b>	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

<b>Theme:</b>	Disabilities
<b>Location</b>	Massachusetts
<b>Duration:</b>	Six month minimum. Starting May 15 2012
<b>Application:</b>	decision within 2 weeks
<b>Vacancies</b>	1
<b>Languages:</b>	
↔ <b>Project:</b>	English
↔ <b>Local:</b>	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

<b>Theme:</b>	Disabilities
<b>Location</b>	Pennsylvania
<b>Duration:</b>	12 months preferred
<b>Application:</b>	decision within 2 weeks
<b>Vacancies</b>	1
<b>Languages:</b>	
↔ <b>Project:</b>	English
↔ <b>Local:</b>	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 Education Award of USD4725 after one year of service.

### 5.1.1.6 Community Homestead

<b>Theme:</b>	Disabilities
<b>Location</b>	Wisconsin
<b>Duration:</b>	12 months
<b>Application:</b>	decision within 2 weeks
<b>Vacancies</b>	1
<b>Languages:</b>	
↔ <b>Project:</b>	English
↔ <b>Local:</b>	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 English

**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

### 5.1.1.7 House of Possibilities

<b>Theme:</b>	Disabilities
<b>Location</b>	Florida
<b>Duration:</b>	6-12 months as soon as possible
<b>Application:</b>	decision within 2 weeks
<b>Vacancies</b>	1
<b>Languages:</b>	
↔ <b>Project:</b>	English
↔ <b>Local:</b>	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:** –

**5.1.1.8 Innisfree Garden Intern**

<b>Theme:</b>	Environment
<b>Location</b>	Innisfree Village, Crozet VA
<b>Start:</b>	2013-04-01
<b>End:</b>	2013-09-30
<b>Application deadline:</b>	2013-03-01
<b>Decision date:</b>	2013-03-15
<b>Vacancies</b>	1
<b>Languages:</b>	
↔ <b>Project:</b>	English
↔ <b>Local:</b>	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:** –

#### 5.1.1.9 Innisfree Village

<b>Theme:</b>	Disabilities
<b>Location</b>	Virginia
<b>Duration:</b>	One-year minimum stay - the beginning time is not set - ever changing.
<b>Application:</b>	Separate application in addition to the SCI one is required. Application process: about one month
<b>Vacancies</b>	1
<b>Languages:</b>	
↔ <b>Project:</b>	English
↔ <b>Local:</b>	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.

### 5.1.1.10 Leander House

<b>Theme:</b>	Disabilities
<b>Location</b>	Massachusetts
<b>Duration:</b>	12 months
<b>Application:</b>	decision within 2 weeks
<b>Vacancies</b>	8
<b>Languages:</b>	
↪ <b>Project:</b>	English
↪ <b>Local:</b>	English

#### Project Description:

Leander House is a small residential living community for adults with developmental disabilities. It is made up of three houses in the Southern Berkshire region of New England. This is where Jennie Reins lives in a large Victorian house with her two small daughters, six mentally handicapped adults and 2 volunteer co-workers. Leander House has a relaxed atmosphere and the volunteer must be self-motivated and willing to take part in all aspects of life.

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

**Requirements:** The volunteer must be self-motivated. Casual attire is more appropriate.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.

### 5.1.1.11 Lukas Community

<b>Theme:</b>	Disabilities
<b>Location</b>	New Hampshsire
<b>Duration:</b>	12 months preferred and at least 6 months, starting at various times of the year.
<b>Application:</b>	decision within 2 weeks
<b>Vacancies</b>	1
<b>Languages:</b>	
↔ <b>Project:</b>	English
↔ <b>Local:</b>	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.

### 5.1.1.12 Michael Fields Agricultural Institute

<b>Theme:</b>	Environment
<b>Location</b>	Minnesota
<b>Duration:</b>	12 months preferred
<b>Application:</b>	decision within 2-4 weeks
<b>Vacancies</b>	1
<b>Languages:</b>	
↔ <b>Project:</b>	English
↔ <b>Local:</b>	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:** –

### 5.1.1.13 Mission Wolf

<b>Theme:</b>	Environment
<b>Location</b>	Colorado
<b>Duration:</b>	A two month minimum commitment is required.
<b>Application:</b>	Along the SCI application, send resume and cover letter. Additional information may be requested.
<b>Vacancies</b>	1
<b>Languages:</b>	
↔ <b>Project:</b>	English
↔ <b>Local:</b>	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.

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

<b>Theme:</b>	Disabilities
<b>Location</b>	Massachusetts
<b>Duration:</b>	6 to 12 months
<b>Application:</b>	decision within 2 weeks, Police background check report required
<b>Vacancies</b>	1
<b>Languages:</b>	
↔ <b>Project:</b>	English
↔ <b>Local:</b>	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.

#### 5.1.1.15 Philadelphia Community Farm

<b>Theme:</b>	Disabilities
<b>Location</b>	Wisconsin
<b>Duration:</b>	12 months sometimes 6 months
<b>Application:</b>	Decision within 4 weeks.
<b>Vacancies</b>	1
<b>Languages:</b>	
↔ <b>Project:</b>	English
↔ <b>Local:</b>	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

#### 5.1.1.16 Shadowood

<b>Theme:</b>	Disabilities
<b>Location</b>	Massachusetts
<b>Duration:</b>	6 months, 1 year preferred
<b>Application:</b>	decision within 2 weeks
<b>Vacancies</b>	1
<b>Languages:</b>	
↔ <b>Project:</b>	English
↔ <b>Local:</b>	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.

### 5.1.1.17 The Bridge

<b>Theme:</b>	Disabilities
<b>Location</b>	Virginia
<b>Duration:</b>	12 months
<b>Application:</b>	within two weeks
<b>Vacancies</b>	1
<b>Languages:</b>	
↔ <b>Project:</b>	English
↔ <b>Local:</b>	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

**Others:** –

## 5.1.2 Volunteers For Peace USA

### 5.1.2.1 Community Reentry, Social Justice

<b>Theme:</b>	Socially disadvantaged
<b>Location</b>	Rutand, Vermont
<b>Duration:</b>	Minimum 10 weeks, Maximum 6 months
<b>Application:</b>	Applications are accepted year round. Placement takes 2 weeks due to need for Skype interview.
<b>Vacancies</b>	4
<b>Languages:</b>	
↔ <b>Project:</b>	English
↔ <b>Local:</b>	English

#### **Project Description:**

The 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

**Visa:** Visa may be required depending on the country the volunteer comes from. VFP provides the needed invitation letter.

**Others:** –

### 5.1.2.2 Community Reentry, Social Justice

<b>Theme:</b>	Socially disadvantaged
<b>Location</b>	Burlington, Vermont
<b>Duration:</b>	minimum 10 weeks, maximum 6 months
<b>Application:</b>	Applications are accepted year round. Placements take 2 weeks due to the need for a Skype interview with the potential volunteer.
<b>Vacancies</b>	3
<b>Languages:</b>	
↔ <b>Project:</b>	English
↔ <b>Local:</b>	English

#### **Project Description:**

The 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.

**Others:** –

### 5.1.2.3 Disability and Kids

<b>Theme:</b>	Disabilities
<b>Location</b>	Glenmoore, Pennsylvania
<b>Project start:</b>	2012-08-25
<b>Duration:</b>	25-Aug-2012 to 31-Jul-2013
<b>Application:</b>	Applications are open until the project is filled. Placement takes a minimum of two weeks and a Skype interview is required.
<b>Vacancies</b>	10
<b>Languages:</b>	
↔ <b>Project:</b>	English
↔ <b>Local:</b>	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 insur-

ance, 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 obtaining the visa.

**Others:** –

#### 5.1.2.4 Explore New York

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

#### **Project Description:**

The 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:** –