

Volunteer programme in Afrika

There is a high demand in Afrika for voluntary workers on a variety of projects.

Voluntary work abroad is most definitely one of the most rewarding and enriching experiences for both parties involved.

Project placements can be found promptly as a result of close co-operation between NoLimits Africa and their locally situated partners.

We will do our up-most to ensure that you have a unique experience to last a life-time.

Reasons for voluntary work.

People often feel that a break after years at school or before starting to study enables a period of reflection in which to decide which path to take in life.

Working as a volunteer in a new environment during this period gives you valuable experience whilst obtaining a better perspective of your goals.

Voluntary work in either a social or environmental project in Afrika is a challenge and experience which you will never forget!

It offers you the opportunity to help and support in areas where it is drastically needed.

It is irrelevant whether you decide to spend your time on humanitarian, environmental or wildlife projects, your contribution will be a huge support.

Donations alone will not enable a successful project because a local workforce is indispensable.

Before you make a final decision you should also consider that voluntary work is both physically and mentally demanding.

It could be that you will be working in an orphanage in a township where you will be daily confronted and have to deal sick and socially disadvantaged children

who know nothing else. You might find that their expectations of you will influence their attitude to life.

You will most probably find that your accustomed standard of living will be far more luxurious than the simple standard of living that you will have to expect as a volunteer.

Electricity and running water is not always on site.

However, in return you will be rewarded with an open and friendly reception by the African people and will get to

know their fascinating culture and no doubt be in awe of the outstanding natural beauty which Africa has to offer.

Requirements

- Minimum age 18
- German or Austrian national
- Expected project duration 5-12 weeks
- Good English
- Passport (min.6 months validity)
- Clean police record
- Health certificate
- International Health Insurance

Application Process

Your project placement will be chosen taking both your previous experience and qualifications into consideration.

Your chances of getting a placement on the projects will depend on how flexible you are.

Voluntary placements are in high demand .

Therefore it is recommend that applications are made 4-6 months prior to the desired placement period.

Before making a final decision it is an advantage to consider the following points:

- Where I want to go and for how long?

-How fluent is both my written and spoken English?

-Which qualifications and extra-curricular activities have I attained?

-Where do my strengths and weaknesses lie?

- How much money I can spent for my stay?

-Do not hesitate to ask us questions before your final decision, as due to our international experience we are competent to answer all queries.

Have you decided?

The first step is to complete a complimentary contact form.

We will then send you a questionnaire, placement contract and agency-conditions.

When you have completed and returned the signed application, placement contract and our agency-conditions the contract becomes binding.

After this we will contact you personally as personal contact has top priority!

The second step required from you by us for a successful placement is your curriculum vitae, this must include:

- personal introduction letter
- C.V. in English
- References
- completed questionnaire
- copy of your passport
- health certificate

Others

Language Courses

It is possible to attend a 2 week language course before your placement.

There are several private language schools which offer English courses at a reasonable cost.

We will recommend a suitable language course for you if desired.

The cost of the course and the accomodation for this time is not included in our fees!

Accommodation

As a voluntary worker you will be provided with accommodation either within a host family or in student lodgings as close as possible to your place of work, it is sometimes possible to live on site.

Visa

For voluntary work up to 90 days you require a passport which is valid at least 6 months from the date of entry, this entitles you automatically to a tourist visa upon entry. However, if you intend to stay longer than 90 days you are required to obtain a visa for voluntary workers prior to departure.

We will assist you with your visa application if necessary.

See link: www.auswaertiges-amt.de

Project placement fees

The project fees depend upon your length of stay in the project.

Average project fees amount to 450 Euro.

No doubt you have already asked yourself why project fees have to be paid whilst working on a voluntary project. The fact is that the majority of locally situated organizations do not have the funds

to pay for board and lodging because they have to operate on a very tight budget.

Volunteers also need to be trained by project coordinators which although unavoidable also cost time and manpower.

We are sure that you will not regret making this investment which will give you a valuable, irreplaceable and unforgettable lifetime experience.

Agency fees

The total agency fees for a voluntary project placement in Africa (*not including Flight costs*) amount to:

for a stay up to 2 weeks	800 - 1000 Euro
for a stay up to 4 weeks	1200 - 1400 Euro
for a stay up to 6-12 weeks	1600 - 2000 Euro

The costs depends on the project fee!

The following are included in the agency fees:

- Placement in a voluntary project.
- Project Fees.
- Transfer from airport to accommodation.
- 3 Introduction days incl. accommodation and a surprise gift from our Agency!
- An information pack containing all important information for your stay and all contact numbers.
- Transportation from accommodation to your project.
- Board and lodging for the duration of your voluntary work.

- Support and assistance from your locally situated No limits Africa representative.
- A telephone card and a South African SIM card.
- A local 24 Hour Emergency Number.
- A certificate of completion after your return home.