



Zimbabwe Workcamps Association

Long and Mid Term Volunteer Projects in Zimbabwe 2018

Brief Background and History

Zimbabwe Workcamps Association is a youth volunteer organization founded in October 1993, registered with the Zimbabwe Youth Council. It is a non political, non sectarian, non religious, voluntary organization. Its membership is open to anyone above the age of sixteen years irrespective of nationality, gender, race, religion, political view or educational qualification. Zimbabwe Workcamps Association employs international voluntary services as a double edged sword namely education and community development.

Scope of Work

Volunteers participate in a number of different tasks at their respective project host. The work ranges from physical demanding jobs to administrative tasks such as data entry, documentation and data analysis, other most popular tasks are teaching, social work, building, environmental conservation, health promotion, coordinating youth events to mention but just a few.

Working Schedule

Participants work around 8 hours a day from Monday to Friday. The lion's share of our volunteer placements do not require volunteers to work on public holidays and weekends, unless highlighted or in the event of the need arising from the project.

Expectations from Projects

Volunteer projects take place in very humble places around Zimbabwe. The bulk of our projects are not that difficult at all, what is only needed is flexibility, positive mentally attitude as well as openness to new culture, new experience. The secret remedy to, make the most of your time while volunteering in Zimbabwe is to adapt to the local environment. It important to highlight each and every project is unique. It is critical to mention that volunteers should make the most of

their time with the community they serve, since this is a chance of a life time, to work and live with people in their respective communities, just like them.

Arrival and Orientation

Volunteers will be picked up from Harare International Airport or Road Port regional bus station in Harare on request. They will be transferred to any lodge in town of their choice. Two-day orientation will be organized in close collaboration with the volunteers and ZWA staff. The main objective of the orientation is to minimize the effects of cultural shock as well as to build capacities for the volunteers, so as to meet the community with open mind.

Accommodation

The volunteer will live in a host family within the community and this will thus provide you with the opportunity to learn more from the local people and also share in their daily way of life as well as deep understanding of the host community.

Food

Basic meals will be provided in the host family from what is locally available in the local community. Volunteers are therefore advised to be flexible and open minded. This will make it easy for them to negotiate their entry in to the community.

Investment:

The participates will contribute €250 per month. The fee covers orientation, evaluation, monitoring, project set up, office running/administrative expenses, supporting small community projects running of activities during the project, certificate of participation, accommodation, feeding at camp and communication prior to, during and after the camp. Volunteers will participate in an orientation day after arrival charge, Participations are advised to reserve €50 for airport transfers, transport to and from the workcamp venue.

The Participation fee €250 does not cover the following,

Internal travels to and from the project station. Refreshment outside the project Air ticket, excursions, visa and insurance Local travel and personal effects

Sacred Heart Mission

Sacred Heart Mission is a Roman Catholic related institution situated in Hwange District, Matabeleland North Province. The missions run a primary school which caters for the disadvantaged members of the community. The mission is currently facing a multiple of challenges due to a number of variable at play such as the current economic challenges being faced by our country. This has impacted negatively on the mission development plans

Scope of Work

The Innovation and Resource Mobilization Officer will contribute to Sacred Heart Mission's work through research and documentation, resource mobilization. The ideal candidate will be specifically involved in identifying and respond to opportunities for funding. S/He will learn from other staff members to perform duties. The work for volunteer will involve, research and publications, documentation, community relations, data analysis, working with the community on establishing some eco-tourism projects, developing models for sustainable development for the community, data collection and entry

Areas of Specialization (Skills, Knowledge Requirements)

Communication or media studies preferred, experience in communications, editing communication content including writing compelling stories; Experience in grant writing and resource mobilization; Strong negotiation skills with experience in influencing, creativity, innovativeness, and entrepreneurial thinking; Proficient user of Microsoft Word Suite (including Excel, Word, Publisher); Adept at using social media platforms (e.g. Face book, Twitter etc.); Strong oral and written

English language skills; Ability to work independently

Accommodation

Volunteers will be accommodated at Sacred Heart Mission. Rooms will be available to individual volunteers. Volunteers with special needs like seniors/ aged, families and physically challenged will have special arrangements for their accommodations

Location: The project is located in Hwange, about 100 km away from Victoria Falls

TOSE Respite Care Home- Harare

Project in Brief: Tose is a center for children with multiple and severe disabilities. The centre provides respite care rehabilitation and training for caregivers. Tose is a Shona word that means together. We Together Overcome disabilities and Problems, share success and sorrows and Encourage each other. Respite means rest. The home is unique in the sense that it offers relief to parents and guardians of the physical challenged as well as offering basic survival skills to the disabled. Most of them regarded by the society, institutions and hospitals as lost hope.

Scope of Work:

The work includes working with children with multiple disabilities. The volunteers will be involved in the general care of the children, working in the local school where you will be involved in promotion of the education growth of the children both through classroom work and also practical work, you will also be involved in involving the children in innovation and creativity activities that will also promoter the education growth of the children. Moreover, volunteers will be involved in helping in organizational duties and office work at the orphanage.

Areas of Specialization (Skills, Knowledge Requirements)

Doctors, nurses, paramedics, medical students, social workers, physiotherapist, agriculturalist, Fundraisers are most welcome to this project. However, Zimbabwe Workcamps Association has a open door policy other volunteers who feel they can contribute are most welcome

Accommodation

Volunteers will be accommodated at Tose Respite Care Home. Rooms will be available to individual volunteers. Volunteers with special needs like seniors/ aged, families and physically challenged will have special arrangements for their accommodations

Location: The project is located in Harare, about 6km away from city.

Tsungirirai Orphanage-Norton

Project in Brief: Tsungirirai Orphanage is home care centre which caters for the children coming from very humble and disadvantaged backgrounds. The centre caters for the total development of the kids which ranges from offering accommodation provision of food, clothing and school tuition and fees. With contemporary economic situation in Zimbabwe where a lot of people have lost their livelihoods due to Macro Economics climate prevailing in the country a lot of children in around and Norton are vulnerable. The centre is failing to take care of the ever increasing number of children in need of help, hence the dire need of Resources Mobilization officer

Scope of Work:

The Resource Mobilization Officer will contribute to Tsungirirai work through research and documentation, resource mobilization. The ideal candidate will be specifically involved in identifying and respond to opportunities for funding. Volunteers will also be involved in capacity building activities especially for the outgoing children. S/He will learn from other staff members to perform duties

Areas of Specialization (Skills, Knowledge Requirements)

Communication or media studies preferred, experience in communications, editing communication content including writing compelling stories; Experience in grant writing and resource mobilization; Strong negotiation skills with experience in influencing, creativity, innovativeness, and entrepreneurial thinking; Proficient user of Microsoft Word Suite (including Excel, Word, Publisher); Adept at using social media platforms (e.g. Face book, Twitter etc.); Strong oral and written English language skills; Ability to work independently

Accommodation

Volunteers will be accommodated at Tsungirirai Community Care Home. Rooms will be available to individual volunteers. Volunteers with special needs like seniors/ aged, families and physically challenged will have special arrangements for their accommodations

Location: The project is located in Harare, about 40 km away from city.

Ruwa Rehabilitation Centre

Project in Brief: Ruwa Rehabilitation Centre: is home for people with severe and multiple injuries with a strong bias to spinal code. It provides respite care, rehabilitation and training for caregivers. The volunteers will work with the staff members at Ruwa Rehabilitation to provide respite care as well as rehabilitation for the disadvantaged members of our community.

Scope of Work:

The work includes working with people with multiple and severe and physical disabilities. Moreover, volunteers will be involved in helping in organizational duties and office work at the centre. Volunteers will also be involved in capacity building activities for the sustainability of Ruwa Rehabilitation Centre. The volunteer will also take part in the process of resource mobilization for the centre.

Areas of Specialization (Skills, Knowledge Requirements)

Doctors, nurses, paramedics, medical students, social workers, physiotherapist, agriculturalist, Fundraisers, Development Practitioners are most welcome to this project. However, volunteers with other ideas to share are most welcome.

Accommodation

Volunteers will be accommodated at Ruwa Rehabilitation Centre. Rooms will be available to individual volunteers. Volunteers with special needs like seniors/ aged, families and physically challenged will have special arrangements for their accommodations

Location:

The project is located in Harare, about 21 km away from city