

# CONNECTING CULTURE THROUGH SERVICE

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## INDONESIA VOLUNTEERING EXPERIENCE (IVE)



A community-based program that invites international volunteers from ICYE NCs to engage in meaningful social activities while experiencing Indonesia's rich culture and local life.

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## About Us

ICYE Indonesia / DEJAVATO is an Indonesian organization working for peace, international understanding and solidarity, education, social sustainable development and respect to the culture and environment through international voluntary work, educational and cultural activities. Dejavato Foundation is member of: **CCIVS UNESCO** (*Coordinating Committee for International Voluntary Service*), **ICYE Federation** (*International Cultural Youth Exchange*), **NVDA** (*Network for Voluntary Development in Asia*); official partner **Alliance of European Voluntary Service Organization**

Dejavato is a foundation registered to the Indonesian Ministry of Law and Human rights. According to its constitution, it is composed by a board of founders, a board of directors and an advisory board (also called board of supervisors). The Foundation manages its own fund and takes its income from participation fees, individual donations and corporate donations (both in money and kind).

### Vision:

Dejavato Foundation is a non-governmental and non-profit organization aiming at a globally educated and developed Indonesian society. It supports: the educational path of disadvantaged individuals the struggle for development of local communities and the welfare of those who can not access it otherwise. The Foundation acts without bias toward ethnicity, religion, gender or political believes.

### Mission:

- To promote voluntary work and world peace in Indonesia by supporting education, social work and local community development.
- To support the development of global education in Indonesia by materially supporting formal and non-formal educational programs.
- To support in-need communities throughout Indonesia in general and particularly in case of crisis.
- To take an active role in stimulating and leading broader private sector interest in improving Indonesia's educational system.
- To promote the unique local Indonesian cultures.

### Volunteering Programs

1. International workcamp (2 – 3 weeks)
2. Mid-Long Term Individual Volunteer (1 – 12 months)
3. International Internship
4. High School Students Immersion
5. Dejavato Cares

## Indonesia Volunteering Experience (IVE) Program

Indonesia, a country of remarkable cultural diversity and strong community values, warmly welcomes international volunteers to take part in the **Indonesia Volunteering Experience (IVE)** program. This program is designed to offer more than a volunteer placement—it is an immersive journey into Indonesia’s people, traditions, and social life.

International participants will work closely with local communities in areas such as education, social development, culture and community empowerment. Through hands-on involvement, volunteers gain a deeper understanding of local challenges while contributing their skills, perspectives, and passion to meaningful grassroots initiatives.

Program fosters cross-cultural exchange, global citizenship, and mutual learning. By living, working, and volunteering alongside local communities, international volunteers build lasting connections, broaden their global perspective, and experience the true spirit of Indonesia—rooted in collaboration, respect, and shared humanity.

### Who can participate in the program?

The **Indonesia Volunteering Experience Program** is open to individuals representatives of ICYE NCs from diverse backgrounds who are eager to contribute, learn, and engage in meaningful community service in Indonesia. Participants may include:

- **International volunteers** from ICYE’s NCs
- **Staff representative** of the ICYE NCs
- **University students and recent graduates** seeking global exposure
- **Gap-year participants** interested in social and cultural immersion
- **Professionals** who wish to share their skills and expertise
- **Youth and young adults** with a passion for volunteering and community development

## Objectives

The **Indonesia Volunteering Experience (IVE)** program aims to:

1. **Promote Global Citizenship**  
Encourage volunteers to develop global awareness, empathy, and social responsibility through direct engagement with local communities in Indonesia.
2. **Support Community Development**  
Contribute to sustainable social, educational, environmental, and community-based initiatives that address local needs.
3. **Foster Cross-Cultural Exchange**  
Create meaningful interactions between international volunteers and local communities to promote mutual understanding, respect, and cultural appreciation.
4. **Enhance Personal and Professional Growth**  
Develop participants’ leadership, communication, adaptability, and teamwork skills through hands-on volunteering experiences.
5. **Encourage Social Impact and Volunteering Values**  
Instill a strong sense of volunteerism, ethical engagement, and long-term commitment to social causes.

6. **Strengthen Collaboration between ICYE Indonesia with other NCs**  
Build lasting partnerships between ICYE Indonesia with all ICYE NCs

## Expected Outcomes

We expected volunteers to have

1. **Skill sharing & knowledge exchange**  
Share skills, ideas, and international perspectives while learning from local practices and wisdom
2. **Positive contribution to communities**  
Actively support community, educational, environmental, or social programs through responsible and ethical engagement
3. **Personal Growth and Global Awareness**  
Develop adaptability, empathy, leadership, and global citizenship through real-world volunteering experiences
4. **Sustainable impact**  
Support initiatives that contribute to long-term community benefits rather than short-term assistance. Volunteers are expected to act as **ambassadors for Dejavato and NCs** in their home countries by promoting volunteering activities and sharing their experiences with communities, institutions, and the wider public.
5. **Program Engagement & Reflection**  
Participate actively in program activities, orientation, and reflection sessions, and provide feedback or reports when required. Volunteers are required to prepare **reports and documentation**, including **photos and videos**, which will be used for **promotional purposes on social media** for Dejavato and NCs.

## Requirements

1. **Minimum Age Requirement**  
Participants must be at least **18 years old**
2. **Educational Background**  
Open to **students, graduates, staff of NCs and professionals** from all academic disciplines.
3. **Language Ability**  
**English communication skills** are required. Knowledge of **Bahasa Indonesia** is an advantage but not mandatory.
4. **Health and Fitness**  
Participants must be in **good physical and mental health** and able to take part in community-based activities.
5. **Cultural Awareness and Attitude**  
Volunteers should be **open-minded, adaptable, and respectful** of Indonesian culture, traditions, and local regulations.
6. **Commitment and Responsibility**  
Willingness to follow program schedules, community guidelines, and ethical volunteering principles.

## 7. Legal and Travel Documents

A **valid passport**, appropriate **visa**, **health insurance** and **travel insurance** are required for international volunteers.

## 8. Background Check (if required)

A **police clearance or background check** may be required, especially for programs involving children or vulnerable communities.

## 9. Program Application

Completion of the **application form** and participation in any required interviews or orientations.

10. Prefer not to host strict vegetarian volunteer. Flexible vegetarian is still welcomed as long as can accept the local food. Strict vegan is not accepted.

11. No piercing on face, no visible tattoo, should have common hair style (no colorful, dreadlock).

## Period, Duration & Quota

### 1. Batch 1

- Date: 2 August – 17 September 2026
- Duration: 47 days
- Quota: 6 volunteers

### 2. Batch 2

- Date: 6 September – 22 October 2026
- Duration: 47 days
- Quota: 6 volunteers

### Note:

The volunteer will hold Volunteer Visa which valid for maximum 60 days. After the volunteering mission for 47 days is finish, the volunteer still have maximum 12 days left for traveling around Indonesia. Personal travelling must be covered by respective volunteer.

## Volunteer Placements & Activities

The placement may vary in Java Island or other islands

1. Schools (Kindergarten, Elementary, High Schools)
2. Universities

### Note:

The placement will be decided by ICYE Indonesia based on the need of local partners. Volunteers may express the preference for our consideration. But final decision of placement will be made by ICYE Indonesia

## Tentative Schedule

Day	Agenda	Remarks
1 – Sun	Arrival in Semarang City, Indonesia	Pick up by Dejavato
2 – Mon	Training on arrival	Dejavato office
3 – Tue	Training on arrival	Dejavato office
4 – Wed	Training on arrival	Dejavato office
5 – Thurs	Language & Culture Festival	Semarang city
6 – Fri	ICYE Day – organizing seminar or workshop to promote ICYE NCs	Semarang city
7 – Sat	International Cooking Festival	Semarang city
8 – Sun	Free day	Personal arrangement
9 – Mon	Departure to project site	Transportation managed by Dejavato
10 Tue to 43 Sun	Activities at project site	Managed by project site
44 - Mon	Final evaluation	Dejavato office
45 - Tue	Making final report	Dejavato office
46 - Wed	Making final report, Farewell	Dejavato office
47 - Thurs	Departure	Drop off by Dejavato
Day 48 - 59	Volunteers are free to travel around Indonesia with his/her own cost	Recommendation: Must leave Indonesia maximum 1 day before the visa expired

## Accommodation

The food and accommodation will be provided starting from the set date of arrival at Dejavato's office. The volunteer who arrive earlier and before coming to Dejavato's office should cover the food, accommodation and other expenses by themselves

### 1. Training & Evaluation

During the training on arrival, volunteer will be accommodated at a Dejavato's house which is located just in front of Dejavato's office. The facilities such as Bunk bed, Air Conditioner, WIFI, Shower (no hot shower), toilet, kitchen, Self-service breakfast, Garden. The bunk bed availability is limited, some of you will sleep on provided mattress.



## 2. Volunteering Period

Volunteers will stay either with an Indonesian host family or in a school dormitory. The decision regarding accommodation will be determined by the host school. Each volunteer will have a private bedroom and will not share the room with family members or other residents. However, bathroom, toilet, and kitchen facilities will be shared with the host family or other dormitory residents. Bedroom facilities are simple and modest, with a minimum of a bed provided. Air conditioning may not be available, and Wi-Fi may not be provided.

## Food

The food will be provided by host project. Most of the cooking food will be based on basic local Indonesian cuisine. Please do not expect too much for western cook, and we will not provide any western food. Please respect the local food. If you can not eat the local food, please manage and adapt your self. Never compare the quality of the food from your country with Indonesian food!!! You will eat rice 3 times in a day!!

The host organization will not reimburse and responsible for your additional personal food during your stay for the project (like candy, snack, soft drink, mineral water in the bottle and so on). You have to cover the expenses by yourself

## Fees

There is **NO** program fee

### Dejavato and host project will provide

1. Pick up & drop-off service at/from/to Semarang Airport or Semarang Train Station
2. Training on arrival & evaluation
3. Accommodation & food during the project
4. Transportation during scheduled activities
5. Monitoring & evaluation
6. Emergency number 24/24 – 7/7
7. Documents that could be useful for the project

### Volunteer Covers

1. Visa cost amount 178 Euro (Volunteering Visa validity for 60 days) – can be paid transfer via WISE online transfer to Dejavato. Dejavato as the sponsor will apply for the visa to the immigration.
2. Local transport to Semarang airport / Train station (meeting point)
3. Flight tickets
4. Travel & health insurance
5. Cost associated with medical, hospital, medical treatment, board & lodging for covid quarantine, swab test etc
6. Personal expenses and leisure activities
7. Application fee 85 Euro and Grenzenlos program fee 450 Euro

## Feedback & Reporting

During the final evaluation day, the volunteers are expected to submit written report and documentations

1. Filling the final evaluation form provided by Dejavato
2. Collect and submit best photos and raw videos of activities
3. Volunteer is required to create a **short video (1–2 minutes)** summarizing their activities during the program. The video will be used for **promotional purposes on social media platforms**, such as **Instagram Reels** and other digital channels
4. Volunteers are required to create a minimum of **five (5) posters**, in **English**, highlighting volunteering activities in Indonesia. These posters will be used for **promotional purposes on social media platforms**.
5. Volunteers are required to create a **newsletter** sharing their experiences while participating in volunteering activities in Indonesia

### Contact

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