



CIVS MID AND LONG TERM VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

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ABOUT CIVS

CIVS Kenya is a community development agency operating especially in the marginalized and poverty-stricken rural and urban areas of Kenya. We work with local Kenyan communities in order to help them realize their full potential through various projects we organize in different parts of Kenya.

We achieve this aim through its two program areas: International Voluntary Service (IVS) and Community Development.

INTERNATIONAL VOLUNTARY SERVICE

It is designed for people who want to participate in making a real difference in the fight against poverty and work with the local people to realize the much-needed development. We organize short term, medium and long term and Weltwärts project attachments throughout the year for volunteers for them to offer their services as they learn, gain exposure and experience.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

CIVS has established 3 functional Community Resource Centers in Ahero, Awach and Awasi, areas classified among the poorest regions in Kenya. We offer capacity building programs to the local people with focus on Food Security, Water & Sanitation, Vulnerable Children & HIV/AIDS, Vocational Training in ICT, Early Childhood Education, Good Governance and Emergency Relief in order to mitigate the effects of hunger, environmental degradation, diseases and mismanagement of public resources.



Our ECDE and ICT Programs

We have established an Early Childhood Development and Education Program where we provide free education and day time meals to about 150 children who are either orphans or vulnerable to HIV/AIDS and other socio-economic challenges. This has enabled us retain more children in school that could have otherwise turned into school drop outs or street children.

We also offer training in computer ICT and work preparedness to the local youth in order to prepare them for the competitive job market and improve their ICT skills.

ABOUT KENYA



Name Origin: Named after Mt. Kenya by Kikuyu community
Capital: Nairobi
President: Uhuru Kenyatta
Total area: 580,367 km²
Currency: Kenyan Shilling (KES)
Geographical features: Equator, Great Rift Valley, Mt Kenya and Longonot, L.Victoria and Nakuru, Indian Ocean
Climate and weather: Changes by location and time
Urban population: 28%
Food: Ugali, Githeri, chapati, nyama choma, mukimo etc
Official Language: English, Swahili
Population (million): 47.6 M
Location: Eastern Africa
Calling Code: +254
Notable sites: Maasai Mara, Tsavo, Diani beach, L. Nakuru flamingos, Mt. Kenya
Counties: 47, Biggest is Turkana and smallest is

Volunteering with CIVS will give you an amazing opportunity to explore Kenya during your mission. You will discover a new culture, people, animals, beautiful landscapes, and local food.

WELCOME TO KENYA!

GENERAL PRACTICAL INFORMATION

VISA AND AIRPORT ENTRY

When you are booking your flight, please make sure that your arrival is at Jomo Kenyatta International Airport in Nairobi. Update us with your terminal of arrival information for easy identification upon arrival.

VISA APPLICATION

All travellers to Kenya need to apply **Electronic Travel Authorisation (eTA)**. The official link for eTA application is <https://www.etakenya.go.ke/en>. ETA processing can take up to 3 days but if it takes longer, then usually there is an error on the side of the application and the immigration department will contact you by email. CIVS will offer assistance in case of a problem. The ETA pass is valid for 3 months and can be extended for 3 more months upon expiry. Please note visa application costs USD 34, and extension after 3 months is USD 51. Be aware of the exact dates of extension since extension after expiry may attract penalties.

ORIENTATION

There will be an orientation seminar for new volunteers lasting 2-3 days including Nairobi city introduction and project placement. Our monthly orientation seminar can begin on any day of the week as soon as you arrive.

PARTICIPATION FEES

CIVS solely depends on volunteer contributions to support its activities.

VOLUNTEERING PERIOD	FEES
1 month or longer	300 Euro per month
1 month or longer for Medical Volunteers	400 Euro per Month

CIVS has a refund policy, and shall provide this information on request. The fee has to be paid upfront or upon arrival in full. The fee paid covers the following services:

- Airport transfers
- 3-day orientation seminar
- Introduction to the city
- Accommodation and food during orientation and during placement duration
- Coordination and office support

The following costs are NOT included:

- Cost of drinks like soda, beer, mineral water, etc.
- Cost of sightseeing

- Visa costs
- Direct donations to the project
- All local traveling including traveling to and from the project

TOURS & SAFARI

CIVS Kenya organizes tours and safaris to spectacular sites of interest in Kenya. Volunteers, who wish to participate, should let us know as soon as possible in order to enable us to make proper arrangements. The fee charged is all-inclusive of meals, transport, park entry fees, accommodation and tour guiding. The cost of a 3 days safari to Maasai Mara National Reserve is 420 or 620 USD in a Tour Jeep depending on the season.

WHAT TO BRING

A sleeping bag, sleeping mat, mosquito net and rechargeable torch are necessary. You can also bring photos of your country, clothes, books, pens, toys etc.

NB: More of this information is available in our project info sheets.

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CIVS/MTV-01/2026: AHERO RESOURCE CENTRE

PROJECT LOCATION

The project is located at Ahero junction, Kisumu County.

PROJECT DETAILS

The Ahero Resource Center is a project that was initiated by CIVS in collaboration with the local community in 2013 with an aim to strengthen the community's capacity to be self-reliant and to improve their living standards. The centre achieves this by demonstrating how to utilize the locally available resources, to develop the community and generate income. The following are some of the programs at the resource centre:

The Model Farm: This is an agricultural-based unit that offers space for practical-oriented training in the field of agriculture. This provides the community with an opportunity to learn how to carry out various best farming practices of various crops to maximize food production and improve food security and income generation. This project encompasses greenhouses, open farm, poultry unit, fish ponds, etc. The harvest is sold in the local markets and the proceeds used as a source of income that sustains the activities of the center.

Early Childhood Education Program: The center runs a kindergarten with about 90 children aged between 3-7 years who are either orphans or very vulnerable. The children get free education and meals at the school. In the evening, they go back home where they stay with their caregivers or guardians.

ICT and Business Training: The center provides a community hub for access training in computer skills and work preparedness, especially for the youths. This enables them to have increased ICT knowledge and exposure in the evolving world of technology. The center has partnered with other stakeholders to provide business training to the local people which is enabling them to start small business ventures to generate income.

Water and Sanitation Program: This project is focused on the provision clean water to the local community for all domestic use. The water is therefore sold at affordable fee as part of the income-generating activity for the center.

Community advocacy program: The center has a training and events hall which provides a space for holding community-based open forums on a regular basis. The program enables the community members to directly engage with their community or political leaders and raise the issues and concerns affecting them. In turn, leaders directly respond and put approach measures to act upon the (arising issues and) concerns. This promotes active citizenship.

Feeding Program: Occasionally, the center runs a feeding program for a select group of needy children during school days by offering breakfast and lunch. This helps to improve the concentration of the children in the class, to motivate them to attend to school and also helps to improve their nutritional health. The efficiency of the program depends on the availability of food and support resources.

Cassava Value Addition: CIVS has set up a cassava processing and storage facility which also previously served as a training section for agricultural value addition. Additionally, the project has installed a bakery facility where nutritious cassava cakes and bread are prepared to boost the children's feeding program and generate income for the project. The bakery operates only on demand and availability of the raw materials.

VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES

- Working in the Model Farm: tilling the land, planting crops, applying manure, weeding, watering, harvesting and packaging.
- Assisting in teaching the kindergarten pupils basic subjects such as English, drawing, Environment Science and Creative Arts
- Assisting in training of computer to the Youth at the projects ICT center
- Organizing games and extra-curricular activities for kindergarten children as well as playing with them.
- Assisting in maintaining and cleaning the sheds for the domesticated animal
- Supporting fundraising for the programs and promotion of the Center and its activities
- Assisting in maintenance activities at the center: collecting litter, landscaping, construction repairs, cleaning the halls, slashing the weeds, painting the walls etc

ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD

The volunteer will stay in a volunteers' house in the project site. All meals will be provided at the project.

CIVS/MTV-02/2026: ST. MICHAEL COMMUNITY DAY CARE CENTER

PROJECT LOCATION

This project is located in Diani, Ukunda Kwale County

PROJECT DETAILS

The project was established in 2013 to take care of the pre-school aged children within Diani area and its environs. Many of the parents find themselves away from the area the entire day in the quest for food, water and work and are not able to afford to pay house helps to take care of their children. The day care accommodates for free vulnerable children whose parents have low-income jobs or are unemployed. The parents/guardians mostly are women with semi-permanent jobs therefore leave their kids at the day care. While they go looking for work, St Michael's Day Care Centre provides a safe haven for the small children by providing meals and basic education. The project also seeks to respond to the needs of homeless girls who have been abandoned and neglected. The founder takes care of these girls whose age ranges from 7 to 14 years. The girls attend to nearby schools within the community to get access to basic education. Since the target group is quite poor and due to the scarcity of foodstuffs, many of the children at the center find their only meal of the day here. Recently the project has started a kindergarten class with 40 children aged 3-4 years old so that they can have some form of school learning within the center. Some children stay in the project while others go back to their homes. The day children stay from 8am to 2pm.

VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES

- Assisting in the preparation of meals, serving and feeding of the children, Cleaning the utensils, ensuring the center is clean and the hygiene of the kids is considered
- Assisting the day schooling children with their homework (The rest are boarding)
- Developing and facilitating age-appropriate sports activities for the kids for leisure
- Developing and facilitating extra-curricular activities such as drawing, arts and crafts, music and dance to help the children discover and promote their talent
- Coordinate with teacher in charge to assist in teaching subjects such as English, Mathematics, Arts, Music and environmental science.
- Assist in teaching children about hygiene
- Assist in baby sitting

ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD

The volunteer will stay in a host family within the project site. The host family will provide all meals.

CIVS/MTV-03/2026: MIKULINZI COMMUNITY HOSPITAL & MATERNITY

PROJECT LOCATION

The project is located in Mowlem estate, Kangundo Road, Nairobi County

PROJECT DETAILS

Mikulinzi Community Hospital is a private community health facility that was established by a Kenyan Doctor. Having been approved to operate from 2014, the facility is registered by Kenya medical practitioners and dentist board. The nursing home has been providing care and treatment to the people in the poor community of Mowlem, Saika and Dandora. It offers services including outpatient and inpatient, laboratory services, minor surgeries, pharmacy services, antenatal services and child welfare clinic services. The facility serves an average of 20 patients per day.

The facility has a total of 30 inpatient beds and 2 day care observation beds with a labor ward which caters for maternity services. Most of the people served by the nursing home live below the poverty level and therefore this facility has been of great help to the community as it provides healthcare services at a subsidized cost. With availability of funds, the hospital expects to establish a theater, radiology, ambulance and dental services.

Requirements from Volunteers:

- Scrubs/ lab coat
- Medical School Certificates preferably in nursing/ medicine
- Health Insurance

VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES

Volunteers are **not allowed** to handle patients directly in the medical facilities, even if they are qualified. However, they will have the opportunity to observe, learn, and ask questions while assisting with simple support tasks. Activities may include:

- Organizing medical supplies
- Preparing patient rooms
- Assisting with record-keeping
- Helping with patient mobility
- Participating in health education sessions
- Maintaining cleanliness in the wards and common areas
- Assisting to take patients samples, pulses and temperature information

ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD

The volunteers will be accommodated in a host family that is about 15 minutes' drive from the project and will commute with a public bus at a cost of about 0.60 cents euros per day. The host family will provide food (breakfast and dinner) and lunch at the project.

CIVS/MTV-04/2026: GOOD SAMARITAN-ADKINS PREPARATORY SCHOOL

PROJECT LOCATION

The project is located in Kayole 1, Nairobi County.

PROJECT DETAILS

The Good Samaritan (Adkins Preparatory) School is a sister project to Good Samaritan Orphanage located in Soweto, Kayole Nairobi. The school section is available for volunteers but the orphanage is currently NOT available for volunteering. The school is community-based and was established in the year 2004 in response to the needs of the orphans and vulnerable children in Kayole. The project started with two children who had been abandoned by their parents. They were then rescued by the area district officials, and brought to the founder's house who resides around Soweto slums. It hosts around 63 children both boys and girls.

The children have been orphaned for various reasons, although majority are due to the HIV epidemic, poverty and unwanted pregnancies. The children's circumstances and histories are as different as their personalities, but now they have the optimism and opportunity for a more positive future. The dedicated caregivers at the project are working hard to provide the basics of life such as shelter, security and food. However, they are acutely aware that it is education, which can break the cycle of poverty.

The teachers and caregivers at the school are dedicated and loving, doing the best they can with the little resources they have. At the very least, they are providing these children with a stable family environment. The school runs from preschool to grade 8. The children are between the ages of 3 years to 13 years and are all attending formal education. The children have been incorporated with those who are able to pay school fees in order to promote inclusivity. It is important to note that the Children's Home unit is not accepting volunteers now due to Covid-19 restrictions from the Ministry Of Health in Kenya. However, the school section project is open to volunteers who will be engaged in teaching activities

VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES

- Assisting in the teaching of subjects such as english, mathematics, creative arts, science and social studies subjects
- Assisting children in kindergarten to read, write and draw
- To train the children on basic First aid and life skills.
- Playing with the children and organizing extra-curricular outdoor activities and games

ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD

The volunteer will live in a host family that is about 30 minutes' drive to the project site and will commute with a public bus at a cost of about 0.60 cents euros per day. The host family will provide breakfast and dinner and volunteers will get lunch at the project.

CIVS/MTV-05/2026: ST. CHARLES LWANGA SECONDARY SCHOOL- KAKAMEGA

LOCATION

The project is located in Mukumu, Kakamega County of Kenya

PROJECT DETAILS

The Catholic Brothers of St. Charles Lwanga founded St. Charles Lwanga Secondary School & Child Support Centre in 1970. The Brother's main mission was to address the needs of Orphans and Vulnerable Children in Kenya by providing them with basic needs such as offering quality education, accommodation, shelter and health care. The school also helps the vulnerable and street children get access to quality education and become reliable members of society. It also provides psychosocial support to the students and their parents as well as enables the students to realize their talents through games, sports and music.

The school has a population of 360 students and 24 teaching staff. It has eight streams of about 45 students per class. The school draws its strength from the spiritual formation of students, parents and guardians, which supports the students to perform very highly due to the strong discipline levels. The school is located in a serene environment that is conducive for learning. It has produced very high-ranking individuals in society that include; doctors, politicians, businesspersons, administrative security officers and other prominent persons in the country.

VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES

- Assisting in the teaching of various subjects such as Mathematics, Sciences, Languages and Computer lessons
- Helping to organize debates and symposiums
- Helping to teach life skills
- Organizing extra-curricular activities such as sports, games and music
- Provision of guiding and counseling services to the students

ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD

The volunteers will be accommodated at the project site where they will have their own rooms and will get basic meals i.e. breakfast, lunch and dinner.

CIVS/MTV-06/2026: NANYUKI FURAHA FOUNDATION

PROJECT LOCATION

The project is located along Nanyuki-Marura Road in Nanyuki Town, Laikipia County of Kenya.

PROJECT DETAILS

Nanyuki Furaha foundation is a charitable children home that was started in 2014 by an Italian volunteer to Kenya in collaboration with the local community. The project was started to address the growing problems experienced by street children but recently they are no longer there. It is a registered Non-Governmental Organization in Kenya.

The project provides accommodation, food, clothing and education to about 45 children of between the age 2 years and 17 years. In addition, the institution also supports other 14 children at their homes after they were reintegrated to their families and the community. In the project, the children comprise of orphans who are brought to the project by the public or police officers, and also it comprises of under privileged and abandoned children. The problem of orphans and abandoned children is acute due to urbanization, commerce and foreigners in the town whom they beg from. Due HIV/AIDS deaths, re-marriage of deserted / widowed / divorced women, absence of love and security in the families and family disputes, the children are left without care and support. These children are therefore involved in drug abuse, participate in anti-social behaviours and criminal activities. The project strives to mainstream such children in the national building by providing care, support and protection and to provide them with a nurturing environment, safety, education and counselling so that they can secure equal opportunities with others their age.

Work takes place on the placement and at a kindergarten in a nearby sister school where the children go to and the project comprises of 10 staff.

VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES

- Assisting in cleaning and care services at the home
- Assisting in mentoring and rehabilitation of the children
- Assisting in teaching at the schools where children go to
- Offering health and sanitation-related information to the children
- Assisting in the preparation of meals and feeding
- Assisting in clothing the children
- Developing and delivering age-appropriate life skills sports and recreational activities
- Assisting in Counselling
- Other useful activities that the volunteer may think of

ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD

Volunteers will be accommodated in a host family belonging to the founder of the project. If volunteers are two and of the same gender then they will share a room. Food (breakfast, lunch and dinner) will be provided throughout the project duration. The project is about 30 minutes walk from the house but volunteers use a bicycle for 15 minutes ride.

CIVS/MTV-07/2026: CIVS COMMUNITY SERVICE OFFICE

LOCATION

The CIVS Office is located in Buruburu phase 2 estate, Nairobi County of Kenya.

PROJECT DETAILS

CIVS Kenya is a community development organization that works with communities in the marginalized and poverty-stricken rural areas of Kenya. We do this with the main objective of contributing towards the socio-economic empowerment of disadvantaged communities and fostering harmonious relations among people of different backgrounds with innovative and customized high-quality services. We believe that people should retain the responsibility for their own development while CIVS supports guides and mentors their efforts with innovative and customized high-quality services. We are looking for volunteers to support our head office in Nairobi. Depending on your skills and area of interest, you can help us to improve our work.

VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES

A detailed job description document will be sent to the volunteer depending on their area of specialization. Activities will include working both at the office and in field at selected community development projects. Generally, volunteer activities may include:

CIVS Office (Nairobi)

- Review, analyze, and maintain CIVS website and social media platforms by creating high-quality content to enhance online visibility and engagement.
- Improve CIVS publications (info sheets, brochures, and flyers, business cards) to ensure a strong visual and informational presence.
- Support in general office tasks including filing, data entry, document review, scanning, and photocopying.
- Review and propose updates for Medium-Term (MTV) and Short-Term Volunteer (STV) project content.
- Map existing CIVS partners and identify new strategic partnerships aligned with CIVS's mission in volunteering and community development.
- Assist in drafting and editing program documents such as concept notes, proposals, and project reports.
- Participate in volunteer onboarding, training, and evaluation processes.

Field Work (Kisumu)

- Enhance the Resource Center's online presence by updating website content and creating engaging multimedia posts.
- Support marketing of programs via targeted posts on Facebook and Instagram.
- Contribute to Agriculture for Development by engaging in activities like land tilling, planting, weeding, watering, applying manure, and harvesting.
- Contribute to Education for Development by teaching basic subjects (e.g., English, drawing, creative arts) at the CIVS Learn and Play Center.
- Support fundraising efforts and promotion of the Resource Center and its activities.
- Assist in training youth and women on basic computer use and entrepreneurial skills.
- Participate in project visits, monitor and evaluate progress, and compile reports.
- Help train local staff on baking and marketing products.
- Participate in project meetings and contribute ideas, solutions, and suggestions for improvements.
- Perform any other duties assigned and are encouraged to bring in innovative ideas.

NOTE:

- **Laptop Requirement:** Please carry a personal laptop for ease of work and documentation.
- **Adaptability:** You should be flexible and willing to adjust to varying local environmental and cultural conditions.

ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD

The volunteer will live in a host family near the office where they will get breakfast and dinner. The office will provide tea and a snack during the day. Traveling to projects and fieldwork will require the use of a public bus and the volunteer is required to cover his/her own travel costs.

CIVS/MTV-08/2026: MARIANNE CENTER FOUNDATION

LOCATION

The project is located in Kamirithu Village, Limuru, Kiambu County.

PROJECT DETAILS

Marianne Center Project is a training center for young people with disability. The training center was established in 2008 to focus on the (young) adults from the age of 16 till 35 years. The center strives to ensure that mentally disabled people in Kenya have the same opportunities and inclusion in the society. The center has proven to be an innovative project that improves the lives of many mentally challenged people through education and information in order for them to live life and live it to the full! The project is offering activities including gardening, cooking, baking, housekeeping, computer training, carpentry, beadwork, tailoring, and arts and crafts. Other activities at the center include a nutrition program, events where students showcase their talents, open days and other awareness activities.

People with a mental disability have a wide range of talents that can be discovered at any moment in their younger age. One of the major shortcomings of the current educational system for (young) adults with a mental disability is that they are too old to be enrolled in a primary school, but mentally not capable to attend a normal secondary school. Establishing a training center for this group therefore gives them and their parents hope for a better future. This is where Marianne Center comes in to bridge the gap. The project mission is to empower people with a mental disability and enable them to become more self-reliant, fully integrated and accepted members of society.

VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES

- Taking part in the teaching of various subjects (mathematics, language, writing, drawing, gardening, sewing, beadwork, computer skills and cleaning)
- Organizing extra-curricular activities
- General maintenance and cleaning of the centre
- Provision of guiding and counselling services to the students
- Farm work
- Assisting in the kitchen: cooking, cleaning dishes, feeding

ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD

Accommodation will be at the project in shared rooms and it is important that you have your own sleeping bag and mosquito net. During the workcamp, volunteers will get food from locally available foodstuffs and will share the responsibility of preparing the food.

CIVS/MTV-09/2026: BROWNHILL SECONDARY SCHOOL

PROJECT LOCATION

The project is located in Nyamavilla, Komarock, Nairobi County.

PROJECT DETAILS

Brown Hill Group is a registered community-based organization, established in the year 2013 to offer community services to the residents of Embakasi. After its registration, the group immediately embarked on running an education facility that best suits the interest of its community members.

The group undertook the setting up of a secondary school that would enhance the quality of education offered in Kayole estate, and improve the transition rate of students joining public universities. The project started with only 4 students. Since then, the institution has grown with total admissions reaching over 80 students.

In addition to the academic objective, the school aims at nurturing of talents to some former school dropout teenagers. As a result, the school football team became Embakasi District champions and proceeded to Nairobi County games. The students are aged between 15 to 18 years.

VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES

- Teaching a combination of subjects i.e. mathematics, english, chemistry among others
- Visiting and helping orphans and vulnerable children in the nearby slums
- Playing and organizing of games and sports within the neighboring schools
- Teaching life skills such as first aid safety skills.

ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD

The volunteer will stay in a host family near the project site or in Buruburu host family, which is 30 minutes' drive to the project. Volunteers staying in Buruburu will commute daily to the project by public bus paying about 0.60 cent euro per day. The host family will provide both breakfast and dinner to the volunteers while lunch will be served at the project.

CIVS/MTV-10/2026: RAYS OF HOPE WOMEN PROJECT

PROJECT LOCATION

The project is located in Likoni, Mrima Street, Mombasa County of Kenya

PROJECT DETAILS

Mombasa Rays of Hope Women Project is a women-led non-profit organization dedicated to improving the lives of vulnerable children, youth, and women in Mombasa and surrounding communities. Our mission is to identify both immediate and long-term community needs and address them through networking, advocacy, and sustainable development initiatives.

The project runs several key programs:

- **Education and Child Welfare:** Providing school support, feeding, and care for orphans and vulnerable children at the Rays of Hope Community School.
- **Vocational and Life Skills Training:** Offering training in garment making, ICT, and digital literacy to empower women and youth.
- **Women's Economic Empowerment:** Supporting women with business skills and sustainability initiatives to strengthen families and promote economic justice.
- **Environmental Conservation:** Promoting eco-farming, waste recycling, and green initiatives for community and global sustainability.
- **Girl Child Protection:** Advocating against early marriage and gender-based violence while promoting reproductive health and menstrual hygiene.
- **Red Ribbon Companion Programme:** Providing care and emotional support for people living with chronic conditions and the elderly.
- **Community Sports Engagement:** Using sports to nurture talent, prevent drug abuse, and promote youth development.
- **Healthcare Volunteer Program:** Partnering with local hospitals to provide maternal and general healthcare services.
- **Spiritual Guidance and Compassion:** Offering faith-based support to orphans, widows, and the needy.

Currently, they support 230 vulnerable children and 30 women beneficiaries at our center. Our projects are sustained through community volunteering and recycling initiatives.

VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES

- Assist in offering academic support, mentoring students, and facilitating life-skills and creative learning sessions.
- Support in the food preparation, serving, and providing daily care and emotional support to children.
- Training youth and women in tailoring, digital literacy, and entrepreneurship, helping them gain self-reliant livelihoods.
- Engage in eco-farming, tree planting, and waste collection activities, promoting environmental conservation and sustainability.

Other activities may include:

- In partnership with local health facilities, volunteers may support maternal health clinics, community health awareness, and sanitation campaigns.
- Volunteers may coach children and youth in sports and recreation, nurturing teamwork, discipline, and talent while promoting healthy lifestyles.
- Volunteers may participate in advocacy campaigns, menstrual hygiene education, and gender equality workshops aimed at protecting and empowering girls and women.
- Volunteers may join the Red Ribbon Companion Program, visiting the elderly and people living with chronic illnesses to offer companionship, counseling, and basic support.
- Faith-driven volunteers share spiritual guidance, motivational talks, and counseling to provide hope and encouragement to the needy..

ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD

The volunteers will be accommodated in a host family, which is 15 minutes' walk from the project. Breakfast and dinner shall be provided at the host family while lunch shall be served at the project

CIVS/MTV-11/2026: FORTUNE LEARNERS' CENTER

PROJECT LOCATION

The project is located at Kayole 2 estate, Eastlands Nairobi.

PROJECT DETAILS

Fortune Learners Centre is a project that was founded in year 2013 as a charity organization by 10 social workers from Kayole and Soweto slums who were working in various schools as untrained teachers. Their motivation was drawn through watching their former schools sending away vulnerable children from school due to lack of school fees. They thought how they could better the lives of these poor children who had resorted to begging in the streets. The females resorted to child prostitution. After the closure of schools in the last term of the year in 2012, the untrained teachers agreed to start a community centre to provide education, economic empowerment and HIV/AIDS education including psychological support to orphans, vulnerable children and their caregivers.

The project's core areas are education, orphan support and protection, economic empowerment for older orphans and caregivers, volunteer/Internships, educational trips, sports HIV/AIDS and gender-based violence awareness. The school hosts nearly 100 children from extremely poor backgrounds, aged between 3 and 12 years. The children attend classes from class 1 to 8. The school has seven teachers.

PROJECT ACTIVITIES

- Assisting in teaching English, Mathematics, Social Sciences and creative arts subjects
- Supporting early childhood development through organizing age-appropriate games & activities
- Helping in preparation, serving of food and feeding the kids
- Assisting with administrative work of the school: maintaining and updating records,
- Arranging and facilitating for the life skills and HIV/AIDS awareness lessons to the pupils

ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD

The volunteer will stay in a host family in Buruburu near the CIVS office, and will commute to the project daily by a public bus; there is also a host family about 20 minutes' walk to the project. The host family will provide breakfast and dinner while lunch will be provided at the project.

CIVS/MTV-12/2026: MT. OLIVES COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER-MOSOCHO

PROJECT LOCATION

The project is located in Mosocho Market along Kisii-Oyugis Road, Kisii County of Kenya

PROJECT DETAILS

Mount Olives Community Health Center is owned by the Mount Olives Self Help Group, an initiative of health professionals who came up together to work in their community through sharing knowledge and helping the community to grow. The health center is registered by the Kenyan Ministry of Health and is serving the rural community of Mosocho, a region that is prone to malaria and skin diseases.

The hospital was started in 2015 to help the needy members of the community, hence it offers free consultation to date and patients only pay for medication. The hospital doesn't do major surgeries yet but it hopes to expand its services in the near future. Services offered at the facility include:

- Outpatient and inpatient care
- Maternity and antenatal services
- Laboratory diagnostics
- Pharmacy services
- Mother and Child Care
- Special clinics once per week (Diabetis, Hypertension, Ulcers treatment)
- Free dewarming
- Home visits and care for elderly ebove 60 years old

On average, the hospital receives 50 outpatients daily, manages 10–20 inpatients, and handles approximately 20 childbirths per month. The inpatient wards are not equipped yet but the staff try their best to offer a good service.

The hospital is welcoming medical volunteers to learn and support the local staff to offer services to the people. In future, the hospital hopes to install medical equipment, more beds, imaging services and a fully equipped maternity wing. The hospital has 13 staff members.

Requirements from Volunteers:

- Scrubs/ lab coat
- Medical School Certificates preferably in nursing/ medicine
- Health Insurance

VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES

Volunteers are **not allowed** to handle patients directly in the medical facilities, even if they are qualified. However, they will have the opportunity to observe, learn, and ask questions while assisting with simple support tasks. Activities may include:

- Organizing medical supplies
- Preparing patient rooms
- Assisting with record-keeping
- Helping with patient mobility
- Participating in health education sessions
- Maintaining cleanliness in the wards and common areas
- Assisting to take patients samples, pulses and temperature information
- Community outreach activities involving visiting the old people to give them free medication
- Assisting to teach in a nearby school as part of community outreach

ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD

Our volunteer will be accommodated in a host family/ guest room in Nyakoe Shopping Center, 10 minutes drive to the hospital. The house has water and electricity. The volunteer will be required to bring with her a sleeping bag. Kindly pay attention to the things you should bring to make your accommodation more comfortable.

Food (breakfast, lunch and dinner) will be provided throughout the project duration. Only locally available foodstuffs are used for cooking. The volunteer will commute to the project with a public bus at a cost of KES 40 per day.

CIVS/MTV-13/2026: BADILISHA ECO-VILLAGE

PROJECT LOCATION

The project is located on Rusinga Island, Homabay County.

PROJECT DETAILS

Badilisha means “change” in Swahili. Badilisha Eco Village aims to bring change to the lives of people on Rusinga Island, who face challenges such as food insecurity, HIV/AIDS, lack of education among other pressing issues. It also seeks to inspire change in the general paradigms of local population towards a more holistic and responsible way. Badilisha Eco Village promotes permaculture, farm design techniques and ethics, Earth care, people care, and share of the surplus. It is a model farm, or epicenter, for both sustainable agriculture and holistic community development.

Badilisha successfully hosted a Permaculture Development Course in March 2011 and aims to become an International Permaculture Center. There is a primary school within the project that provides education to vulnerable children around the community. The project’s main aim is to promote and demonstrate sustainable practices, in particular food production and domestic issues, guided by the ethics and principles of permaculture.

VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES

- Permaculture which generally involves farm work activities like digging, weeding, slashing, mulching and clearing of bushes in the project’s farm
- Assisting the old and sick in doing general cleaning in their homesteads such as: doing laundry and washing dirty utensils during visits:
- Engaging in environment conservation activities such as collecting litter at the center’s compound, slashing and clearing of bushes, and planning and coordinating environment conservation awareness and campaign days.
- Soil conservation activities to manage soil erosion and improve soil fertility such as planting of trees and making of biodegradable manure for farm use
- Beach cleanup exercises to improve sanitation and hygiene around the community

ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD

Volunteers will be accommodated at the project or in a host family by the project where all meals shall be provided. There are pit latrines, bath shelters and a kitchen at the project available for use by the volunteers.

CIVS/MTV-14/2026: WINGS OF HOPE RESCUE HOME

LOCATION

The project is located in Kamulu, Nairobi County of Kenya.

PROJECT DETAILS

Wings of hope rescue home is a home for homeless and unsupported pregnant teenage girls, victims of rape and child sexual abuse. The girls are aged between 12-17 years old. The home takes the girls in and gives them a place they can call home.

The home is owned by a loving man who acts as a parent to the rescued girls with support from 9 other staff including a nurse, matron, and caregivers. He is a former baker who was inspired to start such a project being a pillar of strength to needy girls as he loved to visit children's homes. He provides for their basic needs including food, shelter, clothing, and educational needs. The objective of the project is to give young girls a normal life in order to reduce abortion cases and child abandonment. Until April 2024, 52 girls had been supported, and 25 babies were taken care of.

After the girls are brought in, the project staff walks with them through the journey of pregnancy, and at nine months the girls are taken to hospital for delivery. After delivery, they are brought to the project at Wings of Hope, where they are trained on the basics of motherhood like how best to breastfeed, how best to clean their babies, how to identify when the baby is sick, and report to the project staff for assistance. After six months of breastfeeding, the project enrolls teenage mothers to school and helps them pick up the academic broken pieces and move on academically with the main purpose of preparing them for their future.

The project has girls who went back to study and have attained university qualifications. Other girls are in Tertiary colleges, high schools, and primary schools. The grown-up babies are also enrolled in junior school. We have 11 of their babies now in school too. The project collaborates with government structures to help deliver justice for the girls before releasing them back into the community. The project faces challenges of limited facilities like beds, mattresses, food, water, mosquito nets and finances.

VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES

There will be activities in the following areas; local schools and vocational training centers, in the villages, in individual homes and at the project. The specific activities will be:

- Supporting in mentorship and career development for the girls
- Teaching girls and children about personal growth and knowing their rights
- Helping in the improvement of facilities and broken furniture
- Helping in fundraising for the assistance of the girls through education
- Helping girls in taking care of babies and young children
- Helping in cleaning, cooking, and serving of meals
- Helping children in skill development e.g. doing music, dancing hairdressing, etc.

ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD

Our volunteer will be accommodated in a host family in Kamulu Ngundu, 30 minutes walk to the project. The house has water and electricity. The volunteer will be required to bring with her a sleeping bag. Kindly pay attention to the things you should bring to make your accommodation more comfortable.

Food (breakfast, lunch and dinner) will be provided throughout the project duration. Only locally available foodstuffs are used for cooking.

QUALIFICATION AND MOTIVATION

The project welcomes all volunteers who are motivated to join, however, volunteers with qualifications in Gender and Sex education, Monitoring and Evaluation, Finance and Programing are more welcome.

CIVS/MTV-15/2026: BETTER TOMORROW SCHOOL

PROJECT LOCATION

The project is located in Vumilia Slum, Donholm, Embakasi East in Nairobi County of Kenya.

PROJECT DETAILS

Better Tomorrow School is a community Junior School that was established in the year 2019. The school was started with the aim of creating learning opportunities for orphans and vulnerable children in the slums. By then, it started with 7 children and 3 teachers but the number has since grown to 350 children and 10 teachers running from play group to grade 6. The number of children is expected to grow marginally in the next years hence the need for assistance from volunteers.

The school has more girls than boys because more boys drop out due to the surrounding socio-economic pressure and influence from crime and drugs. The children are from the age of 3yrs to 15yrs of age.

The school engages in a number of activities including: education program, feeding program, guiding and counseling, and community activities like environmental clean-ups. They have a vision of transforming the lives of the people of Vumilia Slum through education. Since the project started, they have achieved, quality formal learning. The source of funding for the project is Emmanuel's own contribution, friends, and a small contribution from parents. The total number of employees is 13 which includes 4 males and 9 females. There are 290 children from play group to grade 6.

VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES

- Assisting in teaching the children
- Guiding and counseling the children
- Conducting outdoor children's activities like sports
- Assisting in cooking and serving the children
- Organizing game activities for the children

ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD

Volunteers will be accommodated at the host family in Buruburu near the CIVS office which is 10 mins drive to the school and will commute every day with a public bus. Breakfast and dinner will be provided at the host family while lunch will be at the project.

CIVS/MTV-16/2026: MC LIANNE COMMUNITY BASED ORGANIZATION

PROJECT LOCATION

The project in Nyabondo, Nyakach Subcounty Kisumu County of Kenya

PROJECT DETAILS

MC LIANNE is a community-based organization that strives to improve the living conditions for children. Started in the advent of HIV/AIDS, the organization has seen progress in supporting needy children, supporting skills development and empowerment of youth and women. The organization is currently running a community junior school called St. Benedetta school that has a vision to make the best out of children, to develop their talents sports, music and dancing. The project plans to start a vocational training center to provide skills and empowerment for young people. They have a youth group table banking that supports them in investments. The organization has seen progress in supporting needy children, supporting skills development and empowerment of youths and women.

The project is eager to welcome volunteers to work alongside the local team for purposes of learning and sharing culture. They would like volunteers to support the community towards improving livelihoods and to give children the best in education, to interact and improve exposure of children to different cultures opening up to the wider world opportunities.

VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES

- Assist in planning and facilitating for children's extra curriculum activities such as games and sports.
- Coordinate with the teachers to assist in teaching subjects such as English, Mathematics, and environmental science etc.
- Engaging in talent development activities like music, dancing etc.
- Working in the farm at the project
- Helping in the kitchen area

ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD

The volunteers will be accommodated in a host family, which is 15 minutes' walk from the project. Breakfast and dinner shall be provided at the host family while lunch shall be served at the project.

CIVS/MTV-17/2026: ST. CHARLES LWANGA HIGH SCHOOL- RUAI

PROJECT LOCATION

The project is located in Ruai, Nairobi County.

PROJECT DETAILS

St. Charles Lwanga Secondary School and Children's Centre started as place where orphaned, homeless and abandoned children were rescued and provided with shelter, food and a place to call home. Brother John started by gathering children, rehabilitating and relocating them into schools, but later realized it was becoming difficult in some cases, as existing schools did not want to integrate children from the street into their classrooms. This necessitated, in part, starting the school owned by the Order of St. Charles Lwanga, a catholic congregation. The students, all former street kids living a difficult life in crime-ridden neighborhoods, now proudly wear their school's uniform and call the Children's Centre "home". The children were rescued from the dumpsites, streets and slums of Nairobi and given a chance to access education and reduce the cycle of poverty and homelessness. Today they are provided with a safe place to live, a reliable source of nutritious food and the opportunity to gain high school education with the possibility of post-secondary education. The founder hopes that with donations to the Centre, he and his team can build a bigger school with an integrated approach to nurture children through academics to become responsible citizens of the world.

VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES

- Assisting to teach a combination of subjects i.e. Mathematics, English and Sciences
- Assisting in coaching teenage girls on topics of sexual education and sanitation
- Assisting to teach life skills such as first aid and safety
- Counseling sessions on issues relating to drug and substance abuse and HIV/AIDS
- Organizing a practical life skill sessions with students
- Organizing and engaging the kids in games and sports within and around neighboring schools

ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD

The volunteer will be accommodated in a small room at the project site and all meals will be provided. The room can sometimes be shared.

CIVS/MTV-18/2026: ST. GONZAGA PRIMARY SCHOOL

PROJECT LOCATION

The project is located in Shinyalu, Kakamega County.

PROJECT DETAILS

St. Gonzaga Primary school was established by the Brothers of St. Charles Lwanga of the Catholic Church in the year 2005 to provide quality basic needs such as education, meals and shelter to vulnerable children from especially difficult circumstances. The centre provides elementary education to kindergarten and primary school children with a focus on orphans and vulnerable children from poor backgrounds within society.

The school offers social work services to both children and parents in order to create strong bond between the community and the school. The social work element helps in building strong family unit. The school provides education to boys and girls and takes gender issues as well as children's rights very seriously. The school does very well academically, socially and morally and this helps the students and enhances discipline and order to the learners and the community at large. It has 273 children, out of which 56 stay in school because of poverty in their homes. Half of the children in this school are orphans and receive direct support from the school. The orphans are majorly due to higher HIV prevalence in the area. The school has 10 teachers and 2 support staff headed by Catholic Brothers.

The project has an agricultural farm where they cultivate vegetables, animal feed etc. They also keep pigs and chicken for income generation. They use the farm produce to at least provide food to the children and generate a little income for the school.

Some children from able families pay a little school fees to sustain the normal running of the school.

VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES

- Kindeergaten teaching activities including assisting to teach simple Maths, English, environment, life skills etc
- Organizing games for the children and playing with them
- General cleaning of the project and its surroundings: litter collection, sweeping, mopping etc.
- Assisting with farm work in the project's farm: Planting, weeding, watering the crops etc.
- Assisting in preparation and serving meals in the kitchen
- Taking care of domesticated animals including cow, pigs, chicken
- Environmental conservation exercises through planting of trees
- Planning and engaging pupils in games and sports within neighboring schools
- Helping children to fetch water from the stream during dry season
- Visiting the local people in the community for intercultural learning

ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD

The volunteer will be accommodated at the project site and all meals will be provided.

CIVS/MTV-19/2026: GLORY MISSIONARY GIRLS CENTRE

PROJECT LOCATION

The project is located in Suna West, Migori County of Kenya.

PROJECT DETAILS

Glory Missionary Girls Centre project was started in 2012 by a religious leader in partnership with Wiga community-based organization. She visited Suna area in 2012 with a mission to develop a community hospital. She, however, got touched to learn that about 70% of the expectant young mothers who sought for medication were aged between 16 to 25 years (a school going age). She then put the hospital project programs on hold, but instead mobilized the community to establish a Girls Centre. Through this, she realized the Suna community would be enlightened enough to prevent the rampant social ills against the girls. The unhealthy cultural practices include she wanted to solve include female circumcision (FGM), early and forced marriages, and sexual harassment such as rape. The school is now run by a local religious leader.

Glory Missionary Girls Centre aims to provide holistic support and empowerment to 300 young girls in Suna community. This project seeks to address the unique challenges faced by young girls in the region, including inadequate access to education, limited economic opportunities, gender inequality, and early marriages. The project establishes a safe and nurturing environment where girls can receive education, life skills training, healthcare services, and psychosocial support. By investing in their education and well-being, the project aims to empower these girls to become confident, independent, and self-reliant individuals. The school has 300 students and 17 staff members

The specific objectives of the school are to:

- Provide access to quality and comprehensive education to girls, focusing on academic subjects, vocational skills, and life skills training.
- Enhance economic opportunities through vocational training such as tailoring, agriculture

Th school hopes to Improve the infrastructure for a better service delivery.

VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES

- Academic support by assisting teachers in the classroom, tutoring students, or organizing study groups.
- Mentorship and guidance.
- Organizing enrichment programs like workshops, guest lectures and many more.
- Helping the school strengthen their ties with the local community by organizing community service projects.
- Teaching of English,
- Informal teaching of German, Spanish and French.
- Resource mobilization for infrastructure development
- Technology integration in studies e.g. use of computers

ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD

The volunteer will be accommodated in a host family house which is a walking distance to the project. Breakfast, dinner will be served at the house while lunch will be at the project.

CIVS/MTV-21/2026: JENGA VILLAGE VOLUNTEERS (JEVIVO)

PROJECT LOCATION

The Project is located in Musoli, Kakamega County of Kenya

PROJECT DETAILS

Jenga Village Volunteers is a registered non-governmental, community-based organization. Jenga means 'build' and it aims at community development due to the increase in poverty and illiteracy among the youths in the village as a result of disadvantage due to their economic, social, and cultural background. We work to help the community to realize and take action on what is important to them.

Since the Community shares the same challenges, we inform them that community development relies on interaction between people and joint action, rather than individual activity. We believe the communities we belong to play an important part in our personal well-being. It is the source and root of many creative ideas, solutions, wealth, and power, as well as the problems that arise often because of inequality in people's environment, resources, and opportunities.

The organization has a main aim of improving peoples' lives in the community especially the vulnerable as well as linking the community with other players in order to address the challenges faced by the local community. The mission of this organization is concerned with the well-being of orphans and vulnerable children, mistreated women, widows, widowers, men, women, people with disabilities, and youths who are disadvantaged due to their economic, social, and cultural backgrounds. The area faces various challenges, but many of them can be prevented at the village level. As the community becomes more and more developed, people will be exposed to less health, poverty, and illiteracy risks and enjoy a higher standard of living and, therefore higher quality of life.

VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES

- Farm work which involves weeding, digging, and planting of maize, beans and vegetables
- Exchange programs with the community members through home and village visits
- Jiggers treatment and sensitization awareness within the community
- Engaging in sports activities as well as playing with the children
- Preparing and engaging in brick-making for various youths so that they can sell and earn a living and support their families
- Organizing life skill sessions in schools with the children in order to nurture them and live positive life while avoiding drug abuse and engaging in bad groups

- Planting trees and taking part in the conservation of the environment
- Arranging and sorting out of books in the library

ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD

Our volunteers will be accommodated at the project or in a host family house adjacent to the project. Food will be provided at the project while in the project. Only locally available foodstuffs are used for cooking. There will be mattresses on the project.

CIVS/MTV-22/2026: MUM'S LOVE CHILDREN'S HOME

PROJECT LOCATION

The project is located in Soweto, lower Savanna Embakasi East, and Nairobi County of Kenya.

PROJECT DETAILS

Mum's Love Children's Home and Smart Angels Community Center is a community-based organization project that was initiated by Alice Mwendu Kanini. It is a place where they care give children who are abandoned, orphans, less fortunate, vulnerable, and HIV positive children by giving them a second chance of living to become tomorrow's perfect leaders in society, by providing Shelter, Education, Food, Clothing, Health Care, Love, and Mentorship.

Mum's Love Children's Home project has a Feeding Program whereby they serve Street families Breakfast and Lunch 6 days a week from Monday to Saturday. And every Wednesday of the week they have counselling and bible study session to them as motivational events. They also provide raw food to the elderly aged and disabled persons twice a month if the foodstuff is available. They also do hair shaving and monitor them.

Mum's Love Children's Home consists of 45 children and 3 female employees. With the introduction of kindergarten teaching now, the project has about 100 children in total with additional teachers. The common language used in the project is Kiswahili and English. Since the project started, vulnerable children are able to go to school and the street family, the disabled, and the elderly gets food. Water comes twice a week at the project or it can be fetched from a nearby water point.

The orphanage is running a community kindergarten school called **Smart Angels Community Center**, which is providing education and food to 100 children. The volunteer will work in both the orphanage and community school which are just a walking distance apart.

VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES

- Assisting teachers in writing lesson content on the blackboard for the children
- Assisting in teaching children to write and pronounce words
- Assisting children in counting numbers for basic mathematics
- Playing with the children
- Telling stories of a different country to the children so as to motivate them
- Teaching young teenage girls about personal sanitation and health
- Providing psychological support to older children at the school.
- Assisting in doing medical checkups for both the children and street families.
- Assisting in giving raw foodstuffs to the elderly and disabled persons.
- Assisting in fetching water.

ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD

Our volunteer will be accommodated in a host family in Buruburu Estate which is about 20 minutes' drive to the project. The house has water and electricity and some cases wifi; the volunteer will be required to bring with her a sleeping bag.

There is also another accommodation room at the orphanage for volunteers who want to spend a little bit more time with children, this accommodation is basic and we can arrange upon volunteer's request.

CIVS/MTV-23/2026: APIDA COMMUNITY HEALTH CBO

PROJECT LOCATION

The Project is located in Apida Market in Kendubay, Homabay County of Kenya

PROJECT DETAILS

APIDA is a Community Health organization is working in Kendu Bay, Homa Bay County in the areas of small-scale sustainable development initiatives. The organization has been in place since 2012 and is are running a community hospital since 2017 that is currently under extension due to the needs of the community in terms of healthcare services. The hospital serves patients within 7 KM radius working 24 hours. It was started because women in the area succumbed from birth related challenges hence there was need to help them out.

The hospital serves 40-60 patients per day with 300 admissions per month. It offers both inpatient and outpatient services including lab, pharmacy, maternity, promotive work, community nutrition, home based care, helping poor people to pay their basic insurance etc. There are 16 staff members including 3 clinicians, 1 doctor, 6 nurses, 4 community health promoters and 9 support staff.

The project also works in liaison with a local NGO called Aid the needy Kenya, which is a Community Based Organization in the same region. The organization works on sustainable social; and economic projects that directly benefit the community while sustainably supporting the various small groups to be self-reliant. Bringing together teachers, healthcare workers, and a team of technical volunteers, the organization has spearheaded several development activities in Homa-Bay County. Volunteers placed on this project will work both at the medical facility and in the community.

VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES

Volunteers are **not allowed** to handle patients directly in the medical facilities, even if they are qualified. However, they will have the opportunity to observe, learn, and ask questions while assisting with simple support tasks. Activities may include:

- Organizing medical supplies
- Preparing patient rooms
- Assisting with record-keeping
- Helping with patient mobility
- Participating in health education sessions
- Maintaining cleanliness in the wards and common areas
- Assisting to take patients samples, pulses and temperature information

- Community outreach activities involving visiting the old people to give them free medication
- Visiting communities and working with them in areas of agriculture and conservation

Requirements from Volunteers:

- Scrubs/ lab coat
- Medical School Certificates preferably in nursing/ medicine
- Health Insurance

ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD

Our volunteer will be accommodated in a host family (the project director) in Oyugis Town, 30 minutes' drive to the project. The volunteer will drive with project director Dr. Bernard to the hospital and back every day, and as small transportation cost will be on the volunteer. The house has water and electricity with bathrooms. The volunteer will be required to bring with her a sleeping bag. Kindly pay attention to the things you should bring to make your accommodation more comfortable.

CIVS/MTV-24/2026: GREEN WORLD

PROJECT LOCATION

The Green is located at African Talanta University (Buoye) along Kisumu-Ahero road, Kisumu County

PROJECT DETAILS

The Green World is a community-based organization that empowers communities through agribusiness and environment conservation activities. The organization also runs rehabilitation and economic empowerment programs in prisons. The green world is trying to make community members self-reliant through the creation of green-collar jobs within their locality to minimize rural-urban migration thus decongesting slums and creating a healthier environment. The community members are also mobilized to plant trees as a way of combating climate change and increasing forest cover to conform to government policy.

The green world is engaging in rehabilitation activities in prisons to make inmates feel part of society and give them hope of starting a new life upon coming out of prison. Usually, majority of people or family members are hostile to people who are released from prison due to the mistakes they made. This project helps with reintegration into the community in liaison with the local administration. The released persons start income-generating projects as part of reintegration process.

The organization is also promoting sporting activities in schools as a way of nurturing students' talents hence creating cohesion and love within the community.

VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES

- Assisting in planting trees in different schools and the community
- Assisting in teaching the youth life skills
- Visiting prisons to pass knowledge of hope and change of behavior
- Assisting in teaching the community about Agribusiness
- Engaging in sports which school students

ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD

The volunteer will be accommodated at a host house and food will be provided. Volunteers may need to commute to different areas for tree planting.

CIVS/MTV-25/2026: NYAHERA COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTRE

PROJECT LOCATION

Nyahera Kisumu County

PROJECT DETAILS

The Nyahera Community Resource Center, established by Bengi Investment Group (BIG) in collaboration with the Center for International Voluntary Service (CIVS), serves as a hub for business development, community banking, sustainable agriculture, and environmental conservation. The center's flagship project is a model farm designed to showcase innovative technologies and approaches for community development. This initiative emphasizes the cultivation and processing of Indigenous African Vegetables, herbs, fruits, fish, insects, and agroforestry. The model farm also promotes vertical gardening to maximize space usage and eco-friendly farming practices. The center offers hands-on training for farmers, entrepreneurs, and the broader community while providing opportunities for both international and local volunteers to engage in meaningful community work.

Nyahera, like many rural communities in Kisumu County, faces several socio-economic and environmental challenges. Limited access to business skills, modern agricultural techniques, and financial services, coupled with declining biodiversity, negatively impacts local livelihoods. To address these challenges, the Nyahera Community Resource Center was established to provide solutions through education, technology transfer, and community-driven development. The model farm serves as a demonstration and training facility for local farmers, small business owners, and students, highlighting practices in sustainable agriculture, business development, and environmental stewardship.

The model farm comprises the following sections:

- Cassava Demonstration Farm: A field dedicated to showcasing improved cassava cultivation techniques, including propagation, pest management, and post-harvest processing.
- Indigenous African Vegetables: Cultivation of a variety of traditional African vegetables, demonstrating their nutritional value and potential for commercialization.
- Herb Garden: A space dedicated to growing medicinal and culinary herbs, educating the community about their health benefits and uses in value-added products.
- Fruit Orchard: An orchard showcasing sustainable fruit tree farming, with varieties such as mangoes, avocados, and citrus fruits.

- Fish Farming: A small aquaculture system demonstrating sustainable fish farming techniques and offering training in fish breeding, pond management, and water conservation.
- Agroforestry: An integrated agroforestry system combining trees, crops, and livestock for environmental sustainability and enhanced soil fertility.
- Vertical Garden: A demonstration of urban and peri-urban agriculture techniques using vertical gardening to maximize limited space and improve food security in urban and peri-urban settings.

VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES

- Agriculture and Farming: Engage in day-to-day activities on the model farm, including planting, weeding, harvesting, and processing of crops such as Indigenous African Vegetables, herbs, and fruits.
- Community banking and Business Development: Assist in establishing and training community savings groups, as well as supporting local entrepreneurs through mentoring, business plan development, and market research.
- Environmental Conservation: Participate in environmental conservation projects, such as tree planting, agroforestry, and setting up vertical gardens for urban and peri-urban agriculture.
- Educational Workshops and Training: Facilitate or assist in conducting training sessions for local farmers, community members, and students on sustainable agriculture, business development, community banking, financial literacy, and environmental management.
- Marketing and Communications: Help promote the activities of the center by assisting with digital marketing, content creation for social media, or documenting the center's success stories for outreach purposes

ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD

Accommodation will be in host families at the project in shared rooms and it is important that they have own sleeping bag and mosquito nets. During the workcamp, volunteers will get food from locally available foodstuffs and will share the responsibility of preparing the food.

CIVS/MTV-26/2026: MEDICAL MISSIONARIES OF MARY MUKURU HEALTH PROGRAM

PROJECT LOCATION

The project is located in Mukuru Kwa Njenga slum, off Outering Road, Nairobi County.

PROJECT DETAILS

The Medical Missionaries of Mary Mukuru Health Program is a community health center that was started in 1995 by catholic nuns. It initially started as a home-based care center for mothers and children then it later started to provide outpatient medical services for all. The center provides assistance to the entire residents of the informal settlement of Mukuru Kwa Njenga and parts of Industrial area.

With the vision of achieving a healthy sustainable and just society, the main objective for the program is to improve the quality of life of Mukuru Communities. They also aim to be the most committed, efficient and effective health provider of holistic care, to empower the community to take active role in their own health and development.

The program provides comprehensive primary health care services including curative outpatient services and community health. They include, HIV testing and counseling, Laboratory diagnostic services, Tuberculosis clinic, maternal child health services, nutritional screening and support, community social care services, cervical cancer screening, occupational therapy, ultrasound services, and prevention of gender-based violence, awareness on human trafficking. The facility serves approximately 200 patients per day. There are 22 full time staff including 3 Catholic nuns providing medical and administration services. The facility is open Monday to Friday, with at least 2 times a week community programs like free HIV, HPV and blood pressure screening, vaccinations etc.

Requirements from Volunteers:

- Scrubs/ lab coat
- Medical School Certificates preferably in nursing
- Insurance

Volunteers will commute to the project using one trusted motorbike rider every day.

VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES

Volunteers are **not allowed** to handle patients directly in the medical facilities, even if they are qualified. However, they will have the opportunity to observe, learn, and ask questions while assisting with simple support tasks. Activities may include:

- Organizing medical supplies
- Preparing patient rooms
- Assisting with record-keeping
- Helping with patient mobility
- Participating in health education sessions
- Maintaining cleanliness in the wards and common areas
- Assisting to take patients samples, pulses and temperature information
- Participating in community social care services, HIV testing, cervical cancer screening, occupational therapy, awareness on prevention of gender based violence and human trafficking.

ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD

Our volunteer will be accommodated by a host family in Buruburu where he/she will have his/her own room. Food (breakfast and dinner) will be provided by the host family while lunch will be provided at the project site. CIVS staff will be available throughout to provide guidance to the volunteers at the project.

CIVS/MTV-27/2026: ESIKOMA COMMUNITY NURSING HOME

PROJECT LOCATION

The project is located in Esikoma Village, Murumba Shopping Center, Bumala, Busia County of Kenya.

PROJECT DETAILS

Esikoma Community Hospital was established through the initiative of the Esikoma Community Health Self Help Group, a grassroots organization active since 2016. The hospital has been operational since November 2022, providing essential healthcare services to the local community in Busia County, Kenya. The facility comprises doctor consultation rooms, a pharmacy, a patient waiting area, and temporary wards. The hospital offers the following services:

- Outpatient and inpatient care
- Maternity and antenatal services
- Laboratory diagnostics
- Pharmacy services
- Minor surgical procedures

On average, the hospital receives 20 outpatients daily, manages 12–17 inpatients, and handles approximately 15 childbirths per month. Maternity services include antenatal care, family planning, immunization for children, and other mother and child health interventions. Although the hospital currently lacks a surgical theatre for caesarean sections, plans are in place to develop this capacity.

Human Resources: The hospital is staffed by a dedicated team including: 1 Clinical Officer (Doctor of Clinical Medicine), 3 Registered Nurses, 1 Laboratory Technician, 1 Pharmaceutical Technologist, 1 Health Records Officer. Alongside this core team, there are several support staff including a receptionist, nurse and pharmacy assistants, cooks, cleaners, and a gardener.

The hospital project is a flagship initiative of the Esikoma Community Health Self Help Group, led by Gladys, and driven by a vision to improve health access and community well-being. The group, composed of local volunteers, is also actively involved in:

- Jigger eradication campaigns
- Environmental conservation through tree nurseries and reforestation
- Health education and sensitization in local schools
- Distribution of sanitary pads to schoolgirls

Proceeds from tree seedling sales are reinvested into the hospital to enhance sustainability and support service expansion.

Project Objectives:

- Improve access to quality healthcare services in Esikoma and surrounding areas
- Promote maternal and child health, including safe deliveries and immunizations
- Empower the community through integrated health and environmental initiatives
- Build sustainable partnerships that contribute to the hospital's growth and impact

This project is a compelling example of **community-led development** where health, environment, and education intersect to uplift rural lives.

Requirements from Volunteers:

- Scrubs/ lab coat
- Medical School Certificates preferably in nursing/ Medicine
- Health Insurance

VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES

Volunteers are **not allowed** to handle patients directly in the medical facilities, even if they are qualified. However, they will have the opportunity to observe, learn, and ask questions while assisting with simple support tasks. Activities may include:

- Organizing medical supplies
- Preparing patient rooms
- Assisting with record-keeping
- Helping with patient mobility
- Participating in health education sessions
- Maintaining cleanliness in the wards and common areas
- Assisting to take patients samples, pulses and temperature information
- Participating in community visits for selected categories of patients.
- Engaging in other income generation activities like brick making, agriculture and tree planting.

ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD

Our volunteer will be accommodated in a guest house at the project where he/she will have his/her own room. Food (breakfast and dinner) will be provided by the host family while lunch will be provided at the project site. CIVS staff will be available throughout to provide guidance to the volunteers at the project.

CIVS/MTV-28/2026: KIMUKA PRIMARY SCHOOL

PROJECT LOCATION

The project is located in Kimuka Village, Ngong, Kajiado County.

PROJECT DETAILS

Kimuka Primary School is located in Kimuka village, on the leeward side of the Ngong Hills, one hour drive from Nairobi. The area is inhabited by the Maasai community and the project is coordinated by Maasai residents. This program will enable volunteers to work with the local people and improve access to social services like children's education and skills development.

Kimuka Primary School, which has over 3000 children and 17 staff, the adjacent Kimuka Girls High School, has 950 students and adds up as a rescue site for girls from early marriage. This program aims to connect the local community with volunteers from all corners of the world at the heart of the Maasailand. The local people believe that the area can realize a substantial level of development through volunteer activities.

The area is semi-arid with little rainfall, hence 80% of the population is categorized as living below the national poverty index. The area does not have rivers but the main source of water is rainfall and boreholes. The Maasai people are known for their nomadic nature but most people in Kimuka don't move away from their land as they are now embracing education and development. The Maasai children need education and health care. The community is known for their hospitality, humility, and honesty. They are the best-known tribe internationally due to their unique culture, custom and it is the only tribe that lives near the animal parks.

The work of the volunteers will complement the local community activities and in return, the volunteers will be exposed to real adventure and cultural learning. You will be accommodated at the foot of Ngong hills with an evening view of giraffes and antelopes, and nature walks in the bushes.

VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES

- Assisting in Teaching at Kimuka Primary School
- Playing with the children
- Assisting girls at Kimuka Girls High school with school work
- Counseling the students to overcome early pregnancies and marriages

Our volunteer will be accommodated in a host house at the foot of Ngong hills 30 minutes walk to the project. Volunteers will have their own room. Food (breakfast and dinner) will be provided by the host family while lunch will be provided at the project site.

CIVS/MTV-29/2026: HAPPY ME HAPPY YOU CHILDREN PROJECT

PROJECT LOCATION

The project in Banja, Hamisi Vihiga County.

PROJECT DETAILS

'Happy Me Happy You' is a non-profit organization that was established in 2017 to empower children women, youth and men from vulnerable and poverty-stricken backgrounds to realize a sustainable community focussing on key areas of Education, Water, Health and Sanitation and Agriculture to improve their livelihood.

The organization is strongly focused on offering Early Childhood Development and Education to vulnerable children. It also runs a feeding program for needy children affected by hunger.

The project is working towards beginning to be involved in the following activities:

- Training small-scale farmers on modern/best farming practices to maximize their productivity, realize potential market and increase sales
- Training the community stakeholders on new technology trends through ICT to help them research, get informed and
- Training the community on financial management and leadership skills to enable them plan and budget well for their finances.
- They engage the community in table banking - a system that enables members of a community to access unsecured loans, from money pooled by other members of the community, and allows community members to invest in each other's businesses and enterprises where members can apply for short- or long-term loans at low-interest rates.

VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES

- Assisting with teaching of various subjects such as Creative Arts, English, Basic Mathematics in the nursery school
- Assisting the children with their homework
- General cleaning and maintenance of the project area and its surrounding: bush clearing, litters collection, making a disposal point, sweeping, landscaping, construction repairs and brick making.
- Planning and engaging the kids in extra-curricular activities like sports and games
- Engaging in health education and mentorship programs to the youth within the community alongside project staff
- Farm work which includes farming, digging, planting of various crops, weeding and tree planting exercise for environmental conservation

ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD

Accommodation will be at a shared house closer to the project and it is important that you have your own sleeping mat, mosquito net and a sleeping bag. This area is sometimes muddy therefore it's important to have working boots. The landscape is hill slopes and valleys. Food will be provided.

CIVS/MTV-30/2026: SIGOMERE SMALL HOME

PROJECT LOCATION

The project in Sigomere Division, Siaya County of Kenya.

PROJECT DETAILS

Sigomre Small Home for Physically Challenged Children was established in 1996 with the primary objective of providing essential needs such as education, food, shelter, and healthcare to children and youth with disabilities within the surrounding communities.

The facility stands on land generously donated by the local community of Sigomre. Since its inception, the project has supported numerous children and young people living with physical and intellectual disabilities, empowering them socially and economically to become self-reliant and fully integrated members of society.

Currently, the home accommodates 52 children and youth with disabilities — 28 males and 24 females — aged between 3 and 25 years. The institution comprises boarding, primary, and vocational training sections, all located within the same compound. The vocational training unit provides practical skills in areas such as tailoring and carpentry, particularly for those unable to complete formal schooling.

VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES

- Sewing, beadwork and crocheting and general activities.
- Provision of nursing services and general health education.
- Playing games with the physically challenged people.
- Offering guiding and counseling to the youth and children
- Care giving services such as preparation of meals, assisting the kids with mobility and general cleaning of the home
- Physiotherapy sessions which include physical assessment of range of movement and manual muscle strength testing.
- Supporting early childhood development through age appropriate games & activities

ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD

Our volunteer will be accommodated in the project site where he/she will have her/ his own room. There is water and electricity. The volunteer will be required to bring with her a sleeping bag. Food will be provided.

CIVS/MTV-31/2026: LOVING HAND SAFE HOUSE CHILDREN'S HOME

PROJECT LOCATION

The project is located in in Gilgil town, Nakuru County of Kenya

PROJECT DETAILS

Loving Hand Safe House Children's Home (LHSHCH) is a charitable institution located in Gilgil Town, Nakuru County, Kenya. The Home provides care and protection for young, vulnerable children who are infected or affected by HIV/AIDS. Jane, a child rescuer with long experience in child support and guidance, started the home in 2014. Their primary goal is to promote child protection and ensure that every child under their care receives quality shelter, nutrition, education, and emotional support in a safe and nurturing environment.

Most of the children at the Home have lost their parents or guardians to HIV/AIDS, while others come from families facing extreme poverty, chronic illness, or social neglect. In the absence of a comprehensive social security system in Kenya, these children are often left without adequate care or protection, exposing them to neglect, poor health, forced labour, crime, hunger, substance abuse, sexual and emotional abuse, harsh weather conditions, and psychological distress.

According to reports by the Government of Kenya, the country has approximately 3.6 million orphans and vulnerable children who have been orphaned or made vulnerable by HIV/AIDS and related socio-economic challenges. Loving Hand Safe House Children's Home works to restore hope and dignity to such children by providing them with a safe place to live, opportunities for education, and holistic support for their overall development.

Gilgil is a small town between Naivasha and Nakuru highway, with small sized retail businesses, agriculture, a few industries and Military barracks.

VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES

- Assisting caregivers in bathing, dressing, feeding, and supervising children.
- Organizing playtime and recreational activities to support emotional and social development.
- Providing homework help or simple tutoring in basic literacy and numeracy.
- Engaging in storytelling, drawing, and games that stimulate creativity and self-expression.
- Teaching basic English, Mathematics, or life skills to school-going children.
- Mentoring older children and youth on topics like self-esteem, decision-making, and goal setting.
- Helping maintain a clean, safe, and hygienic environment around the home.

- Promoting personal hygiene routines such as handwashing and cleanliness.
- Helping improve project visibility through photography, storytelling, and social media updates.
- Assisting with proposal writing or donor suggestions and fundraising

ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD

Our volunteer will be accommodated in the project site where he/she will have her/ his own room. There is water and electricity. The volunteer will be required to bring with her a sleeping bag. Food will be provided.

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