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GHANA



CARE FOR ORPHANS AND PRE-SCHOOL CHILDREN:

Volunteer in a pre-school in Accra with orphaned and underprivileged children aged 1 to 5 years. You'll be involved in a variety of activities, such as playtime, feeding, and basic teaching. You can also help them to learn basic numerical and English skills, drawing, painting, music and also facilitating games. This is where you'll help to develop their audio-visual skills from a young age.

Thank you for your interest in volunteering on this Project. Below is a description of what you can do and expect. You can volunteer whether you're taking a gap year, on a career break, retired, or on a holiday with a purpose. No matter what your age or experience, we look forward to welcoming you to the team!

WHAT DO YOU GET?

SELF-DEVELOPMENT:

- New skills, more confidence, a greater understanding of a different culture, invaluable personal and professional development.
- The enormous satisfaction of helping disadvantaged children and knowing that you made a difference to them.
- An entry on your CV or résumé that will put you head and shoulders above most others in the job market.

SAFETY AND SECURITY

- Your safety is our top priority. We risk-assess all destination countries, projects, accommodation and more to ensure that they are stable and safe.
- We have experienced local staff with 24/7 back-up and support who are there to assist you and look after you, starting with an in-depth induction on your arrival.

AN ADVENTURE!

- An exciting, never-to-be-forgotten adventure into Africa and the fascination Ghanaian culture, and best of all ... **an unforgettable experience!**

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Prices: From £795 excluding flights. See our [Full Price List Online](#)

Duration: From 1 week to 6 months subject to visa requirements

Start Dates: All year round, subject to school terms - you choose your start and finish dates.

Requirements: Minimum age 17. No qualifications necessary but you should be an enthusiastic person who loves children.

What's Included:

- ▶ Arranging your Programme,
- ▶ Payment Protection insurance
- ▶ 24-hr emergency support.
- ▶ Meeting you at the nearest airport
- ▶ Certificate of Completion
- ▶ Full pre-departure support and assistance,
- ▶ Accommodation and Food
- ▶ Transfer to your accommodation
- ▶ Local in-country team support and backup
- ▶ Free T-shirt

What Not Included: Flights, Insurance, Cost of Visas, Return transfer to airport.

SUMMARY

PROJECT OVERVIEW

WORK CONTENT

The pre-school provides programmes for children to give them the chance they need to make a life for themselves away from the street life in Accra. Professional staff, mentors and volunteers give them support they need to build a future for themselves.

You can get involved in a variety of activities, such as playtime with the children, feeding and nap times. This includes basics, such as changing nappies, dressing them, tying shoelaces, singing a nursery rhyme, laughing and cuddling the children, wiping the chalk from their faces, helping them write the alphabet or their numbers

There will also be basic teaching involved including basic numerical & English skills, drawing and organizing and facilitating games. This is where you will help to develop audio-visual skills from a young age.

Volunteering on this project not only provides much needed help to the staff of the school, but it helps the children in leaps and bounds by teaching them conversational English and allowing them to socialise with people from all over the world. This works wonders for their confidence and this can be seen as they progress in the school with more and more supportive contact.

You'll be overwhelmed by the smiles and energy that these children show for visitors and each other – you won't be able to resist them!

The school officially finishes at 14.00 but the parents come to collect their children anytime between 15.30 and 18.30. **Working Hours.**

Work is available between 8:30am - 4:30pm, Monday to Friday, either for the full day or for a 3 - 4 hour period. There is plenty of flexibility, depending on your preferences: the staff will be delighted to have an extra pair of hands. Just discuss on arrival with your project coordinator the times that you wish to work.

SCHOOL TERMS AND HOLIDAYS:

Teaching is not available during school holidays, so if you're planning to participate in a placement, please take the school term dates into account when planning the timing of your project. During the school holidays Travellers run a Summer Camp for the children to give them something to do and a place to go that provides them with food and keeps them off the street.

On the other hand, if a holiday falls during your proposed placement, you could use this time to do any independent travelling and sightseeing. Dates for the school terms (semesters) are given below (These dates are used as a guideline and can change yearly)



Dates for the 2015 school terms (semesters) are as follows:

- Term 1: 6th January – 9th April
- Term 2: 5th May – 30th July
- Term 3: 2nd September – 11th December

WHAT IS REQUIRED OF YOU ... AND GHANAIAN TIME!

You don't have to have a great knowledge of the game and the rules, but you must be an enthusiastic person who enjoys playing the game. Self-reliance, independence and initiative are highly appreciated and a sense of humour when the electricity fails, or buses don't turn up, will help you to make the most of this wonderful opportunity!

Like all our destination countries, the culture in Ghana is different to what you're used to. For example, the people are exceptionally friendly and helpful, with big smiles and a relaxed attitude. On the other hand, the living standard falls short of UK or Western standards. And **Ghanaian time** is when someone says, "See you at 10.a.m." - what he really means is, "I'll see you sometime tomorrow" ... And then he may not turn up at all.

The pace of life is slower and more relaxed, but you'll quickly get involved in the daily life of the local people and pretty soon you'll feel completely at home - Ghana has that effect on you!

"This experience has not only made me more grateful than ever for all the opportunities I was given growing up, but it has, and I am positive it will continue to, teach me something new about myself every day. I feel myself growing as a person in every way possible."

Kelsey A. Trembulak

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Your accommodation will vary depending on your work location, but will either be in a family run hostel or with a host family. This means that you get to eat, sleep, work, socialise and generally live like a Ghanaian. This enables you to fully experience the local culture from the inside.

Many of our volunteers remain friends with their host families long after they leave Ghana and in some cases they return to the country later especially to visit their family. Sometimes members of their Ghanaian family have even gone to visit them in their home country.

FOOD

Food is included in this placement and will be local cuisine - again this is to enable you to fully experience living as local Ghanaians do. When we arrange your placement, we will liaise extensively with you regarding both the placement and your accommodation. As always, our Local Manager will look after you well and will always be on hand to help and offer advice.



"The family for the past 6 weeks, the Opuku family, have been very warming to us staying there. They've cooked up some fabulous meals and have been very helpful to us when we have needed some help finding our way around. The children at the house are fantastic! They're very keen to explore your room, and sweets seems to be very high on the list."

Jonathan Childs

WHY TRAVELLERS WORLDWIDE?

- Over 20 years' experience of sending thousands of participants overseas, plus the largest variety of flexible projects that are value for money!
- Accredited projects helps appeal to future employers
- Excellent support!
- Your own dedicated Project Co-ordinator to answer all questions before, during and after your trip of a lifetime!
- Detailed information on your project and country and suggestions, safety guide, tips and checklists, via our EXTRANET, available from anywhere, 24/7.
- 24/7 emergency helpline for you and your family
- Free pick up from the nearest airport.

“Everything at this end has been brilliant. The organisation has been first class - from the arrangements to meet at the airport through to showing us a large number of sites around the city. We have been extremely well taken care of.”

Tim Myles

HOW YOU MAKE A DIFFERENCE:

By joining a Travellers Program you enable us to keep donating money to worthwhile projects around the world; from clothing and feeding school children, building playgrounds or funding vital conservation research - your participation makes these donations possible. Donations to **Bridge the Gap Foundation**. This Foundation was set up by us to donate directly to particularly worthwhile and necessary projects for children and animals around the world, and partners with other NGO's to raise match-funding for worthy projects.

The price of this project is a reflection of the following costs:

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| ✓ Accommodation and Food | ✓ Marketing (brochures, website design and maintenance, attending careers fairs, advertising, website listings and presentations) |
| ✓ Meeting you at the airport | ✓ Project Research/Site Inspection |
| ✓ Transport to and from your project | ✓ Staff Training/Equipment |
| ✓ Local in-country team support and backup | ✓ UK administration |
| ✓ 24hr emergency helpline | ✓ Donations to worthwhile project |
| ✓ Full pre-departure support | |
| ✓ Free T-shirt | |

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Got any questions? Please email us: info@travellersworldwide.com

Once you have applied for a placement, we'll contact you and send you our Welcome Pack. You'll also receive Log-on details and password for our Volunteer Extranet where you'll have access to all the documentation and information which we've put together to facilitate preparations for your adventure!

Your Project Co-ordinator for your country will liaise with you throughout the arrangements process, as well as while you're on your placement and on your return home. The documents you'll have access to also include a Country Fact file, Safety Guide and any manuals that may assist you on your particular programme (for example, Teaching Guide, Sports Manuals, Enrichment Suggestions for Animal Care, etc.). We do all we can to make your stay one that you'll never forget. As with all our destinations, the culture and heritage is different to what you're used to ... which, although one of the most exciting aspects of travelling, should be borne in mind. Self-reliance and independence are highly appreciated in all our destinations and will help you to make the most of this wonderful opportunity! This is a truly awesome, elegant and beautiful country.



THINGS TO DO IN GHANA

LOCATION, EXPLORING AND SIGHTSEEING:

Ghana is a wonderfully welcoming country and the people are overwhelmingly hospitable and friendly. They love their music, dancing and socialising, and this, together with lots of glorious open African country and sunshine, contribute to making your travel adventure to Ghana very special.

ABOUT ACCRA:

Accra, on the coast of the Gulf of Guinea, is both big-city hectic and African laid-back. There is something else this African city has that makes up for lack of planning and fancy buildings. It is a wonderful city to experience. It is full of character, has a warm feel, is extremely friendly and feels very safe. It also has some great beaches!

It is a city that is young, wild and full of soul and here you'll sample the true African spirit.

During the day, the streets are full of market stalls and vendors where you can browse and buy mouthwatering foods, colourful **Kente cloth**, beads, or baskets. Don't forget to practice your haggling.

During the night the city comes alive with the traditional Ghanaian 'spot' bars and the sound of live drumming music in the warm night air. Village-specific festivals and events occur throughout the year.



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We hope you'll join us!

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We're happy to help you plan your exciting adventure!

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