



DREAMERS WISH FOUNDATION
MAKING CHILDREN'S DREAMS COME TRUE

Volunteer Culture Handbook

Who we are drives what we do.

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Welcome to the family!

If you are contemplating joining our Dream Team to participate in several life-changing service projects then you are at the right place. This handbook has been designed to help you decide if volunteering in the USA or Abroad would suite your purpose. This simple booklet will contain all the basic information you will need to help you prepare for your volunteer experience with the Dreamers Wish Foundation.

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Don't think twice. A wise Yoda once taught, " DO or DO NOT, there is only TRY".

We can't wait to hear from you and make a difference together. We are family.

Dreamers Wish Foundation is a 501 c3 non-profit organization based in Salt Lake City, Utah. We are passionately focused on improving and supporting childhood education on a global scale. Our incredible volunteers care about the students and their dreams. Each volunteer is very important to the organization's health. We take care of one another as we strive to do brave things in the community. Making a difference where we stand. We are family.



Values are our bedrock.

We are a team first, and a non-profit second.

We act as a family around each other. We afford mutual respect towards one another. We stay true to our cause and always remember our WHY. We know why we are serving others. We believe in honesty and integrity. Without these, we cannot represent the universal force of truth and kindness.

We are role models and as such do our very best to represent the organization wherever we find ourselves. We show others the higher form of life through our examples of strong work ethic, dependability, and responsibility.

Every member is responsible for their own behavior and self-motivation. We appreciate adaptability and strife for excellence.

Dreamers Wish Foundation Values

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Integral to our way of life



Integrity



Inclusion



Dependability



Ingenuity



Inter-team Collaboration



Strong -work Ethic



Internal motivation



Passion



Selflessness





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Volunteer Program Overview?

We have Two Main Volunteer programs



Local Volunteer



International Travel abroad

Local volunteering takes us to primary and high schools where we participate in activities such as Junior achievement events. Our volunteers help substitute teaching when called upon.

International Travel Abroad volunteers can choose between our 7-day volunteerism program or our 14-day voluntourism program. Learn more on our website.

[Dreamerswishfoundation.org/join-us-in-ghana](https://dreamerswishfoundation.org/join-us-in-ghana)

Who Can Volunteer?

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Together we can make a real difference

✓ Any age with supervision

✓ College

✓ 18 or older

✓ No Criminal history or no
conviction of sexual
misconduct

✓ High School

✓ Single or Married



What available positions?

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Together we can make a real difference



Teaching/ Supporting
Learning/ Tutoring



Sports coach



Travel coordinator/
Administrative work



Youth work



Volunteering with children



Fundraising



Counseling/ listening



Arts(Painting/crafts/Music
and dance)



Girl empowerment



Marketing



Mentorship



Event planning/Program
design



How do I Apply for Local Projects?

✓ Online

You may apply online by visiting our volunteerism page and clicking on the apply button to fill out a form. Once complete and submitted we will respond within 1-3 business days after carefully reviewing. We will contact you with further instructions and onboarding volunteer training. Volunteering is free.

✓ Social Media

You may contact us on our
Facebook
Instagram
Twitter
LinkedIn

✓ Call

1-844-373-2670





If you live in Utah or anywhere in the USA, we have several opportunities for you to serve on.

Our Internship program coming soon will allow folks to volunteer long term in international countries where we will identify much need for service.

This fall our travel abroad program will take us to Ghana, west Africa. We will serve a basic school in the village of Mepe with 600 students/pupils. We intend to install a playground, refurbish the school building, floors, walls, install a computer lab with 20 laptop/desktop computers, furnish a reading library and make donations of 400 backpacks along with school supplies.



International Volunteer Travel Abroad

Volunteer in a third world country

Our primary focus is currently on the continent of Africa where we have identified a tumultuous amount of service opportunities for many primary school children between the ages of 3-9 and youth.

Volunteers who are able to travel with us to Africa a welcome to book their travel on the website. We have two programs within this category.



Volunteerism - 7 day program



Voluntourism - 14 day program *includes Safari and local tours to historic sites

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How do I Apply for International Projects?

✓ Online

You may apply online by visiting our voluntourism page and clicking on the Book Now button to fill out a form and view the sample itinerary. Once complete with attestation and submitted we will respond within 1-3 business days after carefully reviewing. We will contact you with further instructions and onboarding volunteer training.

Volunteering is free. You will just be responsible for your own travel expenses which we have provided a budget option for. [Dreamerswishfoundation.org/voluntourism](https://dreamerswishfoundation.org/voluntourism)

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Working with Vulnerable Children

We seek to address the countless challenges many children without proper education , food, love and attention, healthcare and in some cases, homeless face. We aim to teach , love and care for these children who are vulnerable. We encourage our volunteers to consider using their talents to help support these children's education and wellbeing .

Raising funds

Traveling abroad can be very expensive. We are aware of this and have curated really flexible payment systems to help folks who have the desire to serve but on a tight budget. Learn more on the booking site via dreamerswishfoundation.org/volunteerism
We have a flexible fundraiser tool that you can leverage on both the booking site, facebook and Instagram to start your own fundraiser campaign to support your travel expenses as well contribute to the project.

Getting Recognition for your Work

We offer all volunteers who participate on projects in our volunteerism and voluntourism program, a leadership certificate which can be used for good measure to support your career and community presence.

Travel Protocols

✓ Passport

You will need to have a valid passport before entering the country. If you are not a US citizen then make sure you have your permanent resident card or valid student visa that can allow you re-entry into the country.

✓ Visas

You may apply yourself via the Ghana embassy site. Links will be provided at the end of this page and also available on booking page. Alternatively, you may select the \$100 extra visa application package and we will help you with your application. We will contact you for any further information like copies of your passport biometric page etc

✓ Covid 19 Protocols

For this fall, we will be serving in Ghana which requires all entrants to be fully vaccinated. A copy of your vaccination card will be required before entry. If not you will be required to get the vaccination shots at the Kotoka Intl airport upon arrival before being permitted to enter the country.

✓ Yellow Fever Vaccinations

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Travel Protocols

✓ Airplane Ticket

This will be the most expensive part of your journey, Don't worry we got you. You can select the extra package for \$1500 USD and we will add you to the discounted group ticket. You may also use your travel miles to purchase tickets. Flights are usually 17 -22 hours one way depending on your departure location..

✓ Currency

The currency in Ghana is Cedis. Currently valued at \$1 USD = GHC 6 approx Ghana cedis

✓ Food & Drink

You can find any kind of food you want in Ghana. The challenge will be when we get the village. Be prepared with your own favorite snacks. We will do our best to accommodate you with your dietary requests but not a guaranteed service. We will drink water bottles to be safe.

✓ Transportation

Dreamers wish will provide all group transportation. You are welcome to get your own for a private tour however we do not recommend you leave the group until our projects are completed.



Travel Protocols

✓ Internet/Wifi

Cellular-based service is ver limited in rural areas so you might want to rely on your own wifi modem or purchase extra travel package from your network providers before travel. Hotels and airbnb's will not always have depending fast wifi. Be aware it is a third world infrastructure.

✓ Cell Phones

Just like internet connectivity cellular-based service is ver limited in rural areas. The country phone code for Ghana is 233, so if someone in the USA wants to call you or text you and your Ghana number is 0123456789, the person in the USA would drop the first digit and dial 011233123456789. To call or text the USA from Ghana using a Ghana phone you dial 001 + area code + number.

✓ Malaria

We recommend getting your malaria pills and any diarrhea, as well as any other, recommended travel medicine from your local clinic before travel.

✓ Accomodation

We will be staying in very clean, safe and well rated accommodations that will be similar to 4 star hotels. Hot showers may not always work, electricity may be available with intermittent disruptions. There may be the usual summer tropical bugs here and there but that is all expected. Nothing will harm you or make you uncomfortable.



What to Bring?

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In addition to your positive attitude



Flip flops



Hat



Backpack or fanny pack



OFF Bugspray



International chargers for 220-240 volts . Battery packs for your electronics



Swim suits



Travel Neck pillow



Hand Sanitiser and towelettes



All your medication



dirty Laundry bag



Sunglasses



Shorts and Tshirts



What Not to Bring?

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Shop and pack wisely



Nothing flashy or expensive



Bad attitude



Too much cash



Fake documents



Judgmental attitude



Bad Manners



Resources

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copy and paste these links or find them on the booking page



Ghana Covid protocols
<https://ghanaembassydc.org/covid-19>.



Volunteerism programs
dreamerswishfoundation.org/volunteerism



Insurance
www.travelguard.com



social media
[@dreamerswishfoundation.org](https://www.instagram.com/dreamerswishfoundation.org)



Visa ghana embassy
<https://www.ghanaembassydc.org/visa>



Voluntourism program
dreamerswishfoundation.org/voluntourism



Insurance at
www.travelsafe.com



Application form
dreamerswishfoundation.org/application-form



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Our website
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Together, we thrive

"It always seems impossible until
it is done."

Nelson Mandela



Now let's get to work.

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Thanks for being here!



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