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volunteer general information

VOLUNTEERING WITH **help2kids** IN TANZANIA AND MALAWI

Our volunteering programme offers you the unique opportunity to immerse yourself into the traditions of fascinating African countries. Join a young and dynamic team and experience the work of an NGO in Africa.





GENERAL

help2kids offers you the opportunity to discover the wonders of Africa and to live an unique experience in an aid organization. We need up to 16 volunteers for projects in Tanzania and up to 15 volunteers at a time for our projects in Malawi throughout the year.

What makes volunteering with **help2kids** unique is the possibility to combine two very different countries that are still close to each other. You can volunteer for one or more months in Malawi and change later to Tanzania, or vice versa. Permit prices for volunteers in Tanzania and Malawi depend on the length of your stay (no special permits for volunteering less than 3 months) so combining both countries may be a great way to save money.

REQUIREMENTS

Experience with children is an asset but not obligatory. Tell us your strengths, skills and interests. We have many projects and need different profiles, talents and competences. You should be at least 18 years old and willing to stay at least two weeks either in Tanzania or Malawi.

We are looking for motivated, flexible, adaptable, open-minded, communicative and pro-active volunteers who wish to immerse themselves into the African culture and traditions. While volunteering at **help2kids**, we ask that you try to keep an open mind to the new culture around you, as it is likely to be very different than your home country.

We want all of our volunteers to feel welcome and at home while living with us and we are happy to answer questions and offer advice on any issues. Tanzania and Malawi are wonderful countries, known for its friendly and hospitable people, and although each country has its difficulties, on the whole, these are wonderful places to live. We hope your volunteer experience with **help2kids** will be a rewarding, enjoyable and full of memorable moments.





VOLUNTEERING EXPERIENCE

Your tasks as a volunteer may include (according to project needs and your wishes):

- Teaching English and assisting the children with their homework
- Teaching Reading, Writing, Mathematics, Computers, Sports, Songs, Games, Dance, and other fun learning tools
- Teaching IT / computer skills
- Assisting with classes at our Partner Primary School
- Volunteering at the health clinic in Malawi
- Teaching English to fishermen at English Corner
- Working with our Tanzanian / Malawian staff at our projects
- Planning and organizing free time and sport activities for the children
- Household and administrative duties, such as helping to cook and gardening
- Sharing culture and traditions
- Participating in and/or planning field trips

Be creative and inspirational! If you have any preferences or wishes regarding your work – please let us know. Also tell us what you are interested in or if you have some special skills or knowledge which could be beneficial to our projects.

We have different kinds of assignments and would be more than happy for you to help with them! You know more than you are aware of and we can use everyone willing to spend time with us, our children and projects.

You will be part of an international team working with people from the Netherlands, Sweden, Switzerland, Canada, Germany, Australia, Ireland, Norway, France, United States, England, Italy, and many other countries.

What can you do during the weekend? There are plenty of exciting leisure activities around our Volunteerhouses in Dar es Salaam (Tanzania) and Senga Bay (Malawi). For further inspiration, have a look here:

For Tanzania: www.friendlygecko.com/guesthouse/tanzania/activities
 For Malawi: www.friendlygecko.com/guesthouse/malawi/activities





ACCOMMODATION

We offer nice and comfortable accommodation at the Friendly Gecko Volunteerhouses. For more information have a look at www.friendlygecko.com.

In Tanzania the Volunteerhouse is located on the help2kids Children's Home Campus, where we have 3 dorm rooms (a 6-bed and two 4-bed dormitories) as well as one private room. Our rooms have fans and a shared bathroom. In Malawi we have two 6-bed dorm rooms that share a bathroom as well as private rooms and even a private cottage. All beds are equipped with mosquito nets.

At the Gecko in Tanzania we offer wireless internet. In Malawi we offer pre-paid internet vouchers of 1 GB for less than USD 3 to pay on site. In Tanzania the cost of internet is 35 USD per month (a little over 1 USD a day) unlimited. We have a few bicycles volunteers can use to travel to the projects in Tanzania (15–20min ride away), and in Malawi you can reach all of the projects within a 10–15 minute walk.

During your stay with us we can help you to organize safaris in Tanzania's beautiful National Parks like Serengeti, Lake Manyara, Ngorongoro Crater and many more as well as hiking trips to the mountains and holidays on Zanzibar. In Malawi we have a partnership with a local tour operator, offering trips and excursions that include Cape McClear Nature Reserve and Mulanje Mountain Reserve. They offer special rates exclusively for our volunteers and guests.





COSTS

TANZANIA

Length of stay	Dormitory
30 + days	USD 154 per week
21 – 29 days	USD 189 per week
14 – 20 days	USD 245 per week

MALAWI

Length of stay	Dormitory
30 + days	USD 140 per week
21 – 29 days	USD 175 per week
14 – 20 days	USD 210 per week

The costs include accommodation in one of our dormitories (4–6 people), some meals, room cleaning, and security. In-country support and coordinating your volunteering placement at the different projects costs USD 200.

Our international management team on-site will always be present and take care of you. Travel costs, visa, permits and insurance are at the expense of the volunteers. If you would like, we can arrange a pick-up at the airport for USD 30 in Tanzania and for USD 90 in Malawi.

There are also private rooms available at the Friendly Gecko Volunteerhouses. If you wish to stay in a private room we can give you a specific quote on request (depending on availability and season).

Meals: Breakfast is provided 7 days per week, and lunch from Monday to Friday in Malawi. Our volunteer houses have well-equipped kitchens where our volunteers can prepare their own meals in the evening and on the weekends.

We ask our volunteers to pay a non-refundable deposit of USD 300 in advance before their arrival in Dar es Salaam or Lilongwe, in order to secure their volunteer place (deposit will be deducted from your final invoice). It can be paid either by bank transfer or credit card according to the following instructions: www.friendlygecko.com/guesthouse/tanzania/payment-information.



APPLICATIONS

Please fill out the online form on the following website and we will get in touch with you shortly with additional information: www.help2kids.org/en/sign-up

If you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact us by e-mail at volunteer@help2kids.org. You may send us your questions in English or German.

You may also call us by phone. Please find our contact information here: www.help2kids.org/en/contacts-en