

Global Volunteers Fact Sheet

Global Volunteers is a private, non-profit, non-sectarian international human and economic development organization founded in 1984. Working in consultative status with the United Nations ECOSOC, and with UNICEF and the World Food Programme (WFP), Global Volunteers helps to deliver Essential Services targeted on children in partner communities in 19 countries on five continents.

Focusing on community-driven projects in support of children, Global Volunteers engages teams of short-term volunteers to work on long-term development projects. More than 28,000 volunteers from 27 countries have served in this way. Some 200 teams of six to 20 volunteers, led by international staff and volunteer team leaders, are mobilized annually. Ninety-eight percent of the volunteers are from the United States and Canada; 77 percent are female. Volunteers pay a tax-deductible service program fee covering their food, lodging, host community transportation, project materials, team leader services, emergency medical evacuation insurance, and administrative costs ranging from \$995 to \$3,000.

The comprehensive community projects are directed by local leaders, and volunteers directly serve and provide material donations in these areas:

- ♦ Labor Assistance: Painting, Construction, Repair, Landscaping
- ◆ Teaching: Conversational English, Math, Science, Health and Nutrition, etc.
- ◆ Child Care: Babies, Young Children in Orphanages, Children's Homes, Childcare Centers and Medical Facilities
- ♦ Health Care: Non-invasive Assistance Blood Pressure Checks, Diabetes Screening, Eye Exams, Malaria Prevention
- ♦ Educational Campaigns: HIV/Aids Instruction, Hand-washing, School Gardens, Girls' Education, and the like

The community projects described above enable volunteers to help deliver the **12 Essential Services** as identified by the World Food Programme and UNICEF:

HUNGER

School and Household Gardens, Child Nutrition, Micronutrient Supplementation, Improved Stoves

HEALTH

Health, Nutrition and Hygiene Education;
Malaria Prevention, Deworming, HIV/Aids Education



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General Education, Promoting Girl's Education,
Potable Water and Sanitation Facilities, Psychosocial Support

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