

Long Term Volunteering

Those who say it cannot be done should not interrupt the people doing it.
(Chinese proverb)



Participatory Organic Research Extension+Training

in Zimbabwe, hosted by ZWA Zimbabwe

Theme:	North-South solidarity
Location	Chaseyama Village: Chimanimani
Duration:	Minimum 1 month up to 12 months.
Application:	The volunteer will get a decision within 2 weeks upon receipt of application form.
Vacancies	2
Languages:	
↔ Project:	English
↔ Local:	English,Other

If you are interested in taking part in this project, or if you would like to get more information about becoming a long term volunteer, please contact your local SCI organisation. You can search for the contact information here: <http://www.sciint.org/contact-us/local-sci-branch-or-partner>

Project Description:

Participatory Organic Research and Training Trust works with the community to address hunger, malnutrition, and poverty. The aim is to support the farmers in the low rainfall area of Chaseyama in adopting techniques and skills which are essential for the whole area to survive and attain a sustainable, productive and healthy life situation. At Chaseyama, we have begun creating a space in which people can learn adapted techniques and methods that improve the quality of community life. We are currently planning to expand our work since the demand is growing in the face of the climate change.

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Work: Volunteers will work with farmers in adopting techniques and skills which are essential for the whole area to survive and produce food sustainably while promoting a healthy community and ecological farming. The project will also link with local health providers from the government to promote good nutritional practices by local women thorough house to house visits by the Volunteers with training tools. Volunteers will also facilitate training and extra-curricular activities for the beneficiaries. The idea of the centre is to provide hands on training, so

as to be self-reliant. The centre also addresses issues of the local communities in regards to sustainable livelihoods. Participants will also work together with the communities in crafting strategies which have the capacity to achieve zero hunger amongst the beneficiaries as well as the surrounding communities and beyond. Volunteers will also have an opportunity to engage in indoor and outdoor games with the beneficiaries.

Requirements: No special skills are required in this program. Basically, passion and commitment are all volunteers require to take part in this program. Development Practitioners are most welcome to this project. Volunteers with other ideas to share are most welcome.

Food: Basic meals will be provided in the host family from what is locally available in the local community. Volunteers are therefore advised to be flexible and open minded. This will make it easy to negotiate entry in to the community as volunteers.

Accommodation: The volunteer will live with host families within the community and this will provide volunteers with the opportunity to learn more from the local people and also share in their daily way of life as well as deep understanding of the host community.

Pocket money: None

Insurance: Not provided. Volunteer has to have his/her own insurance.

Fees: 250 EUR per month. Orientation, evaluation, monitoring, project set up, administrative expenses, supporting small community projects during the project, certificate of participation, accommodation, feeding and communication prior to, during and after the project.

Visa: Volunteers will arrange for the visa themselves.

Others: The participation fee does not include internal travels to and from the project station, refreshment outside the project air ticket, excursions, visa and insurance, ocal travel and personal effects. Volunteers are advised to reserve EUR50 for airport transfers, transport to and from the project venue.