

# Long Term Volunteering

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



## Community Homestead VFP-MTV/LTV01

*in USA, hosted by Volunteers For Peace USA*

<b>Theme:</b>	Disabilities
<b>Location</b>	Nestled into the bluffs of the St Croix River Valley, we are on the border of Wisconsin/Minnesota
<b>Duration:</b>	3 month minimum commitment
<b>Application:</b>	Either the partners or VFPs Motivation form Required Conversational English Skype interview required Background check and form signed by doctor
<b>Vacancies</b>	4
<b>Languages:</b>	
↔ <b>Project:</b>	English
↔ <b>Local:</b>	English

*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:**

About: Centered upon an organic dairy farm and large garden, Community Homestead is a sustainable non-profit living and working with people with developmental challenges. We believe that everyone has value and importance, and can contribute to a purposeful life no matter their abilities. In teams of people of all ages, abilities and backgrounds, we run the farm, bakery, kitchens, gardens and craft groups, look after each other and create a happy home and social life. We live in extended family households within walking distance of the farm and find our high energy, friendly lifestyle

**Work:** Volunteers are welcomed and live as part of a household where they help with the running of the home they also enjoy. During the work week they join a team on the land, bakery, food preserving kitchen, construction/woodworking, or crafts, facilitating, learning, and helping the team reach their goal. Weekends and evenings are filled with social and vocational opportunities. The type of volunteer work is matched to the individuals tastes and strengths to optimize the most fulfilling experience for all. The hours vary and follow a farm-life structure

with some early mornings and late nights in the growing season and a creative, co operative, and flexible attitude to social opportunities and travel to best suit everyone.

Coworker position requires a motivated person who enjoys being part of a team. Practical idealism, an appreciation of the outdoors, and a wish to make a real difference in the world helps!

**Requirements:** Passport and a copy of your passport Required insurance: Volunteers must obtain health and accident insurance for the duration of your travel and stay in the United States. This insurance must cover you for all medical eventualities. You must bring all necessary documents, contact numbers, etc with you. (If you cannot prove that you have insurance on arrival, you will not be allowed to take part in our workcamps.)

**Food:** All meals, and use of amenities (computer, wifi, toiletries, house phone, workshops) is included.

**Accommodation:** Volunteers live together family- style in homes lead by long term volunteers in the community. Each person has their own bedroom.

**Pocket money:** None

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**Fees:** None

**Visa:** –

**Others:** –