Short Term Volunteering (Workcamps) 2024

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**Background:**

Citarum is the longest river in West Java runs over 300 kilometres from the Wayang Mountain to the Java Sea. There are 30 million people rely on the water source for agriculture, water supply, fishery, industry, sewerage, electricity, etc. However, unregulated factory growth since the area’s rapid industrialisation in the 1980s has choked the Citarum with both human and industrial waste. The 5 million people who lived in the river basin are directly affected. Over 200 textile factories line the river banks and contaminate the river with lead, mercury, arsenic and other toxins, changing its colour and lending the area an acrid odour. Moreover, the river is also polluted and filed with trash such plastic, styrofoam, even dead animals.

**Project Aims:**

- To support the foundation program in Environment conservation, social and education
- To promote the foundation as a learning center for environment conservation
- To organize mini library for local people
- To spread out the idea of voluntary service and international workcamp among the local people
- To raise awareness about the garbage problem in Citarum river
- To organize environment education for children in Citarum Basin Area.
Main Work:
There are two activities: Physical Work (Picking up garbage from Citarum river and saguling basin, doing garbage management, planting trees, making organic fertilizer, gardening, and making handy craft) and Non-physical Work (Conducting language class, mentoring green school project, taking part in culture class, doing school visits, organizing an environment educational workshop or socialization, creating art activities and promoting mini-library)

Accommodation
✓ House of local people. Volunteers will share together sleeping space separately between females and males.
✓ No bed. Need sleeping bag.
✓ Self-cooking by the volunteers.
✓ Volunteers will make common rules & daily teams for their collective living group.
✓ Shared Bathroom with Indonesian-style toilet (squatting toilet) & sitting toilet.
✓ No shower, use the bucket and dipper.
✓ Wet toilet, using water instead of toilet paper

Participation fee:
3,800,000 IDR or equals to 255 USD
This Fee covers:
✓ Project Material during Workcamp
✓ Accommodation during Workcamp
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✓ And GREAT will provide TRANSPORTATION/pick up ONLY from MEETING POINT to PROJECT SITE and VICE VERSA at the scheduled time by our campleaders)
✓ Transportation during Workcamp
✓ Meals 3x per day during workcamp (EXCLUDE 1 day during Free Day/Excursion)
✓ GREAT T-Shirt
✓ Hospitality for Local Partner/People
✓ Management fee for GREAT (for the work camp preparation, project sustainability & development, Camp Leaders’ Transportation and Communication, Local Members Training and Workshop, Staff Salary)

Participation Fee does not cover:
✓ Your Personal Expenses
✓ Health and Travel Insurance, Medical Care and Personal Medicine.
✓ Communication and Internet during Workcamp
Spring STV 02
27 Feb - 11 Mar 2024
Star Paws - Stray Cat Project

Background:
Some people just ignore the existence of stray cats in their neighborhood or even see stray cats as pests. They live in the traditional market, housing area, and also the streets. Often, we find kittens being dumped inside a box on the street and in the traditional markets. People just don’t want to be bothered by the newborn kitten and think that dumping the kittens in the traditional market will solve the problem. In fact, almost all kittens die instead of surviving. It is not different from slowly killing them.

Project Aims:
This project focuses on two main activities. Raising awareness of local people against animal abuse, spreading the message to start doing good things for stray animals around us. Supporting the cat lover community by helping them to maintain the shelter, street feeding, and fundraising. By joining this project, volunteers will also learn how to pet a cat properly and have a chance to practice Indonesian Traditional Martial Arts.

Main Works:
- Street Feeding in Universities, Traditional Market, and other places.
- Manual works in the cat shelter
- Caretaking a cat (volunteers have to choose a cat from Star Paws as their pet during the workcamp)
- Campaign against animal abuse using social media
- Mini-workshop on stray cat care issues
- Semarang Historical City Tour
- Practicing Indonesian traditional martial art
- Culture exchange with university students

Accommodation:
- 2nd floor of the Star Paws Building
- Shared room with the other volunteers
- Shared bathroom and toilet
- Shared kitchen & fridge
- Wifi available
- Close to the ATM, food stall, and supermarket
- Laundry shop available nearby
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Summer STV 08
13 - 26 Mar 2024
Mulyo Asri Mangrove Project

Background:
Pekalongan Mangrove is a project targeting endangered villages or areas located on coastal lines in Pekalongan. This project is a sustainable project organized by GREAT in cooperation with local communities called Banawa Sekar to answer the needs of preserving the coastal side of Pekalongan. Pekalongan City is one of the directed affected by global climate change among many of islands in the world. The project is preserving natural diversity and sea shore from erosion because of significantly mangrove cutting in the 70’s-80s along with strong waves from the ocean.

Project Aims:
Preserving natural diversity and seashore from erosion because of lack of mangroves and too strong waves from the ocean. Raising awareness of the importance of mangrove conservation as one part of environment protection to the local children, teenagers, and people.
To support the local initiatives of local fisher and farmer communities in protecting the seashore by planting mangroves. And to increase the awareness of the other local people and children to protect do sustainable action of environment protection, in the coastal area of Pekalongan.

Main works:
- Planting mangroves, harvesting mangroves seeds, seedling mangroves.
- Sharing environmental education with local people and children
- Conducting school visits and universities for environmental education
- Running a green campaign in the city center, managing the mangrove fruits to be drinks or foods and promoting it.
- Exchange culture between local people and volunteers
- Learning about Mangroves
- Learning how to make mangrove syrups
Accommodation:

✓ House of local people, located nearby the mangrove park.
✓ Shared living room with other participants.
✓ A sleeping bag is needed, mosquito lotion should be applied before your sleep.
✓ No WiFi
✓ No fridge

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