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# BVS PROJECT FILES

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# WELCOME INTO BVS!

Hi, I'm Chelsea, the director of Brethren Volunteer Service, and I'm really glad you are here and look forward to getting to know you through your volunteer journey!



Director  
Chelsea Goss Skillen

The BVS Project Files are designed to help you discern what project sites you may be interested in serving. The BVS staff will be here helping you through the process to make sure you get a good project match with what your interest and skills are.

As you look through these projects and visit their websites, you'll be picking your top 3 choices! After that, the BVS staff will meet with you one-on-one, and will start connecting you with the projects for interviews.

While the Project Files have information about each project site, what kind of work you can expect, and your housing; sometimes these can change depending on that organizations needs. During interviews with the projects, you'll want to make sure to ask about what kind of work you'd be expected to do and what the living situation is like. Often projects can adapt the kind of work you'd be doing based off of your skills and interest, so make sure to tell them your interest, things you'd like to learn, and what skills you can bring.

If at any point during the placement process you have questions, please reach out to the BVS staff at [BVS@brethren.org](mailto:BVS@brethren.org). We are all really glad that you are here!

*-Chelsea Goss Skillen*

## MEET THE BVS STAFF



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# CASA DE ESPERANZA DE LOS NIÑOS

## HOUSTON, TEXAS

### ABOUT

Casa de Esperanza de los Niños (The House of Hope for Children) serves as a safe place for children who are in crisis due to abuse, neglect, or HIV/AIDS. Casa provides residential care and coordinates medical and psychological services according to the needs of each child.

Working with: Children

### JOB TITLES

House Parent

### HOUSING

There are 10 houses in a gated community. House Parent's are typically in charge of house (with other volunteers), living in one of these houses with 4-5 children in their care. Each House Parent has their own bedroom.

### LINKS



### OVERVIEW



City Setting



Living with other Volunteers and Children



Accepts Couples



Must be 21+

### OTHER

Applicants must have a love for children and be willing to work closely with them while taking on high levels of responsibility. Due to legal constraints, volunteers must be 21 when they begin work here.

FOR EVEN MORE INFO







# CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN, INC.

## ELGIN, ILLINOIS

### ABOUT

A historic peace church, Church of the Brethren has ministries that seek to equip youth with tools they need to serve as God's peace witness. Two of these ministries—FaithX (formerly Workcamps) and Youth and Young Adult Ministries (YYA)—work with youth and young adult programming within the church.

Working with: Youth & Young Adults, Administration



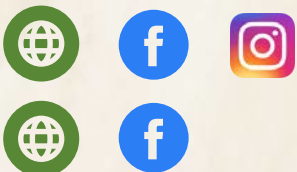
### JOB TITLES

Assistant FaithX Coordinator  
YYA Youth Worker

### HOUSING

Live in a community house with anywhere from 2-3 other volunteers within walking distance to the office. Located in a vibrant community where something is always happening, Elgin is also within driving distance to Chicago.

### LINKS



### OVERVIEW



City Setting



Living with other Volunteers



May be a possibility



Accepts Couples

### OTHER

While a Brethren background is preferred, it is not a requirement. Both of these positions are pre-orientation positions and will be available to apply for prior to the summer orientation.





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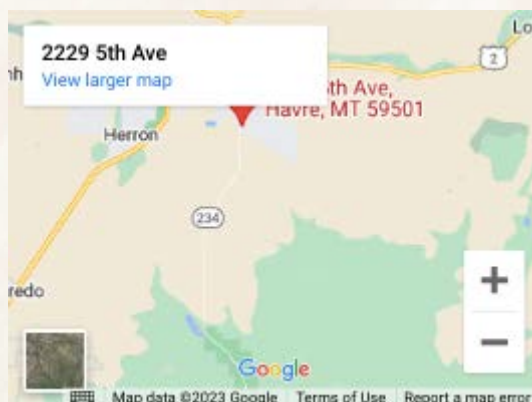
# HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

## HAVRE, MONTANA

### ABOUT

HRDC's mission is to partner with people with low income in their effort to achieve economic stability and advocate for social and economic advancement. Volunteers can choose to work in the food bank, help with clients and events, or with facility maintenance.

Working with: Homelessness, Community Services



### JOB TITLES

Facilities Maintenance Worker  
Food Bank Assistant  
Agency Assistant

### HOUSING

The volunteer is provided a 2-bedroom apartment in a rural setting. The town of Havre is located among the mountains of Montana.

### OVERVIEW



Rural Setting



Older Adults



Accepts Couples

### OTHER

HRDC has a variety of programs and many areas where a volunteer may be needed. HRDC can also provide a tailored experience to meet the interest and skills of the volunteer.

### LINKS



FOR EVEN MORE INFO





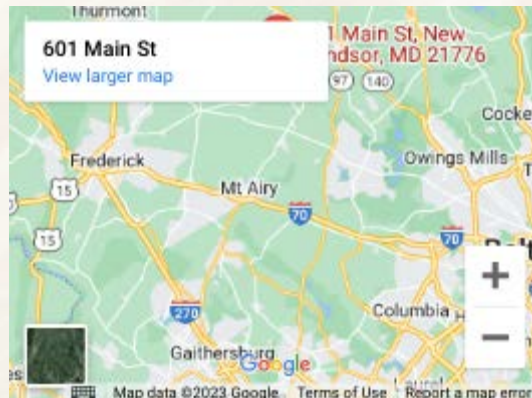
# BRETHREN DISASTER MINISTRIES

## NEW WINDSOR, MARYLAND

### ABOUT

Volunteers with Brethren Disaster Ministries work at various domestic disaster recovery projects and become part of the recovering community, helping to foster good relationships with short-term disaster response volunteers and the disaster survivors. The volunteers work with other monthly disaster project leaders to form a leadership team.

Working with: Construction, Administration



### JOB TITLES

Jobsite Disaster Project Leader  
Office Disaster Project Leader

### HOUSING

BVS Volunteers stay at volunteer housing sites. This is typically a church, trailer, community building, or house that is set to house up to 20 volunteers each week including weekly volunteers and leadership.

### LINKS



### OVERVIEW



Living with other Volunteers



May be a possibility



Accepts Couples



Older Adults



Must be 21+

### OTHER

All BDM volunteers should be at least 21 years old and willing to move around the country depending on the assignment.

FOR EVEN MORE INFO







# INNISFREE VILLAGE

## CROZET, VIRGINIA

### ABOUT

Volunteers experience the daily joys and challenges of living, working, and playing in a close-knit environment, learning from each other and developing profound, lifelong relationships, while emphasizing empowerment, interdependence, and mutual respect of all community members, including adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. As an intentional, life-sharing community, Innisfree Village values meaningful work and fosters creativity through artistic crafts, stewardship of the land, and daily community life.

Working with: People with Disabilities, Agriculture

### JOB TITLES

Residential Volunteer

### HOUSING

Volunteers live in a private room in residential homes in the village along with at least one other volunteer and between 2-6 residents. Innisfree is set in the foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountains. As a 550 acre farm, the community is situated in a serene valley, just 30 minutes north of the burgeoning college town of Charlottesville, VA. The village is also a few short miles from Shenandoah National Park.

### LINKS



### OVERVIEW



Rural Setting



Living with other Volunteers



May be a possibility



Accepts Couples

### OTHER

Volunteers are also engaged in therapeutic work in the art studio, bakery, community kitchen, farm, herb and vegetable gardens, weavery, woodshop, and free school activities like pottery and music.

FOR EVEN MORE INFO





# GOULD FARM

## MONTEREY, MASSACHUSETTS

### ABOUT

Founded in 1913, Gould Farm is America's original community for psychiatric rehabilitation in an open setting, located on 700 acres of farm and woodlands. Guests—those selected for treatment and care—receive services that are rooted in the simple belief that every person has something vital to contribute, despite mental or emotional vulnerabilities. Gould Farm uses a community-oriented, work-based approach towards therapy. The work programs are designed to provide structural support, community engagement, and responsibility for the guests.

Working with: People with Disabilities, Agriculture

### JOB TITLES

Volunteer

### HOUSING

Volunteers live in a private room in one of the shared residential buildings. The area has plenty of opportunity for hiking and exploring. The location is also within driving distance to Albany, NY, Springfield, MA, and Hartford, CT.

### LINKS



### OVERVIEW



Rural Setting



Living with other Volunteers



May be a possibility



Accepts Couples

### OTHER

Volunteers should possess flexibility, sound emotional and physical health, mature judgment, common sense, good communication skills, warmth, interest in community living, successful job experience, and a valid driver's license.

FOR EVEN MORE INFO







# CAMP HIGH HOPES

## SIOUX CITY, IOWA

### ABOUT

Camp High Hopes is a year-round recreational and respite facility that works with children and adults with disabilities in a camp setting. During the summer, Camp High Hopes has week-long and day camps that run simultaneously. During the off-season, there are weekend camps, Saturday day camps, and evening activities for people with disabilities.

Working with: People with Disabilities, Camps



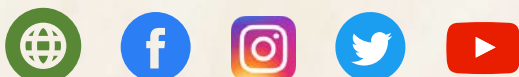
### JOB TITLES

Program Fellow

### HOUSING

Volunteers share a house onsite with other volunteers or interns at the camp. The camp is built on a lake and there is plenty of wooded area for hiking and exploring. The camp also includes an archery range, high ropes adventure activities, arts and crafts, and nature programs. Canoeing and fishing on the lake is also a possibility.

### LINKS



### OVERVIEW



Rural Setting



Living with other Volunteers



May be a possibility



Accepts Couples

### OTHER

As a camp, High Hopes has more activity during the summer and the volunteer may have more down time in the fall and winter. While there may be less activity, the camp will need help with marketing, fundraising, recruiting, and social media.

FOR EVEN MORE INFO





# L'ARCHE CHICAGO

## CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

### ABOUT

At L'Arche Chicago, people with and without developmental disabilities share life together in communities of faith. Assistants and core members (adults with disabilities) enter into mutual relationships, revealing each other's gifts by fostering a community of belonging and affirmation. L'Arche Chicago is part of an international federation of L'Arche communities that are connected through shared values of service, community, spirituality, and outreach.

Working with: People with Disabilities

### JOB TITLES

Assistant

### HOUSING

Assistants live alongside core members, as well as other live-in staff members. A furnished private bedroom is provided in a residential home with a shared kitchen and individual bathrooms. The community is located in Forest Park, just a short train ride from downtown Chicago.

### LINKS



### OVERVIEW



City Setting



Living with other Volunteers



May be a possibility



Accepts Couples

### OTHER

Assistants should be willing to share in all tasks relevant to maintaining a warm and welcoming home.

FOR EVEN MORE INFO







# L'ARCHE SYRACUSE

## SYRACUSE, NEW YORK

### ABOUT

L'Arche Syracuse is a part of an international network of communities who offer a home where persons with disabilities—called core members—and those who share life with them—called Assistants—live together in a faith-based community.

Working with: People with Disabilities

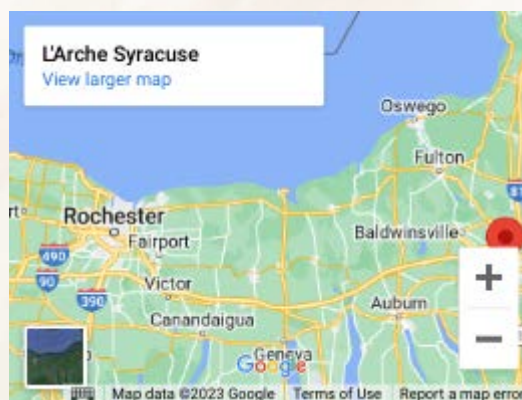
### JOB TITLES

Assistant

### HOUSING

Assistants live alongside our core members, as well as other live-in staff members. A furnished private bedroom is provided in a residential home with a shared kitchen and individual bathrooms. Syracuse is a medium size city located in central New York. The community is near the Finger Lakes, the Great lakes and less than 2 hours from the Adirondack Mountains. Syracuse has four seasons, many city parks, the State Fair, and is a five hour drive from New York City.

### LINKS



### OVERVIEW



City Setting/Small Town Feel



Living with other Volunteers

### OTHER

Assistants must be able to drive, pass a first aid and CPR course, and become medication-certified to give scheduled medications under the supervision of our Nurse. There is personal physical care of core members required.

FOR EVEN MORE INFO





# ABODE SERVICES

## FREMONT, CALIFORNIA

### ABOUT

Abode Services' mission is to end homelessness by assisting low-income, un-housed people, including those with special needs, to secure stable, supportive housing; and to be advocates for the removal of the causes of homelessness.

Working with: Homelessness



### JOB TITLES

Shelter Monitor  
Assistant Kitchen Coordinator  
Children's Activity Leader

### HOUSING

Live in independent apartment with other volunteers. Great three-bedroom, 2 bathroom apartment complete with laundry facilities, and cable with internet access. Close to parks, walking paths, Bart train, city bus and other local attractions.

### LINKS



### OVERVIEW



City Setting



Living with other Volunteers



May be a possibility

### OTHER

Abode often had 2-3 BVS volunteers who share an apartment. Work and schedules can vary between volunteer and what your job title is.

FOR EVEN MORE INFO







# PROJECT PLASE

## BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

### ABOUT

Project PLASE (People Lacking Ample Shelter and Employment) is a homeless housing organization working to bring hope, restore dignity, and end the cycle of homelessness for clients and their families. Volunteers help provide quality service to residents and to help them access stable housing and resources.

Working with: Homelessness

### JOB TITLES

Advocacy Counselor  
Maintenance Assistant  
Office Assistant  
Central Intake Counselor  
Volunteer Coordinator

### HOUSING

Volunteers with Project PLASE will have a private room in a house run by a Mennonite organization with other volunteers and those seeking asylum. Public transportation is available and the area is near plenty of local attractions. Washington, D.C. is a short train ride away.

### LINKS



### OVERVIEW



City Setting



Living with other Volunteers



May be a possibility



Accepts Couples

### OTHER

There are two possible locations that volunteers will work at for PLASE. Volunteers with PLASE will also have to fill out an application and interview for housing, this is typically a smooth process.

FOR EVEN MORE INFO





# LA PUENTE HOME

## ALAMOSA, COLORADO

### ABOUT

La Puente Home is a charity organization that serves the homeless, the hungry, and people living in poverty in the San Luis Valley (SLV) of Colorado by providing emergency shelter, food services, advocacy, and transitional assistance. Volunteers with La Puente often work with La Puente's two enterprise locations: a coffee shop and thrift shop.

Working with: Homelessness, Community Services

### JOB TITLES

Enterprise Associate  
Homeless Shelter Staff  
Outreach/Homeless Prevention Case Manager

### HOUSING

Volunteers live in a community house with other volunteers, typically from AmeriCorps. La Puente is located in Colorado's San Luis Valley, located in south central Colorado and touching the New Mexico border. It is the largest high alpine valley in the world and lies between the Rocky Mountains and the San Juan Mountains.

### LINKS



### OVERVIEW



Rural/Small City Setting



Living with other Volunteers



May be a possibility



Accepts Couples

### OTHER

Over 20% of residents in the San Luis Valley live at or below the poverty level. Many of the residents are also migrants and speak Spanish, so if you know Spanish, this project would be great for you!

FOR EVEN MORE INFO







# SNOWCAP

## PORTLAND, OREGON

### ABOUT

SnowCap Food Pantry is a 52-year-old charity providing food and clothing to over 9,000 low-income neighbors each month. With over 1,000 volunteers, SnowCap is a great fit for volunteers who love a fast-paced environment, interacting with people, and able to fill-in where work flow is needed.

Working with: Homelessness



### JOB TITLES

Client Services Worker  
Pantry Worker

### HOUSING

Volunteers live in a 2-bedroom apartment with another BVS volunteer, owned by one of the SnowCap staff. There is also options to ride bikes or take the train/bus for transportation. Portland is a vibrant community where there is always something going on.

### LINKS



### OVERVIEW



City Setting



Living with one other Volunteer



May be a possibility

### OTHER

Due to housing, SnowCap cannot accept more than two volunteers at a time.

FOR EVEN MORE INFO





# NEW BETHANY

## BETHLEHEM, PENNSYLVANIA

### ABOUT

New Bethany is a community of hope and support for people experiencing poverty, hunger, and homelessness. The organization operates two soup kitchens, a food pantry, transitional and permanent housing, and provides wrap-around services designed to help people stabilize their lives.

Working with: Homelessness



### JOB TITLES

Hospitality and Nutrition Coordinator

### HOUSING

Full-time volunteers will stay in an apartment with at least one other roommate, who is also a full-time volunteer. Couples may have an apartment to themselves. Downtown Bethlehem is highly walkable areas. The region is close to many hiking opportunities, including the Appalachian Trail.

### LINKS



### OVERVIEW



City Setting/Small Town Feel



May be a possibility



Accepts Couples

### OTHER

New Bethany has two locations in downtown Bethlehem, and the volunteer will work at either location as needed.

FOR EVEN MORE INFO







# LYDIA'S HOUSE

## CINCINNATI, OHIO

### ABOUT

Lydia's House is a home for women and children experiencing homelessness. We provide supportive, safe and stable housing for these families, first via our shelter (houses up to five families) and then through our affordable apartments nearby. Volunteer share meals and worship/prayer.

Working with: Homelessness, Women and Children



### JOB TITLES

Maternal and Early Childhood Advocate





### HOUSING

Lydia's House is located in Norwood, Ohio, a small town surrounded on all sides by Cincinnati. Big City amenities plus walkable neighborhood where you actually know your neighbors. Volunteers live in apartments in the neighborhood. Some are adjoining the shelter, while others may be in our affordable housing apartment nearby.

### LINKS



### OVERVIEW

-  City Setting/ Small Town Feel
-  Living intentionally with those you work with
-  May be a possibility
-  Accepts Couples

### OTHER

This is a new project as of 2023. We're looking for a volunteer who is thoughtful, flexible, and can take initiative. At our core is hospitality, so being able to welcome strangers well is vital. You'll need patience and an ability to work hard.

FOR EVEN MORE INFO





# BERNARDO KOHLER CENTER

## AUSTIN, TEXAS

### ABOUT

The Bernardo Kohler Center (BKC) is a non-profit organization providing legal, social, and educational services. Its mission is to attain safety, respect, and justice for abused, abandoned, neglected juveniles, victims of crime and human trafficking, and asylum seekers.

Working with: Justice, Advocacy, Administration



### JOB TITLES

Receptionist-Intake Assistant

### HOUSING

Volunteers will be provided with a private room in a family home within the community of Austin. The city of Austin is the capitol of Texas, and is known for a vibrant music scene. There are also plenty of parks and lakes for hiking and fishing.

### LINKS



### OVERVIEW



City Setting



Living with Host Family



May be a possibility

### OTHER

Since Bernardo Kohler Center works with immigrants, it would be most helpful for them to have a volunteer that can speak both Spanish and English. The project itself is located within a church setting.

FOR EVEN MORE INFO







# OFFICE OF PEACEBUILDING AND POLICY

## WASHINGTON, DC

### ABOUT

The Church of the Brethren Office of Peacebuilding and Policy works on matters of public policy, social concern, and peace theology by advocating in Washington D.C., and organizing Church of the Brethren members and congregations to act on issues of concern for the denomination. Areas of focus include U.S. foreign policy with a particular focus on matters of war and peace, racial justice, climate change, immigration policy, and food insecurity.

Working with: Peace, Justice, Administration

### JOB TITLES

Associate

### HOUSING

Volunteers live in a Brethren community house with other volunteers working in Washington, D.C. Both the house and the office are located on Capitol Hill, within a few blocks of the Capitol building and the National Mall.

### LINKS



### OVERVIEW



City Setting



Living with other Volunteers

### OTHER

This is a very research and writing heavy position, and volunteers should be prepared for such work. Volunteers will also be expected to understand research Brethren policy and scripture.

FOR EVEN MORE INFO





# CENTER ON CONSCIENCE AND WAR

## WASHINGTON, DC

### ABOUT

The Center on Conscience & War (CCW, formerly NISBCO) was founded in 1940 to defend and extend the rights of conscientious objectors to war. The Program Assistant engages in research and writing, website and computer maintenance, participation in workshops and other public events on conscientious objection and war, and general administrative tasks. Specific duties may vary based on an individual's interests and skills.

Working with: Peace, Justice, Administration

### JOB TITLES

Program Assistant

### HOUSING

Volunteers live in a Brethren community house with other volunteers working in Washington, D.C. The house is located on Capitol Hill, within a few blocks of the Capitol building and the National Mall.

### LINKS



### OVERVIEW



City Setting



Living with other Volunteers

### OTHER

The office is located on the fourth floor of a building with no elevator. However, much of the work can be done from home. CCW also seeks younger volunteers to engage with young adults.

FOR EVEN MORE INFO







# LANCASTER LEBANON AREA HABITAT FOR HUMANITY LANCASTER, PENNSYLVANIA

## ABOUT

Lancaster Lebanon Area Habitat for Humanity (LLHFH) works in partnership with the surrounding community to develop strong neighborhoods where people can live and grow into all that God intended. This is done in two ways: by building affordable homes for first-time homeowners and through selling home building materials, furniture, and appliances at affordable rates via the Habitat for Humanity ReStore.

Working with: Housing, Community Services

## JOB TITLES

ReStore Warehouse Merchandiser  
Construction Crew Leader

## HOUSING

Volunteers live in an independent 2-bedroom house near the office. Lancaster boasts a vibrant downtown community with restaurants, art, and shops, with the quiet countryside only a short drive away. Only 1.5 hours from Philadelphia and Baltimore, and 2.5 hours away from New York City and Washington, D.C.

## LINKS



## OVERVIEW



Small City Setting



Living in Independent House

## OTHER

Due to the nature of the work for Habitat for Humanity, both positions require volunteers to be able to lift 75 pounds and be on their feet all day.

FOR EVEN MORE INFO





# CAMP COURAGEOUS

## MONTICELLO, IOWA

### ABOUT

Camp Courageous of Iowa is a year-round recreation and respite care facility that annually serves over 6,000 people with disabilities. Through trying a variety of creative and challenging activities and experiencing success, campers develop enhanced self-esteem, which carries over to work, home, or school environments.

Working with: Camp, People with Disabilities



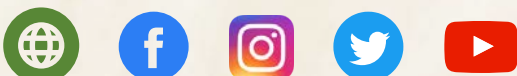
### JOB TITLES

Counselor  
Nursing Assistant  
Maintenance/Housekeeping Assistant  
Dietary Assistant

### HOUSING

Volunteers live onsite in a private room within the staff dormitory. Camp Courageous is located in the beautiful Pictured Rocks area of rural Jones County Iowa, just south of Monticello.

### LINKS



### OVERVIEW



Rural Setting



Living intentionally with those you work with



May be a possibility



Accepts Couples

### OTHER

Positions will take into account the volunteer's skills, abilities, and interests.

FOR EVEN MORE INFO





Not Available until Oct.



# CAMP STEVENS

## JULIAN, CALIFORNIA

### ABOUT

Camp Stevens is a year-round camp and conference center with an emphasis on environmental stewardship, personal growth, and community development. Volunteers contribute to socially-conscious camp programs, physical property maintenance, and intentional community living. Camp Stevens offers a unique opportunity for energetic and creative people who enjoy learning, growing, and contributing to the whole camp operation.

Working with: Camp, Environment, Youth

### JOB TITLES

Resident Intern

### HOUSING

Volunteers live onsite in a private room with other interns. Julian is a small historic mining town, located in the inland mountains of San Diego County, an hour from the ocean and a half hour to the desert. Camp Stevens is a mile or so hike to the town of Julian. The camp is about 250 acres of pine-oak woodland, meadows, chaparral, ponds and a seasonal creek, with organic gardens and fruit trees on site.

### LINKS



### OVERVIEW

-  Rural Setting
-  Living with other volunteers
-  May be a possibility
-  Accepts Couples

### OTHER

Must be able to perform job description with or without reasonable accommodation. In the case of married couples, both individuals must work as interns, and separate un-shared housing cannot be guaranteed.

FOR EVEN MORE INFO







# CAMP MARDELA

## DENTON, MARYLAND

### ABOUT

Camp Mardela, owned by the Mid-Atlantic District of the Church of the Brethren, is located on 125 acres of woodland. Camp Mardela's mission is to "provide children and adults with opportunities for spiritual growth, fellowship, and recreation in a setting that deepens their appreciation for God's creation."

Working with: Camp, Youth

### JOB TITLES

Volunteer

### HOUSING

Volunteers have a couple of different housing options in houses onsite. Camp Mardela is a rustic camp located on the Eastern Shore of Maryland. It is the perfect, peaceful haven in a rural area, but within driving distance of other attractions like the city or beach.. The camp is located on Watts Creek - a tidal creek that leads to the Choptank River, which leads to the Chesapeake Bay.

### LINKS



### OVERVIEW



Rural Setting



May be a possibility



Accepts Couples

### OTHER

As a camp, there will be more free time in the fall and winter months, while the summer months will be incredibly busy. Camp staff will do their best to give the volunteer plenty to do during the off-season.

FOR EVEN MORE INFO







# CAMP SWATARA

## BETHEL, PENNSYLVANIA

### ABOUT

Camp Swatara is a Church of the Brethren summer camp, family campground, and year-round retreat center. Camp Swatara's purpose is to provide opportunities in a natural setting for persons of all ages to grow in their relationship to Jesus Christ so that they may live their lives in total discipleship for Him.

Working with: Camp, Youth

### JOB TITLES

Volunteer

### HOUSING

Volunteer housing varies based on availability of camp housing options and the season of the year, and camp staff will work with the volunteer for acceptable options. While the camp itself is in a more remote area, with beautiful mountains and farmland, it is within an hour of Lancaster, Allentown, Reading, and Harrisburg.

### LINKS



### OVERVIEW



Rural Setting



Living with other volunteers



Accepts Couples

### OTHER

As a camp, the volunteer's work and schedule between the winter and summer can vary greatly. During the summer, volunteers work similar hours to the summer camp staff, meaning that they are often working around the clock - with breaks accordingly.

FOR EVEN MORE INFO



Not Available until Oct.



# CAMP ALEXANDER MACK

## MILFORD, INDIANA

### ABOUT

Camp Alexander Mack is a summer camp and year-round retreat center. The recently adopted mission statement reads: "Camp Mack provides a sanctuary where people connect with God, experience creation, and build Christian community." This is a position that carries lots of wonderful opportunities to share God's love, provide experiences in the natural world, and live in and build Christian community.

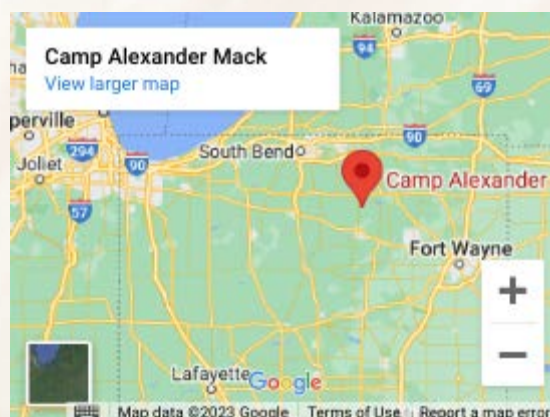
Working with: Camp, Youth

### JOB TITLES

Volunteer

### HOUSING

Housing is typically in a separate apartment building set apart from the program area of the camp in a two-bedroom apartment. (This is subject to change) Milford is a small rural town in north central Indiana. It is located almost directly in between the small cities of Goshen and Warsaw. For a rural area, there are a number of affordable restaurants and theaters nearby.



### OVERVIEW



Rural Setting



Living and working on site



May be a possibility



Accepts Couples

### OTHER

The camp schedules changes depending on the season.

### LINKS



FOR EVEN MORE INFO







# FERNCLIFF

## LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS

### ABOUT

Ferncliff Camp and Conference Center, a Presbyterian-affiliated site outside of Little Rock, Arkansas, serves as a summer camp, retreat center, preschool, and center for mission. Ferncliff's emphasis is on outreach, eco-sustainability, and creative collaboration.

Working with: Camp, Youth, Environment



### JOB TITLES

Residential Volunteer

### HOUSING

Volunteers live in a communal house with private rooms, shared bathrooms, and shared living space. Ferncliff encompasses 1200 acres just a few miles west of Little Rock. Arkansas - the Natural State - is a destination with hundreds of hidden outdoor destinations and beautiful state and national parks.

### LINKS



### OVERVIEW



Rural Setting/Near a City



Living with other volunteers



May be a possibility



Accepts Couples

### OTHER

Ferncliff hosts multiple programs, including a Nature preschool and a disaster assistance center, and the volunteer may be asked to work in multiple capacities.

FOR EVEN MORE INFO







# CAMP KOINONIA

## CLE ELUM, WASHINGTON

### ABOUT

Camp Koinonia is a year-round camp and retreat facility surrounded by 111 acres of tall pines and towering mountains in Central Washington dedicated to hosting retreats, summer camps, and events for all non-profits.

Working with: Camp, Youth

### JOB TITLES

Camp Host  
Program Manager  
Facilities Coordinator

### HOUSING

Volunteers will live in an independent apartment onsite, with an option of an offsite apartment. Some of the site attractions include a heated swimming pool, pond for funyaks and fishing, fire pits, horse stables, a yurt, and miles of hiking trails. The camp has recently remodeled almost every building with new bunks and mattresses.

### LINKS



### OVERVIEW



Rural Setting



Living in Independent Apartment



May be a possibility



Accepts Couples

### OTHER

As a camp, the volunteer's work and schedule between the winter and summer can vary greatly. During the summer, volunteers work similar hours to the summer camp staff, meaning that they are often working around the clock - with breaks accordingly.

FOR EVEN MORE INFO







# CAMP MYRTLEWOOD

## MYRTLE POINT, OREGON

### ABOUT

Camp Myrtlewood is an 85 year old project of Christian hospitality whose goal is to promote personal and spiritual growth. Camp Myrtlewood aims to be a home away from home for all of its campers. With a smaller intimate staff, you get to know each other well as you host groups renting out the camp ground. Volunteers help manage all aspects of camp.

Working with: Camp, Youth

### JOB TITLES

Volunteer

### HOUSING

Volunteers will live in an independent house onsite. Camp Myrtlewood is 165 acre wooded campground nestled in the foothills of the Coquille watershed. Its rustic cabins and meeting halls rest alongside Myrtle Creek and in the shadows of giants. The diverse forest the staff manages stands in stark relief to the industrial forests that surround it.

### LINKS



### OVERVIEW



Rural Setting



Living in Independent House



May be a possibility



Accepts Couples

### OTHER

Myrtlewood focuses on hosting groups who are renting out the campground. It's a welcoming and open community.

FOR EVEN MORE INFO







# INSPIRATION HILLS CAMP

## BURBANK, OHIO

### ABOUT

Inspiration Hills Camp is a year-round camp and conference center. Its goal is to provide a place for people of all ages and faiths to experience Christ in an outdoor setting. Inspiration Hills provides space year-round for retreats, conferences, outdoor education, and summer camps for a variety of organizations including schools, churches of all denominations, community partners, and church organizations.

Working with: Camp, Youth

### JOB TITLES

Camp Staff

### HOUSING

Volunteers live in a self-contained cabin onsite. Inspiration Hills Camp is located in Northern Ohio, about 40 minutes south of Cleveland. It is situated on 100 acres of woods, ravines, creeks and ponds. While the location is rural, it is 10 minutes to the nearest fast food, Starbucks, shopping and groceries.

### LINKS



### OVERVIEW



Rural Setting



Living in Independent House



May be a possibility



Accepts Couples

### OTHER

As a camp, the volunteer's work and schedule between the winter and summer can vary greatly. During the summer, volunteers work similar hours to the summer camp staff, meaning that they are often working around the clock - with breaks accordingly.

FOR EVEN MORE INFO





Not Available until Oct.



# WATER

## SILVER SPRING, MARYLAND

### ABOUT

WATER's (Women's Alliance for Theology, Ethics, and Ritual) mission is to connect activists, religious leaders, students, scholars, and allies who are using feminist religious values to create social and religious change. This site consist of mostly office work.

Working with: Justice, Advocacy, Women

### JOB TITLES

Staff Associate

### HOUSING

Volunteers live in a Brethren community house with other volunteers working in Washington, D.C. The house is located on Capitol Hill, within a few blocks of the Capitol building and the National Mall. WATER is located in downtown Silver Spring, Maryland, walking distance from the Red Line metro.

### LINKS



### OVERVIEW



City Setting



Living with other Volunteers



May be a possibility



Must be 21+

### OTHER

Both a college degree and a background in gender studies and/or religion are useful, but not required. WATER is a feminist organization with a commitment to intersectional justice.

FOR EVEN MORE INFO





# HIGHLAND PARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

## ROANOKE, VIRGINIA

### ABOUT

Highland Park Elementary School serves approximately 300 urban students from pre-school through fifth grade. Volunteer programs are administered in coordination with school personnel and volunteers from Congregations in Action, an interdenominational partnership of churches that provides volunteer help and resources to Highland Park and other area schools.

Working with: Education, Children, Congregations



### JOB TITLES

Assistant/Project Coordinator

### HOUSING

Housing is with a couple who are members of Central Church of the Brethren. Bus tickets are provided for transportation to school and around town. Roanoke boasts a vibrant and energetic area where there is always something to do.

### LINKS



### OVERVIEW



Small City Setting



Living with Host Family

### OTHER

Due to the school schedule, the volunteer will also help out with summer camp at Camp Bethel, just outside of Roanoke. The volunteer will also be expected to be active in the Church of the Brethren community and church.

FOR EVEN MORE INFO





Not Available until Oct.



# CREATION JUSTICE MINISTRIES

## WASHINGTON, D.C.

### ABOUT

Creation Justice Ministries equips, educates, and mobilizes Christian communities to protect, restore, and rightly share God’s creation. The organization focuses on climate, energy, clean water, toxics, and public lands issues. Creation Justice Ministries serves 38 member communions from Orthodox, peace church, Baptist, and mainline Protestant traditions, as well as historically Black churches. Primarily office work, many days volunteers are able to work from home.

Working with: Environment, Administration

### JOB TITLES

Volunteer

### HOUSING

Volunteers live in a Brethren community house with other volunteers working in Washington, D.C. The house is located on Capitol Hill, within a few blocks of the Capitol building and the National Mall. The project is located at an exciting location nestled between the Dirksen Senate Building and the US Supreme Court, within walking distance of the house.

### LINKS



### OVERVIEW



City Setting



Living with other Volunteers



May be a possibility



Accepts Couples

### OTHER

Creation Justice Ministries has a fast-paced culture that requires a self-starter who is able to juggle multiple projects at once. The position requires the volunteer to be in front of a computer most days.

FOR EVEN MORE INFO







# HARRISBURG FIRST COB/BCMPEACE

## HARRISBURG, PENNSYLVANIA

### ABOUT

The Harrisburg First Church of the Brethren and its outreach arm, bcmPEACE, are active in the community by providing assistance to people in various ways: free computer classes, food distribution, referral ministries, and a youth leadership program.

Working with: Congregations, Community Services

### JOB TITLES

Community Outreach Assistant

### HOUSING

The volunteer will live in a community house or with a host family depending on availability. Harrisburg First COB and bcmPEACE are located in the Allison Hill community of Harrisburg, PA. The community is extremely vibrant and diverse. There are immigrant communities from Latin America, Nigeria, Egypt, Pakistan and Southeast Asia. The church is located in the center of Allison Hill, allowing the opportunity to engage with these different communities.

### LINKS



### OVERVIEW



City Setting



Living with others



May be a possibility



Accepts Couples

### OTHER

Harrisburg has the largest concentration of low-income families between Pittsburgh and Philadelphia. The work done with the church and bcmPeace will vary depending on the needs of the community.

FOR EVEN MORE INFO







# BRETHREN VOLUNTEER SERVICE

## ELGIN, ILLINOIS

### ABOUT

Brethren Volunteer Service invites volunteers to be part of the continuing legacy of this historic organization. Volunteers who join the BVS office team are integral to the organization of the program and the support of its volunteers. BVS offers volunteers opportunities to nurture and grow the program with the implementation of new ideas and innovations. Volunteers help in the office, supporting other volunteers, and assisting with orientation and retreat.

Working with: Administration, Community Services

### JOB TITLES

Orientation Assistant

### HOUSING

Live in a community house with anywhere from 2-3 other volunteers within walking distance to the office. Elgin is a train ride away from Chicago.

### LINKS



### OVERVIEW



Suburbs of Chicago



Living with other Volunteers



May be a possibility



Accepts Couples

### OTHER

Typically, the orientation assistant has already done at least one year of BVS service. This position can also be paired with the FaithX volunteer.





# COB GLOBAL MISSIONS OFFICE

## ELGIN, ILLINOIS

### ABOUT

Church of the Brethren's Global Mission Office strives to help Brethren respond to human need all over the world. Through its service, the program works to improve church development, health and well-being, education, peacebuilding, economic empowerment, and agriculture development where needed. The volunteer will serve as a researcher for the Global Mission program in the Church of the Brethren Offices.

Working with: Administration, Community Services

### JOB TITLES

Researcher

### HOUSING

Live in a community house with anywhere from 2-3 other volunteers within walking distance to the office. Elgin is a train ride away from Chicago.

### LINKS



### OVERVIEW



Suburbs of Chicago



Living with other Volunteers



May be a possibility



Accepts Couples

### OTHER

The volunteer must be able to work and travel independently and have high writing ability. Interest in mission history, some relevant experience, and some ability to read and converse in Spanish, French, and/or Haitian Creole are ideal, but not required.

FOR EVEN MORE INFO







# GLOBAL MISSIONS

## BRAZIL

### ABOUT

Volunteers with BVS/Global Missions in Brazil help with community outreach programs of the congregations in either the Campinas (São Paulo) area or the city of Rio Verde. These outreaches respond to needs of the communities as well as the church membership. This is an emerging ministry in which the candidates will help shape the position direction in consultation with church leaders and community voices. In some ways, you are creating the project as you go, and as needs arise from the community. Expect to teach English in some capacity.

Working with: Congregations, Youth, Education

### JOB TITLES

Volunteer

### HOUSING

Volunteers with Global Missions in Brazil will be connected with a Church of the Brethren and will most likely be living with a host family. Meals are often with host families. Volunteer would have a private room in the house.

### LINKS



### OVERVIEW



City Setting



Living with other Volunteers



May be a possibility



Accepts Couples

### OTHER

Requirements include the ability to adjust to another culture, willingness to learn Portuguese, and a basic knowledge of the Church of the Brethren beliefs and practices. Projects like this can be difficult because you are more isolated.

FOR EVEN MORE INFO





# CENTRO DE INTERCAMBIO Y SOLIDARIDAD

## SAN SALVADOR, EL SALVADOR

### ABOUT

The Centro de Intercambio y Solidaridad (CIS) is a multi-faceted organization seeking to promote solidarity and cultural exchange across borders between the Salvadoran people and others in the search for development and dignity. Volunteers have a wide range of work available from teaching business skills, translating, art classes, managing social media, teaching English, evaluations, running environmental programs.

Working with: Community, Advocacy, Education

### JOB TITLES

Grassroots Community Empowerment Assistant  
English Teacher Intern

### HOUSING

San Salvador is the capital and largest city in El Salvador. It boasts a bustling marketplace and rich culture. Volcanoes also surround the area. Volunteers would live with a host family for 1-2 months then switch to student apartments nearby.

### LINKS



### OVERVIEW



City Setting



Host Family/ Student Apartments



Accepts Couples



Must be 21+

### OTHER

Intermediate to advanced Spanish skills are required. No language is required for teaching English, but CIS strongly suggests taking Spanish classes with a half-price scholarship.

FOR EVEN MORE INFO





Not Available until Oct.



# EL CENTRO ARTE PARA LA PAZ

## SUCHITOTO, EL SALVADOR

### ABOUT

El Centro Arte para la Paz is a locally-supported organization that works to develop and promote a culture of peace through creativity, imagination, cultural exchange, and the arts. It integrates creative energies, cultural identity, and hopeful dreams into the community by offering alternative education, cultural events and exhibitions, and studios of new technologies.

Working with: Advocacy, Education, Youth

### JOB TITLES

Volunteer

### HOUSING

Volunteers are given a private room in the home of a local host family where Spanish is spoken freely. Suchitoto is a community that survived a civil war 30 years ago and is still healing. The lively area has markets and places to gather to help build community.

### LINKS



### OVERVIEW



Rural Setting



Living with Host Family



Accepts Couples



Must be 21+

### OTHER

This position requires the volunteer to be able to have some proficiency in conversational Spanish. The volunteer should be aware that they will be speaking Spanish most of the time in this position.

FOR EVEN MORE INFO





# COLEGIO MIGUEL ANGEL ASTURIAS

## QUETZALTENANGO, GUATEMALA

### ABOUT

Colegio Miguel Angel Asturias is an innovative non-profit school that provides education to children from the most vulnerable sectors of society. Teachers are needed for curriculum design and planning, teaching English and other subject matters, office administration, grant writing development, working in library to catalog books and lending service, and volunteer coordination.

Working with: Education, Youth

### JOB TITLES

Teacher

### HOUSING

Volunteers live in a little apartment attached to the director's house near the school. Quetzaltenango is a mountainous community with nearby volcanoes, including Santa Maria. The city has a rich history and culture, with lots of opportunities for the volunteer to learn about the area.

### LINKS



### OVERVIEW



Small city



Apartment



Accepts Couples



Must be 21+

### OTHER

This position requires the volunteer to have intermediate to high Spanish proficiency. Volunteers with a background in teaching are preferred.

FOR EVEN MORE INFO







# ENMANUEL CHILDREN'S HOME

## SAN PEDRO SULA, HONDURAS

### ABOUT

The Enmanuel Children's Home (Hogar de Niños Emanuel) needs volunteers to assist with the physical, emotional, and spiritual needs of abused, disadvantaged, and homeless children ranging from infant to 18 years of age. The home currently maintains an average of 80 children with an expected increase in population.

Working with: Children

### JOB TITLES

Teacher/Helper

### HOUSING

Volunteers reside in private bedroom inside the volunteer community house onsite. The Enmanuel Children's Home is inside the city of San Pedro Sula, Honduras close to modern shopping and restaurants.

### LINKS



### OVERVIEW



Town Setting



Living with other Volunteers



Accepts Couples



Must be 21+

### OTHER

A background in Spanish is helpful, though not required. Volunteers must also be flexible in their daily routines in order to adapt to the demanding needs and schedules of the children and the home.

FOR EVEN MORE INFO





# L'ARCHE CORK

## CORK, REPUBLIC OF IRELAND

### ABOUT

BVS placements are available at some of the many L'Arche communities in Europe. L'Arche Cork consists of five houses where people with intellectual disabilities live together in community with volunteer assistants. It also has a purpose-built center where the full community can gather and where the day programme is run. L'Arche Cork has a strong volunteer programme and a thriving community of over 20 assistants from all over the world.

Working with: People with Disabilities

### JOB TITLES

Assistant

### HOUSING

Assistants live alongside core members, as well as other live-in staff members, and are provided with a private room. Cork is the second largest city in the Republic of Ireland with vibrant community and culture. It is home to multiple attractions, including the Blarney Stone.

### LINKS



### OVERVIEW



City Setting



Living in Community



Must be 21+

### OTHER

L'Arche is first and foremost a community, where the emphasis is on sharing life as opposed to being cared for or giving care. Assistants are asked to enter into real, respectful, and meaningful relationships with both the residents and assistants in the house.

FOR EVEN MORE INFO





Not Available



# L'ARCHE DUBLIN

## DUBLIN, REPUBLIC OF IRELAND

### ABOUT

The L'Arche Dublin Community consists of three houses and invites assistants to come and share life with people with intellectual disabilities, building a community where everyone is valued regardless of ability, creed, or culture. There are eight core members (residents), all of whom have a high level of medical need. All necessary medical training is provided on site and gives volunteers valuable medical experience to fulfill their role.

Working with: People with Disabilities

### JOB TITLES

Assistant

### HOUSING

Assistants live alongside core members, as well as other live-in staff members, and are provided with a private room. Dublin is the largest city in Ireland with a lively community where something is always happening. The city is home to vibrant Irish music and a rich cultural and political history.

### LINKS



### OVERVIEW



City Setting



Living in Community



Must be 21+

### OTHER

Requirements include acceptance of people of different cultures, social origins, and practices as well as an openness to living with people of varying abilities in a community where God is recognized as the source of life and where difference is seen as a gift. A driver's license is helpful, but not essential.

FOR EVEN MORE INFO





# L'ARCHE KILKENNY

## CALLAN, COUNTY KILKENNY, REPUBLIC OF IRELAND

### ABOUT

The L'Arche Kilkenny Community invites assistants to come and share life with people with intellectual disabilities, building a community where everyone is valued regardless of ability, creed, or culture. The L'Arche Kilkenny Community consists of four houses plus four independent-living chalets in and near a small town and in a village. There is also a craft workshop, a garden project, and a café.

Working with: People with Disabilities

### JOB TITLES

Assistant

### HOUSING

Assistants live alongside core members, as well as other live-in staff members, and are provided with a private room. Callan is a small rural town with beautiful fields and forests surrounding the village. L'Arche also gives plenty of opportunity for field trips and exploration of the area.

### LINKS



### OVERVIEW



Rural Setting



Living in Community



Must be 21+

### OTHER

Requirements include acceptance of people of different cultures, social origins, and practices as well as an openness to living with people of varying abilities in a community where God is recognized as the source of life and where difference is seen as a gift. A driver's license is helpful, but not essential.

FOR EVEN MORE INFO





Not Available



# CORRYMEELA

## BALLYCASTLE, NORTHERN IRELAND

### ABOUT

In this increasingly divided world, Corrymeela is a movement of people rallied around one inspirational idea: "Together is better". Every year, Corrymeela welcomes over 8,000 people from all walks of life to its beautiful Ballycastle home and into its programmes in communities around Northern Ireland. During the year, Corrymeela provides mentoring, coaching, and training to enable its Horizon volunteers to develop their skills in group work, peace-building, and conflict transformation, which will benefit them in their future lives.

Working with: Advocacy, Administration

### JOB TITLES

Long-Term Volunteer

### HOUSING

Volunteers live in a community house onsite on a mountain overlooking the town of Ballycastle. Corrymeela is within walking distance to a small beach-side town with a lively community. On the north coast, volunteers can also access beautiful sites such as Giant's Causeway and are just a ferry ride away from Rathlin Island.

### LINKS



### OVERVIEW



Rural Setting



Living in Community



Must be 21+

### OTHER

Key tasks for volunteers include delivering programs within the Centre; working alongside youth and school groups, international universities, and community groups; organizing meetings, taking notes, and providing administrative support as required.

FOR EVEN MORE INFO





Not Available



## GREENHILL YMCA

### NEWCASTLE, NORTHERN IRELAND

#### ABOUT

YMCA Ireland's national outdoor centre has existed at the foot of the Mourne mountains for over 100 years! Making use of the beautiful natural landscapes of the mountains, forests, rivers and lakes to provide rich alternative learning experiences for many generations of young people. Greenhill YMCA provides opportunity and encouragement for individuals, within a safe and supportive atmosphere, to broaden their experiences and take on new challenges in pursuit of a new and deeper learning.

Working with: Youth

#### JOB TITLES

Volunteer

#### HOUSING

Volunteers live in a shared communal space. Newcastle is a beach town near the amazing Mourne Mountains, the tallest mountain range in Northern Ireland. There's plenty of activities to do between hiking and exploring the beach-side.

#### LINKS



#### OVERVIEW



Small Town Setting



Living in Community



Must be 21+

#### OTHER

Greenhill YMCA is a new project for BVS! Many of the activities volunteers facilitate are outdoor camps for children.

FOR EVEN MORE INFO







# L'ARCHE BELFAST

## BELFAST, NORTHERN IRELAND

### ABOUT

The L'Arche Belfast Community consists of four houses and several projects and invites assistants to come and share life with people with intellectual disabilities, building a community where everyone is valued regardless of ability, creed, or culture.

Working with: People with Disabilities



### JOB TITLES

Assistant

### HOUSING

Assistants live alongside core members, as well as other live-in staff members, and are provided with a private room. Belfast is a city rich with history and culture, and provides plenty of opportunity for enriching experiences all over the city.

### LINKS



### OVERVIEW



City Setting /Small Town Feel



Living in Community



Must be 21+

### OTHER

Requirements include acceptance of people of different cultures, social origins, and practices as well as an openness to living with people of varying abilities in a community where God is recognized as the source of life and where difference is seen as a gift. A driver's license is helpful, but not essential.

FOR EVEN MORE INFO







# MOURNE GRANGE

## KILKEEL, NORTHERN IRELAND

### ABOUT

Mourne Grange is a Camphill Community for adults with learning disabilities. The community works and lives together alongside adults with special needs to offer them a holistic life experience. Established in 1971 as an intentional community, Mourne Grange now supports 50 adults with learning disabilities in a range of accommodations spread throughout a 100-acre site. Mourne Grange has its own biodynamic farm and gardens, with cattle, sheep, and hens.

Working with: People with Disabilities, Agriculture

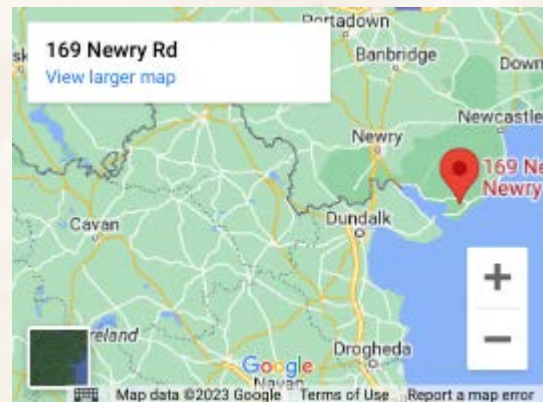
### JOB TITLES

Volunteer

### HOUSING

Volunteers live onsite in a community house with no more than six residents. Mourne Grange is located on a farm in a rural setting. Kilkeel itself is a small town with beautiful scenery and opportunities for hiking and exploring.

### LINKS



### OVERVIEW



Rural Setting



Living in Community



Must be 21+

### OTHER

Previous social care experience would be welcomed, but Mourne Grange also provides all the training required as well as ongoing support for volunteers.

FOR EVEN MORE INFO







# HILLCREST SCHOOL

## JOS, NIGERIA

### ABOUT

Hillcrest School is a highly-regarded Christian school for kindergarten through twelfth grade. The present student body is highly international and reflects all parts of the world. Teachers from various fields are considered based on changing staff needs. Positions are related to wider Brethren mission in Nigeria.

Working with: Education, Youth



### JOB TITLES

Elementary and Secondary Teacher

### HOUSING

Housing can change depending on what is available, so the volunteer will have to be flexible. Usually the volunteer is in independent housing near the site. Jos is the capital and largest city of Plateau State in Nigeria. The surrounding area provides plenty of experiences and opportunities for the volunteer, including a wildlife park and museums.

### LINKS



### OVERVIEW



City Setting



Independent apartment



Must be 21+

### OTHER

The project requires volunteers to have both a college degree and teaching credentials. Due to political tensions in Nigeria, this project's availability can change.

FOR EVEN MORE INFO



## Ongoing Assessment of Availability



# EYN (EKKLESIYAR YAN'UWA A NIGERIA) KWARHI, NIGERIA

## ABOUT

EYN (Ekklesiyar Yan'uwa a Nigeria—Church of the Brethren in Nigeria) provides work in fields that may nurture or extend the church's ministry and development in Nigeria. Volunteers work alongside Nigerian leadership within local churches and in the areas of community health, agriculture, appropriate technology, and water systems. Positions will work under EYN leadership and are related to wider Brethren mission in Nigeria.

Working with: Congregations, Community Services

## JOB TITLES

Volunteer

## HOUSING

Housing is typically on site. Housing can vary with what is available at the time. Volunteers will need to be flexible.

## LINKS



## OVERVIEW



Rural Setting



Housing changes with what's available



Must be 21+

## OTHER

Requirements include the willingness to learn the local language and the ability to articulate the heritage and values of the Church of the Brethren. This project can be difficult due to its rural location and that volunteers are often creating their volunteer experience as they go.

FOR EVEN MORE INFO





## Ongoing Assessment of Availability



# EYN COMPREHENSIVE SECONDARY SCHOOL KWARHI, NIGERIA

## ABOUT

EYN Comprehensive Secondary School is a Christian school founded for the children of EYN (Ekklesiyar Yan'uwa a Nigeria—Church of the Brethren in Nigeria) members and other Christians. Volunteers teach a variety of subjects depending on skills, abilities, and staff needs of the school.

Working with: Education, Youth, Congregations



## JOB TITLES

Secondary School Teacher

## HOUSING

Housing is typically on site. Housing can vary with what is available at the time. Volunteers will need to be flexible.

## LINKS



## OVERVIEW



Rural Setting



Housing changes with what's available



Must be 21+

## OTHER

Requirements include the willingness to learn the local language and the ability to articulate the heritage and values of the Church of the Brethren. Other requirements include a bachelor's degree and/or a teaching license in respective areas.

FOR EVEN MORE INFO



Not Available



# BRETHREN ACADEMY

## GISENYI, RWANDA

### ABOUT

Brethren Academy is a nursery school in a village setting on the outskirts of a small town in Rwanda, associated with the Church of the Brethren in the Africa Great Lakes region. The volunteer will be responsible for teaching English to children between the ages of three and five in a church-based nursery school serving the local community in northwestern Rwanda.

Working with: Education, Youth, Congregations

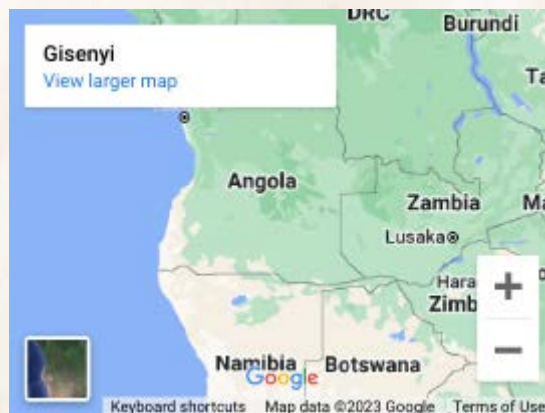
### JOB TITLES

English Teacher

### HOUSING

The volunteer will be provided a private bedroom with a local host family. The school is located in Rubavu District which is in the Western part of Rwanda, three miles from the famous Lake Kivu. This school is also in one mile from the border between Rwanda and the Democratic of Congo where there are several volcanoes.

### LINKS



### OVERVIEW



Rural Setting



Living with Host Family



Must be 21+

### OTHER

Requirements include a willingness to learn the local language, live in a family setting, eat local food, and to live according to traditional Brethren values.

FOR EVEN MORE INFO





Not Available



# WORLD FRIENDSHIP CENTER

## HIROSHIMA, JAPAN

### ABOUT

World Friendship Center (WFC), founded as a peace center in 1965, seeks Co-Directors to manage and operate international guest services which include scheduling and serving guests, welcoming and corresponding with visitors, preparing breakfast, cleaning, and completing maintenance duties.

Working with: Advocacy, Administration, Education

### JOB TITLES

Co-Director

### HOUSING

Volunteers live onsite in an independent apartment. After being largely destroyed in 1945, Hiroshima has been rebuilt and become one of the largest cities in the area. Sitting on the Ota River, the city thrives with museums, shops, and the famous Peace Memorial Park.

### LINKS



### OVERVIEW



City Setting



Living in Independent House



Accepts Couples



Must be 21+

### OTHER

The selection for this position is usually made eight months or more in advance of the spring available date. Stamina and good health are helpful; the location of the center requires considerable walking and biking. A college degree is helpful but not essential, and a married couple is preferred.

FOR EVEN MORE INFO



Not Available



# ASIAN RURAL INSTITUTE

## TOCHIGI-KEN, JAPAN

### ABOUT

The Asian Rural Institute (ARI) is an international training ground for grassroots rural leaders. Each year, ARI conducts a nine-month Rural Leaders Training Program in which about 30 local leaders from countries primarily in Asia, Africa, and the Pacific are trained so that they may more effectively serve in their communities as they work for the poor and the marginalized. The program focuses on sustainable agriculture through integrated organic farming techniques, community building, and leadership.

Working with: Education, Agriculture, Environment

### JOB TITLES

Volunteer

### HOUSING

Volunteers live on campus in a dorm, sharing a room with a volunteer from another country. ARI is located in the Nasu area of Tochigi Prefecture, known for its mountainous areas and the beauty of its nature. It is a rural area of Japan, but there are plenty of activities and places to visit in the area. Tokyo is about a 2.5 hour train ride from ARI.

### LINKS



### OVERVIEW



Rural Setting



Living with other Volunteers



Accepts Couples



Must be 21+

### OTHER

Seniors are very welcome. Volunteers should be ready and able to work hard, live simply, and be patient and open-minded as they take part in life in this international, multi-cultural community.

FOR EVEN MORE INFO

