

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC Summer Volunteering



This summer, make a difference by using your skills and talents to benefit orphaned and disadvantaged children in the Dominican Republic.

“It’s hard to explain how inspiring this whole organization is. Orphanage Outreach has inspired me to make service like this a permanent part of my life.”

...Carey Lilbourn, University of Virginia



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Summer Volunteer Program

Orphanage Outreach Overview:

Orphanage Outreach is a non-profit organization headquartered in Glendale, Arizona. In 1994, we “adopted” the Hope of a Child Orphanage in Monte Cristi, the Dominican Republic. Because we have been blessed with volunteers and resources, we have expanded our scope to adopt the whole community.. In September of 2006, we opened the Orphanage Outreach English Institute for 5th-8th grade disadvantaged students. Our goal is that eventually all graduating seniors in Monte Cristi will speak English, providing significant job opportunities.

Summer Program:

During the summer of 2009, from May 30th through August 22nd, we are involving volunteers interested in teaching in a fun, summer camp environment. Children will rotate through different modules—English, art, health, recreation, reading, and more. The students’ English experience will range from none to three years. Although this is a great opportunity to practice and expand your Spanish skills and teaching skills, no Spanish or teaching experience is necessary. Spanish speakers will also be helping to teach Spanish literacy. There is no religious focus to this program; we promise that volunteers will feel comfortable, regardless of their faith.

Short Term Volunteering:

You are invited to join us this summer, as an individual, with a friend or your family, or as part of a group for a short term volunteer session of one week or longer.

Summer Long-Term Volunteers/Internship Program:

As a long term volunteer or college intern joining us for two months or longer, you will be helping to design and lead the camps. You will lead the various camp stations, lead the children’s groups, and assist the short term volunteers. This is a great opportunity for education majors, Spanish majors, art majors, music majors, and anyone who enjoys working with children.

Housing/Food/Transportation/Logistics Support:

You will be living at an Orphanage Outreach run facility. Good running water toilets and showers are provided, as are excellent Dominican meals prepared by Orphanage Outreach trained cooks. Ground transportation is provided between the airport and you location.

Why Orphanage Outreach?

Experienced: Over 7000 volunteers have joined Orphanage Outreach in the Dominican Republic since 1994.

Professional: Full time American and Canadian staff will lead your program.

Safe: Your safety and health is our number one priority. The Dominican Republic is very friendly and safe. We have never had an issue of a volunteer’s personal safety being threatened. Common sense safety guidelines are in place to keep you safe. All bottled water is used in cooking; showers are chlorinated. Top rated travelers medical insurance is included. Good clinics are located nearby.

Support:

We ask that you raise your own support for the trip. The program fee for one week is \$800, for one month is \$1800, for two months is \$2800, and for three months is \$3500. The program fee includes your housing, food, ground transportation, insurance, and support for Orphanage Outreach programs. Group and family scholarships are available. With your registration, you will receive an on-line personal fund-raising page to help raise support. All donations to Orphanage Outreach are tax deductible for American taxpayers.

“I had thought about joining the Peace Corps, but wasn’t ready to make a two year commitment. Volunteering with Orphanage Outreach allowed me to get a short term Peace Corps type experience. ...Grace Helms, University of Wisconsin

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