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Find the United Planet Quest
that's right for you



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Why volunteer abroad with United Planet?

A better community, a better world, a better you

United Planet Quests give you the opportunity to do important work in 35 countries. You will have an impact, both on the community and on yourself.

You'll do something meaningful

Every United Planet Quest is based on the needs of a community; your experience will be important, relevant, and helpful to the community you serve.

You'll connect with a new culture

United Planet Quests are immersive; you're not a bystander, you become a significant member of a community. You'll teach, you'll learn, you'll unite.

You'll learn a lot about yourself

Our volunteers tell us that their Quests are the most meaningful experiences of their lives. They come back with their eyes, minds, hearts, and souls wide open.

RYAN M.
volunteered in the Philippines

“My time abroad gave me a thirst to truly experience other cultures and made me more confident in who I am and what I want to do in the future.”

Favorite things

- The Filipino food
- Being able to get a true look at what everyday life looks like for people in Kawit: the challenges, joys, and struggles
- Truly appreciating everything he has back in the U.S.
- Seeing how much his time could mean to a child
- The hospitality of the Filipino people
- Bonding with his Norwich University group





Where can you go? What can you do?

Your United Planet Quest is based on your interests, talents, and values

United Planet is committed to making your Quest exactly the right experience for you. There are a variety of options to choose from.

Short and long-term Quests and internships

Short-term Quests are 1-12 week volunteer programs in 10 countries. Long-term Quests are 6 month or gap year programs in 35 countries. Internships are 4-12 week programs that allow you to apply a skill in a hands-on, practical setting.

35 countries

Depending on your Quest, you can volunteer in countries in Latin America, Asia, Africa and Europe – or even right here in the United States. Visit our website for a comprehensive and current list.

Areas of concentration

What will you do on your Quest? You may teach, work in an orphanage, or care for children in shelters or clinics. You may work to develop a community, enhance resources, empower women. You may pursue environmental sustainability, protect endangered species, preserve a habitat. You may construct a home, repair a school, expand a library.

Global health professionals can also apply their skills in our partner communities, gaining hands-on experience in a real-world setting.

CAROLINE B.
volunteered in Ghana

“It teaches you so much. You are completely immersed and the work is beneficial to both sides. It’s an experience unlike any other.”

Favorite things

- Teaching a girl to read for the first time
- Joining a community
- Making new, non-American friends
- In-country support
- Maintaining relationships with the children she worked with
- Discovering what she was capable of





Why choose United Planet?

United Planet has a different approach to volunteer travel

Why do you want to volunteer abroad? United Planet best serves those people who want a mission-based, authentic, immersive experience. With United Planet, you will be challenged every day. But you will return a fully realized citizen of the world.

Mission-focused non-profit

Our mission is to create a global community, one relationship at a time. We are not in it to make a profit; we want nothing less than to change the world.

Authentic

You will get outside your bubble, immerse yourself in a different culture, engage in an authentic experience. It's an opportunity not everyone has.

Comprehensive

Your Quest includes everything you need, other than airfare:

- Lodging
- Home-cooked meals
- Language lessons
- Cultural activities
- Excursions
- Pre-departure training
- In-country orientation
- In-country airport transportation
- Emergency medical and travel insurance
- 24/7 in-country support and supervision

Safe

Your safety is our most important concern. We have deep relationships with local communities where we operate, so you always have trusted support. From one-on-one preparation before you travel... to experienced staff in-country... to 24/7 assistance and supervision, everything is done to ensure your safety.

ELISABETH M.
volunteered in Kenya

“I simply didn’t know life could be this good. I feel the beginnings of a deep cultural metamorphosis taking place within me.”

Favorite things

- Shocking locals with her Kiswahili speaking skills
- Making friends from around the world
- Teaching art projects in drawing, painting, guitar, and dance at the orphanage
- Seeing animals on safari
- Having a sense of belonging in a foreign country
- Realizing all the things she wants to focus on in life





Take the next step

To explore United Planet Quests in greater detail, choose one of the following options.

Visit our website

For more information on our Quests, countries of operation and activities, go to unitedplanet.org

Drop us an email

Have questions? Send them to quest@unitedplanet.org

Call us

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We'd love to talk to you! We can help you learn more about United Planet and what Quests might be best for you. Many of us are experienced volunteers ourselves.



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