

HAI DUONG RED-CROSS CENTER PROJECT

WORKING WITH DISADVANTAGED CHILDREN IN RED CROSS CENTER, HAI DUONG

Solidarités Jeunes Vietnam's project

Project title: Working with disadvantaged children in Red-cross Center, Hai Duong

Position and title of post: Volunteers as tutors of English, games organizers, and consultancy for disadvantaged & disabled children.

Project owner: Solidarités Jeunes Vietnam (SJ Vietnam)

Local partner: Red-Cross Center, Hai Duong

Location: Hai Duong Province (50km from Hanoi), Vietnam

Duration: At least 1 months

1. About SJ Vietnam

SJ Vietnam operates through a network of national non-profit organizations and partner organizations in Europe, The Middle East, Asia, Africa, South and North America, and Australia.

It organizes short-term and long-term international workcamps, actions of social integration, training activities, international solidarity actions and runs small Youth centers in Hanoi. SJ Vietnam is a full member of UNESCO – CCIVS and NVDA.

Through these actions, SJ Vietnam aims to promote:

- The voluntary participation of all, particularly young people and those in social disadvantaged situations, in local, national and international life.
- Local development that takes into consideration the needs of the individual, the environment and the Cultural Heritages into consideration.
- The breakdown of barriers between generations, cultures and nations.
- A concrete construction of peace.

SJ Vietnam mobilizes young people themselves to bring the values of tolerance and respects for all human beings without any political or ideological cleavage. The management of the organization and all its activities are open to all young people without any discrimination: SJ Vietnam selects its volunteers only based on their motivations and skills. For each activity, national or international, it tries to manage in lowest cost possibility so that it is accessible to everybody.

Basically, the activities of the hosting projects which are organized with volunteers are workcamp (renovation, masonry, carpentry, joinery, teaching,

children activities, environment protection, painting, art performance, etc) and long-term projects (local development).

2. About Red-Cross Center

The Welfare center was established in 2003 and under the management of Vietnam Red Cross. The center not only hosts disadvantaged, disabled and orphan children but it also is a place for people who are affected by Agent Orange. It is aim at giving free vocational training courses for the children, supporting them to find jobs after graduate from the center. Orphans who are living there also will have the chances to have new families because the center helps to find out good families for the orphans so they have better future. There are 2 training classes for the teenager ones who will learn about mechanic and carpenter.

The children there only have training course, they lack knowledge about reproductive health, health protection, changes of gender at teenage period...etc It happens the same with the nannies in the center. They have no knowledge about nutrition for babies even they are taking care of babies. The older children want to have the chance to learn English as well as computer, because it will help them to find a better job, to have accesses with new world surrounding them.

3. Description of work

Volunteers will work as tutors of English and computer for the children who are learning training courses. They are supposed to create a friendly environment in order to encourage them to communicate in English. Volunteers will support to teach grammar and related aspects of English to the children in different classes, help them to review knowledge in English. Volunteers will also have recording tapes, for example, they can record stories or the lessons for the children to learn

listening. They also will manage and evaluate the children's progress regularly. Volunteers need to encourage the children to learn English, for instance, by organizing leisure activities in English (audio, books, performance etc...), by providing the self-study materials.

Having good computer skills are really important now because it helps to search or to find out more information which is helpful to disadvantaged and disabled people, for this reason volunteers are supposed to give the children all basic and necessary skills on computer. If the volunteers know about making things from wood, they will teach the children in this field. There is one more task for volunteers which is taking care of babies.

4. Project Objectives

The center hopes to have consultancy in taking care of babies, having nutritious plan for babies, giving knowledge for the children at reproductive health fields as well as giving more education for them such as teaching English and computer skills so they have more favorable conditions for their development. When the children at the center are well-equipped they will have more opportunities to find good jobs for themselves, and they can earn living by themselves. And through learning with international volunteers the children will also have more knowledge about different cultures in the world, which helps a lot in their studying. Furthermore volunteers and the children will understand more about each other, which is a good way to have deeper cultural understanding. And one more reason is that learning English is learning a new knowledge which will be a solid foundation for the children's future. Leisure activities, cultural

exchanges will be held to bring happiness to children as well as volunteers so that they will be relaxed and have more interest in their studying.

5. Duties and responsibilities

- Teach English, computer skills for the children.
- Consult the nannies about nutrition for babies, guide them how to take care & protect health of babies.
- Teach/ give knowledge about gender, sex, reproductive health,
- Record tapes in English for children and help them to learn how to listen to English.
- Teach them in carpenter field.
- Encourage the children to speak in English a lot so their English to help them to improve it.
- Have regular evaluation with the children.

6. Work arrangement:

- Working place is at Welfare center, Hai Duong province.
- Volunteers will work around 5 hours/ day and have 2 days off/ week.
- Volunteers will have timetable for teaching, they will work with help of Vietnamese people at project site.
- Volunteers will have a basic accommodation and food supported by SJ Vietnam.

7. Qualifications and experiences:

- Fluent in English; knowledge in computer skills
- Previous English/ computer teaching experience is an asset.
- Have knowledge about nutrition for babies, taking care of babies.

- Strong inter-personal skills, and experience in working with a wide variety of people, cultural sensitivity.
- Commitment to volunteerism, considerable experience as a volunteer
- Adapting quickly with local environment (basic accommodations, transport, local food etc...).
- Willing to work and stay in the Welfare center Hai Duong province.
- Be patient.
- High motivation and enthusiasm.
- Nurses and doctors are preferable.

8. Participation fee

220EUR/month. This fee includes food, transportation and basic accommodation. Volunteers will pay all their participation fees one time for their sending organizations or directly to banks and fees will be transferred for SJ Vietnam before volunteers come to Vietnam. Volunteers have to bring the receipts for SJ Vietnam. If they do not pay their participation fees before coming, they will be in the waiting list. They can stay longer or less than couples of months but they are supposed to pay for the whole months and may be a half as well. For example, if volunteers stay for 3 months and 10 days, they are supposed to pay for 3 months and a half (it means they will pay 770 EUR); if they stay for 3 months and 20 days, they are supposed to pay for 4 months (it means they will pay 880 EUR). If volunteers have holiday in the middle of their voluntary durations, the holiday duration will still be considered as their voluntary time so volunteers are supposed to pay for the holiday duration. If they have holiday after finishing all voluntary work with SJ Vietnam, they do not have to pay for that.

Following is the address to transfer fee:

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9. Application procedures

Interested candidates should email detailed Resume (CV) and an application letter to their voluntary sending organizations.

The national voluntary organizations have to send their candidates' CVs to: in@sjvietnam.org. Our incoming coordinator is responsible for accepting volunteers.