

ESC PROJECTS WORLDWIDE FRIENDS - VERALDARVINIR

- **CAMP LEADERS:**

You will be leading a group of volunteers (10-30) along with other camp leaders. The project focuses on environmental awareness in all aspects and is truly needed all around our planet. The main purpose of the project is to raise awareness about sustainability among young local and international people in their daily life. We want to bring up some fresh ideas that can help the young people and the organization to improve the way that we treat mother earth. The camp leaders will work as a team under the supervision of a Project Manager of the organization. You will organize and run programs for both short-term/long-term volunteers which will do 5-7 hours of environmental work during weekdays. You will also participate in nature-oriented, educational, and environmental protection activities in Iceland. In each group, there will be two to five leaders from the organization depending on the size of the group. Camps leaders are in charge of planning the weekly activities such as beach cleaning, grocery shopping, house chores, cultural nights, and other leisure activities. You will also be taking part in all volunteering activities alongside the short-term volunteers of your group.

- **SOCIAL MEDIA OFFICER:**

We are looking for a talented Photographer/Communicator to administer our social media accounts and to manage our monthly magazine. Firstly, you will be responsible for creating original text and video content daily, managing posts, and responding to messages. You will cohesively manage our company image. Able to handle our social media presence ensuring high levels of web traffic and customer engagement. You will be updating our website, creating volunteering campaigns and guide our journalism camps in the development and creation of the organization's monthly magazine "UNA". It focuses on environmental protection, nature, and volunteering. This is a great opportunity to get creative! The design will depend entirely on you and the group, following our guidelines and requirements. You will spend half of the time doing social media work and the other half will be leading volunteering camps. The tasks include coordinating volunteering activities, organizing house schedule and leisure activities, shopping, supervise cooking sessions, planning excursions, and organizing photography workshops.

- **PLACEMENT OFFICER:**

Serving as the main point of contact for the organization, your activities include communicating with international partner organizations, preparing, and distributing documents concerning the placement procedure. Dealing with applications of foreign volunteers applying for placements. Initiating and looking after visa proceedings for participants. Maintaining the organization's databases on projects/bookings/information brochures/training/information sheets. Answering any incoming requests of participants and international partners. Collecting and controlling all payments regarding participation fees, excursions, minibuses, and hostels. We're all about flexibility: we expect you to adapt to changes quickly and we encourage you to try new things.

- **EDUCATIONAL OFFICER:**

Iceland is at the forefront of renewable energy production, and nearly every home in the country is supplied with heating and energy from renewable energy sources. During your stay, you will be researching this, and many more topics related to sustainability and the environment. Your main activity is to develop a curriculum program for environmental education through talks, workshops, activities, courses, meetings, and visits. Update and maintain educational resources and material. Provide workshops to the workcamps remotely or on-site daily. The work for the majority of the workcamps depends on the weather conditions, when unsuitable to be outdoors, you will be requested to provide activities or workshops for the group. We're all about flexibility: we expect you to adapt to changes quickly and we encourage you to try new things. You will spend half of the time doing educational work and the other half will be leading volunteering camps. The tasks include coordinating volunteering activities, organizing house schedule and leisure activities, shopping,

supervise cooking sessions, planning excursions, and organizing photography workshops. You will also propose and implement strategies to address various environmental concerns including energy use, conservation, reduction of pollution, recycling, building and facility design, and general education on sustainability. You will draft and implement sustainable organizational policies that address environmental concerns.

- **DATA OFFICER:**

A beach clean-up is also an opportunity to gather new data about the state of our coasts and the types of trash that pollutes them. By identifying the most harmful debris items, environmental groups can find ways to stop them from entering the ocean or being littered again on beaches. This data is hugely important as it helps us track the common items we find on our beaches and then campaign for change. Your main activities will be gathering information from the beach cleaning from all the camps, leading the beach cleaning activities, and gather the daily data from beach cleanings. Review current data collection methods, improve our recycling process, and generate data visualization products. That should include dashboards, infographics, and maps to present and communicate the materials. Enhance collaboration among the various organizations that carry out beach cleans and assist in preparing the data reports. You will spend half of the time doing data collection work and the other half will be leading volunteering camps. The tasks include coordinating volunteering activities, organizing house schedule and leisure activities, shopping, supervise cooking sessions, planning excursions, and organizing photography workshops.

ACCOMMODATION, FOOD AND TRANSPORT ARRANGEMENTS

During the volunteering program participants will share a double or quadruple room in a house fully equipped. The main location will be Brú but participants may also be located in our house in Reykjavik or Siglufjörður. Beds are provided; however, volunteers should bring their own warm sleeping bags and pillows. Groceries are provided and everyone is expected to do their fair share of the cooking and cleaning. We provide a well-balanced and healthy variety of food products that includes a wide variety of whole grains, seasonal fruits & vegetables, pantry staples, dairy products, and vegetarian/vegan options. Transportation-related to the work camps is provided by the organization. The budget for airplane tickets will vary depending on the distance, on average it will be 360 euros. The budget is for both arrival and departure flights including luggage. Participants will also receive a discount ticket for the bus from the airport to the BSI station in Reykjavik.

TRAINING DURING THE ACTIVITY

The project reflects learning opportunities for the volunteers as well as for our organization and the community where it will take place. By hosting ESC volunteers, we bring another long-term international dimension to the organization with our internship program, educational tours and short-term projects. Discovering many kinds of new techniques related to environmental sustainability, new skills, and a new language, involving children and youngsters in creative sessions, and taking responsibility to realize an own project. Upon arrival, participants will receive training to get to use the organization and the work that they will be doing. That is why it is required for all participants to arrive during the window of time that is given for the arrival to Iceland. In addition to the training given by our organization, ESC volunteers will receive an on-arrival training by the National Agency of Iceland. The OAT is mandatory for all participants. If the program is for 6 months or longer you will also have midterm training that is mandatory.

PARTICIPANT PROFILE

We are looking for enthusiastic, self-driven candidates who can work independently on projects and can bring and implement ideas and all-scale solutions to climate change reduction and sustainable lifestyles. An intermediate to upper-intermediate level of English is required. Motivated to live with other international volunteers and lead a sustainable lifestyle and fight global warming. Excited to spend between five to 9 months in Iceland. Outdoors personality; hiking, camping, swimming, etc.