

Nyaka AIDS Orphan Project

Volunteer Positions

Nyaka currently has four 3-week or 2-month volunteer positions available to work primarily with primary school age children, and one 3-month volunteer position to work with preschool age children.

Volunteering with Primary School Children

The following volunteer positions entail working directly with the primary school children at the Nyaka primary school. These positions are limited to the students' three-week holiday breaks (2 per year), as well as the two-month "summer" break in Uganda which occurs during the winter of the global North. The dates of these breaks are as follows:

- 1st session : April 23 to May 16, 2011 (3 weeks, 2 days)
- 2nd session: August 13 to September 6, 2011 (3 weeks, 3 days)
- 3rd session: 26th November 26, 2011 to January 31, 2012 (2 month, 5 days - "Summer vacation")

These are the volunteer positions that entail working directly with the primary school children:

1. **Library Aide:** To help the library run efficiently, including organizing and cataloging books. Help develop reading culture, develop programs, including computer programs, especially during holiday time for adults, adolescents and children. Requires love for reading and books, as well as good knowledge of computers, fluent in MS programs. Will work with Nyaka's Librarian.

2. **Athletic Coach:** Play soccer and other athletic games (e.g. basketball), and especially to involve girls in sports that interest them. Help motivate and coach children, using sports as an educational tool to promote cooperation, conflict resolution and leadership. Requires experience in coaching and/or Physical Education, and high energy.
3. **Arts Education Teacher:** Create art education activities, including carrying-out existing book project (drawing pictures related to stories in books), doll making, etc. Must bring own supplies. Do projects that link students with U.S. schools ("story-swaps" etc.) if have interest. Requires experience in teaching art or crafts to children.
4. **Organic Farming Assistant:** To support farm by involving students in organic farming activities that help them learn about soil, plants and organic farming techniques. Requires experience in organic farming or gardening. Will work with Nyaka's Farm Manager.

Volunteering with Preschool Children

The following position entails working with preschool children, and therefore can be flexible and tailored to the volunteer's availability.

Three-months (February-April; June-August and September-November):

5. **Pre-school Teaching Assistants:** Working with children and preschool teachers to do age- appropriate activities. Fundraising beforehand to

get in-kind contribution from children who have outgrown their toys or reading materials is highly encouraged. Help equip the classroom for pre-school learning, as needed. Previous experience with preschool age children preferred, but not required. Will work with Nyaka's Preschool Teacher.

Cost (does not include airfare):

- For 3 week volunteer stays: \$500 per person
- For 2 month volunteer stays: \$1,000 per person
- For 3 month volunteer stays: \$1,200 per person

These fees include:

- Pick-up from the airport upon arrival and transport to hotel in Kampala,
- A room in the modest guesthouse on the school grounds and meals,
- Staff time and operational costs.