



GROUP AND FAMILY VOLUNTEERING PROGRAMS

Group Volunteering

We humans are born alone, but we need someone to talk to, share happiness, sadness and problems, fight and love each other. Being with someone is one of the natures of human. This is a program which is designed for you to volunteer in a group; a group which you know or with which you are familiar. A circle of friends, religious group, co-workers, or relatives can get involved in group volunteering programs. Volunteering abroad is one kind of experience where you can exchange culture, language and lifestyle. It gets even better when you do with a group of people you know.

The time for group and family volunteering throughout the year is flexible. You can propose to us a time which is appropriate for you and VIN can organize a group volunteering program accordingly. VIN also helps the group by providing the local volunteers.

Family Volunteering

Family volunteering opportunities can be defined as an activity that contributes for the overall development of community with active involvement of family members. Family Volunteering is not a new subject in the western countries whereas in the context of Nepal it is a very new concept.

Family volunteering promotes the sense of responsibility towards the community; create social networks/contacts. We are more isolated in this globalized world. It provides an opportunity to spend quality time with your family members and learn about Nepali culture and share experiences.

Cultural immersion is the most important thing one values in family volunteering. Volunteers are placed with a host family and get a better opportunity to learn Nepali culture and Nepali way of living. The volunteers immerse themselves in Nepali culture through cultural exchange programs as well.

Furthermore, we encourage family volunteering as it motivates youth, children and parents to help people in need. It creates a positive role model especially for the children and youths. It broadens your perspective on less developed countries like Nepal. Family volunteering has numerous benefits to the volunteers and the community.

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12/07/2018 to 12/07/2018

Volunteer Testimonial: Lieven Weder, Belgium

We are a Belgian family with three kids of 15, 13 and 9 years old that participated in a volunteering project organized by VIN and we are very enthusiastic about it. Thanks to a donation of 6 laptops and some fundraising for a projector, we decided to give computer initiation lessons to the young kids in the village. In one week, the goal was to teach the kids how to make a little PowerPoint presentation about Nepali life.

Our youngest boy collected sport gear in the football club he's playing at. Playing sports is a great way to communicate with the Nepali kids. We got the support from 2 lovely Nepali students that helped us organize the activities and translate when needed. At arrival in the village school, 24 enthusiastic kids were waiting for us. Their motivation to learn gave us so much energy! On the third day the group of kids had grown to over 50! A real success.

Sometimes the circumstances were challenging. Basics like the availability of electricity during the day and the lack of drinking water at the school. Our host family took care of us and allowed us to get a view on their way of living. We are very enthusiastic about this unique experience and the way VIN made this possible.

