

VOLUNTARY WORK PLACEMENT

NAME OF PROJECT: HOPE FOR YOU ORPHANAGE

LOCATION: DOME ACCRA, GREATER ACCRA REGION

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THEME OR TYPE OF PROJECT: CARING FOR THE NEEDY

AIMS OF THE PROJECT: TO GIVE HOPE TO THE HOPELESS
TO CARE FOR THE CARELESS
TO LOVE THE NEGLECTED
TO MOUNLD THE NEEDY INTO GOOD FUTURE
LEADERS.

PROJECT ACTIVITIES:

- TAKE THE KIDS TO AND FROM SCHOOL
- TAKE CARE OF THEIR NEEDS
- TAKE THEM OUT TO MEET OTHER ORPHANS.
- TRAVEL TO TOURIST ATTRACTION CENTERS

COMMUNITY CONTEXT:

Accra, capital and largest city of Ghana, situated in the south-east on the Gulf of Guinea, in West Africa. Accra is an important commercial, manufacturing, and communications centre. It is the site of an international airport and an important junction on the country's railway system, including a link to nearby Tema, which since 1962 has served as the city's deep-water port. The site of present day Accra was formerly occupied by villages of the Ga, the local people, when the Portuguese first arrived here in the late 15th century. During the 17th century the Portuguese were forced to withdraw by the Dutch, who, along with the Danes and the English, founded rival trading posts, which became the settlements of Ussher Town, Christianborg, and James Town, respectively. In the 19th century Great Britain purchased Dutch and Danish rights in the area, and in 1876 Christianborg was made the capital of the Gold Coast colony. The three separate towns grew and gradually coalesced to form the city of Accra. Much of the modern city's layout was planned in the 1920s, and since then growth has been rapid. Accra remained the capital city, when in 1957 the Gold Coast became the independent state of Ghana. Population 1,904,000



VOLUNTEER'S REQUIREMENTS: NO SMOKING

VOLUNTEER'S TASK:
TO HELP THE KIDS IN DRESSING UP TO SCHOOL.
TO ASSIST THE TEACHERS IN THE SCHOOL AND HELPING THE CHILDREN
TO DO THEIR HOME WORK.
VOLUNTEER WILL SOMETIMES HELP IN THE ADMINISTRATION WORK.

NUMBER OF I.C.D.C.E'S VOLUNTEERS TO BE HOSTED: TWO (2)

HOST SITUATION: HOST FAMILY

NAME OF PROJECT: GHATECO SCHOOL

LOCATION: KOFORIDUA, EASTERN REGION

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THEME OR TYPE OF PROJECT: SCHOOL

AIMS OF THE PROJECT:
THE AIMS OF THE SCHOOL IS TO INCREASE THE LEVEL OF EDUCATION IN THE COMMUNITY, CREATE AWARENESS ON THE IMPACT OF EDUCATION. THE SCHOOL IS GEARED TOWARDS THE AGES OF 5 TO 13 YEARS. WE HAVE A PERMANENT STAFF LEVEL OF 15 AND CASUAL STAFF OF 3. THE SCHOOL HOWEVER RECEIVES TRAINING TEACHERS DURING THEIR INTERNSHIP.

Geographically, koforidua is in the eastern part of Ghana. Whether the first traveler comes by the Nsawam-Suhum road or through the Akuapim hills, what strikes him or her is the awesome Obuotabiri Mountain.

Apart from the imposing mountain that follows its inhabitants everywhere, what also strikes the tourist on his maiden visit to Koforidua is its sun-baked corrugated iron roofs - roofing sheets that have been at the mercy of the sun and rain for as long as they have been on top of the houses they cover. Some of these houses are dilapidated. For example, the houses at "Betom" and "Srodae"- two of the most famous suburbs. In contrast are "Atechem and "Adweso" with their plush houses, inhabited, obviously, by the top echelon of "Koftown".

Most Koforidua residents are traders who have traveled from Akyem, Asante and Kwahu to do business in this town. These traders constitute a motley crowd with women forming the majority. These ladies have been known for their beauty since the beginning of time. The youth in the town and indeed visitors affectionately call them "Koforidua Flowers

PROJECT ACTIVITIES: TEACHING AND TRAVELLING

VOLUNTEER'S REQUIREMENTS: THERE ARE NO SPECIAL REQUIREMENT FOR VOLUNTEERS

VOLUNTEER'S TASK:
ASSISTING THE TEACHERS IN ALL ACTIVITIES AND TRAVELING TO THE BEAUTIFUL PLACES IN KOFRIDUA AND ITS ENVIRONS DURING WEEK ENDS AND HOLIDAYS.

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HOST SITUATION: HOST FAMILY