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## Volunteering at Naomi's Village

### Volunteer Options

#### TEAMS

10-12 day trips led by 1-2 leaders who select and prepare team members. Occasionally we have teams that are open to adding additional volunteers to their team. If you are interested in leading a team or joining a team, please contact Megan Haynes at [megan@naomisvillage.org](mailto:megan@naomisvillage.org).

#### INTERNSHIPS

We have longer volunteer opportunities for those interested in coming out to Naomi's Village on their own. We currently allow 2 options for long-term service: (1) 2 month internships or (2) a long-term indefinite commitment. Potential interns must have completed 1 year of college or be at least 20-years-old. Potential indefinite volunteers must first visit Naomi's Village on a short term trip or complete an internship before being considered.

### Applying to serve at NV

If you are interested in serving at Naomi's Village, please contact Megan Haynes at [megan@naomisvillage.org](mailto:megan@naomisvillage.org). Volunteers serving 1-2 months must fill out an application and reference letters. Anyone who visits Naomi's Village must also be willing to allow us to run a background check.

### Trip Overview

We are so grateful for the numerous volunteers from all over the world that give their time, energy and hearts to our children, staff and community. We hope that during your trip you are able to learn more about what God has been doing in Kenya and in return leave forever changed by the love you are able to give and receive in our community.

#### BUILDING RELATIONSHIPS

Relationships are so important in the Kenyan culture. As a volunteer our primary goal is for you to engage in a time of learning, encouraging and fellowshiping with our community.

#### PARTNER ORGANIZATIONS

"He makes the whole body fit together perfectly. As each part does its own special work, it helps the other parts grow, so that the whole body is healthy and growing and full of love."-Ephesians 4:16



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There are many organizations within Maai Mahiu who are all working to empower the community. During your time in Kenya you will be exposed to some of these organizations and ministries. By visiting other ministries you are able to see how we are all working together to serve the community of Maai Mahiu.

## **PHYSICAL LABOR**

During your time serving with Naomi's Village there is the possibility of some physical labor. Whether that is helping around our compound working in the shamba (garden in Swahili), helping repair a neighbor's roof, cleaning up trash around the town or building a church.

## **SAFARI**

It is hard to come to Kenya and not take the opportunity to see the wildlife. Whether you want to take a three-day safari or spend an afternoon walking around with the giraffes, we will help you plan your adventure.

## **OTHER ACTIVITIES**

Hike up Mt. Longonot, get kissed by a giraffe, visit an elephant orphanage or go shopping for gifts at the Masai Market.

## **Trip Cost**

Most 1-2 week trips range between \$2,500-\$3,500 per person and 1-2 month trips range between \$3,750-\$4,500. This includes flights, background check fee, tourism visa, all on-the-ground cost (including one day excursions), guesthouse stay and a \$250 fee per person to cover the administrative cost of preparing and coordinating trip details. If you are coming out as a family, children under the age of 18 have an admin fee of \$175.

Additional cost: Immunizations and medications, passport and any extra souvenirs purchased when one-the-ground.

## **Lodging**

The Naomi's Village Guesthouse is on-site and can house up to 29 people. It includes separate dorm wings for men and women, a 5 member family apartment, a shared kitchen and community space. Every person will have a locked drawer in their wardrobe that can hold passports and money. For more information please visit <http://naomisvillage.com/guest-house/>.

\*Those who stay less than 1 month will pay \$30/ day for room and board. Those staying 1-2 months will pay \$20/ day. This includes 3 meals a day + chia and snacks. This cost is included in total trip cost above.

## **Kenya Culture and Weather**



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Please take time to familiarize yourself with Kenyan culture at: <http://www.kenya-advisor.com/kenya-culture.html>

Maai Mahiu ranges in temperature. Days can be sunny and warm but the nights can be quite chilly. June-August is the cooler season, December-February is the hotter season.

## Safety in Kenya

At Naomi's Village we try our very best to take every safety precaution possible when coordinating teams. The Naomi's Village Compound is a gated complex with an electric fence around the children's building. We also have night guards that patrol the grounds and security cameras. We strongly encourage volunteers to be inside the NV compound after dark.