

Volunteering with YCI is an exceptional way to make a difference by working directly with local youth.

This application will be used to assess whether applicants are suitable volunteer for YCI's programs as well as to place applicants on the project that will best suit their skills, experience and interests. Please take a look at our program countries and the program calendar on our website to find the program and country that you think is the best fit for you in terms of content and availability.

Congratulations on taking the first step in making a world of difference!

Current Contact Information	
First name	
Last name	
Email Address	
Date of Birth	
Sex	
Citizenship	
Country of Residence	
Current Street Address	
City/Town, Province	
Postal code	
Country	
Current Until Date	
Permanent Street Address (if different from above)	
City/town, Province	
Postal Code	
Primary Phone	
Alternate Phone	
Occupation	
<input type="checkbox"/> Secondary student	School:
	Expected Graduation:
<input type="checkbox"/> Post-secondary student	School:
	Program:
	Expected Graduation:

<input type="checkbox"/> Worker	Occupation:
<input type="checkbox"/> Other	Please specify:

How did you <u>first</u> hear about YCI?	
<input type="checkbox"/> Someone told me about it	Who:
<input type="checkbox"/> Internet	Please specify the website:
<input type="checkbox"/> Presentation	Where:
<input type="checkbox"/> YCI brochure or poster	Where:
<input type="checkbox"/> Print ad	Which publication:
<input type="checkbox"/> Radio or Television Ad	Please specify:
<input type="checkbox"/> Fair or Event	Location:
<input type="checkbox"/> Other	Please specify:

Program Preference				
Projects occur throughout the year and information changes regularly. Not all of the activities described in our materials occur on any given project. Call us if you have questions!				
Please specify your FIRST and SECOND project preference (mark 1 and 2 in the relevant sections)				
	Countries	Length	Range of Months	Sectors
	<input type="checkbox"/> Costa Rica	<input type="checkbox"/> 5 weeks	<input type="checkbox"/> Sep-Dec 2009	<input type="checkbox"/> Youth Leadership
	<input type="checkbox"/> Guatemala	<input type="checkbox"/> 6 weeks	<input type="checkbox"/> Jan-Mar 2010	<input type="checkbox"/> Youth Health
	<input type="checkbox"/> Nicaragua	<input type="checkbox"/> 8 weeks	<input type="checkbox"/> Apr-Jun 2010	<input type="checkbox"/> Youth Livelihoods
	<input type="checkbox"/> Guyana	<input type="checkbox"/> 10 weeks	<input type="checkbox"/> Jul-Sep 2010	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Tanzania		<input type="checkbox"/> Sep-Dec 2010	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Kenya		<input type="checkbox"/> Jan-Mar 2011	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Ghana		<input type="checkbox"/> Apr-Jun 2011	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Uganda		<input type="checkbox"/> Jul-Sept 2011	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Vanuatu			
<input type="checkbox"/> Unsure at this time				

Program Preference Comments
Please share with us your reason for selecting these particular countries, project lengths, range of months and sector focus.

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Risk Management & YCI Requirements	
Please note that all selected participants must have a doctor complete a medical form confirming that the volunteer is medically fit to participate in an overseas placement. If you believe that your physical or mental health issues will prevent or limit your participation, please advise us now. The information you provide will be held in confidence.	
Do you have any physical or mental health issues that would limit your participation on an overseas volunteer project?	
___ Yes ___ No	
If yes, please advise us now:	
Please note that Volunteers on YCI's overseas programs are obligated to meet several requirements. Are you willing to:	
Review YCI's field policies and procedures prior to your interview and carefully consider your engagement with YCI in light of these policies?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Raise the required financial contribution to YCI, as well as airfare and personal expenses?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
What are you planning to do in order to raise the financial contribution?	
Do you have any other issues that would prevent you from participating in an overseas project? Some examples may include a criminal record, being on probation or not being able to be away from your family for an extended period of time.	

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Physical, Health and Lifestyle (please complete on separate page)
<p>Living and working conditions on project will vary depending on the country and community. Some projects are located in remote rural communities, while others are located in mid-sized towns or cities. You may be sleeping on a bed, in a hammock, or on the floor; eating a limited diet; or dealing with extreme heat and insects. In many cases, you may not have access to a means of communication, indoor plumbing, or electricity.</p>
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. What concerns do you have about living in conditions you are not accustomed to for an extended period of time?2. What beliefs, habits, dietary or other restrictions, do you have that may make your participation more challenging?3. What allergies, health issues or other conditions do you have (if any) that might limit your participation?4. How do you deal with stress?5. How would you cope with potentially challenging living circumstances such as group living, sharing a room with another volunteer, or living with a home stay family? What experience do you have living in similar circumstances?

Project Related Knowledge, Experience and Expectations (please complete on a separate page)

1. Based on your past experience, knowledge and skills, what contribution will you make to programming in your preferred program choice?
2. What experience or knowledge would you hope to gain, or what skills would you like to develop through volunteering with YCI?
3. What key qualities and skills do you bring to working in a team environment?
4. What experience do you have living, working or traveling overseas, or in remote communities?

Please indicate your first and second time preference for an interview. All interviews are conducted over the phone and take between 20 and 30 minutes. Please note that we are ONLY able to conduct interviews on Tuesdays and Thursdays between 1:30pm and 3:30pm EST, and on Wednesdays between 10:00am and 12:00pm EST. Please specify your first and second choices for an interview.

Interview Scheduling (please select your FIRST and SECOND Choice)

	Please circle your choice:	Please circle/check your choice:
1 st choice:	Tuesday	<input type="checkbox"/> 1:30 pm <input type="checkbox"/> 2:00 pm
	Thursday	<input type="checkbox"/> 2:30 pm <input type="checkbox"/> 3:00 pm
2 nd choice:	Wednesday	<input type="checkbox"/> 10:00 am <input type="checkbox"/> 10:30 am <input type="checkbox"/> 11:00 am <input type="checkbox"/> 11:30 am
	Tuesday	<input type="checkbox"/> 1:30 pm <input type="checkbox"/> 2:00 pm
	Thursday	<input type="checkbox"/> 2:30 pm <input type="checkbox"/> 3:00 pm
	Wednesday	<input type="checkbox"/> 10:00 am <input type="checkbox"/> 10:30 am <input type="checkbox"/> 11:00 am <input type="checkbox"/> 11:30 am

Once complete, please send this form to:

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generalinfo@yci.org
Fax: 416 504 3376

Once we receive your application, we will contact you via email within one to two days to book a phone interview. We will then call you during your scheduled interview time. At this time, you will also be expected to submit a copy of your resume. And don't forget to have two references handy, as well!

Thank you for applying to volunteer with YCI!