

INFOSHEET SJV-L1401
YOUTH CENTER PROJECT

**NON-FORMAL EDUCATION PROVISION FOR POOR AND STREET
CHILDREN AT YOUTH CENTER IN RED RIVER BANK HA NOI**



Solidarités Jeunesses Vietnam is proud to share with you its values that promotes solidarity, peace and tolerance through youth citizenship projects to improve society during and after voluntarism.

LOCATION OF YOUR PROJECT

Work Location: Youth Center, Tan Ap, Long Bien, Ha Noi

[Google Map's Link](#)

BACKGROUND OF THE PROJECT

After 9 years, since SJ Vietnam has been launched, the Youth Center project with support from our local and international partners, hard working of many coordinators and our volunteers. SJ Vietnam had succeeded in the first our target in this project.

Re-write

Since the Youth Centre project was launched 9 years ago SJ Vietnam has succeeded in meeting their first target goals due to the support of our local and international partners and endless hard work of our coordinators and volunteers.

SJ Vietnam had sent most of the disadvantaged, poor and street children to public school and vocational school where they can acquire a proper education and get integrated into the society. Nevertheless the school fees, provided entirely by SJ Vietnam, are rather expensive and need to be covered. SJ Vietnam will therefore continue to provide education to the children staying at the Youth Center but will also participate to activities to raise funds to cover the children school fees. The Centre demonstrates the important role of volunteerism and public-private partnerships in social development.

Our general aspirations: gathering together to establish this center for disadvantaged, poor and street children; create a space for people to exchange ideas, have a chance to study vocational skills and to be integrated in the community. We also want this center to be a place for Vietnamese youth to exchange their knowledge, experience and culture with international volunteers via workshops and everyday exchange. The Youth House school has now become a Youth center.

ROLES AND TASKS

The long-term volunteer will be a full member of the national and international SJ Vietnam organization. She/he will participate in:

- Teaching activities: To teach foreigner languages for children and student at Youth center or private school
- Cleaning and cooking activities: to prepare the lunch for children every day and clean the center
- Promoting activities to raise funds: to organize workshop/ training for local people and Vietnamese youth at the Youth Center or university

DAILY LIFE

The volunteer will work 5 -6 hours a day. Working hours are flexible, it depending on your duties

Your orientation week

SJ Vietnam organizes an orientation week for each new volunteer to have an overview of their project and to learn more about what the other international volunteers are working on.

DAY 1	Introduction (Fears, expectations, contributions) Letter for yourself	Vietnamese lessons Presentations about Vietnam, SJ Vietnam & its projects
DAY 2	Intercultural learning (going to local market and cook Vietnamese food)	Vietnamese lessons Western and Eastern differences Do's and Don'ts of Vietnam
DAY 3	Visit project site	

Accommodation:

The volunteers will stay in a home stay with Vietnamese families. Details of the accommodation will be sent before volunteers' arrival in Vietnam. Volunteers will either have their own rooms or their own beds in a shared room.

Food:

Your meals will be cooked by your host family. You will share breakfast and dinner in your host family and have lunch at the office or at a nearby restaurant. Sometimes you may have to make your breakfast because the host family is working.

Day off and holidays

You have 2 days off per week. Mostly during the weekend, unless there are special events in your working place. You also have 2 additional days off in the month.

Daily transportation:

There are a lot of buses in Hanoi and you will be able to get to your project site easily. Your coordinator will explain everything you need to know to go from your host family to your working place.

At least 2 weeks before coming, **you must send a colored portrait photo of you to in@sjvietnam.org** in order for us to make a monthly bus pass for you. The bus pass will be ready for you when you arrive and can be used for almost every bus in Hanoi.

Extra information:

- ✧ Most places have internet in Ha Noi. It is always easy and cheap to find free wifi in cafes all around the city.
- ✧ You will have free time in the evenings and during weekends, except if there is a special event at the Blind School. During those free weekends you can travel to discover further wonders of Vietnam! Located in northern Vietnam, Hanoi is the capital with about 7 million inhabitants. It

is a thousand year old city, on the banks of the Red River with many colorful districts including the French styled Old Quarter near Hoan Kiem lake, the modern New Quarter, and the more touristy Tay Ho area.

- ✧ To find out more about Hanoi, you can refer to [Lonely planet Hanoi's link](#)

HOW AND WHEN TO GET THE MEETING POINT

An email will be sent to you with more details. Generally, on the day of arrival, a taxi will take the volunteer to the host family and will be met by our coordinator to welcome and introduce the volunteer to the family.

Alternatively you can always find a representative of SJ Vietnam to help you at:

Volunteer House: Suite 903, N1 Building, 282 Linh Nam Street, Hoang Mai District, Hanoi

[Volunteer's house Link](#)

SPECIAL CONDITIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Sent by a local voluntary organization or a member of a voluntary organization.
- Should be open minded and ready for action
- Excellent people management skills.
- Aware of intercultural differences.
- Able to share responsibilities with volunteers and to encourage them.
- Prompt to react to unexpected situations.
- Able to solve intercultural and personal conflict.
- Should be ready to live with volunteers in full time basic conditions.
- A strong understanding and experience about voluntarism.
- A strong sense of commitment and dedication towards making the world a better place.
- Good personal skills, full of energy, enthusiastic.
- Excellent verbal communication skills in English.

- Well organized.
- Good sense of humors.

WHAT TO BRING

- ✧ A raincoat
- ✧ Water-proof clothes and shoes
- ✧ A mosquito spray
- ✧ A basic pharmacy kit
- ✧ Pictures of your hometown and family
- ✧ Games, objects or food from your country
- ✧ Craft material, pencil for your project if possible
- ✧ A copy of your passport
- ✧ 2 ID pictures of 3 cm x 4 cm to get your bus card made



In Hanoi there are four seasons: spring, summer, autumn, and winter. But it is possible to divide the climate into two main seasons: the rainy season from May to September (it's hot, heavy rain), and the dry season is from October to April (it is cold, little rainfall). Please bring clothes according to the season.

PARTICIPATION FEE AND CONFIRMATION PROCESS

The monthly fee is 7,500,000VND/month. This fee includes food, transportation and basic accommodation with a host family. Volunteers will pay all their participation fees in a single payment to their sending organizations or directly to SJ Vietnam 2 weeks before their arrival in Vietnam. Volunteers must send a scanned copy of the receipt and bring it to SJ Vietnam. If they do not pay their participation fees before coming, they will be put on the waiting list. The volunteers can choose their length of stay but must pay in increments of whole or half months. For example, if volunteers stay for 3 months and 10 days, they must pay for 3 and a half months – the cost will be 26,250,000VND; if they stay for 3 months and 20 days, they are must pay for 4 months – the cost will be 30,000,000VND.

If there are holidays during the duration of the volunteer's time here it will still be considered part of their volunteer time and they must pay for the duration of the holiday. If holidays fall after the volunteer work with SJ Vietnam is finished there will be no additional costs.

Following is the address to transfer fee:

Account name: SJ Vietnam

Account number: 4054928

Address: ANZ Hanoi Branch

No 14, Le Thai To Street, Hanoi, Vietnam

Swift: ANZBVNVX

Telephone: +84 438258190

Fax: +84 438258188/9

As soon as you received this Info-sheet, it means that you applied to this project. Shortly, we are going to send you a confirmation slip and a welcome letter. We recommend you to have it with you at your arrival in Vietnam. And, of course, feel free to contact us anytime if you need more information.

CONTACT

SJV coordinator: *Ms Mien: (+84) 90 4649 753*

Host family: *Your coordinator will send you detail before you arrive*

Emergencies 24/24h- 7/7: *(+84) 90 4649 753*

Feel free to contact us anytime if you want more information. We are looking forward to meeting you soon in Vietnam.