

Long Term Volunteering

Those who say it cannot be done should not interrupt the people doing it.
(Chinese proverb)



Blue Rose Special School

in Sri Lanka, hosted by SCI Sri Lanka

Theme:	Disabilities
Location	Kandy
Duration:	The project welcomes volunteers through out the year as the school needs more assistance.
Application:	The decision will be taken within 1 week after receiving the application form.
Vacancies	3
Languages:	
↔ Project:	English
↔ Local:	Sinhala, Tamil

If you are interested in taking part in this project, or if you would like to get more information about becoming a long term volunteer, please contact your local SCI organisation. You can search for the contact information here: <http://www.sciint.org/contact-us/local-sci-branch-or-partner>

Project Description:

The Blue Rose Special School and Training Centre is a day school running a “Day Care Centre” for 30 mentally challenged youngsters (age 12-29), located 4 km away from Kandy, known as Getambe. Today there are 40 registered students, six regular teachers and three part-time instructors for physiotherapy, speech therapy and music.

Work: Serving and assisting the mentally challenged people in their daily activity at the “Blue Rose Special School”, organizing and running social and sports activities, helping with manual work (repairs, gardening, cleaning), leading groups for trekking and excursions. Also assisting them in the swimming pool and gym.

Requirements: Volunteers need to have qualification on special education. Volunteers talented with computers, sports, indoor/outdoor activities, music, drama, fine arts, swimming, handicrafts are welcome. A motivation letter should be sent along with the application form. Proficiency in English is essential. Sinhalese or Tamil might be helpful but not necessary. No alcohol is permitted on the project site.

Food: Food is provided by the organization and the volunteers have to help in

cooking with 2 local volunteers. It would be recommended for the volunteers to share their culture and to learn to cook new local dishes.

Accommodation: Accommodation would be in the same location where we have the school. The volunteer has to share a room (attached bathroom) with a one more volunteer.

Pocket money: None

Insurance: Volunteer needs to organise his/her own insurance.

Fees: 200 EUR per month. The fee helps to cover part of the on-arrival training, local travel, communication and project coordination costs. In addition, 70 EUR are charged for pick-up at the airport. Food and accommodation are covered by the hosting project.

Visa: Three month tourist visa is possible which can be extended once.

Others: Basic Sinhalese or Tamil lesson will be given to the volunteers if needed and interested. Drinking alcohol or smoking is prohibited in the school premises.