



## 2026 Volunteer Build Vanuatu Build Trip

Thanks for your interest in joining Volunteer Build in Vanuatu to build a double school classroom for V2 Life in Eratarp, located just outside of Port Vila. The school is run by V2 Life who started Teouma Christian Academy to respond to the needs of their community. Over the past 3 years, Volunteer Build has constructed 5 new classrooms. As the school roll grows so does the need for school classrooms. We will be returning in July 2026 to build an additional school classroom.

**Trip Dates:** Depart Monday 6<sup>th</sup> of July 2026 and return to NZ Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> of July 2026. Participants are free to arrive earlier or stay longer if they want to at their own cost and arrangements.

**Team Size:** Approximately 15-20. Volunteer Build will provide a host and building foreman to supervise the building project.

Departure Date <b>Monday 6<sup>th</sup> July 2026</b>	Estimated Costs per person
Est Airfare (note its school holidays) <a href="#">Auckland to Port Vila</a> from	\$1,000
Volunteer Build Trip Fee (8 nights' accommodation, ground transport, lunches on build days).	\$2,000
Building Contribution	\$1,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$4,000</b>

**Airfare Budget:** This trip is the 1<sup>st</sup> week of NZ school holidays, so early booking is recommended. Airfares are available either Fiji Airways (via Nadi) or direct on Solomon Airlines from Auckland to Port Vila.

**Accommodation:** Share Twin at local resort in 2-bedroom harborside apartments, with pool. 4 people to an apartment. Single supplement applies if you require a single room.

**Catering:** Cost includes lunches, morning and afternoon teas on building days and water on building site. Self-cater other meals at apartments (supermarket close by) or join other team members for dinner at local restaurants each evening (own cost).

**Transport:** Hired vehicles

**Building Contribution:** \$1,000 per person donation towards the cost of building materials (sourced locally). A receipt will be issued for this donation that you can use with your annual tax return. We will email you a donation remittance form with further details.

**Vaccinations:** You will need to consult your doctor, however common vaccinations needed are Tetanus, Diphtheria, MMR, Hepatitis A & flu vax, typhoid, chicken pox (unless you have had it). Remember it's not just you who needs protection – it's the kids and families you interact with as well. Dengue fever, zika and malaria may be present in Vanuatu at times, so discuss use of DEET based repellent and malaria tablets with your Doctor.

**Visas:** For NZ passport holders, a tourist visa is given on arrival in Port Vila, Vanuatu (no charge). 6-month validity on passport is needed after departure.



**Travel insurance:** compulsory and [must include coverage for manual labour \(building\)](#) and medical evacuation and cancellation costs. Volunteer Build offers a policy through Covermore, and a personalized quote will be provided after signing up. Premium is from \$180 pp up and depends on age, cancellation coverage and any pre-existing conditions.

**To register for the Trip:** All approved team members need to complete an online application form found at [www.volunteerbuild.com/vanuat](http://www.volunteerbuild.com/vanuat)

**What is not covered in the Trip Cost?**

- Vaccinations
- Travel insurance premium
- Breakfast, dinners, and lunches not specified (eating out - budget approx. \$20 for lunch and \$30 for dinner although you can self-cater at the apartments. Some burger bars start from \$15 per burger.
- Personal drinks and snacks & spending money
- Return transport to Auckland International Airport
- Return airfares to Port Vila

Trip payment Schedule for VB Trip Fee & Building Donation: Payments are non-refundable.

Date	Amount per person
Non-refundable Deposit on Sign Up	\$500
Balance Due 1 <sup>st</sup> May 2026	\$1,500
Building Contribution Donation 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2026	\$1,000
Total excluding airfare etc.	\$3,000



Note- this program is subject to change at the discretion of Volunteer Build