**2024 Volunteer Build Vanuatu Build Trip**

Thanks for your interest in joining Volunteer Build in Vanuatu to build another 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. In 2023 we built a double classroom for this school and will be returning in August 2024 to build an additional double classroom.

**Trip Dates:** Depart Tuesday 13th of August 2024 and return to NZ Monday 19th of August 2024. Participants are free to arrive earlier or stay longer if they want to at their own cost and arrangements. Flights depart Port Vila for Auckland on Monday and Wednesday evenings.

**Team Size**: Approximately 15-20. Volunteer Build will provide a host and 2 building foremen to supervise the building project.

| Departure Date Tuesday 13th August 2024 | Estimated Costs per person |
|---|---|
| Airfare Auckland to Port Vila approx. Solomon Airlines from | $850 |
| Volunteer Build Trip Fee (6 nights' accommodation, ground transport, lunches on build days). | $2,000 |
| Building Contribution | $1,000 |
| **Total** | **$3,850** |

**Airfare Budget:** Budget from $850 return on Solomon Airlines from Auckland to Port Vila. Team members are responsible to book their own airfare. You can arrive earlier or stay longer at your cost. Contact Tanya at House of Travel Papamoa if you need assistance with your flight bookings on 07 542 9306 or email taitken@hot.co.nz.

**Accommodation:** Share Twin at local resort in 2-bedroom harborside apartments, with pool. 4 people to an apartment.

**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 team 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.

**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 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 for this trip at https://volunteerbuild.com/vn2024

**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 and some places on the Port Vila waterfront start from $10 for a 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 1st July 2024 | $1,500 |
| Building Contribution Donation | $1,000 |
| Total excluding airfare etc. | $3,000 |



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