



2025 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. In July 2023 we built a double classroom and in August 2024 our team built a single classroom. As the school roll grows so does the need for school classrooms. We will be returning in July 2025 to build an additional double 96 sqm classroom.

Trip Dates: Depart Saturday 12th of July 2025 and return to NZ Monday 21st of July 2025. Participants are free to arrive earlier (the week before is the 2nd week of Term 2 NZ school holidays) 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 Saturday 12th July 2025 | Estimated Costs per person |
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| Airfare Auckland to Port Vila approx. Solomon Airlines from | \$1100 |
| Volunteer Build Trip Fee (9 nights' accommodation, ground transport, lunches on build days). | \$2,000 |
| Building Contribution | \$1,000 |
| Total | \$4,100 |

Airfare Budget: Budget from \$1100 to \$1500 return direct on Solomon Airlines from Auckland to Port Vila. We will provide you with some airfare options including group options (pay deposit now, with balance before departure).

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.

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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 found at 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 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 1 st May 2025 | \$1,500 |
| Building Contribution Donation 1 st April 2025 | \$1,000 |
| Total excluding airfare etc. | \$3,000 |



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