



# FAMILY SPIRIT CHILDREN CENTRE

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## **Family Spirit Children Centre- World Volunteer Service Experience**

*We are happy to receive you and work with you to enhance the lives of our children!*

Are you a retired professional, university student, or someone looking to give back as you travel? Come to Masindi, Uganda and experience village life with our child centre!

We are a civil society organization serving as an orphanage, school, children rights advocates and HIV/AIDS awareness, care and support services, advocacy, environmental protection and sustainable livelihood development. Our children and staff would love to work with you within your skillset and travel schedule to improve Family Spirit Children Centre, and we guarantee, you will leave with beautiful memories and experiences you will carry for life.



### **Background:**

Family Spirit was founded in 2002 by a group of volunteers suffering from HIV/AIDS who realized the plight of children suffering after their parents had died. Much of the affects of death touched all family members, but the children were most affected, as some even became heads of families.

This organization started as a group to reduce the suffering of women and children with a holistic approach of care, support and education. Now, Family Spirit has worked with the OVC for over 10 years to fight HIV/AIDS in the Masindi District. Other programs now include: a Livelihood project, baby class through primary 7

education led by volunteer teachers, and other training programs are in cycles of development.

**Vision and Mission:**

We want to see children free from suffering and want to increase community participation and involvement in prevention, care, and support activities so as to mitigate the health, social, spiritual and economic impact of war, home violence and HIV/AIDS at all levels.

**Core Values:**

Volunteerism, love, unity, accountability, selflessness, humanitarianism, popular participation and inductiveness, honesty and integrity, and gender sensitivity.



**Volunteer with us!**

If you want to travel with purpose and have skills to enhance our school programming, training development or health, please consider an experience with Family Spirit Child Centre! For every week you stay under one month, you support a child for one month. For every month you stay after one month, you support a child for one month. Thank you for traveling with a purpose!



**World Volunteer Service Positions Available:**

Social worker/ Counseling

Nurse

Teacher- any subject (art/design, music, math, English, science, phys ed, computers, tailoring, mechanical)

Farming/Agriculture

Early childhood development and baby care

Business and accounting

Entrepreneurship

Other

**Requirements:**

CV (including skills)

Letter/Reference Professional or University

Clear criminal record

Cover letter including intentions

Proof of education levels reached



## **Fee Structure for Volunteers (see visitors pass information below):**

### **1 week 7 nights:**

Living with family in the village  
3 home cooked local meals per day (at Family Spirit or homestay)  
security guard at local home  
Water for bathing hot or cold  
Laundry service  
Visit to the farm  
Cultural dressing, language lessons Day 1  
Tour of Masindi (church, games and sports)  
1-2 off per week self-explore (estimate \$30 self spending souvenirs, activities)  
Family Spirit upkeep and contribution (included to support one child for one year)  
**1,610,000 Ush (\$490 USD)**

Additional-

\*\$300 roundtrip (to/fro) Airport transfer in private vehicle

\* find your own accommodation, security, laundry and meals, deduct \$100

### **DAY PASS or WEEK LONG Visitor pass to Family Spirit (visit us!)**

**Just want to visit? That's wonderful!**

A contribution of **\$50 per person (160,000 Ush)** will help us care for one child for

\*one month while you visit us for 1-7 days as a guest

Enjoy our children, local dancing, singing and our Child Centre!

### **2 weeks**

+\$100 additional weeks if at a homestay (or \$0 of finding own accommodation, meals etc.)

+\$50 per person to help us care for one child for one month (for every week you stay, you will help support food, education, centre development, upkeep, health and care for one month)

**2 weeks: \$640 (2,100,000 Ush)**

**3 weeks: \$790 (2,600, 000 Ush)**

### **1 month**

Inclusive care as listed above or deduct \$100 per week is finding own accommodation, meals, etc.)

**\$940 (3,100,000 Ush)**

### **2-6 months**

\$100 per week meals and homestay (or find own accommodation)

\$200 per month for every month after first month

\*this does not include other transport or trip to farm, to town, Kampala, etc.

**2 months: \$1,240 (4,100,000 Ush)**

**3 months: \$1,540 (5,080,000 Ush)**

**4 months: \$1,840 (6,070,000 Ush)**  
**5 months: \$2,140 (7,060,000 Ush)**  
**6 months: \$2,440 (8,050,000 Ush)**

**Additional services (inquire to Isacc):**

Murchison Tour (with or without overnight)

Rhino Camp (Nakasongola)

\*Remember- airport transfers are recommended and additional as mentioned above.



Please see other example of volunteer experiences in the world and compare our requested contribution: <http://www.unitedplanet.org/volunteer-abroad/program-fees> . Our volunteer or visitor fees above help you make a true impact during your visit by providing basic needs to our children while creating a memorable experience for yourself.

Payments can be made in person and a receipt will be issued. If paying in USD, please remember to have bills that are newer than 2006 without marks, tears, or folds. Uganda shillings (Ush) are also accepted. Our staff must receive the required personal information no later than one month before your arrival and you must receive confirmation back with our acceptance of your volunteer inquiry or denial. Denials may happen if we have too many volunteers or if we are not in need of your service at this time. If you are denied, we hope you will consider reapplying in the future.

For the increased safety, welfare and development of our children we appreciate your interest and your understanding if we are unable to accommodate you at a certain time. By paying the required fee, you agree to maintain integrity, follow local cultural norms, be a good example to our children and fulfill your role as a volunteer. Fees are non-refundable and in effect as of August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016.

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**Our Board of Directors, children and leadership thank you for considering  
service with us!**

Sincerely,

Isacc & Susan