Volunteer with Goodwill Mozambique

Share your time. Make a difference.



Welcome to the Goodwill family.



Thank you for joining us.

Thank you for choosing to volunteer with Goodwill Mozambique!

Your decision to join us will make a meaningful and lasting impact on the lives of the children we care for, their families, and the broader community.

At Goodwill Mozambique, we are dedicated to creating a safe, nurturing environment for vulnerable children while also supporting their families and empowering local communities. Through education, health initiatives, and emotional support, we strive to build brighter futures.

As a volunteer, you will play a vital role in these efforts, whether by assisting with childcare, engaging in community outreach, or supporting our range of programmes.

This volunteer package introduces the many ways you can get involved, outlines the impact of your contribution, and provides important guidelines to help make your experience successful and rewarding.

We are thrilled to welcome you to our team and can't wait to see the incredible difference we'll make together.





A safe place.
A brighter future.

We are deeply committed to the wellbeing of our children, ensuring they have access to safe shelter, quality education, reliable healthcare, and the emotional support they need to heal and thrive.

Every child deserves the chance to grow up in a nurturing environment where they feel valued, protected, and empowered. Through these efforts, we help them build a strong foundation for a brighter, more successful future.

We also work hand in hand with families and local communities, equipping them with tools and resources to provide ongoing support and create a more sustainable impact. Strengthening these bonds helps build resilient, self-sufficient communities for generations to come.





Valued.
Protected.
Empowered.

Our values



01 Compassion

We approach our work with empathy and understanding, always considering the needs and wellbeing of those we serve.

02 Integrity

We act with honesty and transparency. Every donation, effort and interaction aligns with our core principles.

03 Collaboration

We believe in working together with volunteers, local partners and the wider community to create meaningful, lasting change.

04 Respect

We treat every individual with dignity, valuing their unique experiences, cultures and perspectives.

05 Sustainability

We promote long-term impact, self-sufficiency and community-driven solutions that continue to thrive beyond our direct involvement.

Your time can make a lasting difference.

Volunteering with Goodwill Mozambique is about creating a lasting impact. Your contributions, no matter how big or small, help provide vulnerable children and their families with the care and opportunities they need to thrive.

By becoming a volunteer, you help shape the lives of the children and community members we serve.

How volunteers make a difference

You will witness the growth and positive changes that happen when communities support one another. Through educational activities, childcare and outreach programmes, you help children reach their full potential and empower families to care for their loved ones.



Personal growth through volunteering

Working in a new environment and experiencing different cultures offers valuable skills and insights that stay with you for years. It is a chance to broaden your worldview and build meaningful connections with people from diverse backgrounds.

Our children.
Their possibilities.

Our primary focus is providing care, support and opportunities for vulnerable children, their families and the wider community. Every child should experience safety, love and education, the foundations of a brighter future.

Our children come from diverse backgrounds, often facing poverty, trauma and unstable living conditions. They are resilient and full of potential. We provide a safe, nurturing home where they can learn, grow and build skills for life.

Through education, emotional support and mentorship, we help them overcome obstacles and realise their dreams. Each child has unique stories and needs. Your guidance and companionship help them feel seen, heard and valued.





Seen. Heard. Valued.

Strong families.
Stronger foundations.

We believe the wellbeing of children is closely linked to the wellbeing of their families. Goodwill Mozambique supports both the children in our care and their families.



We provide resources and assistance to help families with socio-economic challenges, access to education and medical supplies, and relief following natural disasters.



By empowering parents and caregivers, we create a stronger foundation for children's development.

Care that reaches beyond our home.

Our work reaches beyond individual families into the wider community. We build relationships, offer community outreach programmes and create spaces for collaboration.

Through educational initiatives, local partnerships and community events, we aim to uplift the whole community, creating a network of support that extends well beyond our children's home.



Together, we can build a brighter future for all.

Discover Vilankulo.
Make an impact.

Through your volunteer work, you will engage directly with the community, learning and growing alongside the people of Vilankulo.

Visiting local schools

Accompany us on school visits, support education initiatives and engage with students. Experience the Mozambican school system firsthand and contribute to the children's learning environment.



Exploring local markets

Join trips to the town's bustling markets to help purchase fresh food and supplies while immersing yourself in daily life. Meet local vendors, discover handmade crafts and experience the energy of Vilankulo's commerce.







Play, share & belong

Enjoying outings with the children

Help organise and take part in beach days, fishing at the lakes and other outings, giving children time to relax, play and enjoy time outdoors. These joyful moments are an important part of their wellbeing.



Sharing meals and culture

Try local dishes prepared by our team, learn about Mozambican cuisine and share meals with the children and staff. Food is an important part of our culture, and mealtimes are a chance to connect.

Immersing yourself in daily life

Greet locals in Portuguese or Xitswa, learn about traditional music and dance, or walk through town with fellow volunteers. Your time in Vilankulo will be filled with authentic experiences.

Ways you will help

As a volunteer, you will be actively involved in:

1 Childcare & mentorship

Assist with daily care, help with homework and take part in activities with the children.



2 Education & tutoring

Teach or assist with English, maths and creative arts.

3 Community outreach

Support local initiatives, awareness programmes and family assistance.



4 Activities & sports

Organise games, creative workshops and recreational activities.

5 Community trips

Join visits to local families, the hospital and outreach programmes to provide support where needed.



Ready to join us?

Before you arrive

All volunteers must provide an updated police clearance before arrival.

When you arrive

You will be required to sign a contract that includes the Volunteer Code of Conduct.



Volunteering is a two-way journey. You will change lives, and this experience will change yours.

Choose your experience

Make a difference while immersing yourself in the vibrant community of Vilankulo. Whether you stay with us or join for the day, both packages support you and the children we care for.

Full Experience

$35 per day

For a fully immersive experience.

- Basic accommodation: a private room with a fan
- Three daily meals
- A reusable water bottle
- Goodwill Mozambique T-shirt and hat

Community Day

$20 per day

For volunteers with their own accommodation.

- Three daily meals
- Goodwill Mozambique T-shirt and hat

Dietary restrictions can be catered for at an additional cost in both packages.



Make yourself at home.

Need alternative accommodation?

If you prefer to stay off site, we can help you find suitable accommodation.



Both packages let you engage in meaningful work: teaching, helping in the garden, assisting with meals or simply spending quality time with the children.



Before you travel

Before arrival, ensure you have obtained all visa requirements in your country of residence. We recommend contacting your local travel clinic or GP before travelling to Mozambique.

Find more useful travel tips on our website

We'll be there to welcome you.

Airport & bus transfers

Whether you arrive by air or by road, we will be there to pick you up.





**A warm welcome.
A helping hand.**

Upon arrival, we will arrange for you to obtain a local SIM card, helping you stay connected and share your experiences.

Our team is here to help you feel at home and assist with anything you need.

Your orientation

We'll help you settle in with:

1. **Meet the Goodwill family**

   Tour our facilities and meet the staff and children.



2. **Find your rhythm**

   Learn about daily routines and expectations.

3. **Stay safe and well**

   Understand our health and safety guidelines.



4. **Connect with respect**

   Explore cultural awareness and respectful community engagement.

5. **Know your role**

   Review volunteer responsibilities and best practices.

Thank you for choosing Goodwill.

We are truly grateful for your interest in joining us. Your time, energy and commitment make a real difference to the children, their families and the Vilankulo community.

You become part of a team dedicated to positive change and a brighter future. We hope your experience is as rewarding for you as it is for the children we serve. Together, we can build lasting relationships, learn from one another and create meaningful impact.





We can't wait to welcome you!

Questions? We're always here to help.

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