Immersing in Indigenous culture and engaging in preservation of vital community construction

Overview: The Cherokee Nation is a federally recognized tribe of the United States. Originally from the Southeast, the tribe was forcibly relocated on the Trail of Tears. Today, the Cherokee Nation faces poverty, unemployment, and poor-quality housing while working to preserve the tribe’s language, history, and culture.

Day-to-day: The group will work to revitalize the Vian Peace Center and the local community. Students will be responsible for staining, painting, yard work, building wheelchair accessible ramps, and other projects that are needed. Participants will also engage in Native American cultural activities including art, language lessons, and history.

The Nitty-Gritty Details: Housing facilities include showers, restrooms, and a full kitchen. There is a kitchen at the housing site, and the group will have a small budget for groceries to cook their own breakfast, sack lunches, and dinners.

Location: Vian, OK
Price: $300
Trip Price includes:
- Transportation
- Housing
- Tools/supplies needed for service

Transportation: Participants will travel by a 10 person van to the destination. The van will be used throughout the week for local transportation.

Housing: Cherokee Nation Community Center
Meals: No meals provided

Social Justice Issue:
Physicality Level: Medium
Service does include physicals tasks and yard work

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