The Akumanyi Foundation
Senya, Ghana

This trip requires completion of the Buck-I-SERV application AND a supplemental international application available at https://payitforward2013.wufoo.com/forms/m8ry0kn0ylbmwp/. Applicants must complete both steps in order to be considered for this experience. Interviews will be conducted to select participants.

Overview: This trip is in collaboration with The Akumanyi Foundation, a non-profit organization that works in Ghana to improve the lives and the living conditions of vulnerable youth and women. This experience will be a 10-day trip in Senya, Ghana, where participants will serve at Becky’s Children’s Home. Becky’s Children’s Home cares for over 50 orphaned and vulnerable youth. Additionally, the founders of the home also run a primary and middle school that serves 400 students from the surrounding villages.

Day-to-Day: Participants will spend early mornings and late afternoons at the children’s home. We may also spend time at the local school. The mid-day and evenings are filled with group and cultural activities. To read examples of group activities from previous volunteer groups to this site, check out the The Akumanyi Foundation website, https://www.akumanyifoundation.org/2016-service-learning-trip/.

The Nitty Gritty Details: The group will lodge and eat at a volunteer home in Senya. Although most meals are included, participants should plan to have about $200 additional funds to pay for some food and activities. This is a 12 person trip. Applicants should have passports in hand at time of application; Participants will need to apply for a Ghana Visa shortly after selection. Entry to Ghana requires a Yellow Fever vaccination.

SPECIFICATIONS

Location: Senya, Ghana

Price: $2400

Price Includes:

- Transportation (flight, airport shuttles & in-country vans)
- Housing
- Program fees
- Cultural activities
- Most meals
- Supplemental Travel Insurance

Price Does Note Include:

- Passport or Visa application fees
- Required Yellow Fever vaccination or other immunizations

Transportation: Participants will travel by air through Accra, Ghana. Daily in-country transportation will be by van.

Housing: Volunteer House (bunk beds, shared bath/shower)

Meals: Most food provided at housing site

Social Justice Issue:
International Development, Poverty, Women and Children Education and Empowerment

Physicality Level: Medium. The service work can be adapted to any level. Lots of daily walking to/from sites and the heat will add extra challenge to stay hydrated while traveling.