Supporting sustainability measures in New Orleans through wetland restoration and disaster relief

Overview: “Common Ground Relief’s mission is to create resilient Gulf Coast communities that are financially viable, personally cohesive and environmentally sustainable. Common Ground Relief fulfills this mission assisting residents to build assets that support community transformation and renewal. Common Ground Relief provides volunteer opportunities that focus on the restoration of Louisiana’s coastal wetlands. These projects include marsh grass and bottomland hardwood tree plantings, nursery propagation and other activities that aim at growing out plant material and using it to restore coastal salt marshes, swamps and bottomland hardwood forests.”

Day-to-day: Basic project coordination which typically involves at least one planting project, invasive species removal, nursery work and work in the neighborhood, if needed. Planting projects may involve being out in the water. All projects can be re-scheduled during the week in the event of inclement weather.

The Nitty-Gritty Details: Volunteers sleep in bunk beds in their own house at the Common Ground Relief compound. Common Ground Relief provides bed linens and towels. Volunteers are encouraged to bring their favorite pillow or comforter.

SPECIFICATIONS

Location: New Orleans, LA
Price: $250

Trip Price includes:
- Transportation
- Housing
- Tools/Supplied needed for service

Transportation: Participants will travel by a charter bus to the site. A rental van will be used throughout the week.

Housing: Volunteer House

Meals: All meals included

Social Justice Issue:

Physicality Level: Medium

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