



Project TEN

International Community Development
By The Jewish Agency For Israel

SOUTH AFRICA



ABOUT

Project TEN is an international development program that operates volunteer centers in developing areas. We bring together young Jewish adults from all over the world, to a program that combines volunteer work with local communities and service-learning in the fields of international development, culture, identity, and Jewish activism.



REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

The TEN Center in Durban, South Africa, opened in 2016. Durban is a coastal town known for its ethnic and cultural diversity, which blends various religions, lifestyles and traditions. The project's activity is focused in the Inanda District; a mountainous region located about 24 km from the city where the Zulu tribe lives. We partner with The Jewish Zionist Community of Durban and are partly supported by the Victor Daitz foundation.

BOOKS & THINGS ENRICHMENT ROOMS

Project Ten runs enrichment activities in elementary and middle schools. During school hours, the volunteers lead enrichment classes in collaboration with local teaching staff in order to provide students with knowledge and tools from the world of informal education, which contribute to formal learning. The activities revolve around art, group games and thinking games and chess.

BOOKS & THINGS EDUCATIONAL CENTER

Books & Things Educational Center will be opening soon. The Center will be a product of collaboration with local organizations which will operate during school hours and provides experiential, multidisciplinary learning, which will be adapted to the various learning capabilities of the children and youth. In the afternoon, the school space will be opened to all community children. The activities will revolve around the fields of art, social games, thinking games, sports and music in order to develop personal skills and abilities among the children of today that will serve them as adults.

WHO WE ARE

Young people in their twenties from Israel and the Diaspora volunteer at the TEN Durban Center. Volunteers engage in informal education activities on a daily basis in order to enrich the local children's learning experience.

WHAT WE DO

Volunteers will work inside two schools in the township of our Inanda in classrooms and in Enrichment rooms executing a variety of experiential and empowering content in the fields of art, movement, social and thinking games, science, ODT and more. The emphasis is on experiential learning and is adapted to the various learning abilities of the children and youth. The learning promotes the development of personal skills and abilities that children require as they grow up.



Working with CHILDREN, YOUTH AND TEACHING STAFF in Inanda, Kwazulu Natal (Durban)!

VOLUNTEERS EDUCATIONAL CURRICULUM

Volunteers undergo training before and after arrival at the Center. The training is designed to prepare participants for group life, the volunteering experience, and it enables a connection to the wider global context in which Project TEN operates. The delegation opens with a week of orientation of in-depth familiarity with the Center. During this week, the volunteers meet the local staff, get to deeply know the work, visit volunteering locations and are exposed to the local culture and lifestyle.

During the three months of volunteering, there are regular weekly meetings led by the Center's Directors and Coordinators and in collaboration with local professionals. The meetings cover various topics such as international development, education and community, Shabbat and holiday activities, Zulu lessons and group time. The purpose of the meetings is to process the volunteering and group life experiences, to provide tools for the professional implementation of Project TEN's educational and ethical model, to expose the volunteers to the culture and lifestyle of the community in which they live alongside their own identity as Jews, as Israelis and citizens of the world.

*Every second weekend, participants are free to go and travel around the country. The program welcomes religious and secular participants. All activities on Saturdays and Jewish holidays are suitable for traditional observers. However, every participant is free to keep the Shabbat as they see fit.



ACCOMMODATIONS:

Volunteers share a communal house (4-6 volunteers per room) in the city of Durban in the best and safest neighborhood. The quarters have clean water and are equipped with a vegetarian kitchen and fully-equipped dining room, toilets, showers, washing machine and a pleasant living room.

COST: \$1,350

Includes: Accommodation, three nutritious vegetarian meals a day, clean water, professional staff in the field, basic Wi-Fi and security.

Not Included: Flights, health insurance, vaccines, visas and free weekends.

VOLUNTEER 2020

- January Cohort
- May Cohort
- September Cohort

For more details on dates and other centers check out our website!

