

# Making a difference in Tanzania: Volunteer Placement Information

Following your climb you will undertake a 5-day volunteer placement with one of two local partner Charities based around the Moshi area. Please find below some information about the Charities and what the placements might involve.

## Mkombozi

Mkombozi (meaning "liberator" or "emancipator" in Swahili) is the leading child-focused agency in Tanzania's Kilimanjaro and Arusha regions, using education, research, advocacy, and outreach to help vulnerable children and youth to grow in mind, body and spirit. These are some of the ways that Mkombozi tackles the complex issues surrounding child vulnerability:

- Researching and addressing the root causes that drive children to come to the streets;
- Enabling communities to value and protect vulnerable children;
- Offering education and work opportunities to each individual child
- Strengthening family-based care of children who live / work on the streets and HIV orphans;
- Offering safety, love, food and medical care for children and youth at a residential centre;
- Working with children who live / work on the streets to break cycles of dysfunction, to build problem-solving skills, to facilitate conflict-management, and to teach life skills;
- Fostering a popular movement to prioritise children and young people.

For more information about Mkombozi visit [www.mkombozi.org](http://www.mkombozi.org)

During your placement with Mkombozi, you will learn about the harsh reality of Tanzania's streets and be involved in the daily activities of the charity. There is the opportunity to tailor the placement to your own interests/skill including: *creative arts, medical skill, street outreach, and leading Christian fellowship*. Only a limited number of placements are available with Mkombozi.

Hotel accommodation will be provided close to one of Mkombozi's centres.  
25% of the money you raise will be donated to Mkombozi to support their work.



## UNCODET

The Uru North Community Development Trust (UNCODET) is a community NGO representing 4 villages (Njari, Ongoma, Mrawi and Msuni) in the Uru area of Moshi rural (about 30 minutes drive from Moshi town). Most of the 30,000 or so villagers in this area are subsistence farmers who sell any excess produce at the local market. The community benefits from a tiny amount of tourism revenue, as well as limited employment at nearby coffee estates. UNCODET grew out of a need for the villages to work together, pooling resources and skills to improve the lives of all. It has benefited from links with other NGOs both locally and internationally including the Brampton Tanzania Trust and Skillshare International. While it faces many challenges, UNCODET is a shining example of how communities in rural Tanzania can be proactive in working together to address common problems.

Your placement will see you working within the local community on a renovation/refurbishment or construction focused project around the district. The materials and any local labour required for your project will be paid for with a proportion of the money you raise.

Supported by Really Wild Travel, you will be camping and living within the community which will give you a thorough immersion into the Tanzanian lifestyle and culture.

More detailed information about the projects will be provided closer to the time.

Email: [julian.lomas@gtcc.org.uk](mailto:julian.lomas@gtcc.org.uk)  
Website: [www.gtcc.org.uk](http://www.gtcc.org.uk)

Email: [info@reallywildtravel.com](mailto:info@reallywildtravel.com)  
Website: [www.reallywildtravel.com](http://www.reallywildtravel.com)

