

International Service Project Description

A service project trip typically last 14 - 18 days, structured as follows:

2 days outbound travel

Our USA point of departure is either Chicago O'Hare International Airport or San Francisco International Airport. From the U.S., we fly to London Heathrow, experience a 12-16 hour layover, then fly into Nairobi's Jomo Kenyatta International Airport.



4 - 6 days in the Machakos District

We will be met at the airport by our personal drivers, who will stay with us for the duration of the service trip. During the first 4-6 days in Kenya, we will work on the current service project and spend time in and around the district villages.



1 day travel time

Once our service project is completed, our drivers will take us overland to our safari destination.



3-4 days on safari

We will travel to one or more Kenyan National Parks, where we will enjoy first-class accommodations, morning and late afternoon game drives, gourmet meals, swimming, special activities, and the fantastic sights and sounds of the most beautiful, wildest places on Earth.



1 day return trip to Nairobi

Our drivers will take us to Nairobi, where we will overnight in a modern hotel and spend the next day touring sites like the Karen Blixen House, the Sheldrick Wildlife Trust Elephant Orphanage, and the Kazuri Bead Factory.



2 days return travel

Beginning with an early morning transport back to Jomo Kenyatta International Airport, we will return home, retracing our outbound flights, with an overnight stay in London.

International Service Project Costs



Service project costs vary depending on the type of project being undertaken by the group, but the average cost per individual ranges between \$4,000 and \$5,000.

The following conditions apply:

- * A non-refundable \$1,000 deposit is due at the time of registration.

- * Registration for a given service project session closes 60 days prior to our scheduled departure date.

- * The remaining balance is due 30 days prior to our scheduled departure date.

Service project fees cover the cost of individual roundtrip airfare from our U.S. point of departure, accommodations, some meals (typically breakfast and dinner at our destination hotels), all on-site travel, contribution to the current service project, orientation sessions & materials, safari activities, logistical support, and acquisition of an entry Visa from the Kenyan government.

All fees listed are in United States Dollars (USD). Payment can be made via foreign check with prior authorization from Other Paths, Inc., however you will need to pay the full price to convert to the USD equivalent in addition to any fees your bank may charge to convert currency. All foreign credit card charges will only need to be converted to USD equivalent based on the current exchange rate.

All service trip fees paid to Other Paths, Inc. are tax-deductible, as Other Paths is a registered 501(c)(3) non-profit charitable organization.

Other Travel Requirements

All participants need a valid U.S. passport. **Service project fees do not cover the cost of obtaining a passport.** Please ensure that you have your passport in-hand at least 60 days prior to our departure date.

As a general precaution, all travelers are advised to carry a photocopy of the photo/bio information page of their passport and keep it in a location separate from the passport. Copies are also kept by Other Paths, Inc.

Yellow Fever Cards showing up-to-date vaccination must be available for inspection at the Kenyan port of entry when passports are presented.



Supplemental International Health Insurance is highly recommended and is not covered by our service project fees. Some companies that offer this type of insurance are:

- * International SOS
- * Wallach & Company
- * Cultural Insurance Services International

Please refer to our [International Travel Safety Guide](#) for detailed information on health requirements, immunization requirements, and common-sense tips for staying safe while traveling to Kenya.