

INTERNATIONAL



"It's a small world after all; it's a small, small world!" Disney was right about one thing: the world just keeps getting smaller. As our local web begins to include people and places on the other side of the globe, it's important that we understand our role in the international community. Due to the influx of immigrants from countries all over the world, you can learn a lot about how the world works without ever having to leave San Francisco. Many of the organizations listed in this section help newcomers find their way in a confusing new place.

American Friends Service Committee

65 Ninth Street, San Francisco
415-565-020112

Email: smcneil@afsc.org

Web: www.afsc.org

Minimum age: 16

W/parental supervision: 13

Bus lines: 19 and all Market st.

BART: Civic Center

The emergency & material Assistance project secures "kits" such as school, arts, hygiene and school supplies for distribution to marginal communities. Volunteers help in many different areas with educational sessions on running a kits campaign, fund raising and doing community outreach.

AYUSA; Study Abroad Program

2226 Bush Street, San Francisco
415-674-6526

Email: news@ayusa.org

Web: www.ayusa.org

Minimum age: 15

W/parental supervision: 15

Bus lines: 22, 1, 2, 3, 4

BART:

As a study abroad assistant, you will be asked to do some research in the internet as well as data gathering. Other tasks include data entry, administrative tasks and you will have the option of learning how to create marketing flyers. You will also help prepare students for their exchange experience abroad. Earn a study abroad scholarship for your own program (if you are 15-18 yrs old). You will work as a member of a fun, energetic, youthful team, where your input will be highly

CA Peace Action (G)

2800 Adeline Street, Berkeley
510-849-2272

Email: Kara@CaliforniaPeaceActi

Web: www.californiapeaceaction.or

Minimum age: 16

W/parental supervision: 14

Bus lines:

BART: Ashby

California Peace Action is a grassroots political organization with 35,000 members in California. Our goals are to decrease the U.S. military budget and route money to social programs, stop weapons sales to human rights abusing governments and to abolish nuclear weapons. Volunteers are needed to help with data entry projects. Come learn about important issues while gaining office and non-profit skills!

Hostelling International-Ft Mason/

Building 240, Fort Mason, San Francisco
415-771-7277 x76

Email: fwprograms@norcalhostel

Web: www.norcalhostels.org

Minimum age: 15

W/parental supervision: 15

Bus lines: 10, 30, 47, 49

BART:

At Hostelling International-Ft Mason/ Fisherman's Wharf, volunteer opportunities are available after school and on weekends at the hostel information desk. Knowledge of the Bay Area, especially the public transportation system, and ability to interact with foreign visitors is essential.

International Development Exchange (G)

827 Valencia Street, #101, San Francisco
415-824-8384 x200

Email: info@idex.org

Web: www.idex.org

Minimum age: 14

W/parental supervision: 14

Bus lines: 26, 14, 49

BART: 16th Street or 24th Street

International Development Exchange (IDEX) supports community-based development efforts in Asia, Africa, and Latin America. Their School Program uses case studies of these communities for classroom presentations, teaching materials, simulation exercises, teacher training, and service learning workshops to teach global education and community service. Volunteer opportunities for individual volunteers with interest in computers are also available in their office.

International Rescue Committee (F,G)

1370 Mis, San Francisco
415-863-3777

Email: sarah@ircsf.org

Web: www.ircsf.org

Minimum age: 16

W/parental supervision: 2

Bus lines: 42, 47, 49, 14

BART: Civic Center

International Rescue Committee (IRC) is the leading nonsectarian voluntary agency devoted to helping refugees worldwide. For 70 years, IRC has helped millions who have fled from war, political violence, and famine. Volunteers can help newly-arriving refugees by helping sort incoming donations of clothing and household goods.

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Southeast Asian Community Center

875 O'Farrell Street, San Francisco

415-885-2743

Email: seaccphilip@juno.com

Web:

Minimum age: 16

W/parental supervision: 16

Bus lines: 38, 31, 19

BART: Civic Center

The Southeast Asian Community Center is a community based organization with three county offices in the Bay Area. Since 1975, we have provided a wide range of social services to help refugees and immigrants adjust and become self-sufficient. Volunteers may be peer counselors, tutors, or social and recreational assistants with the Youth Club. Volunteers in the (peer) Asian AIDS Prevention Project receive training in AIDS education and prevention.