

CANADA WORLD YOUTH (CWY)

WHAT IS IT?

Canada World Youth is a Canadian organization dedicated to development in other countries for the benefit of young people from Canada and abroad. Since 1971, some 40 countries have participated with CWY in international exchanges.

The programs offered by CWY have contributed to the development of young people from participating countries through the pursuit of five objectives:

- to stimulate greater interest, understanding and recognition of their own countries among young people in Canada and abroad;
- to develop a sense of awareness, understanding and acknowledgement of people and cultures with values different from their own;
- to enable young people to experience and observe the underlying realities of development in Canada and abroad;
- to encourage and strengthen the desire of young people to solve development problems in their own countries through the use of their own resources and traditions; and
- to enable young people to understand and accept the interdependence of people and nations.

Canadian volunteers are paired with a counterpart from another country for a six-month program.

In addition to the regular exchanges, Canada World Youth organizes specialized programs including:

- a work partner program to give youth age 21 to 29 concrete work experience in international co-operation;
- programs combining non-formal education with technical training in educational institutions;

- customized exchanges designed to meet the needs of specific clientele; and
- exchanges for schools or other organizations.

HOW LONG CAN I STAY?

The program is a total of six months: three months in Canada and three months in developing countries in Africa, Asia, the Caribbean and Latin America.

WHO CAN APPLY?

This program is available to Canadian volunteers 17 to 21 years old.

Participants must:

- be in good health;
- be Canadian citizens or landed immigrants; and
- have previous group experience and a willingness to learn a second language.

Travel and living expenses are covered by Canada World Youth (CWY). There is a deadline to apply each year.

For more information:

Canada World Youth (Head Office)
Quebec Regional Office
2330 Notre Dame West, 3rd Floor
Montreal, Quebec
H3J 1N4

Tel: (514) 931-3526
Fax: (514) 939-2621

Canada World Youth
British Columbia Regional Office
201-1894 West Broadway
Vancouver, British Columbia
V6J 1Y9

Tel: (604) 732-5113
Fax: (604) 732-9141

Canada World Youth
Atlantic Regional Office
1657 Barrington Street, Suite 125
Halifax, Nova Scotia
B3J 2A1

Tel: (902) 422-1782
Fax: (902) 429-1274