1. Support

Onboarding: Our Volunteer Journey team are there to help volunteers prepare for their programme.

On-programme: All volunteers undertake comprehensive induction training, receive continual support, facilitation, and coaching by our Volunteer Managers.

2. Transformational personal development opportunity

Develop essential teamwork, leadership, intercultural learning, and active citizenship skills.

3. Sustainable Projects

We are a charity (a not-for-profit organisation) that plans and delivers impactful sustainable development projects through long-term partnerships and expert permanent staff teams, who support our volunteers and volunteer managers to deliver our programmes.

4. Responsible Volunteering

We are committed to running responsibly managed volunteering projects. Find out more about how we work responsibly.

5. Remote, adventurous, and meaningful

We work in remote, rural locations – the marginalised ‘last mile’ of development that other charities do not reach.

6. Truly International

Over 55,000 people from 100+ countries have volunteered with Raleigh International in the last 37 years. You will work alongside volunteers from all over the world which means that our volunteers make long-lasting friendships with people from across the globe.

7. Safety

We are leaders in safety – externally accredited to British Safety Standard 8848, the Gap Year Association (USA) and Year Out Group (UK). Our experienced in-country management and staff teams provide 24/7 support and are backed up by our safety team in the United Kingdom. Learn more about Raleigh International’s safety systems.

8. Additional Benefits

We can contribute towards the Residential section of your Gold Duke of Edinburgh Award.

We offer students the chance to gain college credits (up to 18 quarter credits) for American Universities as part of the programme.

Join alumni network and stay involved through several exciting opportunities.

Volunteers will receive discounts at several stores to help with their kit list.