

Trailblazer Foundation

Trailblazer Cambodia Organization

Volunteer Guidelines

Trailblazer Foundation [TF] and its field office Trailblazer Cambodia Organization [TCO] welcomes individuals interested in volunteering. However, due to the nature of project needs and the process of coordinating volunteers for such activities, TF and TCO have established the following guidelines.

- We require that individuals interested in volunteering for Trailblazer provide a minimum of one [1] week notice in order for our team to coordinate the potential volunteerism to an activity within our project schedule. Our volunteer positions involve mainly physical labor and our work day is typically from 8:00am until 12:00pm. Activities in the field may be all day.
- Because our work site is limited in its size and capabilities we can accommodate no more than four [4] volunteers to work on our site at the same time.
- We welcome individuals who are interested in helping Trailblazer and who are visiting Siem Reap for only a few days to our work site where we can show you our projects, familiarize you with what we do, and explain our methods of implementation. Additionally, we invite you to join our Ambassador Program. TF/TCO Ambassadors will be provided with various marketing materials and asked to take the Trailblazer message home and share it with friends and family. Whereby Ambassadors can help spread awareness of the needs of Cambodia and our efforts to help bring water and hope to the Cambodian people. We would also welcome your comments and questions.
- It takes time away from the normal work schedule for our field team to train volunteers on the specifics of our projects. Therefore, we require that potential volunteers without any particular skills, but simply the willingness and interest to contribute back to the community, volunteer for a minimum of two [2] weeks. This allows our team and the volunteer to build a good rapport as well as ensure the consistency and quality of our work.
- We require that potential volunteers with specific skills volunteer for a minimum of one [1] week.* Desired skills, with a background in the following areas, include:
 - Concrete engineering
 - Hydrology
 - Biochemistry
 - Organic fertilizing
 - Composting
 - Animal husbandry
 - Computer graphics/design
 - Marketing
 - Micro-finance

*We ask that skilled volunteers provide us with a CV/Resume at least one week prior to arrival in order to best prepare the particular project work-schedule to the volunteer.

As a final suggestion, we would like to ask that volunteers contribute to our efforts other than with their time and physical labor. The needs are great in Cambodia and we are only limited by the funding we receive. Any amount is appreciated and can go a long way to help. Here are some ideas:

- Flip flops prevent hook worm from entering children's feet and cost only \$1.00 USD
- Mosquito nets prevent malaria infection and cost only \$3.50 USD
- 1 laboratory test for water quality costs only \$15.00 USD
- 1 bio-sand water filter provides up to 15 people with clean drinking water for only \$45.00 USD
- 1 PVC pull pump well provides 3 to 5 families with access to water for only \$100.00 USD
- 1 manual sewing machine provides a rural woman with the ability to earn a living for only \$200.00 USD

Thank you for your interest and we hope you decide to become an Ambassador for Trailblazer!