International Citizen Service

International Citizen Service (ICS) was launched in the UK in 2011 and will focus mainly on 18 to 22 year-olds who will work on projects aimed at improving the lives of some of the poorest people in the world.

The level of help provided will be means-tested, ensuring a wide spectrum of participants, and there will also be opportunities for older applicants.

The experience will be designed to broaden horizons, develop new skills and foster self reliance. Young volunteers will work on social action projects for three month periods, in some places alongside older volunteers on longer placements.

- Youth projects to tackle HIV/ AIDS in South Africa;
- Supporting carers in orphanages in Haiti;
- Providing assistance in primary schools in Ghana;
- Carrying out environmental conservation work in Bangladesh.

For more information see http://www.skillshare.org/ICS

