



Volunteering



Tree Planting



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## Student COMMUNITY SERVICE

The program's primary objective is to foster a culture of environmental consciousness among young people through a comprehensive approach integrating recycling, tree planting, and volunteering. It is crucial to impart knowledge and engage with students to inspire them to become proactive stewards of the environment. The program is a multifaceted initiative that combines different aspects to create a holistic and highly beneficial approach to environmental conservation. It aligns with the United Nations' global sustainable development goals and has the potential to enhance the island's tourism industry, future human resources and disability awareness.

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The most obvious benefit of volunteering is the good it gives back to communities, countries, and the world at large. One of the immediate benefits of volunteering is that it allows students to be in tune with and give back to their local community. It's also a chance to become aware of problems in their community that they may not otherwise have known about. Students can learn an assortment of skills, from hands-on manual labor to office and administrative skills, says Marie Schwartz, CEO and founder of TeenLife, a company that helps students in grades 7-12 find community service opportunities. "Lack of exposure is the biggest barrier to success," she says. "Volunteering is one of those ways to get that exposure at no cost." (Cole Claybourn, 2022)



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Every year thousands of plastic wastes make their way into the ocean. Schools produce an alarming amount of waste that is all sent to the landfill. The student population on the island is an estimated 17,000, and the teachers and other personnel on the school compounds are another estimated 5,000 persons. More exposure must be given to conservation, waste reduction, and circular economies. Generally, there is a waste problem on the island the average person needs to link waste reduction, or its proper disposal, with human health or healthy ecosystems. Moreover, many people are concerned about providing for their families on a day-to-day basis. They are not immediately concerned with or aware of the long-term repercussions of their actions now.





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“Trees play a critical role for people and the planet. Numerous studies have demonstrated that the presence of trees and urban nature can improve people's mental and physical health, children's attention and test scores, the property values in a neighborhood, and beyond. Trees cool our urban centers. Trees are essential for healthy communities and people. The benefits that trees provide can help cities and countries meet 15 of the 17 internationally supported United Nations Sustainable Development Goals.” (Jessica B. Turner-Skoff, Nicole Cavender, 2019)

# EXPECTED IMPACTS

As a direct result of a cleaner country with more trees planted, we expect to witness healthier, cleaner ecosystems, for the benefit of people and wildlife.

While these actions take place across the school network, we expect there to be multiplier effects, extending to the families and friends of the students, having a huge local impact while also aligning with national (Plastic Waste Free Island Initiative) and international priorities (international Sustainable Development Goals). The public will be exposed to firsthand knowledge about how the environment and individuals with disabilities are linked and how individuals with disabilities can assist with climate action. Students and the wider population through our social media content will gain knowledge about how programs can be built to include individuals living with disabilities.