

**SPARROW MINISTRIES**

**INTERNATIONAL VOLUNTEER APPLICATION**

**Full name and title:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Tel (Home):** \_\_\_\_\_ **Cell:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date of Birth:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Must be 22 to volunteer**

**Expected Dates of Stay at Sparrow:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Emergency Contact Information:**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Relationship:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone Numbers:** \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you for enquiring about our volunteer programme. Please note that although we always need volunteers it does take some time to get through the process. Our screening procedure is fairly rigorous as we are caring for very special people.

Please answer the following as fully and as accurately as possible to ensure the right volunteer placement for you.

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**PLEASE ATTACH YOUR CURRENT CV.**

- 1. Sparrow Village cares for HIV/AIDS infected adults and children. Many are also suffering from secondary infections that are being treated but could be infectious. Are you healthy and prepared to have physical contact with our patients?**
- 2. What professional skills do you have that would be useful to our hospice/children's home?**
- 3. Describe a project you would be willing to develop and implement for the children of Sparrow. We currently have over 240 children between the ages of newborn to 20. Would this project be sustainable after you left?**
- 4. Describe other volunteer experiences you have had detailing projects/programs you have contributed to.**
- 5. What is motivating you to volunteer at Sparrow?**
- 6. What do you consider to be your greatest strength?**
- 7. What do you consider to be your greatest weakness?**
- 7. Do you consider yourself a self-starter? Describe some examples.**
- 8. Describe an experience or situation that you have dealt with that posed a significant challenge to you.**
- 9. How do you handle conflicts?**
- 10. Are you willing to pay for your own flights to Johannesburg, inoculations and visas?**
- 11. How long are you prepared to stay? (There is a 90 day South African restriction)**
- 12. How many hours a week are you prepared to work?**
- 13. How will you fund your stay here (i.e. church, your own funds or other means)?**
- 14. Do you have health insurance that would cover you in a foreign country?**
- 15. Have you ever had a history of substance abuse ? (All answers will be kept strictly confidential.)**
- 16. Have you had any major illnesses in the last 12 months? Please describe.**

**17. Can you drive a manual transmission vehicle and have you had experience with driving on the left hand side of the road? Volunteers will not be allowed to drive Sparrow vehicles except in the event of an emergency.**

**18. Volunteers live in a communal 3 bedroom house. Are you prepared to share the expenses of food, internet connections, etc? We estimate those costs to be approximately \$250 per month. Sparrow will provide housing, lunch and airport transport.**

**19. Do you have any dietary restrictions?**

**20. What other information should we know that would help us decide to invite you to volunteer with us.**

**Sparrow is non-denominational christian organization who will accept volunteers regardless of race, nationality or religion. However, transport to religious services would not be a something we would be able to provide.**

**Please provide 3 references of individuals who are not related to you.**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email address:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email Address:** \_\_\_\_\_