

# Long Term Volunteering

*Those who say it cannot be done should not interrupt the people doing it.*  
(Chinese proverb)



## Camphill Village USA, Inc. - Copake

*in USA, hosted by SCI-IVS USA*

<b>Theme:</b>	Disabilities
<b>Location</b>	Copake, NY
<b>Duration:</b>	12 Months -
<b>Application:</b>	Application and two letters of reference are required. Qualified candidates are interviewed via Skype and a decision is made within two weeks.
<b>Vacancies</b>	5
<b>Languages:</b>	
↪ <b>Project:</b>	English
↪ <b>Local:</b>	English

*If you are interested in taking part in this project, or if you would like to get more information about becoming a long term volunteer, please contact your local SCI organisation. You can search for the contact information here: <http://www.sciint.org/contact-us/local-sci-branch-or-partner>*

### **Project Description:**

Camphill Village USA is a unique and vibrant life sharing community of 250 individuals, including over 90 adults with developmental disabilities. Founded in Copake, NY in 1961, Camphill Village USA is the oldest and largest Camphill community in North America and sits on 615 acres of verdant hills, pastures and beautiful gardens in southern Columbia County.

**Work:** You will be asked to become part of a team of co-workers and adults with developmental disabilities who live and work together. There are three main areas of work - the land, in a craft shops or in the household. The craft shops include beeswax candle making, seed collection and distribution, healing herbs, weaving, bakery, and cafe. As part of a team in the house where you live, you will be expected to help with cooking, cleaning, physical care of those who need it, as well as participate in the social/cultural/recreational life of the house community.

**Requirements:** Enough background and experience to form the basis of on-going, on-the-job training in working with adults with developmental disabilities. Willingness to take responsibility, the ability to work with process and consensus, and the qualities of positivity, love of people, emotional maturity, enthusiasm, and

health are important.

**Food:** All meals provided

**Accommodation:** Private bedroom provided

**Pocket money:** 171 USD per month

**Insurance:** Medical insurance is provided from the date of arrival to date of departure.

**Fees:** None

**Visa:** We will supply an invitation letter and guide them through the visa process.

**Others:** Transportation to and from the Village is the responsibility of the volunteer. Orientation Course given throughout the year. Mandatory trainings given.