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# WHAT TO EXPECT

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## WHAT IS A COME & SEE TRIP?

This is not the typical “come and do for others” type of trip. This is a trip to come and see what happens when others are empowered to do for themselves. It is an opportunity to travel to Uganda with a team for 1-2 weeks to experience Musana's model firsthand and see how Musana is empowering communities to thrive! Learn more about Musana's model at [musana.org](https://musana.org)

## WHAT WILL WE DO WHILE AT MUSANA?

The Come & See trip is designed for those who want to build relationships and learn how lives are being changed through Musana's unique development model of locally-led, sustainable programs. Participants will visit each of Musana's sustainable programs in health, education, and economic development to **learn, observe and encourage local change-makers**. This is not a typical missions trip where participants roll up their sleeves to do the hard work for others, rather trip participants will focus on empowering the Musana team in their ability to lead and grow their own community, free of dependency on foreign aid and service. While there may be a small aspect of the trip when participants will come alongside our Musana staff to aid in a project in some capacity, this is not to be expected on a Come & See trip.



Transport bus from airport to Musana



Musana Guest House



Chapel at Primary School

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## HOW DO I SIGN UP?

First, complete the online application at **musana.org/trips**. Second, complete the Liability Waiver and the COVID-19 Waiver, and return both waivers via email to [susieknight@musana.org](mailto:susieknight@musana.org). Once the application period is closed, applicants will be interviewed to ensure qualifications are met and to learn more about applicants. After the interview process, participants will need to fundraise or pay out of pocket for the cost of their trip (approx. \$2,900 per person), provide immunization records that cover required vaccinations for international travel to Uganda, and hold a current passport (refer to the full trip checklist at [musana.org/trips](https://musana.org/trips)).

## DO I HAVE TO BE A MEMBER OF A CHURCH TO GO?

No. However, you must understand that Musana is a faith-based organization. Musana's foundation is based on Christian values, the forefront being LOVE. In everything that we do, we are committed to reflect the purpose and character of Jesus, treating and recognizing all people as Jesus would. We acknowledge the God-given gift of free will and we pass that gift along to the communities we serve. It is a personal decision to accept and believe the same. We do not discriminate but abide in Jesus' love, accepting everyone as they are and loving them unconditionally. We welcome everyone and anyone to apply.

## WHAT WILL BE COVERED IN THE TRAINING MEETINGS?

It is imperative that participants visiting Musana are well-versed in our mindset of how to serve our communities in Uganda in order to have a lasting impact. Training meetings are held to prepare you as individuals, and as a team, to serve at Musana. Special emphasis will be given to cross-cultural experiences, team building and poverty alleviation. You will be expected to attend all meetings, please look closely at the training schedule to make sure you are available.

\*\*Meeting dates and locations for each trip are listed at **musana.org/trips**

## HOW ARE TRIPS FUNDED?

Once you have been accepted on a specific trip, your trip leader will set an all-inclusive trip cost for you/your group. You/your group can choose to pay out of pocket for your trip or fundraise the cost of your trip. Musana staff will provide resources and ideas on how trip funds can be raised. ALL funds need to be raised two weeks prior to the trip departure date and a \$100 deposit is due at the time of the first training meeting.

## WHAT DOES THE TRIP COST INCLUDE?

The all-inclusive trip cost covers airfare, visa, room at Musana's guesthouse, transportation, and meals while in-country. It does **NOT** cover vaccinations, meals/snacks while traveling, souvenirs, alcohol and/or coffee at Musana's Sol View restaurant. We will provide a packing list at the first training meeting including required clothing and suggested items to bring on the trip.