

GET INVOLVED

God created each person with unique gifts and calls each of us to use our gifts to serve others in different ways. This is the foundation of what we do at The 410 Bridge. There are several ways that you can get involved with the work God is doing in Kenya and everything you do impacts the communities that we serve. Below are brief descriptions of opportunities for you to serve with The 410 Bridge.

COMMUNITY PARTNER

When you choose to partner with a 410 Bridge Community, a unique relationship is created through your commitment of prayer, service, and resources over an extended period of time. By making both a financial commitment, as well as, a commitment to send service teams, you allow the leadership of the community and The 410 Bridge to plan and execute on their vision for sustainable community transformation with confidence. As a community partner, your organization is making the highest level of commitment to a 410 Bridge community, and by doing so you demonstrate love and dedication to the people you choose to walk alongside.

Community Partners make a commitment to the following:

- To partner with a 410 Bridge community for at least 3 years.
- To send at least one service team each year to work alongside and build relationship with the community
- To provide financial resources (not less than \$10,000 annually) for priority projects within the community.
- To pray for the people and needs of the community.

**If you are considering partnering with a 410 Bridge Community, the short-term vision trip is an excellent opportunity to meet and evaluate the 410 Bridge Communities that are available for partnership. See the Go Partner section for more information about a 410 Bridge vision trip*

PROJECT PARTNER

A project partner commits to raise or provide the funds for specific community needs or a specific project within a 410 Bridge community; allowing you to choose a path of service that most reflects your passion and gifts. While we do encourage making a long-term commitment to a community and sending service teams to work on the project, it is not required to be a Project Partner.

- A general area of need such as water, education, medical or orphan care. The 410 Bridge will direct your resources to the community with the greatest need in that particular area.
- A specific community where your resources will be directed to priority projects in that community. For example, you may desire to direct project funds to Ngaamba. The 410 Bridge will then allocate those funds to the priority projects in Ngaamba at that time.
- Both the area of need and a specific community. The 410 Bridge will work with you to determine a specific project in your community of choice.



GO PARTNER

As a Go Partner, you make the commitment to travel to Kenya on a short-term trip. Short-term trips provide the greatest opportunity for building relationships with The 410 Bridge communities in Kenya. There are two types of short-term trips that you can consider, a vision trip or a service trip.

Vision trips are designed for the potential Community Partner. If you are considering becoming a Community Partner, the vision trip is an excellent opportunity to assess the 410 Bridge Communities that are available for partnership. Typically, vision trips are made up of leaders from various churches, institutions, organizations or foundations that wish to pursue a Community Partnership.

On a vision trip, you will visit several 410 Bridge Communities that are available for partnership. You will tour the community and meet and interact with the men, women and children in the village. You will meet with the community leadership council where you will be presented with an overview of the issues and challenges for that community, as well as their vision for sustainable transformation.

Service trips provide the opportunity for you to use your gifts to serve others and to build a foundation for relationship with the people in 410 Bridge communities. As part of a team, you will work alongside Kenyans in a 410 Bridge Community on current projects that support strategic community-wide goals, such as access to clean water, improved healthcare, better education and viable micro-enterprise endeavors.

Service trips are typically 11-day trips including travel days. You will have the opportunity to interact with local leaders, community members and many children throughout the week. Near the end of the trip, you will enjoy a safari day at a Kenyan national park where you will see a variety of wildlife, while enjoying the Kenyan landscape.

CHILD DEVELOPMENT PARTNER

As a Child Development Partner, you commit to sponsoring a child through one of our 410 Bridge ministry partners that provide food, shelter, healthcare and educational opportunities. We believe child development is key to breaking the cycle of poverty and creating long-term sustainable transformation within a community. We partner on this endeavor with Compassion International and BrightPoint for Children.



Compassion International exists as a Christian child advocacy ministry that releases children from spiritual, physical, economic and social poverty and enables them to become responsible, fulfilled Christian adults. Founded in 1952, Compassion helps more than 900,000 children in 24 countries today, including over 45,000 children in Kenya. Visit www.compassion.com to learn more.



BrightPoint for Children is a Christ-centered, child sponsorship organization where sponsors can provide the basic needs and education of impoverished children wherever they may live. They customize every program to meet the needs of specific groups of children, and work to eliminate the barriers of a quality education. Visit www.brightpointforchildren.com to learn more.

We are grateful for all 410 Bridge partners who, by administering God's grace in its various forms, allow us to continue to work alongside our Kenyan friends. It is our desire to connect the people and gifts within the body of Christ for service, and to contribute to the self-developing capabilities of the people of Kenya. God does not need us, but allows us to be a part of the work He is doing to transform lives on both sides of the bridge.

Remarkable things are happening due to people's willingness and desire to live out 1 Peter 4:10. To learn more about how to get involved with The 410 Bridge, please visit our web site at www.410bridge.org or contact, Ashley Fryar at Ashley@410bridge.org or 770.664.4949.

