

## **Associazioni Thailandesi**

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### **DaLaa International Volunteers For Social Development Association Thailand**

Who we are:

DaLaa International Volunteers For Social Development Association Thailand is a registered non-governmental organisation situated in Southern Thailand, Hat Yai/Songkhla. The organisation was founded in 2004. Nowadays DaLaa is a member of CCIVS (Co-ordinating Committee for International Voluntary Service) and NVDA (Network for Voluntary Development in Asia). The main aims are to support local communities and existing development projects, to create mutual understanding between both international and Thai volunteers and local people, and to preserve nature and culture as good as possible. DaLaa wants to bring people from all over the world together working, living and laughing together in order to make a tribute to a better world with more cultural understanding. DaLaa organises short term workcamps as well as maintaining three long term volunteer projects in little villages in Satun, Nakhon Sri Thammarat and Surat Thani provinces in Southern Thailand. Furthermore the organisation tries to support Thai members to join projects both within DaLaa and abroad.

What we do:

Short Term Workcamps last usually about 2 weeks. The projects can be as various as teaching English, environmental activities, construction work and art & music camps. These camps are organised together with local organisations, local government, schools and dedicated individuals in order to meet local's needs and assure exchange between volunteers and local groups. Our Thai volunteers are more than welcome in these camps as well.

### **Greenway Thailand**

Who we are:

Greenway Thailand consists of several divisions, each with a different set up and different goal. Started by Patrick Franssen and Kantiya Suwan in 1998, the organization of Greenway has come a long way in the field of inter-cultural learning and alternate travel. PitayaSuwan Foundation (PSF) is the Foundation wing of Greenway Thailand/ The GreenLion. It is registered charity acting in the field of community development and intercultural learning. Through the development of international voluntary service and educational projects we are present in several rural communities all over Thailand and all across Asia. Our aims and objectives in brief are:

- To provide and foster education for needy and underprivileged young people living in rural areas; to spread ethical, responsible behaviors and open the youth's mind so that they become active citizens for their society.
- To promote and sustain education and research.
- To support vocational training for youth, women, and the elderly in the rural areas; to disseminate knowledge and experiences by providing education and training.
- To promote and support communities and local people in realizing the importance of the environmental preservation.
- To act for public benefits and cooperate with other charity organizations for the public interest.

What we do

We, at PSF, aim especially at building strong relationships with the host communities and creating

the right environment for learning-by-doing. Through Challenge camps local people are empowered and motivated to start activities needed for local development. Through our programs both Thais and international volunteers acquire new personal skills and enhance peaceful attitudes toward the others.

During the Challenge camps, you are expected to work between 5 and 6 hours a day, five days per week. Usually Saturdays and Sundays are non working days. Our projects focus on three main topics: environment, education and social work.