

YOFOCHM MISSION TRIP LIABILITY WAIVER

Uganda Travel Advisory – 2021

From the US State Department

- The U.S. government rates Uganda as ‘Level 2(out of 4): Exercise Increased Caution’ due to crime. The Safety and Security report states that, ‘violent crime, such as armed robbery, home invasion, and sexual assault, is common, especially in larger cities including Kampala and Entebbe. Local police lack the resources to respond effectively to serious crime. Additionally, there is a threat of terrorist attacks in Uganda and throughout the region. US citizens should avoid large public gatherings.’

- Demonstrations in Kampala and other cities periodically occur in response to local political developments. Police routinely use tear gas – and sometimes live ammunition, resulting in deaths – to disperse protests in urban areas. U.S. citizens are urged to monitor media coverage of local events and be aware of their surroundings at all times. Avoid demonstrations as even peaceful demonstrations can turn violent without notice.

- Pick pocketing, purse snatching, and thefts from hotel rooms, parked vehicles and vehicles stalled in traffic jams are common. Armed robberies of pedestrians also occur, sometimes during daylight hours and in public places. Victims are generally injured only if they resist.

- Food and drinks should never be left unattended in public. Women have reported being drugged and taken to another location and sexually assaulted. Similar tactics are used to rob individuals on public transportation. Remain with a group of friends in public, as single individuals are more likely to be targeted.

- Financial crime is common in Uganda. Wire transfer, check, and credit card fraud is widespread. ATM machines are often tampered with or compromised, and advance fee fraud is perpetrated via email.

- Medical facilities in Uganda are limited and only equipped to handle minor medical emergencies. Surgical capabilities are inadequate and blood supplies may be insufficient. Outside Kampala, hospitals are scarce and offer only basic services. Travelers should carry their own supplies of prescription drugs and preventive medicines. A list of medical providers is available at the U.S. Embassy website.

- For more information visit travel.state.gov -> International Travel -> Country Information -> Uganda

Ministry Specific Issues Over the Last Twelve Months

In the last twelve months Youth for Charity Missions International (Yofochm) has not been made aware of any ministry specific security issues that would negatively impact our 2020 mission teams.

Agreement & Release from Liability

Voluntary Participation

I, _____, acknowledge that I have voluntarily applied to participate in a short-term mission trip to Uganda on ___/___/___ (date of application) in the year 2020 with Youth For Charity Missions International (Yofochm). YOFOCHM is providing assistance in arranging the mission trip, which involves travel to, and volunteer work in Uganda. I consent to being photographed and/or videotaped while on this mission trip for promotional use by Youth for Charity Missions International (Yofochm).

Assumption of Risk

I am aware that the mission trip poses risks including but not limited to: sickness, crime, travel, transportation, political instability, governmental opposition to project activities, terrorism, acts of violence, persecution against Christians by non-Christians as well as similar and dissimilar risks. I AM AWARE THAT THE MISSION TRIP MAY INVOLVE RISKS. I AM VOLUNTARILY PARTICIPATING IN THE MISSION TRIP WITH KNOWLEDGE OF THE RISKS INVOLVED. I HEREBY AGREE TO ACCEPT ANY AND ALL RISKS OF INJURY OR DEATH THAT MAY RESULT FROM MY PARTICIPATION IN THE MISSION TRIP.

Release from Liability

As consideration for being permitted by Youth For Charity Missions International (Yofochm) to participate in the mission trip, and as consideration for Youth For Charity Missions International (Yofochm) assisting in arranging the mission trip, and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, I hereby irrevocably and unconditionally release, waive, discharge and covenant not to sue or attach the property of Youth For Charity Missions International (Yofochm), or any of its affiliates, subsidiaries, parent organizations, mission agencies, mission affiliates, divisions, members, directors, officers, employees and agents (collectively referred to as the "Releasees"), for and from all claims of any nature now or hereafter existing whether known or unknown, including but not limited to any and all liability, on account of death, injury, or damage resulting from the negligence or other acts, however caused, of the Releasees as a result of my participation in the mission trip. I UNDERSTAND THAT I AM GIVING UP MY LEGAL RIGHTS AND THE RIGHTS OF MY REPRESENTATIVES TO RECOVER FOR INJURY, DEATH, OR PROPERTY DAMAGE.

Knowing and Voluntary Execution

I HAVE CAREFULLY READ THE UGANDA TRAVEL ADVISORY - 2020 AND THIS AGREEMENT AND FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS CONTENTS. I AM AWARE THAT THIS IS A RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND A CONTRACT BETWEEN MYSELF ON THE ONE HAND, AND HANDS OF LOVE USA, AND ITS AFFILIATES ON THE OTHER HAND. NO ORAL REPRESENTATIONS, STATEMENTS OR INDUCEMENTS APART FROM THIS AGREEMENT HAVE BEEN MADE TO ME. I SIGN THIS AGREEMENT OF MY OWN FREE WILL.

Date Print Name of Participant Signature of Participant

Date Print Name of Spouse (if applicable) Signature of Spouse
(Mandatory if Married)

If participant is a minor (under 18):

Date Print Name of Parent or Guardian Signature of Parent or Guardian