

# Join Us at Swimdo Teach Water Safety to Children in Indonesia

**EMPOWER CHILDREN WITH LIFE-SAVING  
SKILLS IN BALI**



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Thank you for your interest in Swimdo! I'm Seamus, a lifelong surfer, and I founded Swimdo in 2015 with a simple goal: to make water a safe place for children in Indonesia. What began as small swimming lessons for local kids in Bali has grown into a program that has reached over 10,000 children across the island. We're proud to provide essential water safety and survival swimming skills that can make all the difference in a child's life.

But our work is far from over. We dream of expanding our reach even further, to every community where children need the confidence and knowledge to stay safe in and around water. To do this, we need passionate volunteers like you. Your support and dedication can help us continue to teach, protect, and empower the next generation. Join us in this important mission. Together, we can make a safer world for children.

Seamus  
Swimdo Swimdo





# About Swimdo

We're working to create an Indonesia where every child has access to free, quality, aquatic education. We create local employment opportunities within communities, spread awareness of drowning risks, and offer free survival swimming and water safety courses to children and the members of their community. Our programs serve to help everyone foster a safer and more positive relationship with the water around them.

Swimdo offers free survival swimming and water safety classes to people living in marginalized communities throughout Indonesia. We work with international drowning prevention organizations to develop our curriculum and implement our programs throughout the country. We create well-paying jobs for local educators, who, via Swimdo, are afforded the opportunity to have a direct positive impact on their local community.

Our impact is not only measured in the number of students we teach but also in the generational change we inspire when families are taught the importance of water safety and survival swimming and continue to teach their children in the future.



# Why Volunteer with Swimdo?

## **Make a Difference:**

As a volunteer, you'll play a vital role in preventing childhood drowning by teaching local children essential water safety skills. You'll help deliver our day-to-day program, empowering kids to stay safe in the water. In addition, you'll have the chance to support our local NGO partners, working alongside them to strengthen water safety initiatives and expand our impact in the community.

## **Connect with a Local Community:**

During your time volunteering, you will get to stay in Keramas village and experience to witness how the local Balinese life with their culture and religious practice that is very unique. Working alongside our local coordinators and instructors will build you a lifetime friendship and connection.

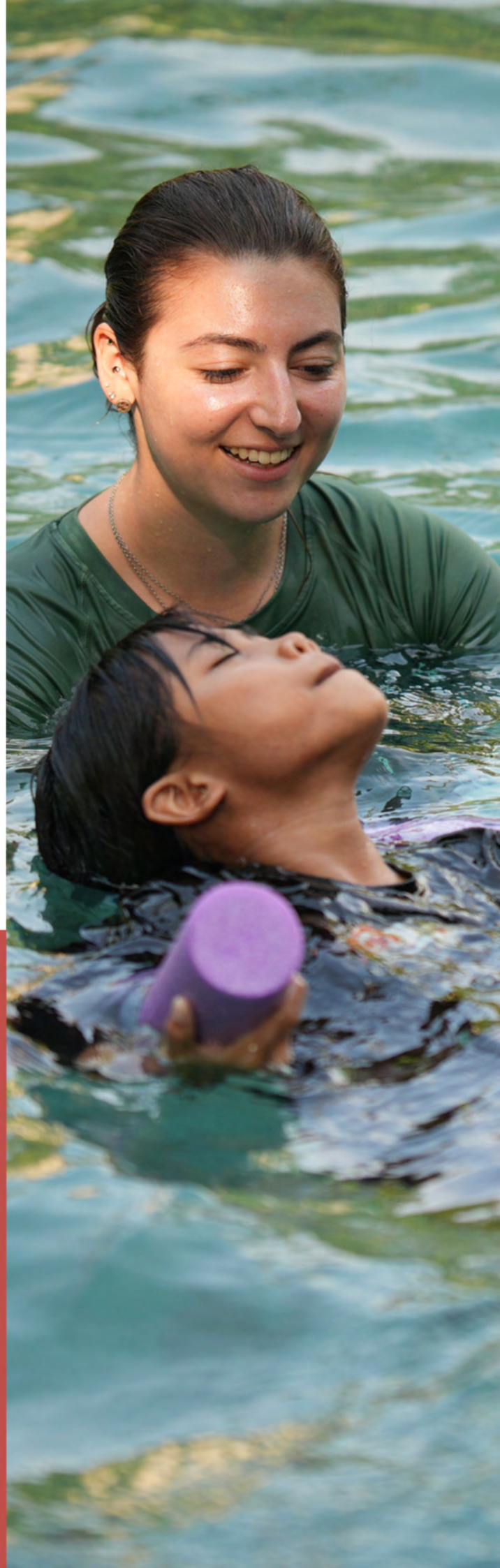
## **Experience Bali's Beauty:**

In between the volunteering period you still can witness the true beauty of Bali, that is not explore yet by many tourists.

## **DID YOU KNOW?**

Every year globally more than 372.000 people die because of drowning. **90%** of the deaths happen in the developing countries like Indonesia. The exact number of drowning incidents in Indonesia is unknown, as the country lacks a coordinated national system to record and track drowning cases.

Many drowning incidents in Indonesia go unreported, particularly those that occur in remote or rural regions.





# Programs Detail

## Duration:

During your two-week volunteering journey with Swimdo, you will work five days a week, from Monday to Friday. Here's what a typical day looks like:

## Monday - Friday:

Begin each day with a Bahasa Indonesia class, followed by community service in a local daycare or primary school teaching English.

In the afternoons, you'll prepare for and conduct Swimdo sessions, teaching water safety and survival swimming to local children.

Each day ends with a brief class evaluation and a chance to enjoy local dining.

## Weekend (Saturday - Sunday):

Free time to explore Bali. Volunteers are encouraged to visit cultural sites, enjoy the beaches, or relax and experience the local lifestyle attending ceremonies, surfing and visiting temples.







## Volunteer Responsibilities

SWIMDO works every day to ensure that every child in Indonesia has free access to survival swimming.

### Primary Duties

- Teaching basic swimming techniques and water safety.
- Supervising kids during swimming practice.
- Collaborating with Swimdo staff and other volunteers to ensure safe, effective teaching of water safety education

## Qualifications

- Comfortable swimmer (lifeguard certification, and experience in teaching swimming is a plus but not required).
- Enjoy working with children and adaptable to different cultures.
- Positive attitude and team spirit.

### OUR PROGRAMS

- Survival Swimming
- Water Safety
- Safe Dry Rescue







## Travel

### Arrival & Departure

**Recommended Arrival Date:** We suggest arriving on the Saturday before the program begins on Monday. This allows you ample time to rest, settle into your accommodation, and join us for an orientation day before starting the classes.

### Airport & Transportation Options

The program fee includes airport pick-up and drop-off, as well as transportation to and from the pool each day. For other transportation needs, you will need to arrange these yourself. However, our coordinator will be available to help with bookings and recommendations for alternative transport options.

## ACCOMMODATION AND MEALS

- You'll be staying in our volunteer accommodation, located at Jalan Pura Slukat, just a 7-minute walk from the famous Keramas Beach. The residence offers rooms with shared bathrooms. Based on availability, you may also stay in a nearby local guesthouse with similar amenities, including air conditioning.
- **Nearby Attractions:** Keramas Beach offers excellent surfing, a variety of restaurants, and a beach club, providing a perfect spot to relax and explore during your free time.
- **Meals:** Breakfast and dinner are provided.





# Application Process



To join our volunteer program, follow these simple steps:

1. Follow the QR code that will take you to the volunteer section of our website and fill out the volunteer application. Or go to: [www.swimdo.org/take-action/volunteer/](http://www.swimdo.org/take-action/volunteer/)
2. During the application process, you will have the opportunity to select your preferred dates for volunteering.
3. Secure Your Spot
4. After submitting the application, we will contact you with further instructions. To confirm your place in the program, a 25% deposit is required. Please note that volunteer spots are limited throughout the year, so we encourage you to submit your deposit promptly to secure your position.

**By joining our program, you are taking a meaningful step toward making a difference in children's lives and experiencing a unique cultural immersion. We look forward to welcoming you to our team!**

## What people are saying about volunteering with Swimdo

*“Volunteering with Swimdo was one of the most rewarding experiences of my life. Not only did I get to immerse myself in Balinese culture, I also got to spend my time working towards something I truly believe in.”*

– Dylan S., Volunteer '19

*“Working with Swimdo was so rewarding. I was a little apprehensive at first, but everyone on the Swimdo team was so lovely and accommodating. I will never forget it!”*

–Karin D, Volunteer 2022

*“I can't believe it's over. I wish I would get to stay for 2 more weeks! Bali is so beautiful and it was so nice to get to meet the Swimdo team and feel like I was really making a difference. I'll be back for sure!”*

–Jeff F., 2023

*“Swimdo is amazing. I can't say enough great things about it. This experience has changed the trajectory of my life. I am so grateful to the Swimdo team for treating me like family and changing my life. Thank you!!!”*

–Emily R., 2024





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