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# GONE FISHING

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# What is Gone Fishing?

The *Gone Fishing* program is the key immersion program for the Edmund Rice Foundation (Australia) (ERFA). Twice a year a hand-selected group of around 10 individuals travel to Nairobi for a 10 day immersion of ERFA funded projects in the Kibera and Mukuru Slums. The *Gone Fishing* Immersion aims to connect decision-makers in corporate Australia with the people of Africa. It seeks to harness and further develop the leadership, management and interpersonal skills of each attendee. The invitation to “teach each other to fish” is pivotal—it’s not about handouts, but a hand up.

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# Why am I being considered?

The immersion is aimed at men and women who have influence over the decision-making structures that will determine the world of tomorrow. It is best suited to people who are deeply respected within their own community or work place. A large component of the immersion revolves around being present and alongside some of the world's poorest people and we need people that won't cave in at the sight of this poverty.

ERFA wants people to return from *Gone Fishing* fired up with what they have seen and to then tell their stories. People like you who will be genuinely moved by the entire experience and can influence others to be more community oriented and help raise awareness of the struggles that the people living in the slums encounter.

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# What does it involve?

An open mind and open heart! The *Gone Fishing* immersion develops passions and provides personal experiences that are memorable and potentially life changing. It creates a desire to be inspired and to inspire others through compassion and understanding of the hardship and severity of life that comes through extreme poverty in the developing world.

Beyond the harsh reality of life in East Africa, *Gone Fishing* will give you the chance to engage with similar minded people, challenging our everyday way of thinking so that you can make a difference in the world.

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# What does it cost?

There is a basic cost which covers all expenses of the program. The immersion itself can become overwhelming. Mid-way through we take the team for a two day luxury excursion to the Maasai Mara National Reserve to revitalise and refresh the mind and body before completing the remainder of the experience.

Flights in and out of Nairobi are required and we ask participants to arrange these to suit their requirements.

The basic immersion cost is \$4,500 and includes:

- **Return Flights** to the Masai Mara from Nairobi
- **2 nights accommodation** at a luxury 5 star resort with all safaris, food and beverages
- **Accommodation in Karen, Nairobi** (suburb in the Embassy region)
- **All meals** for the duration of the immersion unless the group decides they wish to eat out
- **Vehicle Hire**
- **Guide Hire**
- **Standard Travel Insurance** for the duration of the immersion



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