



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Non-monetary gifts...In-Kind Contributions

The **Geoscientists Without Borders® (GWB)** program is financially supported from corporate and individual donors.

Various organizations and individuals have inquired about opportunities to contribute their time or services to support the worthy goals of GWB. Such contributions might include equipment donations or loans, software licenses and training or data - either previously acquired or acquired specifically to support the goals of a particular project.

In most cases, it would be inappropriate to propose volunteering for field work. This would most-likely be a burden on the Principal Investigators (PI)/project manager (responsible for costs of travel, accommodation, insurance and so on). Field personnel are often the least problem a PI has in conducting a successful project.

GWB always appreciates contributions that allow the program to accomplish more with its limited budget and has benefitted from such “in-kind” contributions in several previous projects. Examples of possible contributions might include:

- An airborne survey provider who conducts mineral exploration in central Africa, but is willing to deploy their aircraft to a nearby locale which is in desperate need of fresh, clean water.
- A geophysical equipment manufacturer or rental firm that is willing to loan equipment to teams that are conducting GWB projects.
- A retired university professor who will help a third world team prepare a GWB proposal, or assist in translating or editing a proposal for someone whose primary language is not English.

To facilitate and encourage inclusion of in-kind support for GWB proposals, the GWB website will maintain a list of possible providers and the type(s) of support available. The initial list will be posted in October 2015 and will be revised and re-posted regularly - roughly every quarter. We show an example of the in-kind list at the end of this document.



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Geoscientists <i>Without Borders</i>® Program In-Kind Contribution	
Name of Provider	
Website	
Continents / countries where services might be provided	
Type of data / service provided	
Additional Information	
Contact Person	
Contact Phone Number	
Contact Email	

1. SEG will maintain a list of providers and services that are available to support GWB projects. This information must be reviewed and approved by SEG before it can be posted. A sample of information that will be retained in the database is provided in Appendix 1. SEG reserves the right to exclude providers at any time.
2. GWB recommends that proposals relying on in-kind support include commitment letters specifying the conditions of support. Proposals that include in-kind support must be specific AT THE TIME THE PROPOSAL IS SUBMITTED about any restrictions on availability or timing of each in-kind contribution. Success or failure of a GWB project could rely on an in-kind agreement and any risk associated with these agreements that has not been clearly described in the proposal would give an inappropriate advantage in the selection process.
3. The In-Kind support provider should explain any costs (e.g. shipping, insurance, maintenance) that would be borne by the project so that these costs can be included in the proposal budget.
4. GWB project Principal Investigators are responsible for coordinating with in-kind providers for all agreements and contractual arrangements. The SEG will not intervene in disputes between the PI and in-kind providers.
5. It is reasonable to expect that in-kind providers might want to publicize their contributions. GWB supports such publicity, as long as it is clear that the supported project was part of the GWB program and GWB's role is clearly and appropriately recognized. Likewise it is understood that GWB will use its projects, including those having in-kind support, to promote the GWB program.
6. In-kind providers are not **required** to participate with any proposed GWB project. The list is only intended to provide information and is not a statement of any general commitment.

Example:

Name of provider	Fly-Right Surveys
Website	www.flyrightsurveys.com
Continents/Countries where services might be provided	Central Antarctica, Africa, Tierra del Fuego
Type of data/service	Fixed wing magnetic and electromagnetic surveys, using our exclusive frequency domain system
Additional Information	Willing to collect data in support of GWB surveys at no cost to the project when there is a need within 500 km of ongoing survey projects.
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