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Marion Mutuku

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Name	Marion Mutuku
Host and/or Supervisor Name	Mr. Ben Lyons
I am satisfied with my placement site	5
I am starting to meet training objectives	5
I am learning new skills	5
Building on my existing skills	5
I am clear about my responsibilities as a Steward	5
I am clear about my J-1 visa obligations	5
I am clear about contacting MESA first if I need to use my medical insurance	5
I am clear about the reports I send MESA	5
i am happy with my living situation	5
I am receiving the stipend I agreed to	4
I am training the hours I expected	3
I am not having problems with my English	5
I am not feeling homesick!	5
Meets all my expectations	5
Had a good arrival and/or Skype orientation	5
Answers my questions clearly	5
Is giving me the help I need to get started	5
Is well organized	5



Administers a high quality program	5
Understands his/her role as a Host	5
Understands why I came to the USA	5
Knows my personal training objectives	4
Gaves me a good orientation for my placement	5
Gives me a good introduction to other interns/staff/employees	5
Clearly explained my training schedule	4
Is a good trainer/mentor	5
Involves me in a diversity of activities	5
Gives me responsibility	5
Respects my opinion	5
Has good communication skills	5
Has a well run business	4
Is safety conscious	5
Provides good working conditions	5
Provides personal protective equipment	5
Maintains machinery in good condition	5
Maintains buildings and work areas well	5
Has helped me get settled in	5
Helped me integrate into the community	5
Is interested in my culture	5



Was the MESA information you received in your home country clear? Was the description of your training site accurate? What more would you have liked MESA to send you before you left your home country?	<p>All the information I received concerning the program was/is good and accurate.</p> <p>However, just on the air travel itinerary ticket, I would like to have received more information.. whether I was supposed to pay a one-way ticket or double return ticket.</p>
If you worked with a Program Representative in your home country, was he/she helpful? Is there anything more the Representative could have done to help you complete your application or to better understand MESA's program?	<p>My country representative fully prepared me, I had a working relationship with him.</p>
Any problems with housing, electricity, heat, phone, driver's license, bank account, transportation? Other problems?	<p>All my problems were highlighted earlier on in the month.</p>



Describe the training you have received since getting to your placement site. What have you learned so far? Have you attended any special training, workshops, conferences, classes, etc.?

I have had a good time on the farm so far. I have engaged in various activities on and outside the farm. We have gone to various farmers markets at Sacramento and Vacaville.

I have learned how to make cheese, how to make Kombucha drink, how to vaccinate animals, we have planted for the season, I know how to do data entry on-farm phone applications that make inventory recording easier.

I have daily chores which include milking the goats, watering the plants and flowers, collecting the eggs, feeding the animals.

I have gone for wine tasting at Winters, Berryessa Gap. I cycle around during my off days. I have cycled to Dixon town 8 miles (people think it's impossible as it's far) I have made new friends at the nearest church, where they have invited me to go to Mexico with them for missionary activity for 5days on the month of July.

Basically been here is the best thing, my host supports what I do.



Have you been involved in an cultural activities since your arrival? (examples : farmers' workshop, library event, soccer games, family activities, etc)	<p>Yes, I have been involved in cultural activities.</p> <p>we prepared Kenyan and Haiti delicacies at the farm.</p>
Any suggestions to improve MESA's program?	<p>What MESA is doing is really good, can't think of much to add.</p> <p>Is it possible to consider the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Making it possible for all MESA stewards to meet up physically at least once, it would be much better as it will promote cohesion and integration.
By checking "YES" you confirm that you are the person listed on the top of this survey and that all information is accurate and truthful	<p>Yes</p>