

Council of International Programs USA

Training for a Changing World



HOST FAMILIES NEEDED

BECOME AN INTERNATIONAL HOST!

The Council of International Programs USA (CIPUSA) is a 53-year old, Cleveland-based non-profit organization committed to promoting international understanding through professional development and cross-cultural exchange. We are currently seeking interested families & individuals to host international professionals in Northeast Ohio region for the 2009 year. CIPUSA international professionals have undergone a competitive process to participate in our programs. Each professional is eager to learn about training in their professional field and U.S. culture. These programs administered and sometimes funded by the U.S. Department of State encourages learning and understanding between U.S. citizens and people from around the world. Each professional will be provided a well-designed training program, educational and cultural opportunities, and transportation stipend from CIPUSA. Professionals have their own incidental funds and medical insurance.

WE ARE LOOKING FOR HOSTS THAT CAN OFFER:

- A fun home environment for cultural exchange
- A private bedroom
- A minimum of two meals a day

All types of hosts are welcomed including those with teenagers or younger children at home, retirees, "empty nesters," single parent families and individuals living alone.

HOSTS WILL RECEIVE:

- Participation in a historic Cleveland-based program sponsored by our government
- The opportunity to expose your children/grandchildren to a new culture.
- learn about cultures of the world on a personal level
- The opportunity to break stereotypes and create positive impressions about the U.S.
- The chance to share U.S. culture with professionals from other countries
- The opportunity to network with other internationally focused people at CIPUSA events
- A \$150.00 monthly tax credit
- Visitors will be picked up and dropped off by a CIPUSA van and lunch will be provided during all program-related activities.

We are in need of hosts for the following program:

Georgian Arts Festival Managers August 19th – September 9th

The Council of International Programs USA (CIPUSA) will be hosting a group of arts festival managers, Ministry of Culture & Sports representative, city & federal tourism representatives and arts management educators from Georgia, a former Soviet country from Wednesday, August 19th to Wednesday, September 9th. The main goal of the program is to help Georgian arts festival organizers learn to how to promote, plan and organize arts festivals through government and private sector funding, as part of the wider tourism development strategy. The group will attend several local and regional arts festivals during their program to gain firsthand knowledge about how festivals are organized as well as the opportunity to meet with organizers of several local festivals including The Cleveland International Film Festival, Boston Mills Arts Festival, Ingenuity Fest, Vintage Ohio Wine Festival, Tri-C Jazz Fest, Parade the Circle, Cain Park Arts Festival and many more.

For more information on our hosting opportunities please contact the office at 216.566.1088 or visit our website at www.cipusa.org.