

China Mission Trip

Sept. 15-24, 2013

Shanghai - Xi'an - Benxi - Beijing

Mission Statement

Business Focused Sister City Mission Trip

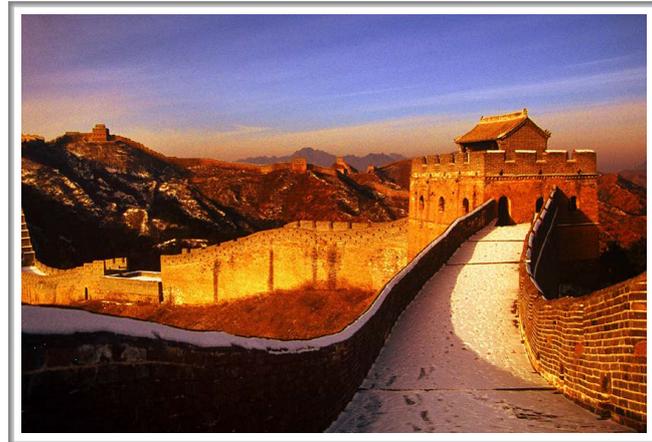
Sister Cities create relationships based on cultural, educational and trade exchanges, creating lifelong friendships that provide prosperity and peace through person-to-person "citizen diplomacy."

Participants for trip include:

County Executive; State and County Government Representatives; Business, Education, Academic and Science Leaders; Chinese Community Leaders

Feature Events:

Reception banquet by the County Executive in Shanghai; Business match making and round table; Site visits of new development opportunities; Major tourist attractions



Travel Itineraries :

There will be four options for travel based on interest of the trip and length of stay. Everyone will travel from Shanghai to Xi'an to participate in Sister City activities. Once the activities are completed, groups will separate into four:

- Group 1: (\$3,000/pp) will fly back to DC early. Sept 15th-Sept 21st.
- Group 2: (\$3,000/pp) will stay in Xi'an to visit friends and family. Sept 15th-Sept 23rd.
- Group 3: (\$3,000/pp) will visit Benxi for business opportunities with the County Executive. Sept 15th-Sept 23rd.
- Group 4: (\$3,000/pp) will fly to Beijing to visit major tourist attractions. Sept 15th – Sept 23rd.

Major Tourist Attractions:

- Shanghai: The Bund; Nanjing Road; The Oriental Pearl Tower; Shanghai Museum
- Xi'an: Terra Cotta Warriors and Horses Museum; Shanxi Provincial Historical Museum; Ancient City Wall
- Beijing: Forbidden City; The Great Wall; Tian'anmen Square; Olympic Stadiums; Temple of Heaven

Deposits will be due June 1, 2013

Mission Cities:

SHANGHAI--PUDONG

- China's industrial, financial, business center
- Zhangjiang Drug Valley: comprehensive park for life sciences in China
- Top Sectors: IT, telecom, environmental technologies, industrial equipment



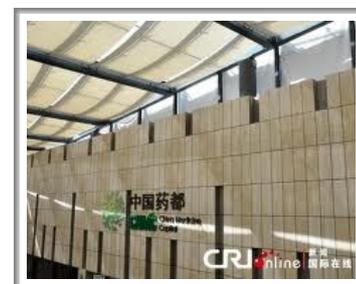
XI'AN (Shaanxi Province)



- Capital of 13 dynasties, civilization of over 3,100 years
- Third in comprehensive scientific strength, and the third most important international metropolis in China
- Top sectors: software, electronics, aerospace, telecomm, pharmaceuticals, information technology, and logistics

BENXI (Liaoning Province)

- China Medicine Capital--a whole new city in the Shenyang-Benxi corridor that will become a national R&D center with a complete chain of R&D, manufacturing, and logistics
- Home to six medicine and science related universities, three biomedical and health related parks, over one million population



BEIJING



- China's political, cultural center – a history dating back more than 3,000 years
- Increasingly recognized for entrepreneurs and innovative start-ups
- Top Sectors: environmental technologies, tourism, electronics, chemicals, automotive, machinery, metallurgy, household appliances

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