

## Spanish & Volunteer Program Information & Prices 2007



The **MUNDO GUATEMALA Volunteer Program** requires a minimum time commitment of 2-4 weeks, depending on the individual placement, and may vary from project to project. The program is open to participants of all age groups (18+) and professions. Some projects do require special education or skills, such as doctors, nurses, physical therapists and social workers amongst others. Language classes are recommended for a minimum of 2-4 weeks, during which you will receive a country and culture specific orientation, including colloquial language training. Only for advanced Spanish-speakers, the option of "Housing & Volunteering only" will be permitted.

Our aim is to provide qualified not simple placements, where participants can actively use or complement their professional skills and/or interests. Volunteers do not only improve their language skills, gain international work experience, broaden their world perspective, and experience a new culture as an insider BUT gain hands-on experience or even will be working on a specific assignment to be accomplished during their volunteer period. This could - depending on your background and project necessities - range from assessment of current situation to actual implementation of new work pattern or educational training.

During your stay in Antigua, you will be placed in one of our friendly Guatemalan host families. For projects located outside of Antigua, you can either stay with your host family and use public transportation, or switch to a homestay at your project location. Alternative housing can be arranged upon request. Only few projects may provide free room and board for long-term volunteers.

### 1. Social Work/Education/Health Care

90% of all volunteer projects in Guatemala are social projects, such as schools, orphanages, childcare centers, medical centers, and hospitals, with very basic facilities and out-of-date resources. Many of these places are in urgent need of assistance and may not have time or experience to fully develop and apply the skills of a volunteer. For participants without experience in developing countries or without experience in environments where resources are scarce, the situation might be disturbing or frustrating in the beginning, and it is important to know how to make yourself useful as opposed to waiting to be told what to do.

Work opportunities range from abused, poor, orphans, street children and physically and/or mentally disabled children, adults and elderly, to general education. Placements that require a medical or nursing background, medical students, doctors and nurses with various areas of specialization are welcome. You are placed according to your skills and to current needs of the clinics and hospitals.

### 2. Animal & Wildlife Rescue/Environmental Protection

Volunteers have the opportunity to work in a rescue center to care for and rehabilitate wild animals that were confiscated from the black market by the Guatemalan government. Other work areas are: environmental education, marine turtle conservation, reforestation and habitat preservation and voluntary program.

Typical duties consist of helping to feed the animals, assisting with veterinary medical treatments and construction of new facilities and cages.

## Volunteer Programs and Pricing

All prices are quoted in USD and are valid for reservations up to 31-DEC-2007\*. All prices are subject to change any time due to increased costs, exchange rate fluctuations or other factors. All options can be customized to budget and time commitment.

### HALF-DAY VOLUNTEERING ANTIGUA

#### **4 WK VOL COMPACT: US\$815 (01-Jan-15-Aug, except May) and US\$735 (15-Aug-31-Dec and May)**

4 weeks of **private** instruction (4 hours/day) **PLUS** half-day volunteering & accommodation with Guatemalan host family & 3 meals per day (except Sunday), airport transportation airport-Antigua. Cost for extra homestay week: US\$75.

#### **6 WK VOL COMPACT: US\$1.175 (01-Jan-15-Aug, except May) and US\$1.055 (15-Aug-31-Dec and May)**

6 weeks of **private** instruction (4 hours/day) **PLUS** half-day volunteering & accommodation with Guatemalan host family & 3 meals per day (except Sunday), airport transportation airport-Antigua. Cost for extra homestay week: US\$75.

#### **8 WK VOL COMPACT: US\$1.535 (01-Jan-15-Aug, except May) and US\$1.375 (15-Aug-31-Dec and May)**

8 weeks of **private** instruction (4 hours/day) **PLUS** half-day volunteering & accommodation with Guatemalan host family & 3 meals per day (except Sunday), airport transportation airport-Antigua. Cost for extra homestay week: US\$75.

### FULL-DAY VOLUNTEERING IN AND AROUND ANTIGUA - SOCIAL WORK/EDUCATION, MEDICINE/HEALTH AND ANIMAL SHELTER

#### **5 WK VOL COMPLETE: US\$595 (01-Jan-15-Aug, except May) and US\$575 (15-Aug-31-Dec and May)**

1 weeks of **private** instruction (4 hours/day) **PLUS** 4 weeks fulltime volunteering & accommodation with Guatemalan host family & 3 meals per day (except Sunday), airport transportation airport-Antigua. Cost for extra homestay week: US\$75.

#### **6 WK VOL COMPLETE: US\$775 (01-Jan-15-Aug, except May) and US\$735 (15-Aug-31-Dec and May)**

2 weeks of **private** instruction (4 hours/day) **PLUS** 4 weeks fulltime volunteering & accommodation with Guatemalan host family & 3 meals per day (except Sunday), airport transportation airport-Antigua. Cost for extra homestay week: US\$75.

#### **7 WK VOL COMPLETE: US\$955 (01-Jan-15-Aug, except May) and US\$895 (15-Aug-31-Dec and May)**

3 weeks of **private** instruction (4 hours/day) **PLUS** 4 weeks fulltime volunteering & accommodation with Guatemalan host family & 3 meals per day (except Sunday), airport transportation airport-Antigua. Cost for extra homestay week: US\$75.

#### **8 WK VOL COMPLETE: US\$1.135 (01-Jan-15-Aug, except May) and US\$1.055 (15-Aug-31-Dec and May)**

4 weeks of **private** instruction (4 hours/day) **PLUS** 4 weeks fulltime volunteering & accommodation with Guatemalan host family & 3 meals per day (except Sunday), airport transportation airport-Antigua. Cost for extra homestay week: US\$75.

**FULL-DAY VOLUNTEERING OUTSIDE ANTIGUA - COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, ANIMAL RESCUE/REHABILITATION AND ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES**

**8 WK VOL COMPLETE @ ARCAS PETEN: US\$1.245 (01-Jan-15-Aug, except May) and US\$1.165 (15-Aug-31-Dec and May)**

4 weeks of **private** instruction (4 hours/day) in Antigua **PLUS** 4 weeks fulltime volunteering & accommodation at ARCAS Wildlife & Rehabilitation Center near Flores (Petén), airport transportation airport-Antigua. Cost for extra week at volunteer house: US\$100. Does not include transportation cost to/from ARCAS Petén.

**8 WK VOL COMPLETE @ VOLUNTEER PETEN: US\$1.195 (01-Jan-15-Aug, except May) and US\$1.115 (15-Aug-31-Dec and May)**

4 weeks of **private** instruction (4 hours/day) in Antigua **PLUS** 4 weeks fulltime volunteering & accommodation with host family at Volunteer Petén near Flores (Petén), airport transportation airport-Antigua. Cost for extra homestay week: US\$87.50. Does not include transportation cost to/from Volunteer Petén.

**8 WK VOL COMPLETE @ ARCAS HAWAII: US\$1.035 (01-Jan-15-Aug, except May) and US\$955 (15-Aug-31-Dec and May)**

4 weeks of **private** instruction (4 hours/day) in Antigua **PLUS** 4 weeks fulltime volunteering & accommodation at ARCAS Hawaii Sea turtle, Caiman and Mangrove conservation project (Pacific Coast), airport transportation airport-Antigua. Cost for extra week at volunteer house: US\$50. Does not include transportation cost to/from ARCAS Hawaii.

**8 WK VOL COMPLETE @ ARCAS CERRO ALUX: US\$825 (01-Jan-15-Aug, except May) and US\$745 (15-Aug-31-Dec and May)**

4 weeks of **private** instruction (4 hours/day) in Antigua **PLUS** 4 weeks fulltime volunteering at ARCAS Cerro Alux Environmental Education and Animal Rescue Center (San Lucas, near Guatemala City), accommodation with Guatemalan host family & 3 meals per day (except Sunday), airport transportation airport-Antigua. Cost for extra week at homestay: US\$75. Does not include transportation cost to/from ARCAS Cerro Alux.

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