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Constructing homes to raise Guatemalans out of extreme homelessness and poverty



Overview: Construa Casa aims to improve the quality of life among Guatemalans living in extreme poverty through the provision of basic housing. According to the CIA World Factbook, 59.3% of Guatemala's population is living below the poverty line. Guatemala's poverty is rooted in many social, economic and political factors, manifested by high illiteracy, poor health and extremely inadequate housing.

Day-to-day: Participants will work with local masons and homeowners to construct homes with concrete blocks. The group will volunteer from approximately 8:00am – 5:00pm each day. The daily routine is physically demanding and may consist of digging foundations, carrying materials, mixing concrete, laying concrete blocks, painting and more.

The Nitty-Gritty Details: The group will lodge and eat at a private home in Antigua. Although most meals are included, participants should plan to have about \$200 additional funds to pay for some food and activities throughout the week. This is a 12-person trip. Applicant should have passport in hand or be prepared to have a passport application expedited.

Looking for more information about the international trip application and interview process? Check out [this link!](#)

SPECIFICATIONS

Location: Antigua, Guatemala

Price: \$1,500

Trip Price includes:

- Transportation
- Housing
- Program Fees
- Supplemental Travel Insurance

Transportation: Participants will fly to Guatemala City, Guatemala. Daily transportation will be done by van.

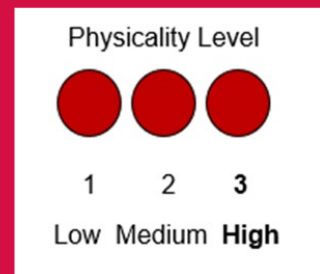
Housing: Home Stay

Meals: Most meals provided

Social Justice Topics:

- Access to housing and resources

Physicality Level: 3



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