

Constru Casa Antigua, Guatemala

Overview: Constru 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 home owners 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.

SUPPLEMENTAL APPLICATION AND INTERVIEW PROCESS REQUIRED. SEE BUCK-I-SERV WEBSITE FOR FULL DETAILS.



SPECIFICATIONS

Location: Antigua, Guatemala

Price: \$2000

Price Includes:

- Transportation (flight, airport shuttle & in-country vans)
- Housing
- Program fees
- Tools/supplies needed for service
- One day trip to Lake Atitlan
- Supplemental Travel Insurance

Price Does Not Include:

- Passport application fees
- Vaccinations/Immunizations

Transportation: Participants will travel by air through Guatemala City, Guatemala. Daily in-country transportation will be by van.

Housing: Home Stay

Meals: Most Meals Provided

Social Justice Issues: Homelessness/Access to Housing, Poverty

Physicality Level: High (Physically demanding service and group activities. Heat adds to the challenge to stay hydrated throughout the trip.)

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