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| Category | Children – after school program | |
| Location | Quetzaltenango | |
| Year of foundation | 2004 | |
| Number of permanent employees: | 5 | |
| Project description: | <p>This project is active in the deprived neighborhood of Las Rosas where they support children and families who live in extreme poverty and personal disintegration. They partner directly with over 60 families, satisfying basic needs and providing educational opportunities. They run a kids lunchroom, and an afterschool program. From Monday to Thursday over 60 kids come to the project, all aged between 5 and 14 years old.</p> | |
| Description of volunteer tasks: | <p>Volunteers are helpful in many ways. There is the lunchroom, where they prepare a lunch for 50 children every day. There is also the afternoon program, where they organize educational and recreational activities for an average of 80 children daily. Between lunch and the afterschool program, the children receive homework assistance.</p> <p>Basically, the following schedules are available: 10:00am – 3:00pm: lunchroom assistance 10:00am – 5:00pm: lunchroom and afterschool program 12:30pm – 5:00pm: end of lunch, homework and afterschool program 2:00-5:00pm: afterschool program</p> <p>During the afterschool program, volunteers assist the children in the activities planned by the team, so help the children execute their work, supervise them, teach them to behave, and play with them. Volunteers are also more than welcome to plan and execute their own recreational activity in the area or sports, games or handicrafts.</p> <p>There is also an opportunity to volunteer as a development assistant. You would help out the Development Director in various aspects of funds development, including grant writing, event planning, communication with donors, report writing etc. You also take part in family visits in the community. This position could be combined with lunchroom/ afterschool activities.</p> | |
| Opening hours: | Monday to Thursday from 9:00am to 5:00pm | |
| Requirements: | Spanish level: | Basic |
| | Minimum time commitment: | 3 weeks |
| | Work schedule: | Several options |
| | Others: | There is an additional volunteer contribution of \$17.50. |
| How to get to the project: | Take a mini bus from the gasstation near the Parque Central, and get off at the Texaco at Las Rosas. Then walk about 5-10 minutes on the road going uphill in front of the Texaco. It's Q1.25 each ride (the volunteer pays for that). | |
| Closing dates of the project: | Holy Week, one week in September (Sept. 10 th -14 th 2018), and from mid-December until the first Monday of January. | |
| Lodging options: | Hotel, hostel or host family in Quetzaltenango. Prices can be found here . | |

Photo impressions

