

Category	Reforestation	
Location	Quetzaltenango	
Year of foundation	1998	
Number of permanent employees:	1-3	
Project description:	This organization was named after the Brazilian environmentalist, who fought against deforestation. The NGO in Cantel also has this goal, and works in the rural area close to Quetzaltenango. It has its own cultivation project where they work hard for the reforestation of the hills and mountains around Quetzaltenango, because a lot of (illegal) logging takes place.	
Description of volunteer tasks:	As a volunteer, you will work outside all day. You will be working with new seeds, prepare the ground where small trees will grow, bring the small trees to the mountains, collect new seeds in the mountains, etcetera. You will learn a lot about nature, while being outside. Be ready to make your hands dirty! The project leaders will always make your day varied, and they will even take you to the local school sometimes, to educate the local youth about the importance of preserving nature!	
Opening hours:	All day	
Requirements:	Spanish level:	Basic – intermediate
	Minimum time commitment:	1 week
	Work schedule:	Flexible
	Others:	
How to get to the project:	Take a microbus to La Rotonda, and then a bus to “Fabrica Cantel” or “Zunil”. Get off at the entrance of Pachaj, and from there they pick you up, or you walk for 10-15 minutes to the project. The cost is about Q6 each ride (the volunteer pays for that).	
Closing dates of the project:		
Lodging options:	Hotel, hostel or host family in Quetzaltenango. Prices can be found here .	

Photo impressions

