

<b>Category</b>	<b>Teen Mother &amp; Girls shelter</b>	
Location	Quetzaltenango	
Year of foundation		
Number of permanent employees:	35	
Project description:	<p>This shelter is a government institution for young mothers and their children. This shelter is home to a varying amount of girls (between 30 and 80) and young children. Teenage mothers and their young infants can stay here, as well as teenage girls who have suffered from sexual abuse. The girls and mothers are all under 18 years old, and the children are aged approximately 0 to 5 years old. There is a lot of emphasis on psychology, as well as learning how to be a mother.</p>	
Description of volunteer tasks:	<p>Volunteers are much needed at this shelter. The volunteers usually help in the dorm room with the mothers and their babies. You take care of the babies and toddlers while their mothers are in class. Volunteers are also welcome to organize their own activities. You can think of activities like crafts, music, art, sports, or something that you like or that you're good at. You can plan activities for the babies or for the girls, according to your preference. The volunteer foresees in his/her own supplies.</p> <p>Also, the shelter understaffed and always short on (economical and material) resources, you will often be on your own with the girls and children.</p>	
Opening hours:	The girls and children live permanently at the shelter, but volunteers are welcome from 8:30AM – 12PM and 2:30PM – 4:30PM	
Requirements:	Spanish level:	Basic
	Minimum time commitment:	1 week
	Work schedule:	Mornings, afternoons or both.
	Others:	Copy of passport needed on beforehand.
How to get to the project:	The shelter is on a 5 to 10-minute walk from the Parque Central.	
Closing dates of the project:	None	
Lodging options:	Hotel, hostel or host family in Quetzaltenango. Prices can be found <a href="#">here</a> .	

**Photo impressions**

*Limited visual material available because of identity protection*

