

# FUNDACION PROYECTO ECOLOGICO CHIRIBOGA



## FUNPROCH SHORT- MEDIUM AND LONG TERM VOLUNTEERING FOR THE YEAR 2026



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## ABOUT FUNPROCH

Fundación Proyecto Ecológico Chiriboga, is a non-governmental and non-profit organization, it has no religious, racial or political conflicts, it is legally constituted by Ministerial Agreement No. 47 of the Ministry of the Environment of Ecuador-South America on March 19, 1999, with Agreement No. 100 amended.

Our main objective is environmental protection and conservation, promoting the development of communities whose activities are related to the environment and the development of the local economy.

Help people to become aware of the importance of reforestation and agriculture in the area, with the support of the community, foreign volunteers and the participation of government institutions related to urban conglomerations, the environment, quality of life, equitable relations between the population and its environment.

# INTERNATIONAL VOLUNTARY SERVICE

Fundación Proyecto Ecológico Chiriboga, offers volunteer opportunities in different areas:

## ENVIRONMENT

- 1.- Proyecto Ecológico Chiriboga
- 2.- Selva y Vida – environmental and cultural immersion
- 3.- Rescue Center for wild animals JB
- 4.- Rescue Center Los Jaguares
- 5.- Dog Rescue Center
- 6.- Permaculture, carpentry, support school etc

## EDUCATION

- 7.- Support English teachers in Primary schools
- 9.-Support teachers in kindergartens

## SOCIAL Y DISCAPACIDAD

- 10.- Work with children in age of risk in Cuenca
- 11.- Work with teenagers with special needs in Riobamba
- 12.- Work in school with children with special needs in the Amazon region and in Highlands
- 4.- Work with Children in age of risk in Quito
- 13.- Work with children with liquor and drugs problems in Santo Domingo de Los Tsachilas
- 14.- Work in a Bilingual Academy- Nursery
- 15.- Support teachers in schools and Institutes for children and teenagers with special needs
- 16.- Integral Alternative Therapy Center

## ABOUT ECUADOR

Ecuador is situated along the north west coast of South America, and it borders the countries of Peru and Columbia. Ecuador's capital is Quito which is less than 15 miles from the equator. The Galapagos Islands are considered a province of Ecuador. The islands are located in the Pacific Ocean, approximately 600 miles off the Ecuadorian coast. Ecuador is divided into 24 provinces. Its three largest cities are Guayaquil, Quito, and Cuenca. The national currency is the US dollar. With the Andes Mountains and the Galapagos Islands, Ecuador is one of the top tourist destinations in South America. Tourists from the United States and most parts of Europe and Asia can visit without needing a visa for up to 90 days.

Ecuador's main international airports are located in the cities of Quito (Mariscal Sucre Airport-UIO), Guayaquil (Simón Bolívar Airport- GYE) , and Manta (Eloy Alfaro Airport-MEC). In the [Galapagos](#), the main airport is located on the island of Baltra. Ecuador has regional airports in Cuenca, Ibarra and other destinations. LAN Airlines is the primary international air carrier, with domestic flight service available from three local airlines including TAME. Ecuador is served by approximately 20 international air carriers including Delta, American, Continental, United, British Airways, Air France, KLM and Lufthansa. Direct flights are available between Miami and Quito with a total flight time of about 4 hours and 15 minutes, with a travel time of approximately 17 hours from London to Quito. Getting to Ecuador by cruise ship is another travel option. Princess, Carnival and Norwegian Cruise Lines all offer itineraries with stops at Manta and the Galapagos.

Ecuador is one of the world's most environmentally diverse places and its many destinations offer travelers a range of attractions to explore. A unique landscape awaits visitors as Ecuador hosts warm sunny beaches of the Pacific to impressive mountain villages in the Andes to the Amazon rain forest, to the world's ecological wonder – the Galapagos Islands. The Ecuadorian Andes offer outdoor activities such as hiking, kayaking, and mountain biking, making it ideally suited for the outdoor sports enthusiast and one of the most popular tourist destinations in South America. With its rain forest, the Ecuadorian Amazon is home to thousands of distinct animal species such as eight-pound toads as well as some of world's most exotic food stuffs. Due to the country's proximity to the equator and its diverse geography, Ecuador is an adventure traveler's dream vacation. Where else on earth can you see first-hand prehistoric creatures roaming their indigenous habitats, see giant marine tortoises and marine iguanas, trek alongside active volcanoes, immerse yourself in the ancient culture of the Inca civilization, visit a world capital city standing only 15 miles from the Equator and situated at 2850 meters (9,000 feet) with over a million inhabitants! Other must-see attractions include Ecuador's protected areas – its national parks and reserves included.

The Galápagos Islands, 596 miles (960 kilometers) west of the mainland of Ecuador are part of Ecuador and are home to unique reptiles, birds, and plants. The Costa, or coastal plain region is where many of the world's bananas are grown. The Sierra is also made up of farmland. The Oriente is east of the Andes and is rich in oil.

Ecuador is considered one of the most diverse areas of the world. There are some 25,000 plant species, and over 1,600 known bird species. The search for oil has caused environmental devastation due to oil leaks and destruction of forests.

Ecuador has nine national parks, including the Galápagos Islands. These 18 islands are home to some of the most amazing creatures, including the [Galápagos tortoise](#), Galápagos penguin, blue-footed booby, and iguanas. This is where Charles Darwin noticed the diversity of species and began to study evolution.

By: Ecuador.com and National Geographic

## GENERAL PRACTICAL INFORMATION

### VISA ISSUES

the majority of nationalities can stay in Ecuador for 90 days with no visa, the foreigners who arrive through the international airport, the official stamps they receive on their passports, means a legal stay of 90 days, after this time the foreigner need to ask an extension of a tourist visa, it is possible to ask an extension just for once.

We ask a volunteer visa when the volunteers let us know their decision to make more than 6 months, to do that we need to be informed at least 1 month in advance, because we need time to prepare their documents, the volunteer possibly need 1 month to get the documents they need to process in their countries and the Ecuadorian Ministry of International affairs need at least 2 months to issue the visa.

**Introduction Seminar:** For groups to those who make an MTV or LTV there will be an orientation seminar for two days, the accommodation during these two days will be in the house of the Fundación Proyecto Ecológico Chiriboga in Quito, three meals will be provided.

All our programs ask for a fee, due to FUNPROCH solely depends on volunteer contributions to support its activities, this fee is informed in the information of every program.

# República del Ecuador<sup>1</sup>

Estado miembro de la Comunidad Andina<sup>1</sup>



Bandera



Escudo



Himno: ¡Salve, oh patria!

Lema: «Dios, Patria y Libertad»

Capital  
(y ciudad más poblada)



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Sede de gobierno Palacio de Carondelet

Idioma oficial Español

• Cooficiales Kichwa, shuar y otras 11 lenguas.

Forma de gobierno República plurinacional unitaria democrática descentralizada<sup>1</sup> presidencialista

• Presidente Guillermo Lasso<sup>1</sup>

• Vicepresidente Alfredo Borrero<sup>1</sup>

Órgano legislativo Asamblea Nacional de Ecuador

• Total 256 370 km<sup>2</sup>

# MEDIUM AND LONG TERM PROGRAMS

## FUNPROCH SELVA Y VIDA STV- MLTV

**Code to apply:** ENVISMFPECH

Project located in Canton Taisha- Province of Morona Santiago in the Amazon region of Ecuador, the project is part of the Forest Kutukú- Shaimi the protected land which belong to the Shuar nationality.

### PROJECT DETAILS

Selva y Vida is a permanent program who works from January 2<sup>nd</sup> to December 23<sup>rd</sup> of every year, it was created by FUNPROCH and managed by an Indian Shuar family. Our mission is to preserve the biodiversity and the natural resources with the local inhabitants for the benefit of the current and future generations.

This program is dedicated to true nature lovers who want to experience an eco- adventure and who would be willing to adapt to the modest accommodation offered in the project.

The volunteers will have the opportunity to learn about the jungle during their stay, the traditions and customs of the Shuar culture while they support the schools nearby and make community work, construction of houses and latrines, path cleaning with machete, reforestation and agriculture, as well as handicrafts in the afternoons.

**Type:** Permanent.: From January 2<sup>nd</sup> to December 23<sup>rd</sup> of every year

**Age:** Older than 18 years old.

**Language:** Basic Spanish is necessary

**Minimum time of participation:** 4 weeks up to 1 year, but could be offered for less time,

**Accommodation:** Modest accommodation in cabins in the project, shower in the waterfall of the river

**Work:** From Monday to Friday – Weekends are free to travel around or just to rest.

**Program fee:** 1.500,00 American dollars, must be paid at your arrival before going to the project.

**Cost includes:** 12 weeks of accommodation in cabins of the project, including breakfast, lunch and dinner, internet access, facilities for laundry.

**Cost does not include:** Any kind of transportation, bottled water, extra food and beverages.

**PUBLIC SERVICES:** There is not current water but there is a water fall nearby, no electricity, no signal for phones no internet, you can wash your clothes by hand in the river.

**What to bring:** Long trousers, long sleeves T-shirts, towel, rain jacket, cap, rubber boots, items for personal hygiene, swimsuit, sunblock, mosquito repellent etc.

## RESCUE CENTER - CLINIC FOR WILD ANIMALS JB - STV- MLTV

**Code to apply:** ENVIJBFPECH

The Wildlife Rescue Center was created by Mr James Brown Sweeney, a North American living in Ecuador since the year 1940 and pioneer in agricultural production in the territory of Santo Domingo de Los Tsáchilas. This Center is

dedicated to rescuing and rehabilitating endangered wildlife, and after its rehabilitation reinserting it into its natural environment. The objective is, save wildlife and restore the right to freedom. This wildlife rescue center is located in a natural conservation farm in the canton of La Concordia - Province of Santo Domingo de Los Tsáchilas - Ecuador. We receive animals from different organizations like, from the National Police, the Ministry of the Environment, Environmentalists, NGOs or any agent that has a species that is wild fauna.

As this is a Wildlife Rescue Center, it is a kind of hospital for **Rehabilitation and Release**, it is a permanent program who works from January 2<sup>nd</sup> to December 23<sup>rd</sup> of every year.

The volunteer activities are as follows:

- Be part of the specimen rescue group (go out to the different places that are required to capture or recover a specimen)
- To assist in the reception and checking the animal's status on arrival.
- Provide medicines and vitamins to the specimens in recovery.
- Neonatal feeding
- Control, monitoring and data collection of specimens in recovery.
- Veterinary assistant.
- All wildlife hospitalization activities
- Market activities and fruit collection for the pantry of the specimens
- Preparation of the food,
- Prepare diets for recovering specimens
- Feed the different specimens in recovery
- Environmental education and guidance to groups.
- Possible maintenance activities on paths and cages.
- Be part of the specimen release group to release the animals into their habitat when needed. (Go out to different parts of the country if it is necessary)
- Office activities.

**Type:** Permanent.: From January 2<sup>nd</sup> to December all year around

**Age:** Older than 18.

**Language:** Spanish is necessary - English.

**Minimum time of participation:** 12 weeks up to 1 year

**Accommodation:** In the project in the volunteer house

**Schedule:** Work is from 08h00 to 17h00 WITH 1.30 hours for lunch time, the volunteer should be flexible with the schedule in emergencies with animals after and before working hours or during the nights if it is necessary.

**Program fee:** 1.500,00 American dollars, must be paid at your arrival before going to the project.

**Cost includes:** 12 weeks of accommodation in the volunteer house of the reserve, including breakfast, lunch and dinner, internet access, facilities for laundry.

**Cost does not include:** Any kind of transportation, bottled water, extra food and beverages, calls.

**What to bring:** Long trousers, long sleeves T-shirts, T-shirts, towel, rain jacket, cap, rubber boots, items for personal hygiene, sunblock, mosquito repellent etc.

**PUBLIC SERVICES:** There is water, electricity, telephones. Internet wiffi after working hours, laundry facilities or you can wash your clothes by hand.

**TROPICAL DISEASES:** During the winter season there is presence of Zika, malaria and dengue

## **GALAPAGOS – SAN CRISTOBAL ISLAND- STV**

**Code to apply: GFPECH**

The project is located in the San Cristobal Island- sector of the Leaks, 21 kilometers from Puerto Baquerizo Moreno,

the capital city of the province of Galapagos, in this island there is a sector where there is a wall with an eye of water which comes out at a height of approximately 8 meters, it falls to the ground drop by drop forming a pool of water, in this place where there are approximately 15 families who are dedicated to agriculture and livestock, 35 years ago, use to go to this place by donkey to collect water in chimbuzos of five gallons to cook, to do the laundry, to take a bath was carried out in the same place,

Our objective is to make reforestation in the San Cristobal island, with endemic and native plants in rural and urban areas with the help of international, individual or group of volunteers and local families, to help in the conservation and protection of the environment, o strengthen community agricultural work and support for activities of social interest.

Our motto is, drop by drop to conserve the endemic and native plants of Galapagos that are in danger of extinction.

**PUBLIC SERVICES:** On the island there is water, electricity, telephones. Internet can be found in Internet cafes and Wi-Fi areas. Laundry services are available for \$ 2 / kilo at the port, but you can wash your clothes by hand.

**TROPICAL DISEASES:** there is no presence of Zika, malaria or dengue in the islands

**Type:** Permanent, the project works from January 2<sup>nd</sup> to December 20<sup>th</sup> of every year.

**Age:** Older than 18.

**Language:** Basic Spanish is necessary. English.

**Schedule:** Monday to Friday from 8:00 to 12:00 and 14:00 to 16:00, weekends off.

**Accommodation:** The project has a large room for 6 people, with bathroom, kitchen, living room, and dining room, kitchen utensils, microwave, refrigerator, kitchen, among others, it also has an area of 500 m2 of natural grass for camping, tennis volley court rest areas.

**What to bring:** · Cap or hat, Sunglasses, Light clothing, insect repellent , sunblock, towel, rain jacket, mountain, shoes or rubber boots, items for personal hygiene, work gloves, environmentally friendly soap, long sleeves t-shirts.

**Time of participation: 3 weeks**

**Program fee 500,00 American dollars, must be paid before their arrival to Galápagos through a Bank transfer.**

**Cost includes:** Three weeks of accommodation in the project, and bottled water, electricity, gas, ,house cleaning products.

**Cost does not include:** Food, flights or any kind of transportation, tours, taxes, phone calls, internet, insurance

**NOTE: If you want to make less than 3 weeks of placement ask us for information. We receive groups with minimum 4 persons up to 6 persons.**

The Galapagos program does not include food, the volunteers are responsible for their food, as soon as the volunteers arrive on the island, the coordinator accompany the volunteers to the store to buy their supplies.

The activities in the program could be:

- Fence maintenance
- Deforestation of invasive plants (blackberry, tupirosa, guava)
- Reforestation of endemic and native plants
- Various construction work to improve the farm
- Animal feed
- Take out the milk

- Cheese making
- Preparation of seedlings
- Seed collection
- Organic garden work
- Community works
- Water irrigation
- House cleaning, stables
- Fruit picking
- Soil preparation, fertilizer

## RESCUE CENTER LOS JAGUARES – MORONA SANTIAGO – STV- M-LTV

### Code to apply: ENVIRCMFPECH

This little Rescue Center is located in Macas - Morona Santiago Province. It started to work since 2006 as a rescue center with some species of wild animals, rescued from citizens who caught them for pets and who had them in very bad conditions. The Center rescued mammals, reptiles, birds, etc. we started bailing a tapir. We ensure that the animals have good living conditions and atmosphere required for their mobility, and simulate their habitat for recovery.

The staff of Los Jaguares visit the schools and high schools of its area to give workshops to the students in order to raise awareness in the children about the importance to preserve the flora and fauna of the Amazon region, as well as they receive students from university for internships. The center attends to emergencies from the Ministry of the Environment in Morona Santiago and also works with irrecoverable or imprinted animals

Los Jaguares does not receive economic support from the government, the animals are fed thanks to the entrance fee of the visitors as well as fundraises organized by the Manager, in addition to the contributions of the NGOs that we send volunteers.

The activities to be done by the volunteers are:

Activity	Description	Time charge
<b>Wildlife feeding</b>	Diverse and specific preparation of diets depending on the necessities of each one of our recued animals.	This activity is vital for the rescue center because it allows interactions between the wildlife and our volunteers. 20 hours will be employed in the activity.
<b>Environmental education</b>	Accompany and guide students of public schools from Macas town in different activities, such us: Educational talks about care and protection of wild animals and ecological cycles of their environment.	10 hours distributed between guiding activities and educational talks.

<b>Wildlife care</b>	Maintenance of wildlife environment and cages, cleaning of birds drinking pots, animal feeders and monitoring of their health and mood.	20 hours estimating that the cleaning and monitoring is done in one hour per day.
<b>Paths maintenance</b>	Maintenance of paths at the rescue center that improves the experience and stay of visitors.	We estimate that in 20 days, 10 hours will be dedicated to the maintenance of paths.
<b>Monitoring of Sangay National Park</b>	Assist the Ministry of Environment in their activities of monitoring and control of Sangay National Park.	20 hours that would be in charge by the operators of the Ministry of Environment.
<b>Seedlings Production</b>	Production of native seedlings such as, Wild Grape trees or Guadua cane.	The seedlings production allows us to create projects of reforestation. In this activity we might employ 20 hours distributed among 10 days.
<b>Cultural and linguistic exchange</b>	Cultural exchange with foreign volunteers in Spanish and English or vice versa.	This activity allows bonding and friendships among visitors from all over the world. The activity focuses on sharing experiences and culture between our visitors

**Type:** Permanent.: From January 2<sup>nd</sup> to December 23<sup>rd</sup> of every year

**Age:** Older than 18.

**Language:** Spanish is necessary and English.

**Accommodation:** In a modest volunteer house, in dormitories

**Minimum time of participation:** 4 weeks

**Schedule:** Monday to Fridays 2 days off

**Program fee:** 550,00 USD, must be paid at your arrival, before going to the project.

**Cost includes:** Four weeks of accommodation in the volunteer house, three meals breakfast, lunch and dinner and internet access after 16:00 hours, laundry facilities.

**Cost does not include:** Any kind of transportation, bottled water, extra food and beverages.

**What to bring:** Long trousers, long sleeves T-shirts, towel, rain jacket, cap, rubber boots, items for personal hygiene, swimsuit, sunblock, light clothes, etc.

**PUBLIC SERVICES:** There is current water, electricity, laundry facilities.

## ANIMAL SHELTER IN AZUAY - STV- M-LTV

**Code to apply:** ENVIRCCFPECH

This animal shelter is a permanent program who aims to take care of animal welfare, through good nutrition and care, was created on 2000 year and it has an operating license issued by the Ministry of Environment, Water and Ecological Transition. It is located in the Province of Azuay in the southern highlands of Ecuador.

The refuge hosted the following wild animals: margays, penguins, blue-footed boobies, tapir, buffalo, deer, ostriches, yamas (dwarf deer), cuchuchos, a wide variety of birds, alligators, ostriches, peacocks, turtles, etc. Initially, the refuge had five deer and a Capuchin monkey, but the number of animals increased due to donations from the people who kept them in their homes. We receive animals from different organizations like, from the National Police, the Ministry of the Environment, Environmentalists, NGOs or any agent that has a species that is wild fauna.

This Animal Shelter received and receives animals that were "pets" in private homes or were circus animals, or were

found orphaned in the wild by the Ecuadorian Ministry of the Environment or the Environmental Police who send the animals recovered from hunters or traffickers of wild animals, if they are injured they are treated and reintroduced but if they are babies it is more difficult to do so, so they stay in the shelter.

The shelter receives visitors, students and the general public who are informed about each of the animals that are in the center, about the importance of respect for animals, promoting awareness among the visiting public.

Among these activities the Shelter, also send its technicians to the schools and high schools of its area to give workshops to the students in order to raise awareness in the children about the importance to preserve the flora and fauna of our country, as well as classes on handling and welfare of the animals at the center for the university students and volunteers for refuge interns.

At the moment they are working with a germplasm Bank of the terrestrials tapirs from the refuge and we want to do it with the endangered animals that are in the center, we are also close to working with deer genetics.

Yurak Allpa does not receive economic support from the government, the animals are fed thanks to the entrance fee of the visitors as well as weekly sports festivals and fundraises organized by the Manager, in addition to the contributions of the NGOs that we send volunteers.

The volunteer activities are as follows:

### Work Schedule from Monday to Friday

Working day	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Weekends
Schedule - work start and end times	8h00 a 17h00	8h00 a 17h00	8h00 a 17h00	8h00 a 17h00	8h00 a 16h00	Off
Lunch time	12h30 a 13h30	12h30 a 13h30	12h30 a 13h30	12h30 a 13h30	12h30 a 13h30	
Activities to do	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Supply and maintenance (cleaning, disinfection of the area) of the animal feed storage area.</li> <li>Preparation of animal feed diets.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Preparation of diets and distribution of animal feed.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Preparation of diets and distribution of animal feed</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cage maintenance, cleaning, disinfection and environmental enrichment of enclosures.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cleaning the center (maintenance of walkways and environmental guidance/education for children from different schools)</li> </ul>	

**Type:** Permanent.: From January 2<sup>nd</sup> to December 23<sup>rd</sup> of every year

**Age:** Older than 18.

**Language:** Spanish is necessary. English.

**Accommodation:** In the project in a modest volunteer house near of the shelter.

**Minimum time of participation:** 4 weeks up to 1 year but we can offer it for less time.

**Schedule:** According to the project's director, agreed with the volunteers, Work 5 days per week, 2 days off

**Program fee:** 500,00 USD, must be paid at your arrival, before going to the project, for longer stays please ask us the total fee

**Cost includes:** Four weeks of accommodation in the volunteer house, three meals breakfast, lunch and dinner.

**Cost does not include:** Any kind of transportation, bottled water, extra food and beverages, calls and internet access.

**What to bring:** Long trousers, long sleeves T-shirts, towel, rain jacket, cap, rubber boots, items for personal hygiene, warm clothes.

**PUBLIC SERVICES:** There is water, electricity, telephones. Internet wifi after working hours, laundry facilities or you can wash your clothes by hand.

**TROPICAL DISEASES:** In the highlands there is no presence of Zika, malaria nor dengue

# EDUCATION

## SUPPORT ENGLISH TEACHERS- MLTV

Code to apply: **EDUFPECH**

Volunteers are needed nationwide to assist the English teachers, this program is offered in provinces of the Coast, Highlands and Amazon.

For those who have good Spanish knowledge and they have the will and the time, in the afternoons after the school, they can assist the children with learning problems helping them in reading, writing, grammar, mathematics, gym etc. principally in the schools from the Coast.

The volunteer assists the teachers and students *with pronunciation, checking homework, exams and test scores, reading texts out loud, doing English Warm Ups (ex.: singing and analysing English songs, playing Vocabulary games, talking about short videos or stories etc.), doing short presentations, explaining/teaching English grammar, having English conversations with the students, what the official teacher's needs.*

**"Perhaps some things in the programs could change according to the needs of the project and because of the reality of the country"**

**PUBLIC SERVICES:** The majority of the communities where we work in, have public services like current water, electricity and communications, Internet can be shared in schools or internet-café, family homes and some parks have free wi-fi.

**TROPICAL DISEASES:** There are no infectious or tropical diseases in the highlands, but in the rural areas of the Coastal and Amazon regions, during winter there could be dengue, zika, malaria and chingunguya,

Scholar period depends on the region, from September to the end of June in Highlands and in the Amazon and from May to the end of January in the Coastal region, work from Monday to Friday, weekends free, apart of a good English is necessary to have basic knowledge of Spanish

Minimum time of participation : 5 MONTHS

**What to bring:** As your work will be in schools, please take into account that you have to respect the dress code in schools, please bring "normal" cloth to attend to the school like:

- Pants or trousers or skirts · Blouses or shirts
- Sweaters and/or jumpers
- Items for personal hygiene, towels, shampoo, soap etc.
- Light and warm clothing
- The highlands usually have lower temperatures, you will need sweaters and warm clothes

**Age:** Older than 18.

**Accommodation :** With an ecuadorian host family.

**Program fee for 5 months : 2000 USD, the fee of total time of participation must be paid at in one payment before your arrival through a Bank transfer or before going to the project in cash.-**

**Cost includes:** 5 months of accommodation in local families, including breakfast, lunch and dinner, laundry facilities, and Mentor visit, Introduction information at your arrival and final evaluation.

**Cost does not include:** Any kind of transportation, bottled water, extra food and beverages, calls and internet access.

## SCHOOLS FOR CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS - MLTV

Code to apply: **DISEDUFPECH**

We support schools and programs with volunteers in different cities of Ecuador, these schools provide to children and teenagers education, support, psychology care and rehabilitation to develop the potential of children or teenagers with motor abilities, considering the level of the student to achieve interaction and participation in a social environment, being more independent. The school, besides the educational offer, gives support to teachers, that allows to give comprehensive care to children and teenagers training them to be able to do a competitive or supervised activity in the work field. The additional services are: Physical therapy Language Therapy Counselling Therapy Pre-employment training Sports and recreation.

The volunteers support teachers in: The daily care of children, play with children, help in the training workshops, teach the children how to eat by themselves at lunch time, etc.

**"Perhaps some things in the programs could change according to the needs of the project and because of the reality of the country"**

**PUBLIC SERVICES:** The majority of the communities where we work in, have public services like current water, electricity and communications, Internet can be shared in schools or internet-café, family homes and some parks have free wi-fi.

**TROPICAL DISEASES:** There are no infectious or tropical diseases in the highlands, but in the rural areas of the Coastal and Amazon regions, during winter there could be dengue, zika, malaria and chingunguya,

Scholar period depends on the region, from September to the end of June in Highlands and in the Amazon and from May to the end of January in the Coastal region, work from Monday to Friday, weekends free, apart of a good English is necessary to have basic knowledge of Spanish

Minimum time of participation : 12 WEEKS UP TO 10 MONTHS

**What to bring:** As your work will be in schools, please take into account that you have to respect the dress code in schools, please bring "normal" cloth to attend to the school like:

- Pants or trousers or skirts · Blouses or shirts
- Sweaters and/or jumpers
- Items for personal hygiene, towels, shampoo, soap etc.
- Light and warm clothing
- Highlands usually have lower temperatures, you will need sweaters and warm clothes

**Age:** Older than 18.

**Accommodation :** With an ecuadorian host family.

**Program fee twelve weeks: 1200 USD, the fee of total time of participation must be paid at in one payment before your arrival through a bank transfer or before going to the project.-**

**Cost includes:** 12 weeks of accommodation in local families, including breakfast, lunch and dinner, laundry facilities, and Mentor visit, Introduction information at your arrival and final evaluation.

**Cost does not include:** Any kind of transportation, bottled water, extra food and beverages, calls and internet access.

## KINDERGARTENS - MLTV

Code to apply: **EDUKFPECH**

Community centers are warm and respectful spaces that promote the psychomotor, social, affective and social development of children between the ages of six months and three years, are assisted by community care auxiliaries.

The volunteer can share the experiences of children, learn about the development of children, work in a community

environment and solidarity, have an experience in the nutritional management of children.

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Scholar period depends on the region, from September to the end of June in Highlands and in the Amazon and from May to the end of January in the Coastal region, work from Monday to Friday, weekends free, apart of a good English is necessary to have basic knowledge of Spanish

**Minimum time of participation :** 12 weeks up to 10 months

**What to bring:** As your work will be in schools, please take into account that you have to respect the dress code in schools, please bring "normal" cloth to attend to the school like:

- Pants or trousers or skirts · blouses or shirts
- Sweaters and/or jumpers
- Items for personal hygiene, towels, shampoo, soap etc.
- Light and warm clothing
- The highlands usually have lower temperatures, you will need sweaters and warm clothes

**Age:** Older than 18.

**Accommodation :** With an ecuadorian host family.

**Program fee for five months: 1200 USD, the fee of total time of participation must be paid at in one payment before your arrival through a bank transfer or before going to the project.-**

**Cost includes:** 12 weeks of accommodation in local families, including breakfast, lunch and dinner, laundry facilities, and Mentor visit, Introduction information at your arrival and final evaluation.

**Cost does not include:** Any kind of transportation, bottled water, extra food and beverages, calls and internet access.

## SOCIAL AND DISABILITY

### WORK WITH CHILDREN IN CUENCA - MLTV

Code to apply: SCHAREFPECH

Work with children is carried out through a non-governmental organization that provides a preventive socio-educational service, aimed at working children and adolescents at risk, whose families work in the market; Through integral pedagogy and mediator, aimed at preserving family integration, and school continuity. It currently has large areas of work: social development, complementary alternative education, and autonomy. The center also offers health and psychology services, dining and school monitoring. The project is located in Cuenca the capital city of the Province of Azuay.

The volunteer will support the staff of the center in the activities they need, including:

Educational activities

Help in the dining room.

**Temperature:** It has temperatures between 6°C in winter and 22°C in summer.

**Public services:** There is water, electricity, phones. Internet can be found on internet-café. There are parks with wi-fi.

**Tropical diseases:** There are no infectious or tropical diseases.

**Type: Permanent:** From September to the end of July

**Minimum time of participation :** 12 weeks up to 10 months

**Age:** Older than 18.

**Language:** Spanish is necessary.

**Accommodation:** With host family .

**Schedule:** Monday to Friday

**Program fee:** 1290 USD, must be paid at your arrival before going to the project.

**Cost includes:** Twelve weeks of accommodation in local families, including breakfast, lunch and dinner + internet.

**Cost does not include:** Any kind of transportation, bottled water, extra food and beverages, calls

## WORK WITH BOYS AND ADOLESCENTS WITH LIQUOR AND DRUGS PROBLEMS - MLTV

**Code to apply:** DLPFUNPROCH

"Centro Mi Nueva Vida" is the only one legally constituted center in the city of the Santo Domingo de Los Tsachilas, it supports to 12-year-old male adolescents to 17 years 6 months with problematic drug and alcohol use, it offers professional attention in: Psychology, general medicine, social work, pedagogical classroom, nursing, spiritual therapies, occupational therapies, recreational and personal experiences. We have 3690m2 of a comfortable infrastructure according to our needs located in a natural environment, away from the noise of the city, with functional access roads, the infrastructure includes: kitchen, dining room, therapy room, workshops, offices, laundry area, green spaces, sports fields etc. Objective: Contribute as civil society to the improvement of the quality of life of the Ecuadorian youth. Promote through various strategies the prevention of the consumption of drugs and alcohol at an early age. Raise awareness in society about this phenomenon that is invading in an accelerated way to one of the weakest age groups such as the teenagers. Goals Our greatest desire is to contribute to strengthen values in families and to be able to help our young people to be free beings and forgers of dreams. Through our work and experience, we have been able to guide our young people so that they can choose a correct professional profile, today we have young people attending university and struggling to achieve a professional career

**Type:** Permanent.: From September to the end of July

**Minimum time of participation:** 12 weeks up to one year

**Dates to apply:** 3 months in advance of your arrival

**Age:** Older than 18. Only for male volunteers

**Language:** Spanish is necessary.

**Work:** With boys and adolescents with drugs and Liquor problems

**Accommodation:** lodging and three meals per day in the project

**Schedule:** According to the project's coordinator.

**Program fee:** 1200 USD, must be paid at your arrival before going to the project.

**Cost includes:** 12 weeks of accommodation and three meals per day, laundry facilities and internet after working hours. Cost does not include: Any kind of transportation, bottled water, extra food and beverages, calls .

## WORK IN A BILINGUAL ACADEMY- NURSERY

Code to apply: **EDUNPECH**

It is an Academy which works with kids from 1 to 9 years old.

We try to promote the bilingual integral development of our children through a safe, customized, emotional and bilingual environment, that allows them to grow skills, values and attitudes to become into proactive and conscious beings.

We work with 25 kids from 1 to 5 years old in the morning, from 8H00 to 12H00. In the afternoon we work with 20 children from 3 to 9 years old, from 15H00 to 17H00.

We work with 6 professionals in the morning and 3 in the afternoon.

We would be grateful to work with volunteers, our objective is the children develop bilingual skills, the volunteers will help the teachers with English activities, because we think is very important for our Academy to share with our kids different culture and ways to pronounce the language.

**Type:** Permanent.: From September to the end of July

**Minimum time of participation:** 12 weeks up to one year

**Dates to apply:** 3 months in advance of your arrival

**Age:** Older than 18.

**Language:** Spanish is necessary.

**Skills:** There is not necessary any experience just good will

**Work:** To help the teachers with English activities

**Accommodation:** lodging and three meals per day in host family

**Schedule:** In the morning or afternoons

**Program fee:** 1200 USD, must be paid at your arrival before going to the project.

**Cost includes:** 12 weeks of accommodation and three meals per day, laundry facilities and internet after working hours. Cost does not include: Any kind of transportation, bottled water, extra food and beverages, calls .

## SUPPORT TEACHERS OF INSTITUTES OF TEENAGERS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

Code to apply: **DISEDU2FPECH**

We support schools and Institutes with children with special needs in several provinces of Ecuador with different types of disabilities in the educational field, among them we have the majority of students with intellectual disabilities, others have physical disabilities, some have visual disabilities, autism, others hearing disabilities, others have disabilities. language and other psychosocial disabilities, etc.

These schools and institutes are located in provinces of Amazon and Highlands.

The possible tasks to do in these projects could be:

Accompany and assisting of the teaching staff in the area of therapy and in the subjects of school projects and cultural and artistic education, information technologies and social networks-

Accompany and support the teacher in the area of therapy

Accompany and assisting the teacher and the students in the classes of school projects developing crafts, crafts, gardens and ornamentation, etc.

Accompanied the teacher in the area of cultural and artistic education reviewing songs, dances, drawing pictures, among other activities.

In coordination with the teacher, prepare didactic material for the students.

To support the teachers in training on topics that are necessary.

- **Type:** Permanent.: From September to the end of June
- **Minimum time of participation:** 5 months up to one scholar year
- **Dates to apply:** 3 months in advance of your arrival
- **Age:** Older than 18.
- **Language:** Spanish is necessary.
- **Skills:** There is not necessary any experience just good will
- **Work:** To help the teachers with English activities
- **Accommodation:** lodging and three meals per day in host family
- **Schedule:** From Monday to Friday – weekends free
- **Program fee:** 1200 USD, must be paid at your arrival before going to the project.
- **Cost includes:** 12 weeks of accommodation and three meals per day, laundry facilities and internet after working hours. Cost does not include: Any kind of transportation, bottled water, extra food and beverages And calls .

## INTEGRAL ALTERNATIVE THERAPY CENTER

**Code to apply: DISEDU3FPECH**

The Comprehensive Centre for Alternative Therapies is aimed at students with special educational needs, whether or not associated with a disability, and who are enrolled in public schools in southern Quito. Approximately 500 students between the ages of 3 and 18 benefit from the project each year. Every day, 6 to 10 students are served at different times and with individualized therapies.

The Centre promotes inclusive education, ensuring that students who attend, regardless of their abilities or disabilities, have access to quality inclusive education. Boys, girls and adolescents from the south of Quito who attend public schools during the morning and afternoon shifts also attend the Centre in search of Psych pedagogical Support for their schoolwork during extracurricular hours. We provide Psych pedagogical Therapy to students with learning problems and therefore poor academic performance, through adaptations of materials and teaching methods, developing specific programs for each Special Educational Need presented by these students who have difficulties reading, writing and doing math. We carry out Psych pedagogical and Psychological Evaluations depending on the Special Educational Need presented by the student.

We provide vocational and professional guidance to students and their families. We also provide other complementary therapies such as:

- Language therapy for children with language problems.
- Physical therapy for students with motor disabilities.

All of them come from low-income families and due to lack of resources, many of these students drop out of public education.

The tasks of the volunteer in the project:

- Assist the Therapist by supporting the students in their recreational and academic activities.
- Prepare specific material according to the student's educational needs with the guidance of the professional in charge.
- Support a specific student with schoolwork.
- Share treatment strategies for students with Special Educational Needs to enrich their professional and personal knowledge.

- **Type:** Permanent
- **Minimum time of participation:** 12 weeks up to the volunteer's possibilities
- **Dates to apply:** 3 months in advance of your arrival
- **Age:** Older than 18.
- **Language:** Spanish is necessary.

- **Skills:** There is not necessary any experience just good will, but in case you have some, please let us know
- **Work:** To help the staff in all activities of the center
- **Accommodation:** lodging and three meals per day in a host family
- **Schedule:** From Monday to Friday – weekends free
- **Program fee:** 1200 USD, must be paid at your arrival before going to the project.
- **Cost includes:** 12 weeks of accommodation and three meals per day, laundry facilities and internet after working hours. Cost does not include: Any kind of transportation, bottled water, extra food and beverages And calls .