



**MAKE AN IMPACT  
IN GUATEMALA!**

## **GLOBAL IMPACT SQUAD- GUATEMALA**

COMMUNITY SERVICE & CULTURAL IMMERSION PROGRAM



### **DAYS 1-2 : GUATEMALA ARRIVAL & COMMUNITY WELCOME**

Your Squad arrives in La Aurora International Airport in Guatemala City, where our local team greets the group and provides private transport to the Chimaltenango Province and Maya community of Tecpán. Time permitting meet and greet with the school and settle in our private homebase lodging for your first meal and prep for the week ahead.



### **DAYS 3-6 : SCHOOL IMPACT PROJECTS & EDUCATIONAL WORKSHOPS**

Each morning, your Squad will volunteer in a school to improve educational outcomes through classroom support and small construction projects. In addition to providing valuable tutoring and classroom instruction, the group will complete a much needed school infrastructure project such as building bookshelves, furniture, courtyards, playground equipment, or painting educational murals. In addition, the group will host educational workshops and recreational activities for students at the school.



### **CULTURAL ACTIVITIES**

Each afternoon the group will engage in guided cultural activities, educational workshops and excursions in the area. Some activities include traditional chocolate making, traditional pottery workshop, tortilla making, tour of the impressive Maya ruins of Iximche Archeological Park, Spanish and Kaqchikel language lessons and more.

### \* DAYS 7-8 :OPTIONAL ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES LAKE ATITLAN + ANTIGUA

After days of unforgettable service choose additional days (+\$150 per day/pp) and from various optional enrichment activity add-ons from the [Guatemala Enrichment Activities Menu](#). . Enjoy excursions to Lake Atitlan and/or Antigua. At Lake Atitlan students can explore the bustling artisan markets and take a private boat across the lake to the Maya village of San Pedro to do weaving workshops. In the colonial mountain town of Antigua, a UN World Heritage site, students can take a guided historical tour, participate in coffee or chocolate making workshops, experience the many colorful markets.

### \* DAY 7, 8, OR 9 : RETURN HOME

On the last day, group sessions are facilitated to reflect on what will undoubtedly be a life-changing experience and to re-acclimate to life back home. Friends and family will be excited to hear of the many amazing stories, friendships, and discoveries you made in Guatemala!



## 18+ YEARS OF EMPOWERING SCHOOL GROUPS TO IMPROVE HEALTH AND EDUCATION OUTCOMES ABROAD!

### HOME-BASE ACCOMMODATIONS

At our private home-base, you'll enjoy authentic local cuisine, connection with our year-round staff, and space to enjoy your downtime. Squads stay in same-sex rooms, accommodating 4-6 people, with private bathrooms. Private rooms for teachers and chaperones are typical and based on availability.

### STAFFING

Our incredible team will be on call to support you every step of the way, as well as expertly-trained cooks, security guards, coordinators, and drivers. Our staff members (coordinators and translators) will be with the group at all times.

### COMMUNICATION

Our staff can be reached 24/7 in the event of an emergency. Students will have access to the internet and phone for set periods of time on most evenings. Trip updates may be posted on our blog for friends and family to follow.

### TERMS AND EXPECTATIONS:

Individual Donation Goals include all in-country expenses, including meals, lodging, transport, scheduled activities, staffing, travel medical insurance, and volunteer project materials and support. Minimum group size is 8, excluding chaperones. We provide two (2) free with 8-16, three (3) free with 17 or more. Group airfare is secured by our travel team ensuring the best rates and ease of coordination.

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## PROGRAM FEES AND DUE DATES

**Individual Program Fee: \$3,490** (all-inclusive of airfare, project contribution, and in-country expenses)

**Due Dates:** Registration & **\$300 deposit to secure space**, first funding goal of **\$1595** due 60 days prior, and final balance due 30 days prior.



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