

Guastatoya, El Progreso, Guatemala

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July 6 – 14, 2019



Are you ready to become part of a team? Do you want to learn first hand about poverty around the globe and how you can make an impact? Are you looking to see an interesting part of the world from a unique perspective? Are you excited for the sights, sounds, tastes, and smells of a new place? Join us for this Lakes Area Habitat for Humanity-Global Village trip to Guatemala.

Guatemala is a rich and diverse country that varies in geography, culture, languages and landscapes. There are 24 spoken languages in the country with Spanish being the most common. It is also a land of tragedies from war and natural disasters. Over 200,000 were killed or forcibly disappeared in a civil war that raged from 1960-1996. Habitat for Humanity has been in Guatemala since 1976, in response to an Earthquake there that same year.

It is estimated that 1 in 6 were left homeless from that event when their homes, mostly adobe structures, collapsed, killing thousands. To date, Habitat has built over 85,000 housing solutions in Guatemala, with many more to go.

Be part of a team of 12 to help provide families with simple, decent, affordable housing while experiencing the country and culture. The \$1434 trip cost includes a donation to Habitat, all meals, lodging, and transportation in Guatemala, medical emergency evacuation and trip cancellation insurance, cultural activities, team coordination and orientation materials, and team leader costs. Your airfare, R&R activities, shopping, and Guatemala entry and exit fees are not included.



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Itinerary

Day 1: Travel Saturday, July 6

Arrive at Guatemala City (GUA) airport and be greeted by staff. If arriving before 5 PM team will be transported to Antigua, if after 5 PM to Guatemala City. First team dinner with host coordinators and overnight in Antigua or Guatemala City.

Day 2: Welcome & Orientation Sunday, July 7

Breakfast at accommodations. Travel to Guastatoya and visit completed home and homeowners. Welcome ceremony with affiliate members, partner families and local committee members. Safety Orientation. Dinner and overnight at accommodations in Guastatoya.

Days 3-6: Build Monday, July 8-Thursday, July 11

Breakfast at accommodations before leaving for the work site. Work on the build site with scheduled breaks for snacks and lunch. Travel back to accommodations, time for cultural activities, group reflection and dinner. Half day work and cultural activity one day. Staff presentation about history, housing and health issues (Day 6). Dinner.

Day 7: Celebrate Friday, July 12

Team will build from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm, with scheduled breaks and lunch. Goodbye ceremony with Habitat affiliate members, partner families, masons, and local volunteers. Time for team meeting and reflection. Dinner of traditional Guatemalan food with Habitat affiliate members.

Day 8: Explore Saturday, July 13

Breakfast at hotel. Shuttle to Antigua at 8am. Lunch in Antigua. Free afternoon in Antigua. GV coordinators will assist volunteers in arranging optional activities in Antigua including historical walking tours, cooking classes, coffee tours, volcano hikes, etc. Final team dinner in Antigua restaurant

Day 9: Goodbyes Sunday, July 14

Breakfast at accommodations. Depart Guatemala City.

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