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To make a student's experience the most rewarding, La Unión offers many volunteering opportunities in Antigua and in the nearby towns and villages. Volunteering is a great way for students to learn more about the socio-economic context of Guatemala and related issues while making a difference. It also enables students to practice Spanish in an environment other than the school. Here are our volunteering and internship opportunities:

1. WORKING WITH CHILDREN

We have a lot of options for volunteer work with children. You can run art, education, or sports programs for children in school and aftercare programs, tutor kids of all ages and education levels, help care for children in nurseries, or work with special needs children to provide them with the individual attention they need.



Help teachers in daycare centers, public schools of Antigua or in indigenous primary schools in the mountains just outside of Antigua. Assist with games, sports, crafts, teaching English, or in an area of your interest. There are also many tutoring options, working with special needs programs or running specialized workshops with children, teens or adults.

2. WORKING AS A TEACHER



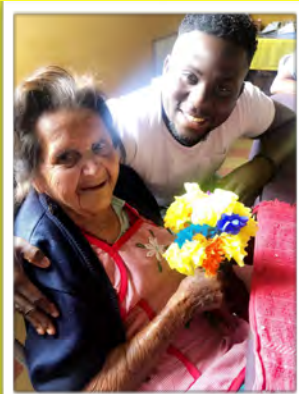
3. HEALTH FIELD

For those interested in the health field, volunteers can work in local hospitals, clinics, in centers for disabled people or in projects for malnourished children in Antigua and around. If you are a professional, you can offer medical attention assisting nurses, doctors, dentists etc, and others can help with personal hygiene, giving care or receiving patients. Also, it is possible to provide medical care in the rural communities, which are often deprived of basic health care, through the organization of mobile medical clinics.



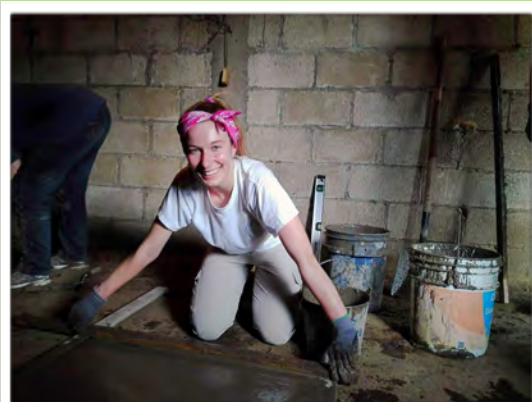
Some of the elderly of Antigua have been abandoned by their families, and need love and care. There are a couple of hospice care and homes for the elderly in Antigua and nearby towns where volunteers can spend time with the patients, building relationships, giving food, changing and cleaning patients, play games and more.

4. WORKING WITH ELDERLY



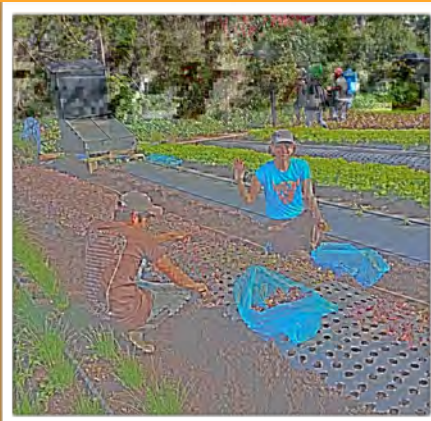
5. CONSTRUCTION WORK

The infrastructure in the many poor areas is in need of improvement. Construction projects are generally arranged on an individual basis, depending on needs and funds available, and are often done by groups. Opportunities for construction include improving schools, houses, bathrooms, painting, and laying down flooring.



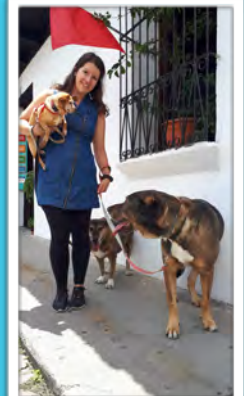
There are organic farms and agriculture projects in the Antigua area which accept volunteers to work in the fields. Help farmers with planting, harvesting, and many more.

6. FARMING AND AGRICULTURE



6. WORKING WITH ANIMALS

Friends of the animal world can volunteer in a veterinary clinic located in Antigua, cleaning, assisting the doctor and providing attention to the animals.



In this field of work, volunteers will have the chance to help young people and adults influenced by drugs and alcohol, often living in the street, through psychological, physiological and spiritual support. They can also help preparing and serving food, giving information about personal hygiene and giving manual work training such as carpentry, baking or jewelry-making.

7. WORKING WITH ADULTS AT RISK

8. ADDITIONAL AREAS

We can help you find opportunities of volunteer work in the area of your choice. We have coordinated service learning for our students in varied areas such as social work, criminology, psychology, occupational therapy, international business, marketing, web design, tourism and pharmacy, to name a few.

Please contact us at info@launion.edu.gt for more information!