



MINGA HOUSE

Minga House Foundation

Non-Profit Organization – Founded in 2014

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What is MINGA?

“Minga entails a collaborative work system that dates back to the Incas. It refers to the commitment, contract or work agreement between two or more people. The word minga also stands for meeting or reunion.”

VOLUNTEER & INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITY

EMERGENCY MEDICINE - FIRST RESPONDER ER / Fire/ EMS



Opportunities to train and share with Colombian first responders in the fields of medicine, police, disaster relief, and firefighting will offer an unforgettable and valuable experiences for anyone who has worked in the field. Much logistical planning is required for this opportunity, so it is important to follow-through on your participation commitment – and a background check may be conducted to verify the participants experience, in addition to a video interview by the volunteer site’s managers may be requested. You will participate alongside EMT’s serving on (4) 12-

hour work shifts per week assigned to senior staff of the Chinchina Fire Department. You will go on emergency response calls and be permitted to observe and participate as a team member, based on your experience under the judgement call of the shift supervisor. You will not administer life-saving support unless absolutely needed and only under the direct command of your shift supervisor, and as always, only based on your professional experience. All shifts will be fully staffed by EMT professionals and your role is expected to be only for observation and cross-training. Outside of emergency response time, you will be expected to perform all duties assigned to you alongside your station team member which include job training, worksite clean-up, equipment maintenance, community outreach, physical training, and other duties as assigned. You will experience a true-life experience alongside First Responders in Colombia.

Learning Objectives:

- To cross-train with Colombian First Responders



- **Participant Requirements:**

Educational Background: First Aid Certified, CPR Certified, plus prior experience at least in one of the following professional roles: firefighting, EMT, CNA, Navy corpsman or military combat medic, paramedic, nurse, or medical doctor.

Spanish Language Skills: (None) 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 **8** 9 10 (Fluent)

Service Term:

- **Plan Prep Time:** 30 days minimum before arrival date, you must make reservations
- **Service Term:** 14 days minimum stay
- **Work Schedule:** (4) 12-hr sifts per week
- **Service Window:** January – December (Year-Round)

Special Skills Desired:

- Strong interest in community health
- Strong communication & presentation skills
- Strong problem-solving skills
- Good physical condition
- Strong leadership qualities
- Proven effective team member
- Great attitude
- Proactive
- Self-Directed
- Responsible & Mature

Feel free to inquire about these other areas of interest:

- **Police**
- **Red Cross**
- **Disaster Relief**

