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

YOUTH HOME for GIRLS and BOYS

The Association Mundos Hermanos has as integral policy, to increase the satisfaction of our clients in the provision of services, aimed at children, adolescents, families and community, for which it has a suitable service and in permanent strengthening, continuously improving its processes in relation to a solid environmental performance with friendly environmental practices that allow to minimize the negative impacts in the provision of our services. An information process that assures the actions of confidentiality, integrity and availability for the protection of the information. A system of safety and health at work that provides workers with a safe working environment, guaranteeing physical, mental and social health, putting into practice measures to maintain efficiency levels, effectiveness and effectiveness of the work environment.

During this critical, fragile, and vulnerable period of this young person’s life, Mundos Hermanos’s staff seeks to help youths cope with their existing emotional distress as well as utilize this period to help them develop life tools to increase their probability of having a positive future. Children typically come from low social economic and educational backgrounds. The odds are stacked against them from birth. Mundos Hermanos’s staff do their very best to provide these children and adolescents with a safe home and a foundation for a much better future.
Learning Objectives:

- Understanding the meaning and value of Social Work to a community
- Be competent in creating strategies for educating people in the protection of their rights
- Have better knowledge in the many settings where and how social work applies
- Learn tools & techniques on how to engage & motivate youth
- Non-verbal communication and therapy techniques

Disclaimer: These sites host at-risk youths in an underserved community. The volunteer should be prepared for, and have a background in, this type of unpredictable environment. International volunteers should be prepared to observe different philosophies and practices of managing youth behavior.

Participant Requirements:

Educational Background: Undergraduate, Graduate & Professionals in any of the following fields: Sociology, social work, education, social design, nursing, psychology, medicine or any other related fields of study.

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

Potential projects and day-to-day duties:

- Shadow social workers in all their activities
- Coordinate internal public health campaigns, such as healthy lifestyles, sex education, and nutrition
- Design & lead group conversation tables and workshops on various topics
- Shadow facility staff and management with various daily activities
- Assist teachers during classes or workshops; to include English classes
- Create arts and crafts workshops to engage the children

Service Term:

- Plan Prep Time: 30 days min required before arrival date
- Service Team: 30 days min required – 32 hrs/wk required
- Work Schedule: 6-8 hrs./day - Mon-Fri (TBD am - TBD pm) – recommend 4-day work week
- Service Window: January – December

Special Skills Desired:

- Knowledge in social work
- Self-management and teamwork
- Assertive communication
- Responsible, respectful and professional
- History of community service
- Empathy for others