## Outreach360 High School Teams

# VOLUNTEER in Latin America



This was an unforgettable experience, far outdoing the typical museum and shopping trips to Spain or the build-a-sidewalk in Costa Rica types of programs high school groups so frequently participate in." -Richard Bailey, Faculty Seabury Hall School, Hawaii

utreach360 is committed to building the futures of disadvantaged children living in impoverished areas of Latin America through creative and meaningful education. At our Learning Centers we shift perspective beyond traditional academics and open up a world with endless possibilities that create opportunities for the children we serve to transform their own lives.

As a High School Team volunteering in Nicaragua or the Dominican Republic, you will play an important role teaching English or Spanish Literacy to elementary school students in Outreach360 programs. Through the distinct challenges and adventures of working in a developing country, high school students experience unique personal growth as they work together in teams learning how to communicate effectively to find innovative teaching solutions for children from underdeveloped education systems.

High School Teams also broaden their cultural understanding through activities and excursions organized by Outreach360. Whether observing international relations at a Haitian market on the Dominican border, or learning about organic coffee farming in the mountains of Nicaragua, cultural activities are an invaluable part of the Outreach360 experience. Together, authentic service and cultural exchange provide a powerful experience for young adults that opens their eyes to the world around them, and shapes a global view informed by personal experience.

Outreach360 programs are about much more than the power of education or the wonder of experiencing another culture. They are about transforming lives. As high school students work to transform the lives of the children we serve, they will discover that in the process their

#### BENEFITS

- Build greater self-awareness.
- Develop cross-cultural understanding.
- Cultivate global literacy.
- **Experience** real-world application of skills.
- Participate in authentic international service.
- **Be** an active contributor to bettering the world around you.

## REAL people. REAL world. REAL service.

#### **Accommodations**

The Outreach360 facilities in Nicaragua and the Dominican Republic are located in safe residential areas with convenient access to the center of town and the lively local culture. High School Teams share simple, comfortable rooms with modern bathrooms, along with communal areas ideal for relaxing or visiting with other volunteers. Meals served at the Outreach360 home base include both local favorites and North American classics prepared by our professional staff. Plenty of clean, purified drinking water is always available.

#### **Health & Safety**

The health and safety of our volunteers is our number one priority! Since 1994, our more than 18,000 volunteers have enjoyed a safe experience with Outreach360. Our professional and reliable program has always ensured volunteer security, allowing you to focus on serving.

#### Affordability

Outreach360 service-learning trips are extremely affordable. The tax-deductible program donation for a team of ten or more that signs up early is just \$700 per person for one week, or \$1200 per person for two weeks. The program donation covers housing and meals, ground transportation, medical insurance, and full-time on-site leadership. Airfare and personal expenses not included.

#### How to Register

Join Outreach360 from one to seven weeks, during any time of the year. To register, or for additional information about volunteering, visit our webpage at **www.outreach360.org**.

### **Cultural** Experience



- Learn about the history and culture of the children you are serving with talks by on-site staff.
- **Experience** the culture by sampling local cuisine or participating in a Latin dance lesson.
- **Enjoy** breath taking scenery with excursions to local places of interest.
- **Discover** the human spirit in a developing country.
- **Practice** cross-cultural interaction and communication.
- Enhance your Spanish by practicing with local children.
- Break away from the hustle and bustle of everyday life.

#### Program Includes

- Professional staff and leadership team
- Complete orientation upon arrival
- International medical insurance
- Ground transportation
- Housing and meals
- Group activities
- Cultural excursions
- Direct service projects

For high school students considering volunteering abroad before starting college, check out the Outreach360 Caminos Program for summer and semester service-learning programs abroad at **www.Outreach360.org**