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2016 UUCW Nicaragua Brigades



*Put
Yourself
in the Picture*

Become a Brigadista
for a rewarding
service-learning adventure!

Frequently asked questions:

What is a Brigadista?

Anyone who has traveled or is planning to travel on a "Brigade" to Nicaragua through UUCW.

Can my children/family/friends join me?

Yes! This is a great experience for parents, youth, friends and family. Brigadistas must be 14 years of age or older to participate – those under 18 require an adult chaperone/partner.

Will I need a passport and immunizations?

Yes to both – if you don't have a passport, start the process at your post office ASAP - it can take weeks to arrive. Immunizations are recommended. Schedule an appointment with your doctor or travel clinic.

What does it cost to participate?

Trip Fee: \$1395 (includes all lodging, food and in-country transportation)

Airfare: approx. \$700. Cost varies based on how early flights are booked.

Optional: Personal expenses such as travel prep, souvenirs, gifts, etc.

How do people pay for the trip?

Many of our volunteers solicit donations from family and friends. This engages more people to build a better world. Ask us about fundraising. We offer coaching and practical help.

I'm interested! How can I learn more?

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In 2004, UUCW members and friends began teaming up with an organization called '*Bridges to Community*,' a nonprofit service-learning and community development organization, to travel in groups to Nicaragua to build homes for *and with* local community members.

Bridges to Community has been bringing together people from different socio-economic and cultural backgrounds to work, learn and reflect since 1993, and began its work with a series of trips to Nicaragua - the second poorest country in the Western Hemisphere. Through the process of working in local communities, Bridges promotes community and personal transformation, cross-cultural partnerships, sustainable community development, and a commitment to be agents of change in our communities, both locally and globally.

Our goal is to send 45 volunteers to work in three villages – Nindiri, Masaya and Jinotega - in the summer of 2014. Join us for a rewarding service-learning adventure!

2016 Brigades:

- June 17 – 26
- July 8 – 17

Location

Masaya
Masaya

Registration Deadline

December 15, 2015
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Registration and payments:

The deadline to register is December 15, 2015. Volunteers should apply online at www.bridgestocommunity.org - the process is self-guided and requires you to fill out an application as well as health and release forms, and provide a copy of your passport. The trip fee of \$1395 is paid to Bridges to Community through their website. A deposit of \$250 is due at the time of application with the balance of \$1145 is due six (6) weeks before your group leaves.

Airfare:

In order to get the lowest available airfares, your flights will be booked for you through a pool. As soon as you're registered, we will include you in the airline ticket pool for your group – the sooner you register, the better your chances for a low fare. A deposit of \$100 is due at the time of registration. The due date for the remaining amount will be determined by the airline.