

Program Name

Hands On Nicaraguan Sign Language

Program Summary

'Hands On' is a multifaceted approach to sign language education in a real life setting, educating deaf youth, hearing parents, and the hearing community in general about deaf issues and capacities. This program is also aimed to create a very important deaf community for these otherwise isolated individuals.



Program Scope

Project I. Nicaraguan Sign Language (NSL)

Sign language access with a newly designed curriculum based on the needs of deaf youth and adults without a fluent first language.

Project II. Customized educational materials.

Equal access to educational materials customized for deaf youth and deaf adults,

Project III. Vocational exposure and community sensitization

Exposure to vocational opportunities suitable to the community and skill level of each individual.

Project IV. Deaf Community

This project encourages youth and parents from rural areas to unite with deaf people from other cities to show them that deaf people do work, they do go to school, they can succeed, and to inform them of their legal rights to equal access to education.

Estimated Budget for 10 months a year. \$5,000