

Juan, building his family's home

VOLUNTEER!!!

GHA expects to offer volunteer opportunities beginning in the fall of 2012. Come with us to work along with a family, while you stay in a lovely lakeside village. No special skills necessary.



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Building homes and providing scholarships in the highlands of Guatemala



It is estimated that there are well over a million houses in Guatemala cobbled together with cornstalks, cane, and scavenged materials. During the wet months, wind driven rain blows through the walls, drips from the roof, and often turns dirt floors into parasitic muck.

GHA works with families in extreme poverty to build secure homes, while forging alliances with other non-profits tasked with addressing related components of poverty, among them education, health, employment, and family planning.

Guatemala Housing Alliance is currently working in Tzutujil Mayan communities along the shores of the beautiful Lago de Atitlan. Here, as throughout Guatemala, hard labor in the fields yields a salary of less than \$4 per day. Systemic poverty is often made catastrophic by occasional earthquakes and frequent tropical storms which take their toll of homes and lives in massive mudslides.



Founded in 2011, GHA is α 501c3 non-profit



Education

In Guatemala today, only 42% of rural children finish primary school, the average length of study being just 3.5 years. The indigenous Mayans, particularly girls, have the least access to education. Though school is 'public', still a student must pay many fees in addition to buying uniforms, books and supplies.

Because GHA recognizes the value of education, we offer scholarships to children living in extreme poverty, most of whom have only a single or no parent.

Costs for a year's study range from \$150 for primary students, to \$1000 for university scholars.