

2024 Long Term Volunteer Application



A *Journey* Like No Other

Thank you for your interest in volunteering at the Friends of Chimbote mission located in Chimbote, Perú.

Friends of Chimbote is a faith-based organization dedicated to thousands of men, women, and children living in the barrios of Chimbote, Peru and surrounding communities who are desperate for a life without suffering in extreme poverty. Many live in shacks pieced together from woven reeds and cardboard, having floors of compacted dirt with no electricity, running water, or sewers. Amid this despair is a place where the hungry are fed, where families can feel safe, where children can get an education, where the sick receive the medical care they need, and lives are transformed. This is the Friends of Chimbote mission.

Working with the FoC Mission Director and the ACAF Volunteer Coordinator a plan will be developed that will work with your skill sets and passions while serving at the mission. Education, experience, skill sets and qualifications will all be determinates on where to place you within the mission.

Volunteer opportunities include but are not limited to the following:

Education Programs

Assist in our daycare that serves infants and toddlers or teach classes that could include seminars on soccer or other sports, arts and craft classes, drama lessons, or provide education in many other areas of interest. Basic to intermediate Spanish skills required.

Social Programs

Help in our soup kitchens and/or join mission social workers in performing home visits and assessments in mission barrios. Basic to intermediate Spanish skills required.

Maintenance/Projects

Work with our maintenance team on basic repairs, home building projects or up-keep on gardens and green areas. Basic to intermediate Spanish skills required.

Mission Visits

Assist the ACAF Volunteer coordinator organize mission team schedules and help coordinate teams and schedules while teams are on the ground in Chimbote and surrounding communities. Basic to intermediate Spanish skills required.

Other

Dependent upon the volunteer's education and experience various opportunities exist within ACAF's finance, marketing and microloan programs. Intermediate to advanced Spanish skills required.

To continue the process...Please fill out and sign the Volunteer Application, FoC Medical/Liability Waiver, FoC Policies & Guidelines and review the FoC Mission Handbook. Please also submit a resume or CV, and two references and send to:

support@friendsofchimbote.org



Volunteer Application Form

LAST NAME: _____ FIRST NAME: _____

DATE OF BIRTH: _____ GENDER: _____ CITIZEN of: USA CANADA Other _____

HOME ADDRESS: _____

EMAIL: _____

CELL PHONE: _____ SOCIAL SECURITY # _____

PASSPORT INFORMATION-please use name that appears on passport

LAST NAME: _____ MIDDLE NAME: _____ FIRST NAME: _____

PASSPORT #: _____ DATE ISSUED: _____ DATE of EXPIRATION: _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT

NAME: _____ RELATIONSHIP: _____

CELL PHONE # _____ EMAIL _____

GENERAL INFORMATION

SPANISH SPEAKING ABILITY: NONE FAIR GOOD EXCELLENT

CERTIFICATIONS: CPR Certified FIRST AID Certified N/A

EXTRA QUALIFICATIONS/SKILL SETS THAT YOU BELIEVE MIGHT BE USEFUL IN SERVICE AT THE MISSION IN CHIMBOTE (i.e. MD, RN, DDS, OT, PT, TEACHER, CONSTRUCTION SKILLS, SKILLED TRADE, TECHNICAL...)

PERSONAL INFORMATION

WHAT AREAS DO YOU WISH TO VOLUNTEER IN AND WHY: _____

DATES YOU WOULD LIKE TO VOLUNTEER: _____

HAVE YOU EVER BEEN CONVICTED OF A FELONY OR MISDEMEANOR No YES

if yes please explain: _____

PRINT FULL NAME: _____

PARTICIPANT SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

FRIENDS OF CHIMBOTE
MEDICAL & LIABILITY WAIVER
Long Term Volunteer



FIRST NAME: _____ **LAST NAME:** _____ **MIDDLE INT** _____

ASSUMPTION OF RISK

I am aware and fully understand that my participation on a mission trip is, in itself, a potentially dangerous activity and involves the risk of serious injury, disability, death, and/or economic loss. I am also aware of the highly contagious nature of bacterial and viral diseases, including COVID-19 and other infectious diseases and of the risk that I may be exposed to or contract a disease by participating in a mission trip. I understand that a mission trip can be physically demanding and can increase the risk of injury. I acknowledge that these risks may result from or be compounded by the actions, omissions, or negligence of Friends of Chimbote (FoC) or ACAF. I understand that while FoC and ACAF has implemented measures to reduce the risks associated with a mission visit and the spread of disease and risk of injury, FoC cannot guarantee that I will not become infected with any disease or be injured in any way due to my participation on a mission trip.

Notwithstanding the aforementioned risks, I acknowledge that I am voluntarily participating on this mission trip with knowledge of the dangers involved including political unrest and that attendance includes the possibility of exposure to and illness from disease and harm from injury. I hereby knowingly and freely agree to accept and assume all risks of injury, illness, disability, death, harm, and loss associated with or arising from attendance on this mission trip, whether caused by the negligence or conduct of FoC, ACAF or otherwise.

RELEASE AND WAIVER

I hereby expressly Waive and Release any and all claims and demands of whatever kind or nature now known or hereafter known, against FoC and ACAF, and its officers, directors, employees, agents, and affiliates, either in law or equity. This release is intended to be as broad and inclusive to the fullest extent permissible by law, including but not limited to damages or losses caused by the negligence, fault or conduct of any kind on the part of the releasees, including but not limited to illness, disability, death, economic loss or out of pocket expenses or loss or damage to property arising out of or attributable to participation on this mission visit.

I covenant not to make or bring any claim I, my heirs, assignees, next of kin and/or legally appointed or designated representative, may have or which may hereinafter accrue on my behalf or against FoC and ACAF. I forever release and discharge FoC and ACAF and all releasees from liability under such claims.

MEDICAL TREATMENT PERMISSION

I hereby consent to receive medical treatment deemed necessary if injured or requires medical attention during participation on the mission visit. If the situation allows, ACAF Staff will always attempt to contact my emergency contact before authorizing any medical treatment.

I understand and agree that I am solely responsible for all costs related to such medical treatment and any related medical transportation and/or evacuation. I hereby release, forever discharge, and hold harmless FoC and ACAF and the releasees from any claim based on such treatment or other medical services rendered in connection with participation on my mission trip. The undersigned shall be liable and agrees to pay all costs and expenses incurred in connection with such medical and dental services rendered.

Medical Insurance Name and Number _____

Primary Doctor: _____ Phone number: _____

MEDICATION

List all medications you will take during the trip. This includes any prescription, non-prescription medications, herbal supplements, and vitamins. This information will be held confidential but will be made available to medical professionals if an emergency occurs.

Medication Name	Dose	Treatment for	Dispensing instructions
Example: Zyrtec	5mg	Seasonal allergies	Take one pill daily in the morning with food

MEDICAL CONDITIONS

Please answer in detail if applicable or write N/A. Attach additional pages if necessary.

1. List any medical conditions you have (asthma, diabetes, epilepsy, etc.)

2. List any allergies (drug/medicine, food, and/or environmental) and the severity and type of reaction.

3. Please explain any other pertinent information (i.e. physical, behavioral, or emotional) that would be important for the mission leaders to know.

4. Do you have any dietary needs (i.e. vegan, vegetarian, no gluten, etc.)

***Please note..special dietary needs may be difficult if not impossible to support. Meals are provided by the host family that may have limited access to special foods/food requests.*

PHOTO RELEASE

I agree that FoC and ACAF may photograph me during the mission trip. FoC and ACAF may use and re-use, publish and re-publish, and modify or alter the images taken during the trip. Use of the images or footage for editorial, commercial, trade, advertising and any other purposes may be done in any medium now existing or subsequently developed, on their websites and on the Internet.

INDEMNIFICATION

I agree to indemnify and hold harmless FoC and ACAF and all other releases against any and all claims, actions, suits, procedures, costs, expenses, damages, liabilities, and expenses of whatever kind, including attorney fees, brought as a result of my participation on the mission trip. To enforce any indemnification right under this release, and to reimburse FoC and/or ACAF and all releasees for any such expenses incurred.

This release constitutes the sole and entire agreement of FoC and myself with respect to the subject matter contained herein and supersedes all prior and contemporaneous understandings, agreements, representations, and warranties, both written and oral, with respect to such subject matter. If any term or provision of this release is invalid, illegal, or unenforceable in any jurisdiction, such invalidity, illegality, or unenforceability will not affect any other term or provision of this release or invalidate or render unenforceable such term or provision in any other jurisdiction. This release is binding on and shall inure to the benefit of FoC and ACAF.

By signing, I acknowledge that I have read and understand all the terms of this release.

Name of Volunteer

Signature of Volunteer

Date

Policies & *Guidelines*

1. At least 4 weeks in advance of arrival all volunteers will provide the Volunteer Coordinator with details on their flight to Peru, hotel phone numbers, and transfer plans while in Lima, as well as travel plans to get to the mission. It is highly recommended that the volunteer seek advice from the volunteer coordinator before arranging travel to the mission from Lima, as well as a hotel in Lima, and that the volunteer be met in Lima by a mission representative. There is a fee associated with a mission representative meeting the volunteer in Lima that will be paid by the volunteer.
2. The volunteer program is managed by our partner and civil organization; Asociación Civil Apoyo Familiar (ACAF) and the volunteer will report to ACAF's volunteer coordinator when in Chimbote. Volunteers will meet with and receive orientation from the volunteer coordinator and applicable ACAF staff prior to beginning their volunteer assignments.
3. Volunteers will reside with an approved host families. A host family will be chosen in advance of your arrival. The daily rate for your host families is \$30 per day, which includes all meals, water, laundry and living space. This fee will be paid by the volunteer to the ACAF accounting department. The ACAF accounting department will keep track on your individual expenses during your stay and will communicate on a timely basis when balances are due.
4. Volunteers must commit to a minimum of a 6-week stay with a maximum stay of 3 months due to Visa regulations and be at least 18 years old or older. This ensures that the community benefits from the services offered by the volunteer while allowing adequate time for the volunteer to gain an understanding of the programs and services offered by ACAF and the parish to assist the poor in overcoming poverty.
6. Volunteers' primary purpose at the mission is to perform volunteer services. Volunteers will not accept payment for services performed either for the people of the mission nor from any mission visitors.
7. Any side trips out of Chimbote must be discussed and agreed upon in advance with the Volunteer Coordinator. A copy of the side trip itinerary and contact phone numbers must be provided to the Volunteer Coordinator prior to departure allowing for contact with the volunteer should an emergency arise.
8. The visitor quarters at the mission compound are available to volunteers during daytime hours until 10:00 pm at night. Wi-Fi is available there. However when short-term mission groups are present the volunteer will be mindful that the groups get priority and that there may be limited space for volunteers. Meals prepared for short term groups are done for a specific number of people and typically are not meant for volunteers who eat meals with their host families.
9. To optimize safety and good health volunteers will arrive home (host family residence) no later than 11:00 pm Monday – Thursday. Volunteers wishing to stay out later than 11:00 pm on weekends must first discuss this with their host family and agree upon an arrival time.
10. A volunteer should be aware of their own vulnerability and the vulnerability of others when working with minors. Volunteers should avoid any conduct that a reasonable person could misconstrue as improper.

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11. A volunteer must not travel in a vehicle or meet alone in a closed room with an unrelated minor without another safe environment trained adult present, except in documented emergencies
12. Personal electronic devices may be brought with volunteers from home at their own risk. Use of such devices shall be limited so that the volunteer can focus on his/her mission experience. If use of these devices becomes excessive and interferes with the volunteer's activities the Volunteer Coordinator will address this.
13. Highly Recommend...Spanish will be the primary language spoken by volunteers both while working and during social times to promote Spanish skills and the volunteer experience.
14. Friends of Chimbote and ACAF are not responsible for the loss/theft of any personal property or money or any injury or exposure incurred by a volunteer.
15. Drugs, Tobacco, & Alcohol Policy: Healthy lifestyle modeling during your time with us in Chimbote is essential. That means absolutely no illegal drugs are permitted during your stay. In addition, no alcohol will be consumed by those less than 21 years of age or during working hours. If you do choose to use alcohol it will be in moderation. Lastly, tobacco use is discouraged and if used, will be only in specific designated smoking areas and is forbidden in mission barrios where estera homes are located.
16. Friends of Chimbote and ACAF are faith based organizations, the faith component of our mission is integral to who we are. If a volunteer questions or does not wish to participate in faith activities he/she will discuss this with the Volunteer Coordinator. Ultimately the volunteer's personal wishes will be honored.
17. Volunteers are responsible for all costs and fees associated with travel to/from Peru and Chimbote.
18. Travel Insurance is not required but recommended. Upon request, FoC can recommend a few options.

I understand and will follow all policies and guidelines as I participant in the FoC Long Term Volunteer Program.

Print Full Name

Signature

Date