

SWEET REFUGE, BEAUTIFUL VALLEY

It may be possible to join our scheduled teams. If you are an individual or small group, we can usually add you to an existing team if you wish to serve in Ecuador. There is often a need for medical/dental missionaries on our medical teams and always a need on all teams for those who speak Spanish



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2024 SIFAT Mission Teams

MACHACHI

Ecuador



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PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Sweet Refuge, Beautiful Valley

In the beautiful Valley of the Volcanoes, Pastor Rafael Flores and his wife Anita have established an outreach of their Asamblea de Dios church in Villaflora, Quito. Always wanting to care for more children in need, they have expanded their ministry into Machachi, and the growth of this afterschool program has been more than this small church could envision. The program quickly outgrew the facility and in 2022-2024, SIFAT teams will build a small addition of two floors onto the existing church. This extra square footage will be used for classrooms, a kitchen with a dining room, computer lab, music room and offices. How exciting for us to be able to help so many children become part of a program sharing God's love when in their lives they have experienced so little joy!

SIFAT needs 15 construction teams with a VBS component to complete this building in 2024 and 5 medical teams for this and our other project sites around Quito. We invite you to partner with us in these projects that will make a difference in the lives of so many of Ecuador's children by joining or leading a SIFAT mission team.



2024 TRIP DETAILS

Project Location: Machachi, in southern Quito at an altitude of about 9,500 feet

Length of Trip: 8 days (usually Saturday to Saturday). Additional full days are available at \$132 per day. For hotel checkouts after 4 p.m., the hotel will charge an additional fee.

Lodging: Hotel Reina Isabel. Double or triple rooms with private baths with hot water, linens and towels provided, free internet service. Single rooms are available for an additional \$42 per night per room.

Transportation: Travel by 32 passenger buses.

Cost per person: \$1,455 in-country expenses for 8 days/7 nights, plus \$900-\$1300 approximate round-trip airfare depending on the airline and time of travel.

Airfare: Airline travel will be arranged by team leaders. SIFAT will no longer be able to provide this service because of airline policy changes for team cancellations or date changes. Travel dates and airline schedules must be coordinated with SIFAT prior to booking tickets. All team members must arrive and depart at the same time, unless advanced arrangements have been approved by SIFAT

Construction Team Project Cost: \$2750 team construction funds or \$125 per person, whichever is greater.

Medical Team: \$150 per person, for additional translators and medical health care fund. Medical teams provide medications and medical supplies at their own expense.

Tourist day activities are not included in in-country or team costs. A list of available activities and their costs are available from the international team coordinator. Costs are approximately an additional \$68-\$150+ per person.

Price includes in-country meals, lodging, water, emergency evacuation and supplemental medical insurance, in-country transportation, and digital cross-cultural manual.

* VBS materials and supplies must be provided by the team.

* Prices are subject to change. Please confirm prices with the international team coordinator when reserving your team's dates. A nonrefundable \$100 deposit per person is required when reserving your team's dates.