

Fall 2014 Volunteer Service Award Recipients



Lady Carolina Tavárez Varela is currently volunteering with **Ann Prepare Lavni, Inc. (APL)** in Haiti. Carolina, along with APL, have been working with a primary school in Anse-a-pitres, Haiti (Hispaniola's smallest border city). The government has donated land and Carolina has returned to Haiti to help build the town's first library since 2012.



Amelia Hulbert is a Volunteer Program Director in the Chillos Valley of Ecuador as part of a 13 month commitment with **Manna Project International (MPI)**. Her goals are to expand MPI's programs to include childhood nutrition programs in the Fajardo community and a micro-finance program in the Miranda community.



Mary Grace Hamme with **Visions Global Empowerment** will be working with the deaf community in Bahir Dar, the capital of the Amhara Region, Ethiopia on Deaf Education and Empowerment. In addition to participating in the training, she will be analyzing the impact of the programs and advising on how to adjust the curriculum to better meet the needs of the students and the community.



Kara McMahon is spending a year in Granada, Nicaragua with **Futbol Sin Fronteras**, also known as **Soccer Without Borders**. They are a youth development organization that enables girls to learn and grow by providing soccer instruction, teambuilding activities, educational opportunities, and health workshops to combat poverty.



Helena Lane is spending a year with **2Seeds Network** as a Project Coordinator (PC) for the Bombo Majimoto Project in rural Tanzania. She and her fellow PC individualize training focused on leadership building, accountability, and basic finance. They are encouraging their partner organizations to build networks and find new buyers so that they have more self-sustainable group sales.



Dana Hanley is spending 13 months with **Manna Project International (MPI)** in Villa Guadalupe, Nicaragua where she is project lead for a women's jewelry cooperative and helping to administer weekly classes for the women in mathematics, computer literacy, and empowerment. She is also helping to run a children's nutrition program, and teaching about girl's sexual health in a local public school.



Sydney McKenney is working with **Manna Project International (MPI)** for 13 month in Valle de Los Chillos, Ecuador. In addition to teaching adult English classes, she works with MPI's preventative health program in trying to raise awareness about Ecuador's major health issues, such as diabetes, and sexual education. She is also helping with the art programs and teaching nutrition classes to 6th graders.