

# BEFORE, ORIGINAL:

## Mission

Through outreach, training and partnerships, Causes for Change International seeks to build strong communities by providing the tools for self-sufficiency.

We supply assistance and training in the areas of health, education and economic opportunities to areas in need. We focus on children, women and persons with varying and differing abilities to spark change in these communities.

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### **Volunteer and Donation Information**

Causes for Change International impacts the lives of children, women and persons with disabilities in the Americas through volunteerism in the areas of health, education and economic self-sufficiency. CCI continues to link volunteers and resources with community members in Guayas and Manabi Provinces as well as the Galapagos Islands in Ecuador. We have begun to work with the countries of Panama and Costa Rica. The common experience for volunteers is the satisfaction of empowering others.

Our most valuable resource continues to be the generous individuals who give their time and energy to be a cause for change in the communities we serve.

Volunteers include doctors, dentists, teachers, therapists, nutritionists, bankers,

medical staff, students and many others who educate these communities as a foundation for continual growth.

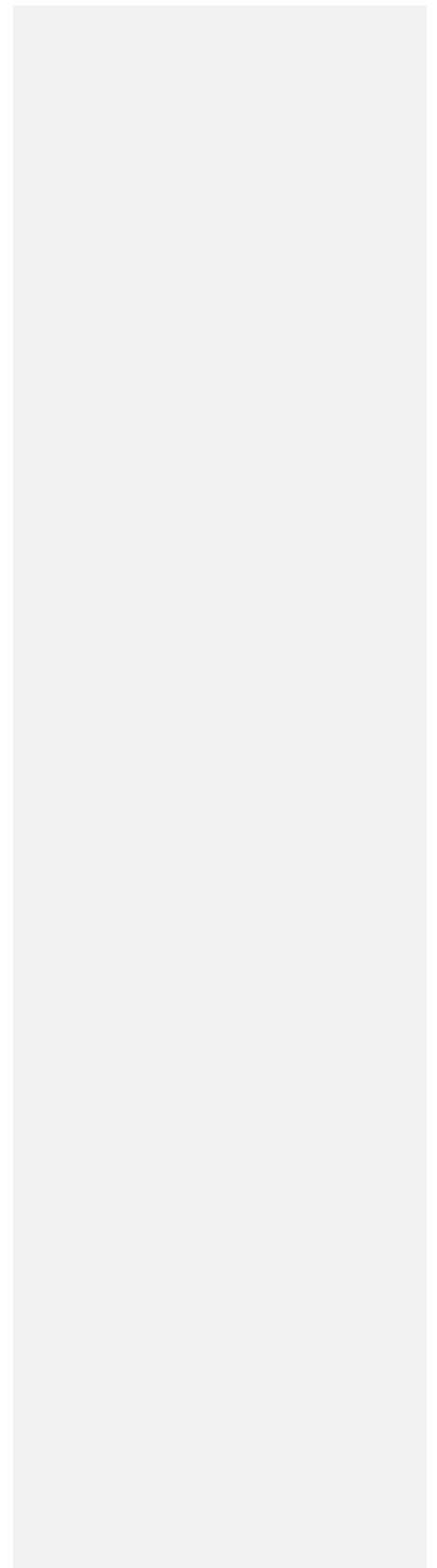
We primarily work with children from the surrounding village schools—children that typically would not be seen by a physician nor have the means to travel to a city or town to receive medical and health care. CCI has achieved success through the distribution of clothing, toys and supplies to schools and orphanages; through the donation of hearing aids, wheelchairs, health and dental exams have helped to improve the health and education of thousands, also providing fire rescue training to volunteer firefighters.

Our volunteers have implemented recycling, beautification and youth leadership training programs, and established dental clinics. Currently, we are providing all our support through local schools. With the help of our dedicated volunteers, we do more every year.

Next mission trip to the coast of Ecuador **TBD 2012**. We are looking for people to travel with us, everyone is welcome to be a part of this wonderful adventure. Alternative Health Care Providers, Medical Doctors, Dentists and dental hygienists, Teachers, Students, Orthopedic Surgeons, Nurses, Therapists, Nutritionists, Medicine, Audiology training staff.

We are grateful for your contributions. These are some of the key areas where your gifts will make a great impact: Medical and dental equipment, Medicines, Small kitchen appliances, Construction materials, Personal hygiene products,

Clothing and fabric, Photography and writing supplies, Educational supplies and Computers, Art, Financial contributions.



# AFTER, REVISED:

## OUR MISSION

It starts with one. One idea, one dream, one heart, one set of hands, one person. It starts with one, one little seed, but it grows into something amazing: a thriving, vibrant community.

## WHAT WE DO

Causes for Change International seeks to build strong communities by providing the tools for self-sufficiency. Causes impacts the lives of women, children and persons with disabilities in the Americas through volunteerism. Our work is primarily in the areas of health, education and economic independence. Causes continues to link volunteers and resources with community members in Ecuador. We have just begun to work with the countries of Panama and Costa Rica and we are very excited about the new possibilities.

Some of our ongoing projects include: the distribution of clothing, toys and supplies to schools and orphanages; the donation of hearing aids, wheelchairs, health and dental exams, and also fire rescue training to volunteer firefighters. And that's just the beginning.

## OUR PRINCIPALS

True Volunteerism. None of our staff takes a paycheck. Ever. Not even the founder and CEO, Zully Alvarado. All volunteers pay their own way on Mission Trips.

Sustainable Change. We make no changes that can't be supported and continued long after we're gone. We set up infrastructures and systems that can

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be implemented in the community. The goal is to help until we are no longer needed.

**Dignity is a Human Right.** No one should ever be made to feel inferior because of a disability. We help unearth the dignity that's still there, just buried beneath the surface.

**Start Small, Dream Big.** Remember, it starts with **one**. And then it grows. And keeps growing. One brick, one dollar, one heart at a time; we are growing into a thriving, international network dedicated to helping out those in need.

If we can start small, so can you. Help out, give what you can, whether it's money, surplus dental equipment or even just a few hours of your time. Causes will always find a way to put your unique gifts and talents to good use,

Ready to help? Click [here](#).

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