



Stevens Point/Estelí Partner City

WISCONSIN/NICARAGUA Partners of the Americas, Inc.







The Organization

Wisconsin/Nicaragua Partners of the Americas, Inc. (W/NP) is a charter member of Partners of the Americas, Inc. The mission of the partnership is to promote understanding and develop ties of friendship between the people of Wisconsin and Nicaragua. W/NP provides unique alternatives involving people-to-people activities. The W/NP concept of partnership empowers the citizens from both countries to identify and affect change.

"Working Together, We Make a Difference."

W/NP strives to help others realize and reach their potential. We bring people together, help them become aware, and show them ways to put their ideas into action.

Partner Cities

Within the organization, W/NP has a unique Partner City program linking communities in Nicaragua with communities in Wisconsin. This structure provides grass roots opportunities in people-to-people activities at the local level. Each of the Partner City committees operate in a unique way that fits for the people involved which fosters a mutual sharing of cultural exchange, ideas, energy, and concern for each other.

Sustainability

W/NP is one of the few organizations that has had a strong and continuous presence in Nicaragua with people-to-people activities, exchanges, projects, disaster relief, and a variety of institutional linkages in place since 1964. W/NP is well received throughout Nicaragua because the organization is non-partisan and has no political agenda.

How can I get involved?

W/NP is open to all individuals and organizations that want to use their skills to work toward greater international cooperation. If you care to make a difference, we welcome you to become a part of this exciting international experience.

Opportunities IN WISCONSIN:

- Come to the next Partner City meeting June 17
- Become a <u>W/NP member</u> (only \$10/year for students!)
- Join in the "Packing" days at the W/NP warehouse, Stevens Point, every 3rd Thursday of the each month (see website for directions)
- Learning Centers and Libraries (collect books and craft supplies)
- Sports and Youth Projects (collect sports equipment)
- Cultural Commons Park Project (need volunteers now for project fund raising)
- Check out the W/NP Facebook Page

Opportunities IN NICARAGUA:

- Check out the W/NP Facebook Page
- Cultural Exchanges (travel to Nicaragua and volunteer)

Gotita de Amor Projects – (3 groups use the building: programs for youth in drama/theater, at risk youth and special needs population) Cristel School – primary education for all children, volunteers needed Fire Department – training ideas and support

.....and many more!





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