

When was the last time a trip changed your life?

What if it changed the lives of a whole community? At Bridges to Community, building a house means more than bricks and mortar — it's a step towards long-lasting community impact.



Build a community

Join us in supporting underserved communities with resources and tools to change the trajectory of their own lives. Designed in-country with local leadership, our programs are built to promote longlasting, sustainable community development.



Make a mark

Building houses by day and playing with the community kids at night, your work has a direct impact on the community you'll visit. Participate in an eye-opening experience, and make a tangible difference in building a future that uplifts lives.



Discover the DR

Experience the natural landscapes, local cuisine and friendly people this beautiful island has to offer. You'll swim in the fresh rivers and turquoise ocean and live a week in a typical rural Dominican community.

Join our service learning trips in making an impact that endures, one family at a time.



Project Components

Bridges collaborates with community leaders to create projects and programs that will directly impact and improve the well-being, sanitation, and lifestyle of communities. While you're here, you'll be fully immersed in a community while working on a project that will have a true impact.

Project activities include:

- Mixing cement by hand
- Tying rebar
- Laying cinderblock
- Painting infrastructure
- Dinner with beneficiary family
- Community exchanges



Trip

Itinerary

Day 1

You'll be met at the Santo Domingo airport by Bridges staff and transported to a hotel in Santo Domingo city, where we will stay the first night.

Day 2

After breakfast and an orientation, we'll travel to the community in the San Juan province (approx. 3.5 hours), stopping for lunch on the way. Once there, we will settle into our dorm accommodations and take a community tour. Dinner is at 6 pm, prepared in the community by our local team of cooks.

Day 3 - 6

Each day begins with breakfast at 7 am. From 8 am -12 pm, we carry out an aspect of the project construction. After a 2-hour lunch and rest break, we'll continue our work from 2 pm to approximately 4 pm. Dinner is at 6 pm, followed by an evening activity.

Day 7

After breakfast, we'll head to the beach for lunch and a day of swimming and relaxation. This evening, we will wrap up our week with a final reflection. We will be located within an hour of the airport for any early flights.

Day 8

Our time together has come to an end! Your group will be accompanied to the airport by Bridges staff.



Project Costs

The project cost covers all aspects of the project you will work on. The project cost must be paid in full 60 days before the date the group is set to travel to guarantee the trip itinerary. This cost can be divided evenly between trip participants or can be a collective group fundraising goal.

The project cost includes:

- Organization of project with community leaders
- Coordination of paperwork and construction preparation
- Project equipment, materials, and tools
- Experienced and qualified team of masons
- Most importantly, the construction of a home for a deserving family!



Program Fee

This fee is the individual cost per volunteer to participate on a trip. This all-inclusive price includes:

- Comprehensive trip planning and pre-departure informational sessions
- Fundraising support, including a fundraising webpage and additional materials to use for outreach
- 24/7 bilingual team leaders
- Airport welcome and transfers to and from the airport in the Dominican Republic
- Private transport to the project and R&R locations
- All meals and accommodations throughout the trip
- International medical insurance
- First aid kits on the worksite, CPR-certified staff
- Unlimited purified water
- Beach trip
- An experience and connection you will not soon forget!

