



## ECUADOR ADVENTURE – 2010



*"I think that at least once in your lifetime, it would be an amazing thing to visit a place like Ecuador and experience a different culture. I made a lot of friends and lots of memories. I appreciate what I have and I hope to continue helping out my community as well as other communities who are less fortunate than I am."*

- Noreen, 2008 Ecuador trip participant

### WHEN?

July 31 – August 15, 2010

Event dates: August 1 – August 14, 2010

### WHO?

- 10 girls, 13 - 17 years of age by the start of the event
- Two Guiders (*Note: Guiders will be working with facilitators from the youth organization Me to We, who will be responsible for trip logistics. Guiders and Me to We facilitators will be collaborating on programming.*)

\*In order to qualify, participants must be physically fit and be active Members of Girl Guides of Canada.

**Note:** In order that as many Members as possible have the opportunity to participate in nationally sponsored international events, Members selected may participate in these events as follows:

- Once as a girl
- Once as a young adult (the young adult category is usually between the ages of 18 and 25, but may vary)
- Once as an adult

### WHAT?

Girl Guides of Canada-Guides du Canada, in partnership with world-renowned youth leadership training organization Me to We, is offering an amazing opportunity for Members to participate in an exciting international development adventure to Ecuador.

Participants will develop their leadership skills as they work with communities on local development projects, participate in Ecuadorian traditions and gain hands-on understanding of local issues. Explore





historic Old Quito, learn and practice Spanish, experience Ecuador's unique ecosystem and hike its magnificent cloud forest. Meet friends from the Ecuador Guiding Association and much, much more.

## WHAT WILL IT COST?

### For girl Members:

**As a Member of Girl Guides of Canada, you will receive financial subsidy through the Canadian World Friendship Fund (CWFF) that will cover:**

- \$700 financial subsidy
- Domestic airfare and taxes
- Medical insurance coverage

**After the CWFF subsidy, the estimated cost for girl Members is: \$3,300**

This includes:

- International airfare and taxes
- Registration/event fees
- Accommodation - Toronto
- Tours and Transportation in Ecuador

*These figures may change slightly due to increases in international airfare and currency fluctuations.*

### Other personal costs girl Members are responsible for:

- Meals en route before and after the event
- Travel to and from local airport
- Personal spending money
- Kit list requirements
- Any required Immunizations
- Passport fees

Provincial Council will offer financial support to the selected applicants of 20% of the final invoice amount from National.

### For Guiders:

**As a Member of Girl Guides of Canada, Guiders will receive funding through the Jean Youngson Memorial Bequest to the Canadian World Friendship fund (CWFF) for the following costs:**

- Domestic and international travel and transportation costs
- Registration/event fee
- Cost of accommodation
- Medical insurance

### Estimated costs to Adult Members:

- Meals en route before and after the event
- Travel to and from local airport
- Personal spending money
- Kit list requirements
- Any required immunizations
- Passport fees
- First aid kit supplies





### **Note for all participants**

1. Both girl and adult participants may be required to have uniform pieces that they do not own and it will be necessary to borrow or purchase these items.
2. If participation is cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances, Girl Guides of Canada will not accept responsibility for expenses incurred in preparation for this event.
3. Participation in this event by Canadian representatives is dependent on acceptable health and safety conditions in the country at the time of the event.

### **HOW DO I APPLY?**

Please complete the application forms below, which are all available at <http://forms.girlguides.ca/default.aspx>

#### **For Guiders:**

**STA.1 TRIP APPLICATION FORM Guider**

**STA.2 REFERENCE FORM Guider**

#### **Resources:**

Refer to Application Instructions – Adult Members

Refer to General Qualification Guidelines for International Events: Adult Members

Note: please attach your iMIS profile to your application forms

#### **For Girl Members**

**STG. 1 TRIP APPLICATION FORM Girl Member**

**STG. 2 REFERENCE FORM Girl Member**

#### **Resources:**

Refer to Application Instructions – Girl Members

Refer to General Qualification Guidelines for International Events: Girl Members

#### **APPLICATION DEADLINE:**

Application deadlines may vary across the province; please contact your Area international adviser for more information about the application process in your Area including deadline dates and to whom your application should be submitted.

#### **AREA DEADLINE:**

Provincial Deadline: [December 11, 2009](#)

Please remember that your application for this event will not be considered unless it has first gone to your Area for selections. Check with your Area for that important deadline.

