

PRESS RELEASE

Camden Teens Travel to Honduras for Mission Trip *UrbanPromise builds bridge between Camden and Honduras youth*

Camden, NJ August 18-26, 2010:

A team of seven high school students, three college students and two staff members from UrbanPromise Camden will be traveling to Central America to support and serve UrbanPromise Honduras August 18-26. (UrbanPromise Honduras was launched in June 2009 by two former UrbanPromise interns.)

During their time there they will be working with the children in the after school program, training and developing teens to work in the programs and working to serve other local ministries in Copan Ruinas.

While in Honduras the team of twelve from Camden will also get to visit the Mayan Ruins, a bird and ecological preserve and experience Honduran food, culture and the daily life of Honduran people. For the majority of the team it will be their first time in the developing world.

Many of the young people going to Honduras have also participated in past mission trips to Iowa and Mississippi as well as serving others locally and even within their own "UrbanPromise" family. Through these opportunities the UrbanPromise teens and alumni share acts of love to meet the needs of those who are hurting and bring positive change to Camden, US and the world.

The cost of the trip is \$9,500. The group has been hosting fundraisers since early spring to help offset the cost of air fare, food, lodging, additional transportation costs and the educational trips. The total cost for each person is \$792. Each student is required to pay for their passport and vaccinations.

The team still has \$3,000 left to raise. If you are interested in donating to support these young people please contact Shannon at (609) 876-9958 or soberg@urbanpromiseusa.org.

To learn more about the work UrbanPromise is doing in Camden, New Jersey visit www.urbanpromiseusa.org

About UrbanPromise

UrbanPromise has one clear mission, to build a city of promise, one child at a time. By equipping Camden's children and young adults with the skills necessary for academic achievement and moreover, life management, UrbanPromise has grown from a tiny summer camp program to a multifaceted institution with a reputation of solidarity and success. Among their many programs are private schools for grades k-12, after school programs, summer camps and various other recreational and educational programs. Each targeting different parts of the lives of Camden's youth. Learn more about UrbanPromise at www.urbanpromiseusa.org

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UrbanPromise International trains young leaders from around the world to begin new children and youth serving organizations (like UrbanPromise) in their home countries. Since 2008, UPI has initiated 5 sites in Malawi (Africa), 1 site in Honduras (Latin America), and currently has a pilot program in Miami, Florida. Collectively, these sites reach over 700 children and teens. Learn more about UPI at www.UrbanPromiseInternational.org.

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