COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

The purpose of TEAM is to help churches send missionaries to establish reproducing churches among the nations to the glory of God. TEAM missionaries establish churches by seeking to make followers of Jesus Christ who learn and obey all that he has commanded. In certain contexts, the best means of discipleship entails the use of holistic ministry such as community development.

As TEAM considers the role of community development in ministry, we follow a set of guidelines focused on our purpose and vision:

• Community development endeavors take place where we see a confluence of spiritual and demographic factors that indicate that God is leading us to serve in this capacity.
• TEAM leadership prayerfully considers how community development endeavors fulfill the objective of making disciples.
• Community development endeavors are carried out in partnership with local individuals, churches or groups.
• Churches and ministries, started through TEAM’s community development efforts, work toward the reconciliation of all things to God through Jesus.

We believe in seeking the welfare of the cities — or villages — where we’ve been sent. When a woman earns extra income for her family by sewing bags in a micro- enterprise, or when children play on a soccer field built on an abandoned lot, the entire community benefits.

When we seek the welfare of our cities, we are tangibly loving our neighbors and proclaiming the importance of community in discipleship.

TEAM community development endeavors range from helping Japanese communities rebuild from multiple disasters, to training community workers in the Philippines, to managing community centers in Latin America and Asia. We focus on projects that are sustainable and locally appropriate.

QUICK FACTS:

Service opportunities include working in community centers, partnering with local nonprofits, and helping in local relief and re-building efforts.

Degrees in a variety of related fields are preferred but not required; formal or informal training plus experience is also acceptable for some opportunities.

Find out how you can serve through community development across the globe!

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