

Farm of the Child Volunteer Application

Name _____ Date _____

Current address (until _____)

Permanent address

Tel _____ Cell _____

Tel _____ Cell _____

Best time to call _____

E-mail: _____

Birth date _____

Marital status _____

of years married _____

of children _____

Children's ages _____

Religious denomination _____

Desired starting date _____

Volunteer job preference:

___ administration

___ maintenance supervisor

___ teacher

___ finance/accounting

___ social work

___ vocational programs

___ adolescent home parent

___ community outreach

___ health care

___ other (____)

Do you speak Spanish? No _____ Un poco _____ O.K. _____ Fluently _____

Do you speak other languages? _____ O.K. _____ Fluently _____

Skills and Hobbies (music, sports, arts, etc) _____

How did you hear about Farm of the Child? _____

Volunteer or Work Experience (attach resumé if desired)

Position	Organization	Location	Dates

Education/Studies

Field or Major	School	Location	Dates

International Travel Experiences

Activity	Purpose	Location	Dates

Please rate yourself on the following characteristics:

Characteristics	Excellent	Above Average	Average	Below Average	Poor	Unable to Rate	Comments
Common Sense							
Compassion							
Creativity							
Enthusiasm							
Flexibility							
Friendliness							
Helpfulness							
Honesty							
Humility							
Initiative							
Leadership skills							
Maturity							
Motivation							
Open to direction							
People skills							
Responsibility							
Sense of humor							
Sincerity							
Spirituality							
Team player							
Work ethic							

Please state any health conditions: _____

Additional comments: _____

Essay Questions

Thoughtfully answering the following questions will assist you and the volunteer selection committee in discerning your call to serve at the Farm of the Child.

1. What motivates you to volunteer?
2. Describe your relationship with God. How do you experience or manifest it?
3. Describe your strengths and weaknesses. How do you deal with your weaknesses?
4. What types of unforeseen problems, difficult challenges, or stressful situations have you experienced in your life? How did you handle them?
5. Describe a time when you experienced a conflict with another person or group of people. How did you handle or resolve the situation?
6. What experiences have you had in other countries or with people of different nationalities or cultures? What challenges and difficulties do you expect to encounter living in a foreign culture with a different set of values?
7. What is your idea of community? Describe any experiences you have had living in community.
8. How do you recognize and fulfill your personal, spiritual and emotional needs? How do you take care of yourself?
9. Are you particular about cleanliness or diet?
10. Are you aware of the opportunities to serve in the Trujillo volunteer community and adolescent homes? If so, what are your thoughts on living and serving outside of the main Farm community? On living in community with Honduran adolescents and house staff?
11. If you enjoy volunteering at the Farm, how long might you wish to stay? What are your plans after volunteering?

Andrea McMerty-Brummer, the Program Administrator, would be happy to answer any questions or provide more information about the Farm of the Child. Feel free to contact her at the following phone number or e-mail address. Please send completed application to:

Andrea McMerty-Brummer
1616 Nottingham Knoll Drive
Jacksonville, FL 32225

Tel: (727) 475-4459
E-mail: farmofthechild_usa@yahoo.com

Please send the enclosed reference forms to three people (one personal, one work-related, and one to a person of your choice):

Name	Address	Phone Number	Relationship