

Guide to Short-Term Missions in Honduras 2026

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Passport. A valid U.S. passport is required to enter Honduras. Check with your local U.S. Post Office or visit their Web site for information: <http://www.travel.state.gov/passport>.

Costs for Services

Campus Housing \$22 per night per person

Meals in Cafeteria:

Breakfast \$5.00 / Lunch \$7.00 / Dinner\$8:00

Lunch Bags \$6.00

*Special Dinner with Students..... \$8.50

Water Bottle..... \$1.00 (1 bottle(gallon) per person/per day)

*If you want to have dinner in the cafeteria with our married students and their families, YOU will need to pay for their meals because they receive a food allowance which does not cover the cafeteria costs.

Vehicle Rental

Bus (fuel included) \$155.00 per day in the city,

Bus (fuel included) \$185 outside the city, Zamorano, etc. Valle de Ángeles, Ojojona

Bus to Comayagua (fuel included)..... \$250.00

Bus to Comayagua and to other places outside of Tegucigalpa (fuel included).... \$ 335.00

Van (15 people) (fuel included)..... \$125.00 per day in the city

Van (15 people) (fuel included)..... \$155 outside the city, Zamorano, Valle de Ángeles, Ojojona.

Van (15 people) to Comayagua (fuel included)..... \$210.00

Van (15 people) to Comayagua (fuel included) and to other places outside of Tegucigalpa (fuel included)..... \$285.00

House Construction. Wood House (18ft) – \$2,400 / Lego Block House \$ 2,600 / Cement Floor – \$700

Food Distribution- If you are interested in ordering food to bag for church members or Honduran families where you are working, a normal food bag is about \$20 a bag.

Tips. Tips are optional. Individuals you might tip: the bus driver, the housekeepers, and the cooks.

What to Bring

- Long pants, capris, or knee-length shorts for work.
- Long pants/jeans or long skirts/long dresses for church on Sunday morning.
- Old tennis shoes/work boots for working.

- Umbrella or rain poncho. (Rainy season is from May to November.)
- A long sleeve shirt or light jacket for chilly nights or when it rains.
- Wash cloths are not provided, but a towel is. Feel free to bring an additional towel(s).
- Bedding is provided at Baxter.
- A journal or notebook to record your thoughts.
- A reusable water bottle for specific filtered water faucets. Otherwise, *don't drink the water!*
- Sunscreen – the temperature probably won't get above about 90°. Insect Repellent

Miscellaneous Observations

- *Get to know our students.* Students enjoy practicing English or teaching you Spanish words.
- *Let Ronny Cerrato know what meals your group will be eating* in the cafeteria 24 hours in advance, so the cooks can prepare enough food. Regular meal times: 7 AM, 12 PM, 5 PM
- *Water, ice, and drinks made from water are safe to drink in the Baxter cafeteria and in nice restaurants in Tegucigalpa.* If in doubt, ask for soft drinks or bottled water.
- *Toilet facilities* – Septic/sewer systems cannot handle paper products. ***Do not flush toilet paper down the toilets!*** (Discard toilet paper in the trash can provided.) You may want to carry a partial roll when outside of Baxter.
- *Please help us conserve energy* – Turn off lights, fans, and electrical gadgets when not in use.
- *Cultural Differences-* Be aware that you are traveling to another culture. Learn to appreciate the differences and the people in Honduras.
- *Flexibility* – Bring a spirit of adventure with you. Flow with and enjoy the unexpected.

Keys/Locking Doors

1. Keys for the men's dorms, women's housing and the apartments will be given to the group leader when the group arrives on Baxter's campus. Do not make copies of any keys you receive.
2. Keys are ONLY for the use of the group and are not to be given to anyone outside your group.
3. Dormitory and apartment doors should be locked at all times when no one is present.
4. At the end of your stay, lock all doors and return the keys to Ronny Cerrato, Armando Pacheco, or place in the wooden boxes marked "Keys."
5. If a key is missing at the time the group leaves, the costs of new keys will be charged to the group.

Visitors on Campus

1. Without exceptions, no local visitors should be invited in or allowed to enter the men's or women's dorms or the apartments. Meet friends outside of the dorm or apartment.
2. Group members are urged to report to the guards or maintenance personnel the presence of strangers or unauthorized persons on our premises.
3. Visitors must leave their identification card with the guard at the front gate when they enter Baxter.

Keeping Items Safe and Secure

1. Personal items should be kept in the apartments.
2. Please do not leave personal items or tools out if someone from the group is not watching them.
3. Baxter's safe is in the Controller's office. Cash, passports, and valuables can be put in it.
4. If an item is missing, report it to maintenance or a guard. Otherwise, report it to the administration.

Gifts or Items Left at Baxter by Groups

1. Items left in rooms, dorms, or apartments will be available to reclaim one week after the group leaves.
2. We will recover and clean usable items left behind and distribute them to the poor.
3. Do not tell employees or students that you left clothing for them. They are not to go through items
4. If you wish to give something to an employee or student, do so directly to that person.

***Ronny Cerrato is in charge of handling all the group members' needs while staying at Baxter. He is in charge of handling keys and supervising the cafeteria and maintenance personnel with responsibilities in the men's and women's dorms and apartments.**