

Nicaragua

SERVICE TRIP

ST MARY'S COLLEGE of MARYLAND
The Public Honors College



PUERTAS DEL SABER - "DOORS TO KNOWLEDGE"

ABOUT THE SERVICE TRIP

The St. Mary's College of Maryland's Nicaragua Service trip exists in partnership with Libreria Puertas Del Saber (Community Library "Doors to Knowledge") in Limon-2 Nicaragua. Puertas Del Saber works in partnership with the Foundation for Sustainable Development (FSD). The relationship was established through Cristy Tono (SMCM Class of 2014) through her internship with FSD. Seeing the need in the community prompted the creation of the SMCM Annual Service Trip to Nicaragua with the Raices Hispanas

Club. We are striving to continue the relationship with the Library and the community of Limon-2. The Service trip is intended to be accessible and an alternative to study abroad experiences which tend to be more expensive. It is also completely student led with the support of Office of International Education and Student Activities, therefore, we rely on fundraising and donations to make the trip a reality.

For this summer's trip, eight students will be traveling to Limon-2. We are currently working on developing literacy lesson plans in the contexts of

environmental sustainability and love of reading. Additionally, we will work with four local public schools on similar lesson plans focusing on literacy. Other activities will include supporting English classes in the library, supporting economic empowerment of local women with the start up of a handmade jewelry business, participating in local community trash clean ups and cultural immersions in the community.

ONLINE DONATIONS

Visit our online fundraising page to make a donation

<http://bit.ly/1Lv2kFT>

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This year, due to recent financial difficulties, we are asking YOUR help in fundraising. Any donations or event proceeds would be greatly appreciated. Your donation is highly appreciated by us and by the Limon-2 community!

THANK YOU!