

Job Description

Casa Elizabeth Big Sister

The Casa Elizabeth Big Sister role is an integral part of the Casa Elizabeth team (a home for pregnant teens in Quito, Ecuador). The Big Sister will live life with the girls and their babies. She will be asked to eat and sleep with the girls, help them to stay on schedule, take them to appointments, manage some house money, and offer love and support. The Big Sister is not responsible for giving parenting or child care advice; however, will be asked to help reinforce what has been taught. She is not a counselor; however, will be asked to give a sympathetic listening ear and be a safe place for the girls to talk.

Duties:

Live with girls

Take to medical appointments

Must be able to work with house parents and the Inca Link team

Take girls to church on Sundays or coordinate with Inca Link team to take them

Be a part of the Inca Link team and serve on the Casa Elizabeth Committee

Love, Love, Love, Love

Requirements:

Christian – a young woman strong in her faith as this is a highly rewarding yet difficult job

Female between the ages of 21 -30

Must have a moderate to high level of Spanish Fluency

Minimum internship term 6 months

Will be required to raise personal support

High level of personal maturity

Preferred:

Spanish Fluency

Internship Term of 1 year

Experience with girls at risk

Experience with newborn care

The Big Sister is Not:

The parent

A psychologist or counselor

The disciplinarian

Responsible for young mothers coming into or leaving Casa Elizabeth (though her input is considered and respected)

Asked to work without breaks – The Big Sister will be given days off. Arrangements will be made for her to stay elsewhere overnight so that she gets a break from her responsibilities at Casa Elizabeth. She will also have time off during the week at times when the girls are receiving formal teachings.