



# Rotarian Peace Projects Incubator

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<b>Rotarian Peace Projects Incubator’s Thematic Area</b>	<b>Protecting the Environment</b>
<b>Rotary Focus Area</b>	<b>Protecting the Environment</b>
<b>Contact:</b> Contact person within your group (responsible for this project proposal)(Name + email)	<b>Amanda Martin</b> <b>amandagalemartin@gmail.com</b>
<b>Project Title:</b> Provide a full title (and acronym if any)	<b>Guardians of the Forest: Climate Change Challenges and promoting peace in Bolivia</b>
<b>Project Partners and Participating Organisations:</b> List all your project partner organisations, including participating <b>Rotary clubs and districts</b> if any	Montero, Santa Cruz, Bolivia Rotaract SERNAP (National Park Services of Bolivia) Public schools of Buena Vista, Bolivia Etta Projects (Public Health NGO)
<b>Geographical Scope</b>	<b>Eastern Bolivia</b>
<b>Summary:</b> Please provide a concise summary with a maximum of 500 words outlining the project and explaining the community needs your project will address and how these needs were identified.  Ensure that you include what your project aims to achieve (objective) and how (method/procedure). What will be the main outcomes?  Explain in a few sentences how you will incorporate the objective of sustainability into your project.	<b>Problem description</b> Deforestation and Conservation of the Amboró National Park in Eastern Bolivia Bolivia has lost 10% of its tree cover since 2000, and has one of the highest deforestation rates in South America. Deforestation in Bolivia is caused by slash and burn agricultural practices and forest fires, which also affect protected areas. Bolivia’s Amboró National park (ANP) is one of the most biologically diverse areas in the world, Along the northeastern edge of the park are 94 rural, remote, impoverished communities whose practices negatively impact the environment. Without local appreciation of the ANP, this essential source of water, clean air, and wildlife will disappear.  <b>Project objectives and goal</b> Project Name: “Guardians of the Forest” Goals: •To increase awareness and understanding of the value of the ANP in the region •To promote action plans for conservation of the ANP, to protect natural resources. •To create an ANP Conservation Coalition formed of these trained cohorts to continue the work in the future. •To promote dialogue and understanding, and a shared vision of the future of the ANP, among local residents, leaders, students, officials, guides and park guards.

	<p><b>Objectives:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. 50 selected students will attend 8 workshops. Each student will gain information and skills to promote behavior change, improve environmental practices in the home, and teach their peers.</li> <li>2. 15 local ANP guides will attend 6 workshops to enhance their understanding of Bolivian environmental law, conservation practices, guiding skills, and how to share their knowledge with ANP visitors.</li> <li>3. 16 local community leaders (farmers) will attend 6 workshops to address agricultural practices and the environmental impact, and learn options and benefits of adopting sustainable agricultural practices.</li> <li>4. A coalition of the 3 cohorts will form to provide a wider network of support for the ANP park guards, to promote conservation of the ANP, to increase awareness among local people of the value of the ANP, and to implement environmental practices in the community, schools, and at home.</li> </ol> <p><b>Project description</b></p> <p>This six-month project will develop an active conservation group that will act to reduce harmful practices that damage wildlife and habitat surrounding the ANP, address sustainable resource management, and promote awareness and action to protect natural ecosystems. The program includes three distinct groups of participants in dynamic, highly engaging workshops:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Students (ages 10-16) from rural communities surrounding the ANP</li> <li>• ANP guides who live in these communities</li> <li>• Community leaders (farmers) from these communities</li> </ul> <p>Each cohort will form an action plan for conservation of the ANP, involving community members and school children, national park guards and local officials. The cohorts will form an ANP Conservation Coalition to promote continued programs and campaigns to engage local people in their efforts.</p> <p><b>Sustainability</b></p> <p>The NGO Etta Projects coordinates with local government officials and community leaders to ensure local support and participation in the program, and a legal document is signed by all parties.</p> <p>The department of education will sign an official agreement to support the program for three years (minimum).</p> <p>Local ANP rangers will commit to visit the schools to engage students in ANP activities.</p>
<p><b>Beneficiaries:</b> Who are the beneficiaries? Please include the estimated number of direct beneficiaries</p>	<p>Beneficiaries</p> <p>Direct:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 50 students (ages 10-16) from rural Bolivian communities (municipalities of Buena Vista and San Carlos).</li> <li>• 15 local guides from the same communities.</li> <li>• 16 local farmers from the same communities.</li> </ul> <p>Total: 81 people.</p> <p>Indirect:</p> <p>The total population of the communities: Buena Vista - Espejitos, Villa Amboró, Isama II, Santa Rosa: population: 965 San Carlos – Villa Imperial and Mataracú: population: 911 Total population: 1,876 Combined total: 1,957 people</p>
<p><b>Project Period</b></p>	<p>6 months</p>

**Project Timeline:**

Activity	Frequency	Period of Performance
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1-day Training Workshops	Monthly	4/22-10/22
Visit to ANP	End of program	10/22
Coalition formation and meetings	Monthly	5/22-ongoing
School Educational Sessions	Varies	6/21-1/23
2-day retreat at CTC for each cohort	End of program	9/22-10/22
Graduation of Guardians of the Forest	End of program	10/22
Final Report	At Project End	11/22

#### Project budget:

## Guardians of the Forest

Category	Unit	# of Units	Cost per unit in US\$	Total costs in US\$	%
<b>Training and ongoing Monitoring</b>					
2 two-day training retreat, CTC, 25 students x 2 cohorts	Workshops at the CTC as a closure of the workshop cycle for 50 students and 2 facilitators= 27 ppl*\$25.51*2 workshops	27	\$ 688.77	\$ 1,377.54	6.55%
6 two-day workshops at the CTC for 15 local guides	15 ppl, 2 facilitators=17 ppl*\$25.51*6 workshops	17	\$ 433.67	\$ 2,602.02	12.37%
6 two-day workshops at the CTC for 16 community leaders/farmers	16 ppl, 2 facilitators=18 ppl*\$25.51*6 workshops	18	\$ 459.18	\$ 2,755.08	13.10%
Education materials	Manuals, notebooks, pens, pencils, sheets, posters etc.	50	\$ 10.00	\$ 500.00	2.38%
Promotion materials for participants	Backpacks, caps with logo of Guardian of the Forest	100	\$ 11.00	\$ 1,100.00	5.23%
Student materials for outdoor activities - Adopt a tree, etc.	Shovels, plants, seeds, saplings	300	\$ 4.00	\$ 1,200.00	5.71%

First-aid kits for park officers	2 Cohorts	2	\$ 100.00	\$ 200.00	0.95%
Transportation for beneficiaries	Roundtrip, to the CTC , 264 people total (13 trips of 17-27 people)	264	\$ 5.00	\$ 1,320.00	6.28%
Transportation for staff to the CTC and to the communities for monitoring	Visit to the community for monitoring throughout project, \$300 per month	6	\$ 300.00	\$ 1,800.00	8.56%
<b>Subtotal</b>				<b>\$ 12,854.64</b>	61.13%
<b>Administration, Staff costs and Communication</b>					
EP Coordinator	6 months+ benefits, coordinate activities with community and CTC staff \$400x8 months	8	\$ 400.00	\$ 3,200.00	15.22%
EP Administration	\$200 x 6 months	6	\$ 200.00	\$ 1,200.00	5.71%
Agronomy technician/ecologists/etc.	\$87 for two-day workshops (x 16 workshops) at the CTC, and \$50 for a school workshop each month for six months (x 2schools)	56	\$ 48.00	\$ 2,688.00	12.78%
Office materials	Ink, paper, etc.	6	\$ 35.00	\$ 210.00	1.00%
Phone cards	monthly phone calls	6	\$ 29.20	\$ 175.20	0.83%
Vehicle Maintenance		1	\$ 350.00	\$ 350.00	1.66%
Cellular phone for office use		6	\$ 50.00	\$ 350.00	1.66%
<b>Subtotal</b>				<b>\$ 8,173.20</b>	38.87%
<b>GRAND Total</b>				<b>\$ 21,027.84</b>	100.00%