

4. To provide support to project activities in line with aptitude and experience.
5. To assist with monitoring, assessment and mentoring of project in line with experience.
6. To help maintain internal and external relationships, by liaising with relevant individuals from organizations operational in the region.
7. To assist in the effective communication of the programme to internal and external audiences.
8. To assist with implementation of Ya'axché's Communication Strategy

Additional Qualifications:

The successful applicant should have the following:

- Strong interest and experience in biodiversity conservation and sustainable development;
- Excellent communication skills, a meticulous attention to detail;
- Ability to operate as part of a team in a dynamic environment, as well as motivation and enthusiasm to work under own initiative;
- A strong entrepreneurial streak;
- An ability to think strategically;
- Common sense and flexibility;
- Fundraising experience;
- Cultural sensitivity and interest in building local capacity
- A minimum BSc or equivalent in a relevant subject area (e.g. biology, environmental sciences, development or communications);

How to Apply:

Please read the 'Volunteer Information Manual' at the bottom of this link www.yct.bz/volunteers.html before applying.

Submit letter of interest detailing why you are interested and how you meet qualifications, along with resumé and 2 letters of reference to:

Development Officer, Ya'axché Conservation Trust

By email: yct.development@gmail.com

Please type in Subject: "Development Officer"

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Benefits of Volunteering with Ya'axché:

- Free, shared housing (or camping) in a quiet, nature preserve
- Opportunity to work closely with dynamic, multi-cultural staff
- Appreciation for your dedication and hard work
- Excellent references
- Adventure in a country with pristine ecosystems, world-class snorkeling and SCUBA
- In-depth, interactive cultural experience unattainable by tourists

Volunteers live and work in a beautiful but rustic, rural setting at Ya'axché Field Center and become part of the team to gain and promote the understanding and action necessary for a sustainable environment. Accommodations offer limited solar power, a cold water, shared bathroom, and the occasional rat, bat, tarantula, or scorpion.

Volunteer Personal Expenses:

There are no program fees charged for this experience, but the volunteer is expected to arrange and pay for:

- Transportation to Punta Gorda, Belize, including airfare
- Food, personal expenses, in-country travel, passport, visa