

Mission Statement

*To render
meaningful support
to the charitable activities
of Acción in the
Yucatan Peninsula
of Mexico
with a view to
advancing
the well being
of the people served
and the
Christian faith.*



Friends of accion.org

**So that the body of
Christ may be built up
until we reach unity in
the faith. (Eph 4:12-13)**



Donations

To donate online please visit
friendsofaccion.org
To donate by check please mail to
Friends of Accion
c/o Covenant Presbyterian Church
1000 E. Morehead Street
Charlotte, NC 28204-2813
make checks payable to "Friends of Accion"

Sponsor a Student

Building Educational Chances through
American Sponsors (BECAs)
\$50 to \$200/month
Utilize donation options above

Send a Mission Work Team

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ACCIÓN MINISTRIES

Improving lives in Mexico's
Yucatán peninsula



*Partnership of
Mexican and American
Christians to Build the
Body of Christ*

Faith with Action = Acción



Who We Are

FRIENDS OF ACCION, INC.

- 501(c)(3) non-profit charity
- Support and accountability for Acción Ministries
- Board members from Presbyterian and Lutheran churches from around the county.
- Support from a broad number of reformed and congregational churches and individuals.
- www.friendsofaccion.org

ACCIÓN MEXICO LEADERSHIP

- Founded by Rev. Oscar Dorantes, Sr.
 - 1981 first work team
 - 1988 Acción officially organized in Mexico
 - 2008 retired
- Now led by Oscar R. Dorantes, Jr.
 - Missionary of Mexican Presbyterian Church
 - Social Anthropologist
 - Seminary Training in U.S.
- Acción Staff include
 - Supervisors for all U.S. Work Teams
 - Resident Directors in Student Houses

What We Do

MINISTRIES

- **Student Houses**
 - Merida Student House (CEM) for Men
 - Merida Student House (CEM) for Women
 - Mayan Children's Village (VIM)
- **Building Projects with U.S. Work Teams**
 - Church to Church floor and roof additions
 - Building and improving village homes
 - Community and Acción facility improvement
- **Disaster and Emergency Relief**
 - Often after hurricane damage and flooding

CASA ESTUDIANTIL MÉRIDA (CEM)

- Merida Student Houses for men and women
- Enabling university education for students from villages needing help to live in Mérida.
- Full Room, board, and study facilities for around a dozen students at each CEM
- Students earn academic, professional, engineering, and seminary degrees in excellent schools in Mérida
- Christian environment, service to God and service to others
- Hundreds of Mayan students have benefited from CEM since 1996

VILLA INFANTIL MAYA (VIM)

- Mayan Children's Village for boys and girls
- Enabling youth to attend schools (primarily the only high school in a wide region) unavailable in their home villages
- Meals, study facilities including internet, accommodations for weekday nights or more, transportation, and community
- Encourage Christian growth through education, worship and role models
- Facility for summer camps and hosting other Mexican church groups
- Hundreds of Mayan students have benefitted from VIM since 2006

MISSION TRIP U.S. WORK TEAMS

- Church youth groups
- Adult mission trips
- College spring breaks
- Over 500 teams since 1981
- Church and/or home builds and improvements
- Disaster relief
- Vacation bible school with Mayan children
- Craft activities with Mayan women
- U.S. and Mexican church services



Pamphlet about Work Teams