



**APPLICATION FORM FOR
MENTORS
YOUTH AMBASSADORS PROGRAM
YEAR 2010**



Participants interested in applying as MENTORS for this program should answer the questionnaire below in English and return it along with the required documentation no later than **January 30, 2010** to:

**U.S. Embassy
ATTN: Public Diplomacy Section – Mentors Program
Mcal. López 1776 esq. Kubitschek
Asuncion**

IMPORTANT: MENTOR'S RESPONSABILITIES

Adult mentors will assume the important responsibility of accompanying and guiding 12 Paraguayan Youth Ambassadors on their journey to promote mutual understanding between the people of Paraguay and the United States of America, develop a sense of civic responsibility and commitment to community development among youth, build leadership capacity, and foster relationships among youth from different ethnic, religious and national groups.

Two selected mentors will join Partners of the Americas and work together with the U.S. Embassy to facilitate the orientation process for Youth Ambassadors and will then travel with them to the US for three weeks and guide them in implementing a service project after their exchange. The travel will take place in March/April and in October/September 2010. Each mentor will accompany one group of students. While in the US, youth will attend school, participate in community service activities, attend workshops and plan their project to be implemented upon the group's return to Paraguay.

The Mentors will have the opportunity and responsibility to:

- Guide and help youth reflect on the similarities and differences between US and Paraguay as well as other countries in Latin America.
- Support youth as they gain a greater understanding and appreciation of US history, values, and beliefs.
- Engage and advise youth through the follow-on project development and support their leadership skills development.
- Engage with the Comité Paraguay Kansas' members in your country and in the US to strengthen communications and cross-cultural relationships.

SELECTION CRITERIA:

Mentor applicants must meet the following requirements in order to participate:

- Teacher or Community leader who has ample experience working with youth
- Demonstrated ability to be a positive role model and to assist youth from diverse backgrounds to become productive members of society
- Experience traveling abroad
- Proficient in English and ability to help youth understand the language, as needed

Applications of eligible applicants will be reviewed by the US Embassy, Comité Paraguay Kansas, and Partners International staff members. Please fill out the following application and submit it along with a curriculum vitae that reflects the above criteria.

PERSONAL INFORMATION:

Attach here a color photo taken within the last year

Complete Name:

Date of birth (month/day/year): ____ / ____ / ____

City and Department of birth _____

Complete home address (also include, city and Department):

Home phone: () _____ Cel. phone: () _____ E-mail: _____

Cedula Number: _____

Passport Number*: _____ Expiration Date of Passport: __

(Please complete passport information only if you have one already, if not please leave this information blank)

Previous travels abroad:

- To the U.S.: No () Yes () Where/When? _____

- To other countries: No () Yes () Where/When? _____

Medical restrictions (if positive, please specify and inform type of medication used):

Is the candidate allergic to food or medicine? (If positive, please specify):

