

# WORLD ACCORD

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Congratulations on your journey to becoming one our ambassadors! Our ambassadors are committed to nurturing community and sustainability.



Become a leader, bring your community together and develop skills for your future



Advocate for the benefits of others in developing countries



Make an impact by helping World Accord achieve goals





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# Who is World Accord?

World Accord is a non-profit organization that is actively involved in successful international development projects and programs located in Central America (Guatemala, Honduras, and El Salvador) and Asia (Nepal) - with new and exciting projects being added as we continue to grow. The focus of the work of our partners is on sustainable agriculture (mostly agroecology and agroforestry), sexual and gender-based violence, economic and social empowerment of women and girls, as well as strengthening the ability of local communities to adapt to the climate crisis.



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# Why become a World Accord Ambassador?

Being a World Accord ambassador means supporting under resourced communities by spreading advocacy and the value of taking care of each other. You will be a role model on demonstrating how working together can make a difference

Our ambassadors take on many roles such a project leader, community organizer, social media content creator, fundraiser and event planner -- to name a few!

# Benefits of being an ambassador



#### **Empower Equality**

Promote the importance of women empowerment and educate others on how equality is beneficial for all.



#### Have Fun

Explore philanthropy, discover new skills about yourself and make new friendships along the way.



#### Leadership

Demonstrate your skills and inspire those around you to take action.



#### Community

Shape your community and build connections with those who also care about the environment and well-being of others.



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### A quick guide to help you understand World Accord's goals



The flourishing of well-being where basic human needs are met



**Every person has** the opportunity to fill their potential



Diverse people live peacefully in a global community



Care of earth and love of neighbours shape our life together



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# I'm ready to be an ambassador, now what?

Our ambassadors spend between 2 to 5 hours a month working with World Accord. This can include organizing a fundraiser, obtaining more newsletter subscribers or creating social media content. Our goal is to reach 20 new organizations or people per month and get them informed about World Accord and its partners.



# What do I get out of it?



Gain valuable skills and experience such as: Impact awareness, critical thinking, team building and project management



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# How do I get started?

You can start by sharing your commitment to being a World Accord ambassador! Invite others to get invovled. Recruit family and friends to help you get started on your journey to making a change. Here are some social media examples and resources:

### linkedin

make a status about your contribution to World Accord



### instagram



### youtube

share one of our Youtube videos found on our website







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# Social media ideas









Tag friends and family to join the movement

Show those interested where to donate on our website

Give a shout out to other organizations who are doing work in your community and tag them

Add your role as a World Accord ambassador to your bio or email signature



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# **Event Planning and Fundraising**



Don't know where to start? No worries, we got you. Throwing all types of community events can help engage your neighbourhood and inspire others to join you as an ambassador or make a donation.

#### Step One

Figure out what type of event you want to throw. Backyard BBQ with live entertainment? Open mic night? Dinner party? Informative fundraiser? The list goes on, but the best ones are where the attendees get to have some fun as well.

#### **Step Two**

Find a place to host the event at. If you know the people attending, you can have it at your home or a friends place. If you want to invite a bigger audience, check with your local theatre to see if they offer their venue space to the public. There may be a possibility that your school or local community centre would be happy to give you a space for your

#### **Step Three**

Determine what kinds of activities you want to offer. Board games, live music, comedy night or trivia are great social activities. Prepare a presentation or speech on World Accord and why you are an ambassador. Make some homemade food or prepare snacks to keep your guests fed and happy!



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# Great! I have my ideas planned and a space to host my event

Once you have a clear vision of your event it's time to find the right team to help you execute the idea.



#### Family + Friends

Perhaps you have a friend that is in a band and can perform at your event, or your friend is a comedian and can help you host and crack jokes. Maybe your quardian or parents are willing to give you a hand with making some food or snacks for the guests. Asking for help never hurts!

#### Pick a date

what date work for them, most people are available on the weekends, but weekday events are still fun to have. Try planning at least a month in advanced to have a date set and give yourself time to prepare anything else you need.

#### Get excited!

Share your event, invite your teachers and neighbours on social media, or in person. Don't forget to include details like if food is available, what the event is about and if guests should bring anything. But most importantly, don't forget the date and address. Make sure to give yourself enough time to set up



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# **Event Planning Checklist**

Use the template below to help you make your own checklist





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### **Presentation Guide**



You've got your guests and date all set, and now you want to share why being a World Accord ambassador means a lot to you. Here are some ideas of what you can add to your speech or presentation.

#### Research

On our website you will find resources on all of our global partners. Pick one or two to focus on, inform your audience on the importance of these programs.

#### **Picture Perfect**

than are more welcome to email us to get photos of the partners to use in your presentation. Too much wording can hard make it pay attention. Keep your points concise!

#### Interaction

Audience participation is helpful. Add a Questions and Answers part for your presentation. Perhaps you can add videos from our website. Don't forget to have fun.



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### **Extra Resources**

# Books

Kathmandu (2016) by Thomas Bell

The Guatemala Reader: History, Culture, Politics (2011)

Editors: Greg Grandin, Elizabeth Oglesby

One Day of Life (1991) by Manilo Argueta



### Movies

500 Years (2017) Salvador (1986)





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# **Program Keywords Guide**

#### **Agriculture:**

We give credit to smallholder grain farmers, and assistance with collective purchasing organic & chemical inputs.

#### Micro-loans:

Training, small loans & ongoing technical assistance to families starting small businesses such as chickenraising, used-clothing or food sales & services.

Pay-it-forward animalraising: Basic training, technical support & animals(pigs). Credit for pig sties, and support with marketing.



#### **Income generation**

Vocational training in leather work for youth, weaving, and hand-dyed indigo handycrafts; teaching garden, library and afterschool programming for children and youth. Art classes for youth.

#### Micro-credit

Providing group and individual credits to women at low interest rates to help them establish or expand subsistence (corn & beans) and cash crop (strawberries, carrots, cabbage, etc.) agriculture. Support to other income generating activities such as weaving, selling tortillas-making, retailing. Group credits from MeA are divided into individual loans, but managed collectively. MeA also provides literacy training, as well as in basic credit management and accounting.



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#### **Agricultural reactivation**

Support to families made food insecure through recent floods in the form of agricultural inputs, as well as training in improved farming methods and access to subsidized farmland.

#### **Protecting livelihoods**

Training, technical support, materials and seedlings to help women's groups plant trees around their homes and fields, in order to protect them from increasingly severe erosion and storms.



#### **Community organizing**

Capacity building and support to 20 women's groups in 12 municipalities with the goal of increasing their ability to promote local development, to access resources from government and other agencies to meet their basic and community needs.





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# I'm ready, let's get started!

You got this, send us an email to let us know you want to be an ambassador kdouglaseworldaccord.org

### **Review Resources**

Get informed at worldaccord.org



### Start Planning your goals

Use our worksheets found on our website to figure out where you want to start

