

Travel Alive and the Crystal Fund

Travel Alive – a leader in the field of immersion travel, offers programs from two weeks to a year focusing on Spanish language acquisition, cultural immersion, volunteering, and study abroad opportunities in Nicaragua and Ecuador.

The Crystal Charitable Fund – assists children and young adults with extreme financial need to: break out of poverty so they can live comfortable, productive lives; grow up to be examples to others and to provide leadership in helping others do the same; ultimately grow up to make a difference in bettering our world.

The Crystal Fund provides grants for extended “away from home” cultural, educational, or other experience that will provide a skill, knowledge and/or personal value as a means of support to the individual.

Crystal Fund Grants are now available for Travel Alive programs in Nicaragua and Ecuador!

Travel Alive and the Crystal Fund provide:

- High quality programs in Nicaragua and Ecuador focus on language study and cultural immersion. In addition programs help develop leadership, adaptation, confidence, social consciousness, partnership and exchange, and cross-cultural friendship.
- Funding for qualified applicants through the generous support of the Crystal Charitable Fund.
- Support to schools, youth organizations, and future participants to educate them about programs and funding, identify qualified candidates, apply for programs and grants, and to prepare them for programs abroad.
- Support to participants and families before, during, and after programs to assure the best possible experience and increase the probability that participants will continue with interest in the community they immersed in.

Qualifications for participation

- Travel Alive accepts independent applicants over 16 years old in its programs in Ocotol, Nicaragua and Quito, Ecuador. Participants over the age of 18 can participate in any of our program locations. Participants under 16 years old can participate in any of our programs with a parent or in an adult supervised program.
- The Crystal Fund accepts grant applications from children and young adults (through high-school) ages 11 to 19 years, from very financially impoverished family situations.
- To learn more about Travel Alive programs and Crystal Fund Grants contact a Travel Alive program specialist by email: info@travelalive.com, or by telephone 708-434-0448.