

## Our Mission:

To promote social development and environmental sustainability in the community through the acquisition of English as a Second Language. The Learning Center model is based in community commitment and volunteer support.

*Participants of the 2012 JumpStart summer English camp, — a project organized by the Peace Corps and the Costa Rica Multilingual Foundation.*



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## The San Isidro LEARNING CENTER



A Peace Corps Project  
in Costa Rica



## Who Are We?

The Los Santos Learning Centers are a network of five, non-for-profit, volunteer-run schools located in Costa Rica. We work to realize the shared goal of providing low-cost, community-run English education in rural communities in the region of Los Santos — a region renowned for its excellent coffee production. All of our volunteer teachers are native English speakers, certified in ESL, come from a variety of countries all over the world, and dedicate six months of their lives to the project.

## Community Benefits

Due to the importance of the tourist industry in the country, English is quickly becoming one of the most valuable occupational skills that a Costa Rican can have. Therefore, the primary purpose of the Learning Centers is to teach English to community members. We strive to provide a quality of English instruction not commonly found in Costa Rica by hiring volunteers who are not only ESL certified, but also native speakers of English.

We also promote a positive environment of culture exchange in which our students can learn about the cultures from which their instructors come and also share and understand their own culture better.

## Sustainability

The San Isidro Learning Center was initiated as a Peace Corps project in 2012. One of the most important objectives of the Peace Corps is sustainability. The goal is that, with the help of San Isidro's current Peace Corps Volunteer and local community members, the Learning Center will be capable of sustaining itself by 2015.

The vision is that the Board of Directors of the Learning Center will be made up of local advocates, and that they will support and be supported by the network of the other Los Santos Learning Centers.

*As a Peace Corps project the Learning Center works diligently to meet local needs and to ensure the improvement of day-to-day life and the future of the community.*

