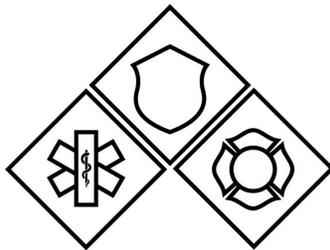


Responders On A Mission Int'l
2022 Dominican Republic Fire/EMS
Trip Information



RESPONDERS
— ON A MISSION INT'L —

Welcome!

Thank you for your interest in joining Responders On A Mission (ROAM) to the Dominican Republic in 2022! This will contain important trip information, fundraising information, as well as basic FAQ's (Frequently Asked Questions). Should you have any further questions, please email Brandon at bvizzi@ROAMintl.org There are many exciting updates, so even if you have traveled with us before, take a look through this packet. We look forward to having you on this life-changing trip!

Brandon Vizzi
Co-Founder/Executive Director

Trip Information

When: March 5-12, 2022

Cost: \$1,925 (\$200 non-refundable deposit required to hold your spot)
Please see the Trip Cost Analysis to see what's included in this cost.

Where: Juan Dolio, Dominican Republic

Trip will be capped at 10 members on a first come/first served basis, so get your applications and deposits in quick! Your spot will **not** be held until we have received both your deposit and application.

Fundraising FAQ's

How does the fundraising work?

Each member is responsible for his or her own fundraising. Once you submit your \$200 deposit, you will be given access to a webpage that is password protected. This webpage contains trip updates, a sample fundraising letter, and the account updates. The account updates are refreshed each week.

Are there deadlines for the fundraising?

Yes. You need to have at least \$750 in your account by January 1st, or you run the risk of airfare becoming more expensive. All funds are due one month prior to departure (February 5, 2022), so start fundraising early!

What if I am not traveling out of Buffalo, NY?

No problem! We welcome friends from all over the United States. When you submit your trip application, Brandon will reach out to you and discuss your options.

Who can I ask for a donation from?

Anyone! Once you download the sample fundraising letter off the webpage, use it as a template, but make it your own. Send it out to anyone and everyone! You will be surprised at the return you get!

Is the donation Tax-Exempt?

Yes! Responders On A Mission Int'l is a 501(c)(3), and is Tax Exempt under State and Federal laws.

How do I submit my deposit/donate?

Donations can be made through our website, or by check.
www.ROAMintl.org/donate or mail to

Responders On A Mission
PO Box 1648
Buffalo, NY 14226

Trip FAQ's

Do I need to have experience as a First Responder?

No. You can join us with any background! Understand that our trip primarily works with Fire Departments/EMS agencies in the Dominican, and there are plenty of ways to help out!

Do I need a passport?

Yes. Your passport will be required to enter/exit the Dominican Republic and the US. The passport must not expire within 6 months of the trip.

Do I need to be affiliated with a Church or be "Religious"?

No. ROAM welcomes people from all walks of life to join us, but know that we are a faith-based group. Everywhere we go in the Dominican Republic, we share the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Am I going to be asked to share something publicly?

No. We will not put you on the spot to share anything that you are not comfortable with.

Is tobacco or alcohol allowed?

No. The purchase and/or consumption of alcohol or tobacco is not allowed during the trip.

Is there going to be downtime after the typical workday?

Yes. Our days are packed because we want to accomplish many things, but only have a week to do so. There will be a few hours each night for downtime activities.

Do I need to attend the Church service on Sunday?

Yes. If you agree to join us on the trip, you will be expected to be with the group.

Trip FAQ's (cont.)

What does a typical week with the group look like?

The team will arrive Saturday, and unpack personal belongings and donations, and do a team briefing. Sunday we will go to a Church service in a village, and spend the afternoon planning for the training workshops. Monday-Thursday are training days with the Fire/EMS stations from 8a-5p. Friday morning we will get our COVID tests, and the afternoon is an R&R day. Saturday we return to the U.S.

How is the food/lodging?

You will be in a room with 3-5 other people in a bunk-bed type setup. The room has Air Conditioning, a shower, and a flushing toilet. The food is excellent! We eat breakfast before leaving for the day, lunch either on the road or back at the condo, and dinner once we return for the day. The food consists of a variety of American and Dominican cuisine.

What language is spoken in the Dominican, and what if I don't know it?

Spanish is the primary language, and we have translators with us everywhere we go.

Trip Cost Analysis

What's included in the \$1925?

Cost for housing, transportation, tips, trip insurance, ministry, translators, and food in country per person	\$895.00
Airfare (average) per person	\$850.00
Baggage fees.....	\$40.00
Misc. cost per person for training material & shirts.....	\$65.00
COVID Test	\$35.00
Celebration meal last night.....	\$40.00
	Total: \$1925.00

Optional Additional Cost per person:

Passport.....	\$120.00
Souvenirs & misc. expenses.....	\$100.00 approx.

OK, I'm In! What's next?

Get your deposit and application in ASAP! The application is located at:
www.ROAMintl.org/partner

Submit your deposit at
www.ROAMintl.org/donate

You ***MUST*** attend a mandatory training. In lieu of monthly meetings, we have decided it best to do one training day. If you are going on the trip, you are expected to be at the meeting. If you are outside the Buffalo area, you will be expected to Zoom in for a portion of the training.

Mandatory training date: Saturday, February 26, 2022
9am-3pm – Location TBD

Once your application ***AND*** deposit have been received, you will get an email from Brandon with a login to the trip website.

We hope you join us on this life-changing trip, and look forward to hearing back from you!