

ESPERANZA PEACE CENTRE

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Project beneficiaries learn the importance of caring for the environment and one another.

PROJECT CONTEXT

La Esperanza is one of the most populated districts of Trujillo province in La Libertad, northern Peru. The families that live in the upper reaches of this district are severely affected by extreme poverty, food insecurity, high levels of crime, violence, child abuse, as well as poor environmental health. In response to the situation, an idea was borne in 2015 to create a Peace Centre that provides a safe space and the opportunity for community members to develop social and environmental values.

Today, the Esperanza Peace Centre Project addresses the interlinked socioeconomic and environmental problems of the area through a range of activities that empowers participants, creating a catalyst for change and sustainable development in their community.

The following activities will reach 20 local children and their families:

- **Environmental education workshops** that promote practical activities such as recycling, hydroponic cultivation and guinea pig rearing
- **Afterschool academic support** to improve literacy and numeracy skills
- **Leadership and social development workshops** to develop self-esteem and raise awareness of issues such as gender violence and child abuse
- **Development and implementation of sustainable micro-enterprise activities**, namely guinea pig rearing

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