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## **Project Summary:**

### **Leadership training in Granada, Nicaragua for Nicaraguan National Police Department June 2010**

Conducted by: Dr. Oscar Aragon, Alianza Americana, Chief Dave Peck FPD (RET), Sergeant Jim Perez FPD, Colonel Robert C. Morris US Army, Sergeant Felipe Rodriguez NYPD (RET), Officer Craig Ervin FPD (RET), Erin Peck and Katie Morris.

In collaboration with the Fairfield Police Department, Fairfield, CT, Amigos de la Policia, Partners International Foundation and the Albert Schweitzer Institute at Quinnipiac University, Hamden, CT.

The idea for this project is collaboration between Alianza Americana in Leon, Nicaragua, Amigos de la Policia, the Albert Schweitzer Institute at Quinnipiac University, Partners International Foundation and the Fairfield Police Department. We will provide leadership training for a small group of police officers in Granada, Nicaragua. The contact in Granada is an organization called Amigos de la Policia (Friends of the Police). We have been in contact with this organization for over a year and the lead contact is an American ex-pat living in Granada, Darrell Bushnell. The training will be facilitated by Dr. Oscar Aragon, Director of Alianza Americana. The need for this leadership training has been identified by the contact at Amigos de la Policia and the Chief of the Police Department in Granada, Nicaragua. The cost for this program is \$120 per participant. We hope to begin the program as a pilot and have about 6-8 participants during the first training and hopefully make this an annual event.

Additional costs are approximately \$600.00 per US citizen traveling to and from Nicaragua.

## **Objective:**

To foster a relationship with the Republica de Nicaragua Policia Nacional in Granada, Nicaragua and the Fairfield Police Department to enhance leadership skills for the Granada police department and the leaders within that organization.



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Alianza Americana hopes to create a confident and knowledgeable population who will make local and national decisions that positively impact the lives of all the citizens of their country (Nicaragua). It is important for them to believe in their students. They identify those students who are thirsty for knowledge and who demonstrate leadership potential. Their goal is to transform their students into responsible citizens who think, act, and behave in resonance with a greater good. They believe that education is the key which unlocks the door to prosperity.

## Groups Involved:

The project is a partnership with the **Amigos de la Policia** and the **Republica de Nicaragua Policia Nacional** in Granada, Nicaragua [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Granada,\\_Nicaragua](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Granada,_Nicaragua)

We will be conducting leadership training in Granada this April 2010 working with Quinnipiac University, Amigos del la Policia, Alianza Americana [http://www.alianzaamericana.com/alianza\\_en.html](http://www.alianzaamericana.com/alianza_en.html) and Partners International Foundation <http://www.partners-international.org/>

Amigos de la Policia is an organization that is working to create closer relations between the Granada, Nicaragua community and the police force for a safer and better community for tourists and citizens.

Erin Peck is the Program Director for the Albert Schweitzer Institute at Quinnipiac University in Hamden, Connecticut <http://www.quinnipiac.edu/x295.xml> and has done extensive work in Nicaragua.

The Fairfield Police Department currently employs 108 sworn officers, 100 authorized Special Agents, 15 Telecommunicators, 4 Animal Control officers, 7 Marina Guards, 6 full-time and several part-time civilian personnel. The department has three divisions; Field Services Bureau, Support Services Bureau and the Professional Standards and Public Affairs Bureau. There are also several specialized units within those divisions: Bike Patrol, Marine Patrol, Motorcycle Patrol, Emergency Services Unit, Dive Team, Aviation Unit, Traffic Crash Investigation Unit as well as D.A.R.E. and Officer Friendly programs. They are located in Fairfield, Connecticut, USA. [www.fpdct.com](http://www.fpdct.com)



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Partners International Foundation, a public charity whose purpose is to enable the people of the world to achieve and maintain sustainable livelihoods. The Foundation executes its purpose across the spectrum of humanitarian projects and interventions including development and crisis response.

We also have recently partnered with SSC Security for support of this project: <http://www.securessc.com/>

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