Global Brigades is the world’s largest student-led global health and sustainable development organization.

The organization is in collaboration with Sociedad Amigos de los Niños, led by Sister Maria Rosa Leggol, a nominee of the Nobel Peace Prize.

To learn more about the Global Brigades’ projects at Oakland University, sponsorship opportunities, or how to get involved, please contact us.

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Economic isolationism is common for communities living in areas with poor transportation infrastructure.

Coupled with the perception that Panama City is full of employment opportunity, the country is seeing urban migration issues with many social repercussions.

“Be the change you want to see in the world”
-Ghandi

**OUR PROJECT AT OAKLAND UNIVERSITY**

In Panama, economic inequality is drastic leaving much of rural Panama in poverty without access to greater education and financial resources. The Business program seeks to create sustainable economic development solutions to improve the overall socio-economic level of under-resourced communities.

The Business program methodology consists of three primary support pillars: providing access to financial resources via the creation of a community based credit & savings cooperative, financial literacy education, and micro-enterprise development & counseling.

Global Brigades’ staff work with communities to establish the cooperatives and provide follow-up to the cooperatives. Financial education and micro-enterprise counseling are provided through the utilization of student volunteers during 7 day trips to Panama called “Business Brigades”.

The date: April 28th - May 4th, 2013

**GET INVOLVED**

Join Oakland University’s first international service student organization!

You can help us reach our goal by donating to our cause, spreading the word, or if you’re an Oakland University student, join a brigade!

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