

CARING FOR YOUNG LIVES

Youth Ministry, Belize

Providing young people with hope for the future

In their own words

'I subscribe wholly to the principles of social justice. I believe that young people have the power to chart their future positively.'

*Alberto Vellos,
 National Youth Representative for Belize*



Belize factfile

Capital: Belmopan
Languages: English (official), Spanish, Creole, Mayan dialects, Garifuna (Carib) and German
Religion: Christianity
Export: Bananas, cocoa, citrus fruits, sugar, fish, cultured shrimp, lumber and garments
Further reading: 'Understanding Belize: A Historical Guide' by Alan Twigg (ISBN-10: 1550173251)

USPG in Belize

USPG (then SPG) sent the Revd Shaw to Belize in 1776 and has been supporting the Anglican Church there ever since. USPG also supports Mission Companions Malcolm and Ruth Lambert in Belmopan.



About this Project...

▶ **Target: £2,670 / €3,560 | Project 367**

The youth of Belize face many challenges that threaten their development including unemployment, violence, crime, drugs and HIV/AIDS.

With the support of USPG, the Diocese of Belize is working to teach Christian values to young people and nurture them in the hope that they will become role models and future leaders in the country.

Youth groups are being established in Anglican churches. Leadership training is also being offered to young people. The groups encourage young people to work as a team and reach

out to their communities.

This Project is equipping volunteers with the skills to be bridge builders as they seek to nurture and guide young people in Belize today. It is empowering them to play a more active role in society.

The Bishop of Belize, the Rt Revd Philip Wright explained: 'The church's work with youth is critical. We want to help young people to develop a positive self-image and provide them with life skills and better decision-making skills to help them cope in these changing times.'

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