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Job Shadowing Venezuela

Week Three

Monday 22 April 2013

On Monday the Job Shadowers had an Institutional Visit to "SOS Aldeas Infantiles". SOS Children's Villages is an independent, non-governmental international development organisation which has been working to meet the needs and protect the interests and rights of children since 1949. They support disadvantaged families at risk of separation by bolstering their capacity to protect and care for their children. Strengthening safety nets within the community is key. They run over 2,300 programmes that cater to more than one million children and adults around the world.

During their visit they were given a brief introduction on the work of "SOS Aldeas Infantiles" and had the opportunity to interview the volunteers that work for the organization providing care for children. In addition, they prepare a series of education activities for the teenagers that currently live at the villages, using non-formal education methods.









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On Tuesday the Job Shadowers had the opportunity to visit "El Sistema". The Simón Bolívar Music Foundation (FundaMusical Bolívar) is the governing body of the National System of Youth and Children's Orchestras and Choirs of Venezuela, commonly known as Sistema'. It was founded by maestro José Antonio Abreu, for the purpose of systematizing music education promoting the collective practice of music through symphony orchestras choruses as a means of social organization and communitarian development.



FundaMusical Bolívar is attached to the Ministry of People's Power for the President's Office of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela. They were received with a small concert by the children orchestra and chorus. During their visit they had the opportunity to interview two of the young conductors and professors from the Núcleo Maiquetía.







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Wednesday 24 April 2013

On Wednesday the Job Shadowers had a Institutional Visit to AJE USB (Asociación de Jóvenes Empresarios – Universidad Simón Bolívar). They were greeted by Luis Esparragoza President of the Association and had a Conference on "Youth Leadership and Entrepreneurship" with a series of youth led organizations: REUNE UCAB y GRUPO MANTRA.





Thursday 25 April 2013

The Job Shadowers spent the day on a Working Session writing the Country Report and preparing a series of non-formal education activities for children age 6-12 for Voluntary Activity at the Luis Castro Public Primary School in Caraballeda, Vargas State.

Friday 26 April 2013

On Friday SWYAA Venezuela had a Volunteer Activity at Luis Castro Public Primary School in Caraballeda, Vargas State. More than 160 children ages 6 -12 from 1st to 6th grade took part on the activities.

Children prepared a small presentation on Venezuelan culture and flamenco dance for our Spanish Job Shadower and made the Romania National Flag to greet our Romanian Job Shadower.







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Saturday 27 April 2013

Saturday morning was spent on a Workshop on Cultural Diversity to help understanding the diversity of our heritage and the contributions of different groups to modern society and identify minority cultures in our community and possible issues. Reflections were made upon understanding equality and inequality, stereotyping and the different types of discrimination.







In the afternoon we had a Public Hearing "Conversatorio sobre Emprendimiento y Motivación Empresarial" with special Guest Elsie Maita and Ottnayver Cadenas. Follow up with a Round Table with the participation of AJE USB, Opción Venezuela, Embajadores Comunitarios, Impulso Creativo, Banesco, Transnautas and Emprendedores.net.ve.







