

Housing and Transportation Information for Quetzaltenango, Guatemala

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Xela, housing

Homestays in Xela:

Work at Primeros Pasos is generally M-F, 8am-1pm, so past students generally have taken Spanish classes in the afternoons and through the Spanish school, they are set up with a host family. Prices include 3 meals a day and the Spanish schools screen the families and use the same ones for all of their students. Primeros Pasos has partnerships with 6 schools that they recommend to our students:

- [Celas Maya Spanish School](https://www.celasmaya.edu.gt/), <https://www.celasmaya.edu.gt/>
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- [Spanish School Sexto Estado](http://www.sextoestado14.com/), <http://www.sextoestado14.com/>
Carly: sextoestado14@gmail.com
Eduardo: guayocrates16@hotmail.com
- [Spanish School Sol Latino](#)
- [Spanish School Miguel Angel Asturias](#)
- [Spanish School Proyecto Linguistico Quetzalteco](#)
- [Spanish School Ulew Tinamit](#)
- [Association Pop-Wuj](#)

Spanish schools charge about \$180-200 a week for Spanish lessons, room, and food.

If you want to work on your Spanish before you arrive, a Spanish teacher who works closely with the clinic offers Skype classes online and can address whatever doubts you have before you arrive. Her website is: www.proyectomundolatino.org. Prices for volunteers are \$10 per hour.

Hotels/hostels in Xela:

- <http://www.hotelmodelo1892.com/>
- <http://hostalcasadonamercedes.com.gt/>
- <http://www.spanish.hostelworld.com/hosteldetails.php/The-Black-Cat/Quetzaltenango/20495>

Guatemala City, housing

Hotels:

- Quetzalroo Backpacker's Hostel, www.quetzalroo.com, (502) 5746-0830, (502) 4581-1360
- Patricia's Bed & Breakfast, www.patriciashotel.com, (502) 5402 3256, (502) 2261 4251

Rooms for Rent (Tell them you're with Primeros Pasos):

- [The Yoga House](#) - You get free unlimited Yoga classes!
- [EntreMundos](#)
- [Casa Xelaju](#)

Transportation

Buses (from Guatemala City to Xela):

- <http://www.xelapages.com/trans.htm>
- <http://altiplanos.com.gt/>
- <http://www.adrenalinatours.com/tours/quetzaltenango.html>
- <http://www.monte-verdetours.com/hikes.htm>

Tours & Hikes:

- This local tour company, staffed by Guatemalans from Xela, comes highly recommended for its amazing guided hikes and great history lessons during the tours: <http://guateguides.com/>

Additional information from Primeros Pasos: (click on each to navigate to its home online)

 [Medical Spanish Resources](#)

 [Literature on Guatemala](#)

 [Children's Health Educator Welcome Packet.pdf](#)

 [Medical Professional Welcome Packet.pdf](#)

 [Fundraising Packet & Needs List](#)