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*The Mobility Project in conjunction with Mission Mazahua is in search of, and in DESPERATE/URGENT need, of volunteers and monetary support in order to help distribute 170 wheelchairs in central Mexico. Many children and elderly adults are eagerly awaiting the donation of this equipment.*

### Volunteers Hands on opportunity

Every volunteer has an opportunity to work individually with the recipients of each wheelchair. The process includes assuring the chair meets the need of the individual receiving it as well as working on the mechanical parts to fit and adjust the chair properly.



### Urgent Distribution

Together, The Mobility Project and Mision Mazahua are planning a distribution the weeks of August 30th-September 12th. Because the time is quickly approaching the deadline for volunteers to apply is August 25.



summer in hopes of serving the need of the Mexican people. Fortunately many of the volunteers brought chairs with them and 50 wheelchairs were able to be given away during the summer. However, a tremendous need still exists. We finally have the equipment to complete the mission. 170 wheelchairs are here, waiting to be given to individuals who have waited up to a year for this blessing.



### Border Delays

A container was shipped by The Mobility Project in May 2008 which included wheelchairs, walkers, crutches, canes and other desperately needed equipment. Unfortunately the container was held at the border and did not arrive at Mision Mazahua until August 14th. The delay of the wheelchairs at the border caused considerable monetary expense as well as a delay in distribution. Several teams of volunteers travelled to Mexico during the

Individuals here are in dire need of this equipment. If we are unable to put a team together now, the wheelchairs will have to be put into storage until possibly next year. Our hope is to meet their needs now. The solution is here and waiting, and all we need your help!

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### Monetary Donations

Donations are urgently needed. Please send all funds to :  
**THE MOBILITY PROJECT**  
**8631 University Point Circle**  
**Bremerton, WA 98311**

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### Volunteer Costs

\$700, plus airfare, will cover all expenses for one week . \$1300, plus airfare, will cover fees for both weeks of distribution. These fees cover all transportation within Mexico, including to and from the airport, meals ,and accomodations. Flights may be booked yourself or through travel agent (Laura Smith 360.266.8747). Contact the Mobility office by August 25th (800.818.8846) to reserve a place on the team, or for more information, **before booking flights.**

### Urgent Need

Two needs must be met to complete the mission here in Mexico. Volunteers are needed and donations are of pressing importance. Four highly qualified individuals which include physical and occupational therapist are ready to lead this trip and are waiting for volunteers and or monetary donations to make this all happen. Due to the number of wheelchairs to be given away and the amount of work involved 15-20 volunteers are ideal. Due to the expense incurred covering storage fees charged for the wheelchairs while sitting at the border and other shipping costs, funds are needed to help cover the expenses of this distribution.

HELP US MAKE A DIFFERENCE!