

**ACTION ON HIV**

# San Esteban AIDS Hostel, Uruguay

*Providing support for homeless people living with HIV/AIDS*

**In their own words**

*'I thought about taking my life – I was losing my faith – but here they've restored me. Thank you to all who contribute in any way to the hostel, so we don't lose hope.'*

Norma Gladys Juarez,  
 resident of St Esteban's



**Uruguay factfile**

**Capital:** Montevideo  
**Languages:** Spanish (Official), Portuguese, or Brazilerio (Portuguese-Spanish mix on the Brazilian frontier)  
**Religion:** Christianity, Jewish, nondenominational  
**Export:** Rice, wheat, soyabeans, barley, livestock, beef, fish, timber  
**Further reading:**  
[http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/world/americas/country\\_profiles/1229360.stm](http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/world/americas/country_profiles/1229360.stm)

**USPG in Uruguay**

USPG has supported the Anglican Church in Uruguay for over 20 years and have been supporting San Esteban Hostel since it opened in 2002.

## About this Project...

▶ **Target: £15,320 / €20,420 | Project 355**

San Esteban Hostel offers help to vulnerable people living with HIV/AIDS in situations of extreme poverty. For the residents, being HIV positive is one further tragic complication in already difficult circumstances. Hostel manager and reverend Dr Livan Echazabal (pictured above left) said: 'The hostel provides residents with the care and attention they need. We focus on their reintegration with society, family and friends. We walk side by side with them during the difficult process of trying to find a job which will enable them to fend for

themselves. The hostel offers support for residents that they would not find elsewhere. Hogar San Esteban (St Stephen's Hostel) was set up by the Anglican Church in a building that also accomodates a church. San Esteban's philosophy is to give psychological, physical and spiritual support to people with HIV/AIDS and to help them to become independent so they can heal, grow and become integrated members of society.

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