

Paolo, 19

Paolo lives in an **informal settlement**, built high into the steep hillside of southern Lima. He is volunteering his time to do **community service** every Sunday, to help **improve his neighbourhood**.

He is working on a new **staircase**. Without these staircases, the paths leading to the houses are treacherous. The staircases can make a huge difference to help people **move down the hills quickly**, especially if there is a fire or a **natural disaster**, like an earthquake or landslide.

Paolo is helping to **build the future** of his community.

“For me, community service is really important. It is something that you do to **improve your community** to help it to grow and develop.”