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CONTEXT

Consolidation of care from the start of the COVID 19 Contingency Plan
Start date of operations March 9, 2020

108,607 people reached

Save the Children Colombia continues its operations in the regions of Arauca, La Guajira, Valle del Cauca, Santander, Norte de Santander, Nariño and Bogotá, the country's capital. The Health, WASH, EiE, and Protection programs have adapted their operations to the bio-security protocols. In this way, we've provided PPE (personal protection elements) to our staff throughout the country. There have been a few incidents of social unrest in several towns and cities due to the lack of income during quarantine. The national government has extended the national quarantine until August 31, however local governments have the possibility to extend special measures. Most local governments have done so until further notice. All business has to implement COVID-19 protocols and those have to be approved by government entities in order to be able to reopen offices and public spaces. Colombia is expected to reach its pandemic peak by mid-august. Bogotá is on red alert, with 84% of ICUs occupied. Over 90.000 Venezuelans have return to their country due to the pandemic (4,5% of total Venezuelan migrants in Colombia)

OUR RESPONSE



Girls

32,303



Boys

30,796



Women

26,722



Men

18,786

Staff



- Weekly monitoring of field offices needs and updates through the COVID-19 Task Force, including staff movements.
- The “*Care for the care givers*” program keep going on in Jun it gave over 100 hours of one-to-one support.

Wash



- **30.297** beneficiaries received hygiene promotion information and COVID-19 prevention.
- **16.305 boys and girls** have received COVID-19 prevention key messages through printed material and broadcasting.
- **20 tanks and 69 buckets** were delivered to families from the Macho 2 settlement in Maicao, La Guajira.

Health



- **3.051** patients were attended in our EHU sexual and reproductive health and mental health activities.
- The hand washing of all and all patients and staff was monitored before entering the USSR, there is an isolation care area, COVID-19 prevention messages are provided.
- Consultations for prenatal and postnatal control, newborn care, family planning, general, mental health and psychosocial support were carried out in the Maicao Unit.
- Permanent monitoring of EHU staff is ensured.

CASH and livelihoods



- In Arauca, Bogotá, Guajira and Valle del Cauca, **21.737 families** have benefited from multipurpose cash transfers and guidance on effective spending.
- Calls to families to deliver information about the project, start the telephone enrollment process and become beneficiaries of the Cash program. Recommendations were given on the proper use of money, communication channels (online and E-mail) are socialized and recommendations are provided on prevention of COVID 19.

Education



- **21.534 girls, boys and parents** and / or caregivers have received EiE materials. We continue our Temporary Learning Spaces strategy through phone calls and ‘WhatsApp’ messages to children families attending TLCs.
- Delivery of radios to the children and adolescents participating in the education program.
- 2 uniforms were delivered for 63 boys and girls of the TLS who were enrolled (daily uniform and sweatshirt) for a total of 126 uniforms.
- Delivery of **130 food rations**, food within the framework of the ECW project, for the families of the children participating in the Mentors and Mentors programs, Digital Classrooms.

Protection



- **31.988** actions in protection for children were done, parents and caregivers have received attention in protection and case management.
- Telephone contact is made to pregnant and lactating women, to promote key messages on breastfeeding and complementary feeding, prevention of vector diseases and self-care messages to reduce the risk of contagion of COVID-19.

CROSS-CUTTING THEMES

Advocacy, CRG and Communications

Recent activities in Advocacy and Communications include:

- Launch of the Xenophobia Barometer campaign, which is meant to provide us with early digital alerts of discrimination in various cities throughout Colombia
- Presentation of our 'La Hora del Kilele' radio program to departmental authorities in Nariño
- Planning a special in Semana magazine highlighting breastfeeding for World Breastfeeding Week