

News about the emergency of the Cotopaxi Volcano Economic support: Romerillos Community

Objective:

To give medical assistance and economic support to the community of Romerillos and the women's group "Sweet Angels"

Where:

Romerillos community, Cotopaxi province, located 2 hours south of Quito.

This community is one of the places affected by the constant ash fall from the Cotopaxi volcano.

Our project with the group of 25 women has been directly affected in their productions of both agriculture and animals.

Why:

The constant ash fall affects the people, the animals, and the land. It causes eye, nose, and throat sicknesses in the people, and also the ash affects the health of the animals, leaving them without pasture. Some of the people have had to sell their animals at low prices; which has made them lose their principle source of income, milk and meat.



Latest News:

- Global Ministries gave a donation of \$4,000.00 dollars, which was distributed in the following manner: \$2,000.00 dollars for medical attention and the purchase of medicines for the people, and \$2,000.00 dollars for the purchase of medicines for the animals.
- Up to now, approximately 200 people have been given medical attention, medicine, and face masks to protect them from the ash.
- The medical attention has taken place in the "Roseanne y Arnold Franke" Medical Center, which was inaugurated two months ago.
- During the emergency the people from Ministry of Health will send out a medical brigade once a week and FEDICE will provide the necessary medicine.
- The 25 families of the FEDICE's beneficiary group have all been given medicines to take care of 110 cows, calves, and sheep.
- The families who belong to the Fedice group have expressed their wishes to have help in buying grass or hay for the cattle and sheep, and also for help in building stables so that the animals can get away from the falling ash.
- FEDICE will try to raise funds to purchase food for Romerillos with the other communities that work with us and are not affected by the ash.

Thanks to everyone for your support and solidarity with Romerillos. This help would not be possible without you, our friends from the USA. Blessings to everybody