ChildFund International Humanitarian Situation Report Template Humanitarian Situation Report [1] COVID-19 – [MEXICO] [April 29th, 2020]

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Part 1: The Overall Situation

COUNTRY

Total Number of COVID-19	Number of Deaths	Number of Cases Recuperated				
Cases Reported						
<mark>16,752</mark>	<mark>1,569</mark>					
SOURCE: https://coronavirus.gob.mx/						

Mexico Federal government makes a formal announcement every day at 7:00 pm to share the official update of the situation of Covid-19 spread in the country. All of the information shared in this report is updated to this day (April 22^h), which means that the official data are from COB of April 28st.

Mexico - Map of confirmed, negative and suspected COVID-19 cases



Source: Daily technical statement from the Federal Health Secretariat (General Directorate of Epidemiology),

April 28th 2020, 7:00 pm

On Tuesday, April 21st, the Federal Government officially declared the beginning of phase 3 of the pandemic, stage in which the highest rate of contagion is expected in the country. Due to this, the Secretary of Health, in its most recent report corresponding to 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 21, 2020, emphasized in the "active" confirmed cases, and does no longer share detailed information on the other cases.

Although the number of infections continues to rise, several of them have already recovered and some others have died. According to figures from the Secretary of Health, there are currently 3,185 positive cases of COVID-19. This group represents those who have presented symptoms and have been confirmed with the disease, since less than 14 days. This also means that of all the people (9,501) who have been diagnosed positive, only 33.52% remain ill.

ChildFund-supported areas

Geographical	ChildFund presence	Total of	Total of	Suspect	Number	Number of	
area (city or		Confirmed	Active	cases	of	Cases	
State)		Cases	Cases		Deaths	Recuperated	
Mexico City	Country Office staff	<mark>4,474</mark>	<mark>1,521</mark>	<mark>2,770</mark>	<mark>348</mark>	U	
Chiapas	1 LP, Herdez grant	<mark>141</mark>	<mark>62</mark>	<mark>77</mark>	<mark>6</mark>	U	
Estado de México	2 LPs	<mark>2,722</mark>	<mark>943</mark>	<mark>2,768</mark>	<mark>128</mark>	U	
Hidalgo	7 LPs, Confio grant	<mark>226</mark>	<mark>110</mark>	<mark>77</mark>	<mark>27</mark>	U	
Michoacán	2 LPs, ArcelorMittal grant	<mark>250</mark>	<mark>93</mark>	<mark>200</mark>	<mark>37</mark>	U	
Oaxaca	3 LPs, Confio grant	<mark>121</mark>	<mark>40</mark>	<mark>54</mark>	<mark>17</mark>	U	
Puebla	3 LPs, Walmart grant	<mark>583</mark>	<mark>167</mark>	<mark>288</mark>	<mark>75</mark>	U	
Veracruz	1 LP	<mark>465</mark>	<mark>192</mark>	<mark>335</mark>	<mark>38</mark>	U	
SOURCE: National Secretary of Health, https://coronavirus.gob.mx/							

^{*} We had been notified on April 1st, of a suspected case in the intervention area of our LP #2518 Hñahñu Batsi de San Andrés Daboxtha, the result of the test has shown negative.

** On Saturday April 4th, the municipality of San Sebastian Teitipac, Oaxaca, formally notified that one person from the town was tested positive to Covid-19. ChildFund Mexico's LP in this area, #4285 Niños de Magdalena Teitipac, does not work in this municipality, but in very close localities (3 km distance to San Juan Teitipac, with CONFIO implementation and 10 km from Magdalena Teitipac, sponsorship + CONFIO implementation). As a result, most of the communities have closed their access and controlling entrances and exits, as well as reinforced communication to people coming back from other places to invite them to maintain a 14 days period of quarantine.

Background information | At the end of January, the Secretary of Health issued a statement saying that the novel coronavirus COVID-19 did not present a danger to Mexico. On February 28th, Mexico confirmed its first three cases. A 35-year-old man and a 59-year-old man in Mexico City and a 41-year-old man in the northern state of Sinaloa tested positive and were held in isolation at a hospital and a hotel, respectively. They had travelled to Italy in mid-February. On February 29th, a fourth case was detected and confirmed in the city of Torreón, in the state of Coahuila, being a 20-year-old woman who also traveled to Italy.

Government posture and measures to address the health crisis and economic impact | At Federal level, the Government announced on Saturday, March 14th, that all schools at all levels would close from March 20th to April 20th (thus advancing by 2 weeks the Easter holidays that were already programmed

from April 3rd to 20th). At local level some State governments anticipated this measure and closed the school on March 17th, so did several private or autonomous schools throughout the country.

In addition to this measure, social activities that are considered as "non essentials" such as events, concerts, gatherings... have been cancelled or postponed, and many companies or institutions are closing or their services (such as gyms, movies, museums).

However it is important to note that at that point there had been no federal order to restrict this kind of activities and that the government's position was to maintain norms of social distancing, with the official launch of the "Jornadas de sana distancia" ("Days of healthy distance") from March 23rd to April 19th.

This strategy, disseminated by the Secretary of Health, consists in taking basic preventive measures to contain the expansion of COVID-19, such as temporarily suspending non-essential activities and rescheduling massive concentrations. As a result, many companies or institutions have implemented home office and other measures to limit direct contact, but also to allow employees with children to be able to take proper care of them. The authorities have made a call not to take this period as vacations and to stay safe at home to avoid infections.

Finally, on Monday March 23rd, after a regular increase of confirmed cases and the apparition of local contagion, the WHO declared that Mexico had entered phase 2 of the epidemic – which the government first didn't acknowledge, but made official on Tuesday, March 24th in the morning.

The undersecretary of health, Hugo López-Gatell pointed out: "We want to formally declare the start of phase 2. This allows us to draw the horizon for the next 30 to 40 days, where we will begin to visualize that in Mexico, for having anticipated the massive measures that have the greatest impact in reducing the transmission and in the social consequences, we will be able to bend the curve, we will be able to have less transmission. The intention is to have fewer cases, so it is important to take mitigation measures into account. "He also mentioned that for this reason, fewer simultaneous cases, we will face a longer period of the pandemic.

As part of this new phase, the following measures were announced for the entire country, most of which have already been implemented by local authorities:

- "Susana Distancia", a word game for the healthy distance campaign, in maintain a space of at least 1.5 meters between 2 persons.
- Suspend classes until April 23rd.
- Temporarily suspend events and meetings of 100 people
- Suspend work activities that involve the mobilization of people in all sectors of society.
- Protect older adults and other risk groups.

The President also signed a decree so that in the public and private sector, senior employees are granted paid leave so that they can stay at home with salary and all benefits. In the same line, the governmental monthly financial support to vulnerable segments of the population, such as the elderly, children with disabilities, and youth, has been advanced for 2 months. Also, the Secretary of Finance will provide an additional emergency budget to support the response.

Finally, in addition to the medical / health care plan, the Secretary of Navy and the Secretary of Defense are engaged to intervene, if necessary, with the Marine Plan, and with the DN III plan - said plan is an

operational concept with preventive, relief and recovery phases, and includes the use of military hospitals, continuing with the purchase and distribution of specialized medicine equipment, and the distribution of medical supplies.

State of Emergency or requested outside assistance | On March, 30th the President Andrés Manuel López Obrador called a meeting of the health committee, and at the daily official press conference at 7 pm, the Secretary of Foreign Affairs officially declared the "state of health emergency due to force majeure". This declaratory has been accompanied by new or reinforced measures:

- Immediate suspension of non-essential activities in the public, private and social sectors, except those necessary to attend to the health emergency, until April 30th. (*meaning that schools will extend their suspension until this date, as the date initially considered was April 20th*)
- In the essential sectors, activities and meetings of more than 50 people will not be possible.
- The healthy distance journey is extended until April 30th.
- o Basic prevention measures: frequent hand washing, respiratory label, etc.
- o Temporary suspension of non-essential activities in the public and private sectors.
- o Reprogramming of events of massive concentration.
- o Protection and care of the elderly.
- The entire population is exhorted to comply with the responsible home receipt.
- All face-to-face censuses and surveys are postponed.
- Home quarantines applies strictly for all people over 60 years of age, people with chronic diseases, preexisting diseases, and pregnant women.
- After April 30th, the Secretary of Health and the Secretary of Labor will issue guidelines for staggered return to activities.

Based on those reinforced guidelines, it is estimated that 65% of businesses nationwide are closed, 80% of hotels are idle and there is a drop in sales in the service sector that has not yet been quantified, according to the president of the Confederation of National Chambers of Commerce, Services and Tourism (Concanaco) José Manuel López (newspaper www.eluniversal.com.mx, March 31st); which puts thousands of jobs at risk.

So far there has been no request for outside assistance, but it has been communicated (newspaper www.reforma.com, March 31st) that the Mexican government received a donation of 100,000 face covers, 5 respirators and 50,000 test kits to detect Covid-19, from the JackMa Foundation and the Alibaba Foundation (through the Cultural Center of China in Mexico).

As mentioned above, Mexico has entered phase 3 yesterday (April 21st), and this has been accompanied by a series of measures to reinforce the "days of healthy distance" announced in March. For instance, starting April 23rd, transportation in Mexico City is being reduced to discourage people to move within the city (20% of metro and bus stations closed, alternate circulation of private cars according to their license plate numbers). In a previous official communication, the Government had shared the information that the quarantine would last until May 30th, except for some municipalities with very few or no confirmed cases which would start resuming activities (including opening schools) as soon as May 18th. However, the Government has now updated the information, saying that this would depend on how Mexico would cross the "most critical peak of contagion" which is estimated for May 2nd to 8th, and about the date of June 1st to lift the mobility and activities restrictions, the Secretary of Health has specified that "at all times it is necessary to analyze dynamically the epidemic and how society is coping with this difficult situation. Only

if the Healthy Distance Day is properly fulfilled it would be possible, but then if not, if people start getting out because there is a false perception of normality, it would be deferred".

Today, the President announced the publication of a decree of 11 austerity measures to deal with the crisis caused by the pandemic and by the drop in oil prices. With the delivery of 3 million credits and the creation of 2 million loans, he estimates that 70% of Mexican families will be protected. The austerity program will not cut through priority social programs.

Travel restrictions | So far, Mexico hasn't implemented any travel restriction to the entry or exit of its territory, but is getting constraints by the measure taken by other countries (for instance the USA closing their borders with Canada and Mexico to non-essential travel - March 20th, or flight suspensions implemented by different countries)

Part 2: The Situation in Areas Where ChildFund Works

(Based on national information and information shared by the LPs)

	Partner Organization	International Sponsorship		Local Sponsorship		Total enrolled	COVID19 Cases Reported in ChildFund Communities (Y/N/Unknown) Provide number if	Number of Enrolled Children Reported with COVID19 (If	Number of enrolled children diseased as result of
#	Local Partner	Sponsored	Enrolled	Sponsored	Enrolled		available.	available.)	COVID19
1	La Casa de los Niños de Tezonapa A.C.			882	1,239	1,239	N	n/a	n/a
1751	Niños Unidos de Tetitla I.A.P.	207	289	117	143	432	N	n/a	n/a
1765	Centro Infantil Jonacapa A.C.	270	293	86	116	409	N	n/a	n/a
2005	Centro de Promoción Ocumicho A.C.	722	835	64	76	911	N	n/a	n/a
2068	Yohualichan A.C.	1,284	1,526	433	495	2,021	<mark>1</mark>	n/a	n/a
2165	Centro Infantil Huextetitla A.C.	401	557			557	N	n/a	n/a
2516	Desarrollo Infantil Taxadhó A.C.	367	452	288	337	789	N	n/a	n/a
2517	Niños de Santa Fe A.C.	1,306	1,542	99	115	1,657	<mark>1</mark>	n/a	n/a
2518	Hñahñú Batsi de San Andres Daboxtha A.C.	398	506	282	316	822	N	n/a	n/a
2520	Niños Totonacos A.C.	2,601	3,097	426	472	3,569	N	n/a	n/a
2522	Niños de Bobashi I.A.P	810	968	609	652	1,620	N	n/a	n/a
2523	Apoyo Infantil Hñahñú A.C.	393	463	159	164	627	N	n/a	n/a
2839	Niños Unidos de Ixtlahuaca A.C.	523	622			622	N	n/a	n/a
2842	Sakubel Ki'nal A.C.	431	524	138	173	697	N	n/a	n/a
2843	Hñahñú Batsi Ri Xudi A.C.	378	517	156	192	709	N	n/a	n/a
2924	Organización de Apoyo y Beneficios Saucitlán A.C.	1,214	1,449	115	120	1,569	N	n/a	n/a
3848	Centro Tepelmeme A.C.	249	387			387	N	n/a	n/a
4285	Niños de Magdalena Teitipac A.C.	183	284	119	140	424	N	n/a	n/a
9262	Niños Acatecos A.C.	1,200	1,496			1,496	N	n/a	n/a

On Monday April 20th, we received notification from 2 LPs of confirmed cases in their area of intervention (enrolled communities).

The first case is in the community of Taxipehuatl, enrolled to our LP # 2068 Yohualichan A.C. The local government confirmed the case on Sunday April 19th, of a person who had recently travelled to Mexico City to visit relatives. This person has not shown complications and is being isolated at home with regular check ups from the health sector. The municipality of Cuetzalan, to which Taxipehuatl community belongs, had not registered any case previously and has reinforced messages about the importance of remaining at home, as well as the control and filter to the access to the municipality.

The second case is in the community of Segunda Manzana de Donaciano Ojeda, enrolled to our LP # 2517 Niños de Santa Fe. We have no detailed information about the case, except that the person is currently treated in the municipality's hospital and that the sanitary protocol has been activated.

During this week (April 22nd to 29th) we didn't receive any notification of new cases in enrolled communities, in addition to the 2 mentioned above. However there has been a significant increase of confirmed cases at municipality level, in our area of intervention: there were confirmed cases in 14 municipalities last week, there are now in 20, for a total of cases that has arisen from 73 to 144 (+ 97%):

LP#	State	Municipality	Confirmed cases	Required hospitalization	Required intensive care	Death	Rate for 100,000 inhabitants
ARCEMX	Michoacán	Lázaro Cárdenas	88	<mark>32</mark>	<mark>4</mark>	<mark>14</mark>	<mark>45.8</mark>
grant #25-078D	<u>Chiapas</u>	Tapachula Tapachula	<mark>12</mark>	2	0	<mark>2</mark>	3.12
<mark>2517</mark>	Michoacán	<mark>Zitácuaro</mark>	9	<mark>6</mark>	<mark>0</mark>	1	5.23
<mark>4285</mark>	Oaxaca	San Antonio de la Cal	<mark>6</mark>	<mark>4</mark>	<mark>0</mark>	0	<mark>23.4</mark>
<mark>2924</mark>	Oaxaca	Huajuapan de León	<mark>5</mark>	<mark>2</mark>	0	<u>1</u>	<mark>6.15</mark>
<mark>2522</mark>	México México	Atlacomulco	<mark>4</mark>	<mark>3</mark>	<u>1</u>	<mark>2</mark>	<mark>3.73</mark>
<mark>2068 / 2520</mark>	<u>Puebla</u>	Cuetzalan del Progreso	<mark>2</mark>	0	0	0	<mark>3.9</mark>
<mark>2522</mark>	<mark>México</mark>	San José del Rincón	2	<mark>2</mark>	0	0	2.02
<mark>2516</mark>	Hidalgo	San Salvador	<mark>2</mark>	<mark>2</mark>	0	<u>1</u>	<mark>5.26</mark>
<mark>1765</mark>	Hidalgo	Tecozautla Tecozautla	<mark>2</mark>	<mark>2</mark>	1	0	<mark>4.94</mark>
<mark>1765 / 2839</mark>	Hidalgo	Alfajayucan	<mark>2</mark>	<mark>1</mark>	0	0	<mark>9.06</mark>
<mark>4285</mark>	<mark>Oaxaca</mark>	Villa de Zaachila	<mark>2</mark>	<mark>2</mark>	0	0	<mark>4.27</mark>
<mark>2522</mark>	<mark>México</mark>	Acambay	<u>1</u>	0	0	0	1.44
<mark>3848</mark>	Oaxaca	San Miguel Tequixtepec	<u>1</u>	<mark>1</mark>	0	<mark>1</mark>	<mark>94.88</mark>
<mark>2516</mark>	Hidalgo	Santiago de Anaya	<u>1</u>	<mark>1</mark>	0	0	<mark>5.44</mark>
<mark>9262</mark>	<u>Puebla</u>	Tepexi de Rodríguez	<u>1</u>	0	0	0	<mark>4.46</mark>
<mark>9262</mark>	<u>Puebla</u>	Acatlán	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	0	0	<mark>2.65</mark>
<mark>9262</mark>	<u>Puebla</u>	San Pedro Yeloixtlahuaca	<u>1</u>	0	0	0	<mark>28.41</mark>
<mark>1</mark>	Veracruz	Tezonapa	<u>1</u>	0	0	0	<mark>1.68</mark>
<mark>2842</mark>	Chiapas	Tila	<u>1</u>	0	0	0	<mark>2.34</mark>

As mentioned last week, more municipalities are taking decisions to limit their access to non-residents, as a preventive measure to avoid contagion – the measures range from sanitary filters at the different points of access, to closing the entrance and allowing only essential services or providers. On a same note, public

transportation has been significantly reduced in rural areas and between some regional cities (Puebla-Huajuapan for instance).

<u>Child deaths: List any sponsored child (with Partner organization and child ID from salesforce) diseased as a result of COVID19. (Note: These need to be reported immediately following the regular sponsorship protocols.)</u>

No cases at this point.

Partner Organization (Use Salesforce identifying code/name.)		What is the statu	s of th	ne program/s	ponsorship proc	esses (operational	/suspended)?
		Program Implementation	cvs	M&E Level 2	Enrollment /Disaffiliation	Sponsorship Communication	DFC
1	La Casa de los Niños de Tezonapa A.C.						
1751	Niños Unidos de Tetitla I.A.P.						
1765	Centro Infantil Jonacapa A.C.						
2005	Centro de Promoción Ocumicho A.C.						
2068	Yohualichan A.C.					very limited as LP staff is working	
2165	Centro Infantil Huextetitla A.C.					from home and	
2516	Desarrollo Infantil Taxadhó A.C.	Program sessions, events, training				clearing some pending	We are
2517	Niños de Santa Fe A.C.	are suspended.	are suspended.		correspondence, translations ongoing, CO staff	currently developing guidelines for DFCs delivery	
2518	Hñahñú Batsi de San Andres Daboxtha A.C.	LPs are working on awareness					
2520	Niños Totonacos A.C.	raising and communication	•	postponed to Q1 and 2 FY21	suspended	working from home. CO is currently	along with
2522	Niños de Bobashi I.A.P	activities +	_ a	110 2 1 121			supporting cash transfer
2523	Apoyo Infantil Hñahñú A.C.	administrative			implementing the	delivery,	
2839	Niños Unidos de Ixtlahuaca A.C.	and sponsorship activities. All staff				sponsors communication	starting in
2842	Sakubel Ki´nal A.C.	are working from				strategy,	May.
2843	Hñahñú Batsi Ri Xudi A.C.	home				according to IO and Alliance's	
2924	Organización de Apoyo y Beneficios Saucitlán A.C.					recommendations	
3848	Centro Tepelmeme A.C.						
4285	Niños de Magdalena Teitipac A.C.						
9262	Niños Acatecos A.C.						

Note: As a global measure, all sponsor visits have been suspended.

- What issues are children in these areas facing (food shortages, safety concerns, schools' closure, etc.)?

For the moment, in addition to schools at all levels being closed in the whole country, our Local Partners have referred that the situation has remain normal at community level, with governmental services and some businesses closed. Religious and cultural activities have been suspended. Most families are carrying on their normal work activities. Specificities reported by some LPs:

- Panic buying (Hidalgo State)
- Families' attitude towards the "social distancing" varies, between incredulity, anxiety, and partial respect to the recommendations
- Mothers feeling overwhelmed by having their children at all time at home (Veracruz State)
- Increase of 'people returning from big cities to their communities, and lack of precautionary measures to check the health status (Puebla State > increasing risk of contagion in those areas)
- For the moment the situation remains similar, the LPs report that in some areas people are following more the recommendation to stay at home but in general adults keep working in the fields, as there is a shared feeling in the most remote areas that the crisis is a "political question" (as shared by LP#2165, who also reported that some parents were taking the opportunity to take their children to work with them) which will require targeted messages in those areas to sensitize the communities in general and the parents/caregivers about the risks they are facing and to which they are exposing their children.
- Child protection risks caused or exacerbated by crisis situation.
 - School dropout, lack of proper activities (educational or recreational), with intellectual and psychosocial consequences.
 - Increased risk of domestic physical or emotional violence. (see comment above)
 - Increased risk of sexual abuse due to overcrowding living conditions
 - Increased risk of child labor (as children are not currently going to school, and possible impact of the contingency on families' livelihoods) see example above
 - Increase risk of been contaminated as culturally children -specially girls- and women are ill caregivers

Part 3: ChildFund's Response

3.a. Overall

- Who is or will be leading/managing the response?

 SMT + LP Specialist, Communications, Advocacy and Corporate Fundraising Specialist.
- How is ChildFund linked with humanitarian coordination structures, i.e., in which clusters or working groups do we participate? The most recent/next meeting and who is representing ChildFund? Donor meetings we have attended, or missions that we are aware of related to the response?

Currently we are discussing and contributing to different coordination mechanisms at national level (OCHA + Joining Forces). We have also reached out to different possible donors (see the detail below in section 8) for funding or in-kind, and local governments through the LPs for awareness raising campaign, strengthening of local child protection mechanisms, and other needs that may be detected as the situation develops. We have formalized a cash-based-intervention working group in Mexico, in the process of being included to the CaLP network.

Last meetings attended: Regional CaLP network meeting Friday 17th April, Joining Forces technical meeting Wednesday 22nd, Joining Forces group discussion daily for joint proposal and launching event. (Participants: CD, Program Manager, FRO specialist, Communication Specialist)

3.b. Program Response

Please organize your program response report as per the 4 objectives included in our global response plan. You can add an additional category if you have response activities planned or executed that do not align with these objectives. For each objective use the questions below to guide your report.

- What kind of response activities or interventions have been executed? What support items are needed or have been collected/distributed?
- What is the current progress of implementation vs. the established response plan?
- Who are we partnering or collaborating with to provide our response?
- What kind of response activities are you still planning for the coming period?

3.b.1. Stop COVID-19 from infecting children and families

ChildFund's Global Response Plan

To help children and families protect themselves from COVID-19, we are installing community, handwashing stands; educating communities about symptoms, hygiene measures and where to get tested or treatment; and distributing soap, hand sanitizer, gloves and masks to families and frontline, health workers. For children who are being treated for COVID-19 or are subject to quarantine measures, we are creating child-friendly spaces with age-appropriate toys and reading matter.

So far we have implemented a communication campaign for social media and for our LPs to disseminate preventive messages (how to recognize symptoms, hygiene measures to limit spreading, emergency contacts for suspected cases, etc.). Those have been disseminated by the LPs through different channels: posters, videos, puppet shows, radio, speakerphone, whatsapp and SMS groups...

Based on a FY20 AOP original planning vs. adjusted planning, for the month of May we will redirect subsidy funds to support LPs in the diffusion of preventive messages to families and local institutions. The total amount of budget for this activity will be of \$ 60,828 MXP / \$ 2,531.34 USD.

For the coming period, we will continue with these activities, and according to the needs detected by the LPs, support local health centers with the delivery of hygiene supplies (some LPs have already done some deliveries but not in a consistent way).

For the month of May are redirecting subsidy funds to support LPs in the delivery of hygiene and sanity kits to families and local institutions. The total amount of budget for this activity will be of \$ 197,720 MXP / \$ 8,228.05 USD to reach a total of 24 heath centers + 65 community spaces (small shops, schools, administrative offices) + 610 families.

In addition, we are planning, on a medium term, the installation/adequacy of community hand washing stations, toilets and drinking fountains for schools, health centers, or other community gathering points (once the mobility/non-essential activities restrictions have been lifted), and have sent several proposal to local donors: community hygiene stations (unitary cost = \$71,000 MXP / \$2,930 USD, includes WC, water storage, sink, water filter).

For the moment we are not considering implementing CFS.

3.b.2. Ensure that children get food they need

ChildFund's Global Response Plan

To ensure that the most vulnerable families can keep food on the table, pay rent and cover other basic needs, we are providing cash for those families most needing this support, such as those who have lost their income because of COVID-19, child or elder-headed households, and/or households affected by disability or chronic illness. Where possible, we are distributing food and basic household items directly, carefully abiding by COVID-19 protection measures

3.b.2. 1. Cash Transfers and vouchers

The following agreement has been reached to:

- (1) defining the guidance for the basic needs in terms of food and hygiene items for a family of 5 2 adults and 3 children based on which we have established an average of \$ 1,600 Mexican pesos (\$ 70 USD as per our official exchange rate USD 23.01 MXN) to be considered as monthly delivery for each family.
- (2) Based on the community mapping of the available financial and commercial services at community level where we see that 99% of the communities of intervention do not have any bank service, 97% do not have an ATM, and only 12% of those same communities have an alternative system to receive cash we have decided to start the cash delivery in May with the "traditional" DFC delivery system implemented by the LPs.
 - For the moment we have received from the LPs lists for a total of approximately 1,000 families in need for support, and we are finishing the logistics guidelines for security and hygiene and the targeting criteria to define priority families. Those instruments will be shared to OI (i.e. Benjamin Philipps) for review and validation. Our goal is to start the first month of delivery in the 1st half of May.

After developing the documents mentioned above, we are ready to share the eligibility survey with the LP to define a priority group for intervention. Based on our current available budget:

<u>International Funds</u>		<mark>USD</mark>	<u>MXN</u>
Int. Subsidy funds held at IO		<mark>56,845</mark>	<mark>1,365,700</mark>
PEF funds held at IO		<mark>11,828</mark>	<mark>284,171</mark>
Gain in exchange rate variation held at CO		<mark>23,152</mark>	<mark>556,224</mark>
	<mark>Total</mark>	<mark>91,825</mark>	<mark>2,206,095</mark>

We will be able to support 450 families for 3 months, starting in May.

In order to reach our initial goal of supporting 1,500 families, we are adjusting the conversation with possible donors. We are also continuing to look for options to process the delivery of the economical support, though electronic transactions or vouchers.

Cash transfers or vouchers executed

Beneficiaries		Amount	transferred	Transfer mechanism (i.e. mobile		
Total	Gender (if available)		(US\$)		money, banking system other financial service provider etc,	
	Female	Male				

3.b.2.2. Other responses in relation to objective 3.b.2.

As a transition phase, we are considering to work on family orchards installation and monitoring with families who were supported through cash-transfer, to enhance their resilience and access to fresh products.

* We have determined a design proposal for family orchards (unitary cost = \$ 9,000 MXP / \$ 371 USD) and have incorporated this second phase in the proposals that we have sent to local donors.

3.b.3. Keep children safe from Violence: physically and emotionally

ChildFund's Global Response Plan

We are supporting community-based child protection systems that identify, respond to and refer cases of abuse, neglect, violence or exploitation. We are also providing virtual, online psychological first aid and counseling, and supporting temporary shelters for children who live on the street, providing hygiene supplies, food and other basics. We are also arranging safe and appropriate care for children who are separated from their caregivers due to treatment or prevention measures.

Aligned to what was mentioned in 3.b.1, we are sending each week an "information package" to the LPs, including recommendations for activities and violence prevention, with tips about positive parenting, to be disseminated at community level. In addition, the LPs are working in coordination with the activated CBCPM and local authorities to detect and refer any case of abuse, neglect, violence or exploitation.

In the coming weeks we will follow the same strategies and enhance the coordination level with local authorities as well as the participation of LPs' child protection technical staff in discussions and webinars at local level(example: virtual discussion about child protection situation in times of covid-19 in our working area, week of May 4th). Lps will also continue to train health professionals, educators and other persons in contact with children and adolescents, so that they know the risks posed by COVID-19 in terms of child protection.

Based on a FY20 AOP original planning vs. adjusted planning, for the month of May we will redirect subsidy funds to support LPs in the diffusion of violence prevention, self-care, and psychosocial support messages to families and local institutions, as well as their activities to strengthen the existing CBCPM. The total amount of budget for this activity will be of \$ 130,606 MXP / \$ 5,435.12 USD.

3.b.4. Help children continue to do their job: Learning

ChildFund's Global Response Plan

While schools remain closed, we are supporting children's learning through activities and tutoring sessions online or by radio. For students without reliable internet access, we are distributing home learning kits with materials and guides for their use.

Aligned to what was mentioned in 3.b.1 and 3.b3, we are sending each week an "information package" to the LPs, including recommendations for educational and recreational activities, to be

disseminated at community level. The main challenge is access to information and remote courses implemented by the formal school system (with options to follow on internet, TV or radio).

Based on a FY20 AOP original planning vs. adjusted planning, for the month of May we will redirect subsidy funds to support LPs in the diffusion of recreational and educational activities to families and local institutions. The total amount of budget for this activity will be of \$ 102,822 MXP / \$ 4,278.90 USD.

Some examples of online activities implemented by the LPs:

Growing without violence capsule session, by LP #2523 Apoyo Infantil Hñahñu A.C.

https://www.facebook.com/2123443624569632/videos/632804697270462/

How much time do you spend with your child capsule, by LP #2518 Hñahñu Batsi de San Andrés Daboxtha A.C.

https://www.facebook.com/sanandres.daboxtha.1/videos/2640725822829272/

For the "Day of Children" (April 30th) CO has planned a Facebook Live celebration and activity with a local celebrity reading a children book. The event will also broadcast on 12 local radio stations, with an estimated audience reach of 6,700 children – and so far, 1,649 enrolled children have confirmed their participation.

In some areas it has been possible for LPs to deliver materials physically at the beginning of the quarantine period, currently they rely mainly on their communication strategy adapted to each community. For instance, we have developed guidelines for online activities for participants in LS3 through Facebook or WhatsApp groups in some communities. In other areas, we can only rely on speakerphone to share recommendations. Independently on the dissemination mean, we have developed a curriculum of activities to cover each week until the end of May, according to the current Government advice that some activities would start to resume by June 1st.

We also have negotiated an in-kind donation with our ally Hasbro, for educational and board games, and will define the timeframe and logistics of delivery in the coming days. For the next phase (progressive re-opening of schools) we are considering the delivery of hygiene kits for children, depending on the funding possibilities.

3.b.5. Other responses

n/a

For sitreps submitted after ChildFund response has been initiated, what is the current progress of implementation vs. the established response plan? n/a

Below Sections for Internal Use Only

Part 4: Office and Staff Status

Office Status (Open/Closed)	Number of Staff :
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	Diagnosed	Diseased	Working	Working	On
	with	from	from	from	Special
	COVID19	COVID19	Office	Home	Leave
CO Office and Core Structure (closed since	0	0	0	24	0
Friday 27 th)					
GSS staff members (always work remotely	0	0	0	3	0
Grants contracted staff members (only 3	0	0	0	24	0
normally work from CO)					

Notes:

- Any cases of staff diseased need to be reported immediately to RD and GHR.
- Special leave as per <u>COVID19 Administrative Guidelines</u>.

Number of staff/partner organization staff completed WHO COVID online training https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019/training/online-training.

Part 5 Human Resources

- Which visitors are there in the country? Please include names, functions, contact information and arrival/departure dates for both IO and RO staff (note: due to the travel ban, this will apply only once the ban has been lifted)
 None
- Any gaps in staffing/need for deployment from other COs or Global Teams?
 Not for the moment
- Are there any other major HR issues?
 Not for the moment

Part 6 Safety & Security

- Are police and other services functioning in the normal manner? Yes
- Are the courts still operating? Yes
- Are there reports of looting or increased criminality? Until now there was one case of looting reported in Mexico State, to a supermarket, on Monday March 23rd. According to local authorities, some people were organizing through Whatsapp groups to prepare lootings to different stores but have been detected by the police and arrested.
- Have military personal being deployed to patrol towns or cities? No, but according to the usual emergency procedure in the country, the army and the marine are essential actors when the government declares the state of emergency (plan DN-III)
- Confirm the safety of staff and their families in the affected area. Until now no incidents have been reported by CO staff members nor LP staff members.

- Have Safety and security risks/mitigation plans been updated to current environment? Not at the moment.
- Recommendations around any upcoming travel planned for staff or donors (note: Only once global travel ban has been lifted) n/a

Part 7 Grants

List all active grants:

Grant Job Code	Grant Name	Donor	Status of Implementation (Normal/Reduced/Suspended)	Any specific guidance received from donor? (Yes/No)
ARCEMX (Local corporate contribution)	Cultivando Futuros	ArcelorMittal	Reduced	Yes, confirming agreement to the adjustments being made
12-0354D	CONFIO	Government of Canada	Reduced	No
25-078D	Saber Nutrir	Herdez	Suspended for the month of April – only communication with participant families will continue	Yes, jointly all activities have been suspended and resources have been redirected to ensure SMS, Whatsapp communication with participant families.
25-080D	Educación Sexual Integral "Mi Cuerpo y yo"	Fundación Río Arronte	Reduced	Yes / Donor confirmed "When the Federal Government decrees the normalization of activities, I believe you will be able to reprogram the activities corresponding to the project. We understand the situation ()"
12-088D	Proyecto para el bienestar de la niñez totonaca	Fundación Walmart	Reduced	Yes / Donor confirmed "Thank you very much for keeping us updated on the development of the projects, we understand the situation as it is affecting everyone. We request your support so that once the contingency is

	over, you send us the new
	schedule of activities."

Provide any additional narrative on how the COVID19 crisis affects implementation of your major grants.

In all the cases, we have suspended all program sessions and group activities. The administrative activities, individual follow up or farm/orchard supervision visits are still being done. In each case we have send an email to the donor explaining the situation and the adjustments being made, as well as the planned activities for the week of March 23rd to 27th.

All Individual follow up or farm/orchard supervision visits have cancelled. In the case of Rio Arronte, we are considering virtual training for a F2F train the trainers workshop that had been scheduled for the month of April.

Part 8 Funding

Provide information about potential sources of funding, including grant donors, subsidy, Emergency Action Fund, Alliance members, GIK, etc., for these emergency response efforts using the chart below:

Donor	Program	Amount (USD – 23.01 MXN)	Requested? (Y/N)	Confirmed? (Y/N)
Digital procurement campaign.	Campaign that will contribute to the cash transfer strategy that will support the wellbeing and food security of families.	The average ticket we project to be 9 USD per donation.	On April 15, we launched the campaign and Last week, due to a report error, we reported an incorrect amount raised. The correct amount raised today is: \$ 1,786.	Y / campaign launched www.childfund.org.mx
VESTA Management	The proposal will contribute to the development of community infrastructure and sustainable economic models for families in affected communities.	\$ 9,000	The proposal is under development to begin negotiations with the donor.	
Huella Sustentable	The proposal will contribute to covering the basic needs of families and will allow the implementation of the cash transfer strategy.	\$ 6,500	The proposal is under development to begin negotiations with the donor.	
PYMO	The proposal will contribute to the development of community	\$ 6,521 + Volunteering Work.	The proposal is under development to begin	

	infrastructure and sustainable economic models for families in affected communities.		negotiations with the donor.	
Coppel Grant	The proposal will contribute to covering the basic needs of families and will allow the implementation of the cash transfer strategy.	\$ 8,695	We presented the proposal before April 15 th and we will receive confirmation or feedback before April 30	
Helvex	The proposal will contribute to the development of community infrastructure and sustainable economic models for families in affected communities.	In-kind and Volunteering work.	The proposal is under development to begin negotiations with the donor.	
IEnova Foundation	The proposal will contribute to covering the basic needs of families and will allow the implementation of the cash transfer strategy.	6,000	The proposal is under development to begin negotiations with the donor.	
HASBRO	The proposal will contribute to covering the basic needs of families and will allow the implementation of the cash transfer strategy. We will also include a proposal to request toys for families.	Cash donation + inkind.	The proposal is under development to begin negotiations with the donor. In-kind donation has been approved.	

In terms of local sponsorship, it is important to note that we have been able to maintain Donor Experience operations at 85% of their operations, and have only had 11 cancellations or suspensions of local sponsors since the beginning of the emergency, contributing to the stability of local sponsorship incomes.

- Budget

Outline how we will use this funding with a rough topline budget.

Part 9 Media/Communications

List of media who will be or have been contacted with press releases.
 Not at this time. In case of need our pro-bono Media Agency, Insight Comunicación, will support us on this.

We are planning the release from IO for this Friday and are preparing a position statement with the information sent from IO adapted to Mexico and recommendations for CP in the Coronavirus Pandemia from the Alliance for CP in Humanitarian Action.

In addition, we have:

- Posted in our webpage and social media we will working remotely and will soon share all
 activities we will conduct during this period / and awareness messages
- Sent via e mail communication to local individual donors letting them know we will be working remotely, and sponsor visits/ skype calls will be suspended. Once we have confirmed our response intervention, we will be sending a new piece with specific asks.
- Letters have been sent to potential local donors and local sponsors on the response activities and we have activated our webpage for local donations (individual-corporate)
- Posts on prevention actions and video on self-care of the caregivers have been posted in our social media
- The press release was sent with good coverage to date -around 10 publications-, and we will have a media interview next Friday (April 24th)
- We also sent our official Statement/ Positioning, that includes recommendations for the
 protection of children against COVID19 to key actors, among which are: National Human Rights
 Commission, Federal and State Integral System for Children and Adolescents Protection
 (SIPINNA), Federal Office for the Protection of Children, Federal Family Supporting Services (DIF),
 Federal Health Secretariat, Secretariat of Federal Education, governors of the States where we
 operate, and members of Congress.
- Joining Forces Advocacy campaign in the context of Child Day in Mexico: 30-04-2020
- Release of video of Joining Forces CDs in Mexico calling government and civil society to visualize and respond to children's rights and protection during this sanitary emergency
- Release of video featuring children from all 4 organizations with testimonials towards
 COVID19
- Press release to major outlets with position statement
- Social media campaign in Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and You Tube

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- Internal communications: HR and Communication team are sending organizational mailings on Mondays and Fridays to all CO staff members to check-in and share tips and recommendations to handle the situation.
- List of emergency CO spokespeople, including name, location, contact information, and languages spoken.

Sonia Bozzi, México, sbozzi@childfund.org, Spanish and English Morgane Bellion, Mexico mbellion@childfund.org, Spanish, English and French Yil Felipe, Mexico, yfelipe@childfund.org Spanish and English

Plans for collecting photos/videos/stories, e.g., should an outside photographer be hired?
 Not at this time / We have started to collect testimonials and photos from LPs and are using them in our social media content

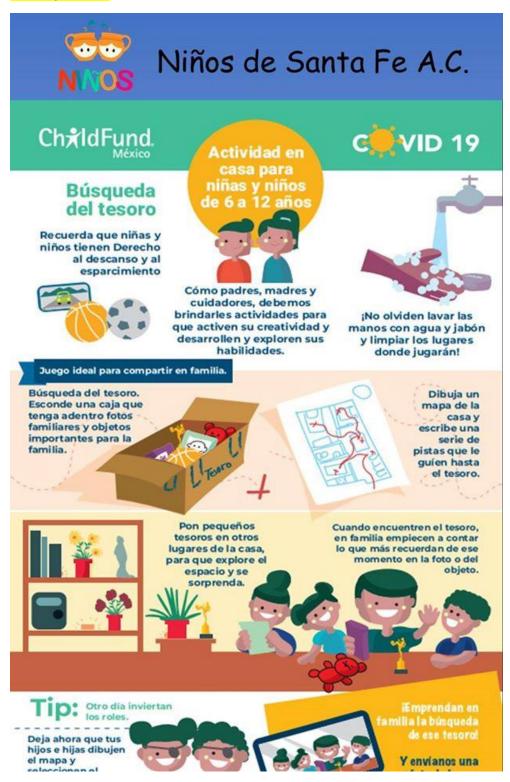
 Key points for messaging and visibility, particularly any host-government sensibilities that must be considered.

Not to the date

Support needed or requested from IO, GSS or Global Teams – whether onsite or remote.
 Sharing the info in English and attaching the editable files of the materials

Example of activities and materials developed by the Local Partners:

LP 2517 Niños de Santa Fe de la Laguna A.C. : Sharing activity recommendations for children between 6 and 12 years old

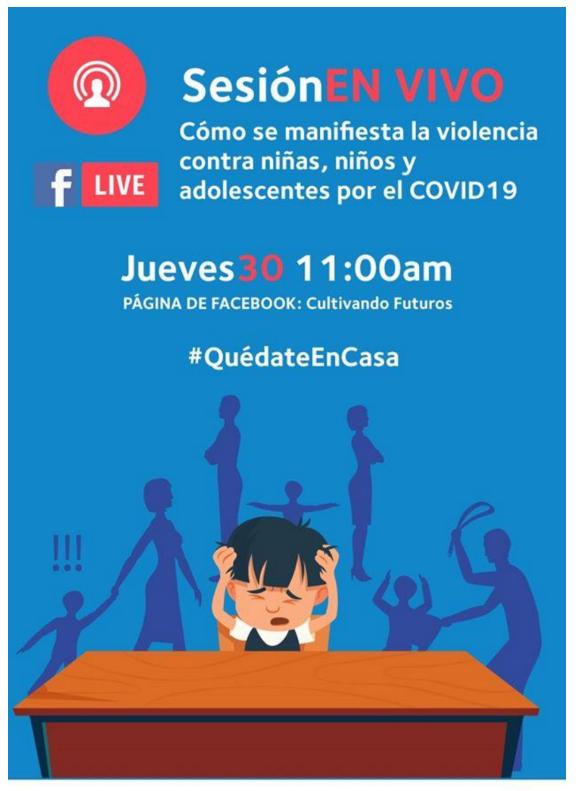


LP 2068 Yuhualichan A.C. : Sponsorship coordinator and father of enrolled children, installing informative posters in communities





ARCEMX Project "cultivando Futuros" inviting to a Facebook Live session about "Manifestations of violence against children and youth due to Covid19"









LP 1765 Centro Infantil Jonacapa AC: Sharing results of the recommended activities to share in family









