

Situation Report

Follow Up Chiapas and Oaxaca

September 13th, 2017

Country/Location: Mexico

Title of emergency: Earthquake 8.2 grades and Hurricane Katia follow up.

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Introduction:



September 7th, 2017: An earthquake occurred at 23:49 (Mexico City time) on Thursday, September 7, with an epicenter in the southern state of Chiapas (Tonalá - Pijijiapan), lasting approximately two minutes had an intensity of 8.2 degrees on the Richter scale.

It is the most intense earthquake Mexico has suffered in the last 100 years, even greater than that of September 1985, the most devastating in the history of the capital.

Reports generated during the first few hours after the earthquake reported numerous blackouts, fences, short-circuit fires; at least one hotel collapsed in Oaxaca. However, at this moment, this is not reported in the areas where ChildFund Mexico works.

A tsunami alert was also received on the coast of Oaxaca and Chiapas by the US government.

September 8th, 2017: The earthquake that struck Mexico on Thursday night has left 32 people dead, seven in Chiapas, two in Tabasco and 23 in Oaxaca and in the case of Chiapas are confirmed 7 people dead. This last figure was confirmed by the authorities.

The secretary of public education along with the governors and the president of Mexico announced the suspension of classes at all levels in 11 states of the country.

September 12th, 2017:

Authorities said that until Sunday, at least 96 people had been killed by the magnitude 8.2 earthquake that struck Thursday in the southern and central parts of the country. 76 in Oaxaca, 15 in Chiapas and 4 in Tabasco. None in the areas where ChildFund works.

To date more than 1,000 replicas have been reported and the rescuing tasks and relief to the population continued by the Secretary of Social Welfare and the Army DN III plan. The States more affected being Oaxaca and Chiapas in areas in which ChildFund doesn't have presence

Oaxaca: Official reports indicate that there are at least 800,000 earthquake victims in 41 municipalities in Oaxaca. 13 shelters have been activated.

According to the state government, more than 80% of the inhabitants of the Isthmus of Tehuantepec are affected. The municipalities with greater affectations are Juchitlán, Unión Hidalgo, Ixtaltepec and Astata.

There are 324 public schools with damage to their infrastructure, 43 of which have total damages, the state government said.

Chiapas: Chiapas's local government considered that the earthquake affected approximately 1, 479, 475 people in the 111 communities of the state. The latest report indicates that there are 40, 633 damaged homes from which 34, 621 are partially affected. 8 shelters have been activated.

There are 1,000 public schools with damage to their infrastructure, of which 47 have total damages.

The most affected municipalities are Tonalá, Parral, Venustiano Carranza, Acapetahua, Emiliano Zapata, Tuxtla Gutiérrez, San Lucas, Tapachula, Suchiate, Villa Mazatlán, Pijijiapan, Comitan de Domínguez, Acala, Villacorzo, Totolapa and Chiapilla.

The suspension of classes will continue at all levels in Oaxaca and Chiapas until further notice and a full assessment of schools damages has been conducted.

Overview of ChildFund response (for EXTERNAL use)

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1. Security and Logistics

The security situation in the affected areas is generally stable. There are no reports so far of any kind of security-related situation that puts children or young people or their affiliated families at risk.

2. Partnerships and Coordination

It was not necessary to establish any coordinating action.

3. Program

The earthquake did not impact any of the communities where ChildFund operates. There is no report from any LP of suspension of activities.

We are in constant contact with LP recommending them to stay safe, attentive to the recommendations of Civil Protection and ready to support affiliated children and families in case of need.

4. Staffing

Our SL in Chiapas so far has not reported any case or family that requires support or care.

Some SL of Oaxaca reported some minor damages at meeting points but no case of any family requiring support.

5. Donors

Some donors asked about their sponsor child and CO have answered on time.

6. Finance (Budget Source)

It has not been necessary to use a budget for any particular case because there have not been any so far.

7. Media/Communications (N/A)

8. Next Steps/Recommendations:

9. Additional Information

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