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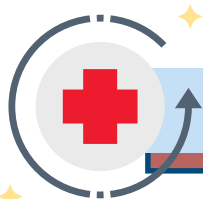
The Salvadoran Red Cross through the **Latin American Risk Reduction Activities (LARRA) Project** and with the technical and financial support of the American Red Cross, in coordination with 4 Municipal Civil Protection Commissions of the department of Ahuachapán, swore in 15 Community Civil Protection Commissions. This is the result of the work that is being developed jointly with the General Directorate of Civil Protection, Municipal Commissions and the **Salvadoran Red Cross**, in the framework of the Disaster Preparedness Pillar. 430 community volunteers are now part of these Community Civil Protection Commissions in the municipalities of Jujutla, Apaneca, Ahuachapan and Tacuba.



MIGRATION

As part of the Community Health component of the **Humanitarian Project for Migration in Colombia**, workshops were held on promotion, prevention and self-care measures to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 in the cities of Arauca, Cartagena, Riohacha and Maicao. This was supported by the American Red Cross, **Colombian Red Cross** and USAID/BHA.

The migrant population located in the District of Riohacha continues to receive attention in general medical, nursing and psychosocial support services through the **Humanitarian Project for Migration in Colombia** funded by USAID/BHA and implemented by the **Colombian Red Cross** with the support of the American Red Cross.



RESILIENCE

In Chiapas, the local team was able to carry out two important on-site activities. One is the implementation of **family emergency plans** in Francisco I. Madero Community. Participated 8 community volunteers and 2 volunteers from the Branch. A poster and an infographic for the elaboration of the **family plan**, a brochure on the contents of the emergency backpack and a document holder were distributed to 364 families. The other activity was the delivery of a kit of materials for the assembly of chicken coops and laying hens, carried out within the framework of community micro-projects for recovery from earthquakes. It focused on livelihoods and food security, as a result of the analysis with the community, benefiting **111 families**.



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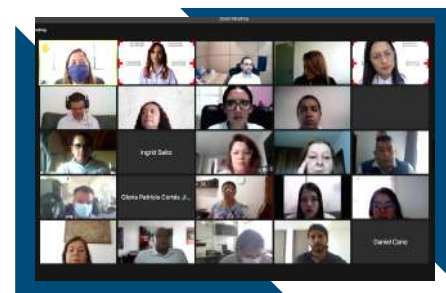
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INDUCTION WORKSHOP

From January 26 to January 29, with more than 30 participants, the American Red Cross Regional Delegation for the Americas and the Caribbean started the **Induction Workshop Nevado del Ruiz Volcano Project - Phase II**, with members of the **Colombian Red Cross National Society**, Colombian Geological Service and USAID/BHA. The purpose of this workshop is to explain the objectives, structure and strategy for the correct implementation of the second phase of this project, taking into consideration the experience of those who were previously involved in the first phase and to socialize the project agreement to the new members.



PROJECTS

Members of the Communal Commissions of Jujutla, in Ahuachapan, received technical training from the Salvadoran Red Cross with the objective of forming Lifeguards. This is within the framework of the **Project Latin America Risk Reduction Activities (LARRA)**, supported by the American Red Cross.



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In five communities of Puebla, under the current COVID-19 contingency context and the SPAC activity, the Mexican Red Cross, through the **Community Earthquake Resilience Program**, delivered hygiene kits to community members who have been collaborating in the implementation of the activities.



ACTIVITIES



El Salvador: Salvadoran Red Cross in coordination with the American Red Cross and the Reference Center for Disaster Preparedness (CREPD) held a workshop to develop a work plan on **Information Management (IM)**. Participated general management, programs, administration and finance, planning, information technology and risk management personnel. With this support, the American Red Cross contributes to the Operational Capacity component of the Preparedness for Effective Response (PER).

Colombia: Individual and community education to migrant populations on oral hygiene is one of the impact actions developed by the **Humanitarian Project for Migration in Colombia** with the objective of avoiding more severe oral conditions, allowing a lower cost in treatment and follow-up of pathologies and diseases that occur in the migrant population and the Colombian host population. This is possible with the support of USAID/BHA, American Red Cross and Colombian Red Cross.



WEBINARS

We are back with the **Psychosocial Support Webinars!** (In Spanish and English). Every 15 days we will have sessions in Spanish and every 15 in English. Visit our website to register or access the live sessions <https://www.amcross.org>.

