

## Distribution Report

Partner: CDV

Shipment ID: S25014

## Testimony #1824

### Testimony Type

### Local community

### Distribution Items

#### Included Items:

1101-RICE-MEALS
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### Why Were The Items Distributed Here? What Are The Greatest Needs In This Community?

We learned about Barbara from her grandmother Julia who was helping out a neighbor who was getting new prefabricated home built by one of the CDV visiting mission teams. Touched by Barbara's story, the short term missionaries left an offering to purchase medicine, diapers, food, and other items for Barbara and her family. The Manna Pack was delivered with these items in addition to a new wheelchair.

Barbara lives in Callao, the largest port in Peru and while it is its own province, it is considered part of greater Metropolitan Lima. It is one of the most dangerous areas of the country with lots of gang activity, drugs and violent crime. Security for the families living there is a great need and there's lots of fear. Extortion has skyrocketed in recent years leaving all store owners and residents fearful. It also can be fairly difficult to access because it is controlled by criminals making it complicated to work and solve problems that afflict the area. It's an area of great economic need.

### Name

Bárbara Abigail Mezares Lazarte

**Age**

13

**Gender**

female

**Occupation**

Student

**Family Size**

5: Julia(58) Biviana (29) Flor (35) Antonella(5) and grandfather

**What Are Their Living Conditions?**

Barbara lives in her grandmother Julia's house (her dad's mom) along with her mother, her grandfather and her aunt. The house is a brick/concrete structure and has basic water and electric services.

**Describe The Types Of Needs This Individual Has.**

The majority of Barbara's needs are health related. She is a 13-year-old girl who was born with hydrocephalus and myelomeningocele (the most severe type of spina bifida). She also has a peritoneal ventricle valve shunt to drain fluid from the brain, a slanted palate and a dislocated hip and foot. Barbara suffers from low hemoglobin and requires a wheelchair for mobility.

As a result of all of these medical issues, one of the greatest needs of the family is financial. She needs expensive medicines and the use of adult diapers daily.

### **How Did This Donation Meet These Needs And Make A Lasting Impact?**

The gift of the Manna Pack was greatly appreciated due to its nutritional value and since Barbara suffers from low hemoglobin. The Manna Pack rice will help provide essential nutrients like iron, folic acid, and vitamin B12, which are crucial for red blood cell production. It can increase hemoglobin levels and reduce anemia, especially where rice is a staple in the diet. This will allow her to have more and healthier food and assist in raising her hemoglobin levels. Due to all the challenges that her health presents, it is vital that Barbara have a balanced and nutritional diet.

### **Please Provide A Quote From The Individual About How They Feel After Receiving This Donation.**

Barbara said, "I am very happy that you have come to help me and for this gift of Manna Pack rice, the wheelchair and other gifts. I know that I do not show much, but my heart is happy and very grateful to all of you!"

Julia, her grandmother said: I am very grateful for everything you brought for my granddaughter, This is a miracle of God for my family

Keep being a blessing for many more people. God bless the life of each of you who came to my house and the donors who do not stop at our Father's work, blessings to all you."

Viviana, her mother said, "I am very blessed for everything you have brought for my daughter, thank you for the Manna Pack rice, for the other food and medicine, and for the diapers. I'm very surprised and excited at seeing all God has done. I never imagined everything God would bring to my house, I am so grateful and I am being so blessed by people I never knew I would meet. Thank you donors, don't stop at what you're doing. God bless you all!"

## Testimony #1837

### Testimony Type

### Local community

### Distribution Items

#### Included Items:

1101-RICE-MEALS
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### Why Were The Items Distributed Here? What Are The Greatest Needs In This Community?

We learned about Mrs. Sheyla when, as volunteers at the the La Voz Animal Shelter, we carried out a social service project cleaning the kennels and walking the dogs around the grounds. La Voz Animal Shelter is located in Chilca, Cañete, Lima. They currently house 180 dogs and 90 cats, all rescued from the streets. All were abandoned and left to roam the streets and the majority of them were sick and malnourished. When we arrived, we were greeted by euphoric barking.

Chilca is a coastal town with a mix of industrial and agricultural business. There is a water shortage in Chilca and the area surrounding the animal shelter consists of dusty, undeveloped land due to the lack of paved roads.

### Name

Sheyla Castillo Cisneros

**Age**

28 years old

**Gender**

female

**Occupation**

Animal Shelter Guardian Voice

**Family Size**

4 members (Sheyla 28, Pedro 38, Yosward 5, Imary 2)

**What Are Their Living Conditions?**

Mrs. Sheyla was born in Piura and came to Lima in search of better opportunities, since her hometown lacked suitable working conditions. She suffers from osteoarthritis pain and currently works at the La Voz Animal shelter in Chilca as a caretaker. The shelter has provided her and her family with a small room under a corrugated iron roof. Every day, she is responsible for cleaning the premises and feeding and bathing the animals. Her husband works as the shelter's gardener, and they have two young children.

**Describe The Types Of Needs This Individual Has.**

Sheyla's health is a great concern for her. She needs to keep working because she has two children, ages two and five. She dreams that her two little ones will be able to attend the state university and become professionals. Though they have a roof over their heads, they make very little money. Finances are their primary need and providing food and a healthy lifestyle for their children.

### **How Did This Donation Meet These Needs And Make A Lasting Impact?**

This donation has been a great blessing to the family, as they were in a difficult situation regarding their health and nutrition. They do not make enough money to ensure their children are also able to receive sufficient protein, vitamins and nutrients in their meals. Anemia is a large problem in the children of Peru.

It will also have a lasting impact because we were able to share a message of hope and love and had a beautiful time praying with them.

### **Please Provide A Quote From The Individual About How They Feel After Receiving This Donation.**

"I am very grateful for the help you have provided. It is important to my family because it allows us to minimize some of our daily food costs. It will also benefit my son's health, since I've been told it contains protein, vitamins and nutrients that he needs."



## Testimony #1856

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### Distribution Items

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### Why Were The Items Distributed Here? What Are The Greatest Needs In This Community?

In partnership with the Municipality of Callao, we were able to bless the community with boxes of Manna Pack fortified rice. The rice was provided to all of the district's Community Kitchens (Ollas Comunes). These kitchens are where neighbors come together pooling their resources to provide at least one healthy meal a day for families. The families provide the volunteer manpower and pay a small fee (usually about \$1 per person) for each meal so that more supplies can be purchased. Meals for the elderly or handicapped are provided for free.

Callao is known for high levels of insecurity and corruption, and has been largely neglected by its authorities, which has disrupted public order. As a church, we are bringing a message of hope and love as we distribute the boxes of Manna Pack. We met Isabel during the distribution of the boxes of rice and heard her story.

### Name

Isabel Romero Garcia

**Age**

41

**Gender**

female

**Occupation**

Housewife

**Family Size**

3 members (Isabel, 41; Maria, 2; Teodora, 13 years old)

**What Are Their Living Conditions?**

Isabel is a single mother of two who lives in the hills of the Callao district. To get to her home, she has to take minibusses and climb many stairs up the hillside.

She told us that her house is made of woven mats with a dirt floor and a corrugated iron roof; it lacks running water, sewage and electricity.

**Describe The Types Of Needs This Individual Has.**

Isabel's greatest need is for financial resources and a secure, stable job where she can earn a fixed salary to support her household. She occasionally works doing laundry and house cleaning for others. These funds allow her to care for her children, but she has no other financial resources and her small income is not enough to make ends meet for food, clothing, school supplies and other basic needs.

**How Did This Donation Meet These Needs And Make A Lasting Impact?**

This donation has been a great blessing for Isabel, who is in a difficult situation trying to provide for her family. The Manna Pack will provide food on the table that is full of protein, vitamins and nutrients.

The visit will also have a lasting impact because we were able to share a message of comfort, hope, and love.

**Please Provide A Quote From The Individual About How They Feel After Receiving This Donation.**

"I feel that today God blessed me through all of you, who came to this place to help us in the midst of the needs we are going through. May God bless you and please continue to do this work and help many others in many different places throughout Peru."

## Testimony #1858

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### Why Were The Items Distributed Here? What Are The Greatest Needs In This Community?

We know Mr. Felix since the pandemic, in principle Zoila who is a volunteer of our house gave him help, since then the support provided, due to his condition and the 3 grandchildren abandoned by his mother and 1 40-year-old son with extreme psychological delay of which else is in charge, his three grandchildren Dominique, Dyron and Dylan are registered as by him and his wife who died 8 years ago. Mr. Felix cannot work since he was operated on the prostate on two occasions, so he cannot make any kind of effort. He lives from the charity of the neighbors who support them in one way or another. His house is very humble, it has basic water and electricity services. The mother of her grandchildren has addiction problems, she lives on the street.

The church provides help to this family every 4 months or so since their situation is of extreme poverty.

The Santa Rosa - Ancón sector is located at the northern end of the coast of Metropolitan Lima,

integrating two neighboring jurisdictions: the Santa Rosa district and the historic resort of Ancón. Its location on the coastal axis of Lima Norte makes it a strategic point for urban, tourism and environmental development.

Official reports, in 2024 in Ancón there were complaints for crimes against public security, which indicates a level of crimes beyond theft: violence, criminal organization, etc.

**Name**

Felix Rodolfo Aparicio Guido

**Age**

78

**Gender**

male

**Occupation**

He doesn't work

**Family Size**

5: Felix (78) Jhair (40) Dylan (15) Dyron (11) Dominique (7)

### **What Are Their Living Conditions?**

Mr. Felix has a very humble house of wood and salamines, has basic water and electricity services. They live in one of the farthest districts of Lima.

### **Describe The Types Of Needs This Individual Has.**

We can mention several needs that this family has been going through, among which are, food, clothing, education, etc. because Mr. Gelix cannot work, they only live on the help of the neighbors and the church, that's why the help is done every 3 or 4 months. Especially on dates such as the beginning of school, July 28, Christmas and on any other occasion that we have donations. Jhair lost his sight from one moment to the next and added to that he has his delay being also an urgent need to cover.

### **How Did This Donation Meet These Needs And Make A Lasting Impact?**

It is incredible the way in which rice helps these children, since they are small and due to all the needs they have among which is food, it is really of great help, it will nourish them and they will be much better when consuming rice.

### **Please Provide A Quote From The Individual About How They Feel After Receiving This Donation.**

Felix said:

Thank you CDV, thanks to the donors of the rice box, today is a day of miracles for my family. I am infinitely grateful for what they continue to do for me and my grandchildren. I have no way to pay

you, I only ask you not to forget us and continue to do miracles in places around the world, God take care of you and continue to bless you always and fill you with wisdom to be able to reach the most and most needy places.