# Project Ref: FF 727 Eye Tests & Glasses – Condor Trust, Ecuador Final Report – October 9<sup>th</sup>, 2025



FINAL REPORT				
Donor Name	Fondation Eagle			
Fondation Eagle reference	FF 727			
Name of Charity	The Condor Trust for Education			
Introduction	The project consists of campaigns which offer eye tests and, when necessary, glasses free-of-charge to low-income children and adults in Ecuador, who cannot afford to pay for these services themselves.			
Date of grant accepted	November 29 <sup>th</sup> , 2024			
Amount	US\$ 16,800			
Conversion rate, date and amount in local currency	\$1.00 = £0.77 £12,892 received in the Condor Trust UK account on December 10 <sup>th</sup> , 2024			
Name and exact location of the project	Name: Eye Tests and Glasses Location: Ecuador			
Period of project	From January to December 2025			
Project beneficiaries	Provision of spectacles for low-income children, young people and adults in need			

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#### **Financial summary:**

Project agreed: November 29<sup>th</sup>, 2024: Grant of US\$ 16,800 from the Fondation Eagle to the Condor Trust for Education for the continuation of eye tests/glasses in Ecuador.

Amount spent on campaigns in the period from January to September 2025: US\$16,805. Amount of grant remaining to be spent: \$171 (includes \$175 carried forward from 2024). We should like to carry forward this remaining \$171 to 2026.

#### **Background to the Project**

The Condor Trust provides funding for secondary and further education for young people from low-income families in Ecuador. Several years ago, we became aware that many children are not making the most of their education because of sight problems. Encouraged by the Fondation Eagle, we looked into how we could help improve this situation, and linked up with a local Ecuadorian charity, Vista para Todos (Sight for All), which provides eye-tests and glasses.

Since mid-2012 the Eagle Foundation has been supporting this project. We have now received twelve rounds of funding, and up to September 2025 in total we have:

- Performed 9,156 eye tests;
- Provided 4,129 pairs of glasses.

#### **The Current Project**

Between January and September 2025, we organised four campaigns, as well as helping several Condor Trust students and their families. A total of 699 eye tests were conducted. In 415 cases glasses were found necessary. These were manufactured and then delivered by Vista para Todos.

Choice of Organisations: The four campaigns have taken in a variety of locations, including a school, a community kitchen and at centres of two organisations working to support those caught up in child labour or prostitution. Whatever the location, all of the people who received eye tests and/or glasses came from low-income backgrounds. A number were also disabled, mentally and/or physically. A fairly high proportion of people helped were from indigenous communities. Levels of poverty among these communities are above the average for Ecuador, particularly in rural areas, where several of the campaigns took place.

All of the organisations visited formally contacted either the Condor Trust or Vista para Todos asking for support. Typically, an organisation calls Vista para Todos and speaks with the Director. He asks about the organisation if he does not know it and assesses the needs of the organisation. If the organisation seems to fit with our aims, he requests a formal application from the organisation, which outlines their activities and needs. He then discusses with the Condor Trust's administrator to check she is happy that the campaign fits our criteria and should go ahead.

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## **Expenditure Details**

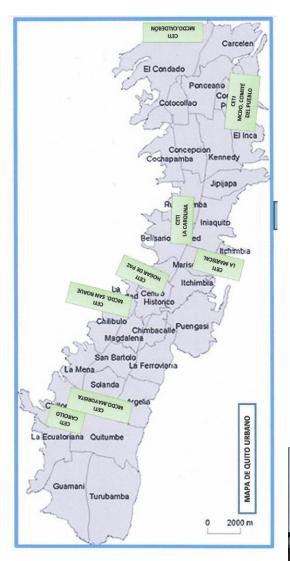
Summary of Expenditure by Campaign, January to September 2025								
Name of	Date of	•	•			Total		
School/Organisation	campaign	Tests	Tests (\$)	Glasses	Glasses (\$)	Costs (\$)		
Patronato San José de Quito	Jan/Feb 2025	357	892.50	181	5,877.00	6,769.50		
End Slavery Ecuador	March 2025	105	262.50	82	2,794.00	3,056.50		
Comedor Comunitario	April 2025	67	167.50	67	2,704.00	2,871.50		
Condor students & families	Feb-Sept 2025	10	25.00	10	682.00	707.00		
Fe y Alegria	May 2025	160	400.00	75	3,000.00	3,400.00		
TOTAL SPENT		699	1,747.50	415	15,057.00	16,804.50		

#### Campaign 1: Patronato San José de Quito, Prevention & Eradication of Child Labour

**Organisation visited**: Eight different branches of the Patronato Municipal San José, a branch of the Quito municipal government.

This department of the municipal government of Quito is responsible for social care, protection, the prevention of violence and the fight against corruption across the city of Quito. As part of this remit, it operates eight centres in different parts of the city, which focus on the prevention and eradication of child labour. These centres provide a range of services, including educational support, cultural and artistic activities, nutrition and health.

In October 2024, the Coordinator of Social Services within this organization wrote to Vista para Todos, requesting a campaign, covering all eight centres, which would offer eye tests and, where necessary, glasses to the 610 children regularly attending the centres.



Map of Quito showing the 8 centres visited

The eye tests (in total 357) were conducted between January 29<sup>th</sup> and February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2025, and the glasses(181 pairs) were distributed between February 7<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>.





Scenes from the prevention and eradication of child labour centres, Quito









The glasses campaign, January-February, 2025

#### **Campaign 2: End Slavery Ecuador**

Organisation visited: The End Slavery Ecuador centre in central Quito.

In January 2025, the head of this non-governmental organisation, based in Quito, contacted Vista para Todos, requesting help to improve the visual health of the children of the over 400 women the charity supports.

According to statistics gathered in 2020, around 67,000 women in Ecuador work in prostitution, and 45.4% of them live in Quito. For the last ten years, End Slavery Ecuador has been supporting over 400 of these women, who work in the historical centre of Quito, and has been aiming to increase their confidence, their skills and their overall quality of life. The majority of these women have children, and it was for these around 600 girls, boys and adolescents that the charity requested help with eye tests and glasses.





The work of End Slavery Ecuador

The eye tests took place on March 13<sup>th</sup>, 2025. In total, 105 young people were tested, 82% of whom were found to need glasses.









For more information, see: https://www.endslaveryecuador.com/

### Campaign 3: Patronato San José de Quito, Community Kitchen (Comedor Comunitario)

Organisation visited: San Bartolo Community Kitchen, Quito

Like Campaign 1, this campaign was requested by the Patronato Municipal San José, a branch of the Quito municipal government, but this time the request was to provide eye tests and, where necessary, glasses, for older people who regularly visit one of the city's community kitchens. These kitchens aim to support people currently living on the street and those who have had recent experience of living on the street. The organization provides these vulnerable people with healthy food, as well as other services to help them, including health care and social integration.

The campaign took place at the San Barolo Community Kitchen, which is in the Ajavi area of south-east Quito. Around 100 people, mainly elderly, attend this centre every day.



Vista para Todos visited the centre on April 11th to conduct eye tests and delivered the glasses on April 22<sup>nd</sup>. All 67 people who received eye tests also needed glasses.









For more information, see: https://patronato.quito.gob.ec/municipio-entrega-un-nuevo-comedor-comunitario-al-sur-de-quito/

#### Campaign 4: Fe y Alegria, Llano Grande

Organisation visited: The "La Dolorosa" school operated by Fe y Alegría, to the north of Quito

Between February and May 2022, the Condor Trust and Vista para Todos undertook campaigns in four different schools to the south of Quito, run by the charity Fe y Alegría. This year, in April 2025, we were asked to visit another school run by the same charity, this time in an area called Llano Grande, to the north of Quito. The school, La Dolorosa, caters for 800 students in a very impoverished area of Ecuador.

The campaign took place in May 2025. 160 young people had their eyes tested and 75 were found to need glasses.











For more information, see:

https://www.feyalegria.org.ec/directory/general/u-e-fiscomisional-fe-y-alegria-la-dolorosa/https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100063766412094&locale=es\_LA

## **Condor Trust Young People & Families**

During 2025, ten Condor Trust students and their families needed glasses for the first time or had to renew them due to changes in their eyesight.

















