Project Ref: FF 773 Eye Tests & Glasses – Condor Trust, Ecuador

Report – November 5th 2026

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Donor Name	Fondation Eagle
Fondation Eagle reference	FF 773
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	December 11th, 2025
Amount	US$ 17,000
Conversion rate, date and amount in local currency	$1.00 = £0.73 £12,439 received in the Condor Trust UK account on December 19th, 2025
Name and exact location of the project	Name: Eye Tests and Glasses Location: Ecuador
Period of project	From January to December 2026
Project beneficiaries	Provision of spectacles for low-income children, young people and adults in need

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Financial summary:

Project agreed: December 11th, 2025: Grant of US$ 17,000 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 start of November 2026: US$15,708. Amount of grant remaining to be spent: $1,463 (includes $171 carried forward from 2025).

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 thirteen rounds of funding, and up the beginning of November 2026 in total we have:

- Performed 9,806 eye tests;
- Provided 4,511 pairs of glasses.

The Current Project

Between January and the beginning of November 2026, we organised six campaigns, as well as helping several Condor Trust students and their families. A total of 650 eye tests were conducted. In 382 cases glasses were found necessary. These were manufactured and then delivered by Vista para Todos.

Choice of Organisations: The six campaigns have taken place in a variety of locations, including a school, at centres of three organisations working to support those caught up in prostitution, people who had dropped out of education and vulnerable children in an impoverished small town, and in two small rural parishes. Whatever the location, all of the people who received eye tests and/or glasses came from low-income backgrounds. 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 three of the campaigns took place.

All of the organisations visited formally contacted 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 Start of November 2026

Name of School/Organisation	Date of campaign	No. of Eye Tests	Cost of Eye Tests ($)	No. of Glasses	Cost of Glasses ($)	Total Costs ($)
End Slavery Ecuador	Feb 1st	68	170.00	65	1,927.00	2,097.00
Quito Metropolitan Govt	Feb 8th/15th	126	315.00	110	3,821.00	4,136.00
Letra para Todos	March 13th/14th	153	382.50	53	1,794.00	2,176.50
Santiago de Pillaro	April 23rd/24th	140	350.00	68	2,676.00	3,026.00
Condor students and families	Jan-August	12	30.00	12	769.00	799.00
Gualea parish	June 6th	34	85.00	22	622.00	707.00
Puerto Limón parish	July 24th/25th	117	292.50	52	2,474.00	2,766.50
TOTAL SPENT		**650**	**1,625.00**	**382**	**14,083.00**	**15,708.00**

A note on prices

In 2026, the average cost of a pair of glasses was US$36.9, compared with US$36.3 in 2025.

The price of specific glasses depends of course on the complication of the lenses. In practice, the majority of glasses dispensed cost between US$23 and US$32 per pair, although we nearly always find a number of more complex cases, where glasses can cost up to US$100 per pair or even more (the maximum this year was US$166).

Campaign 1: End Slavery Ecuador

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

In December 2025, the head of this non-governmental organisation, based in Quito, contacted Vista para Todos. Following the success of the glasses campaign which we conducted with this charity in early 2025, she was very keen for a second campaign to be conducted, this time targeting not only the young people but some of the women the charity supports.

As we reported last year, 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 or so, 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. This year we agreed to help the children who needed glasses and also some of the adult women.

The sensitive nature of the women's work means that we were not able to take any photographs of the campaign this year.

The eye tests took place on February 1st, 2026. In total, 68 people were tested, 96% of whom were found to need glasses. The handover of the glasses took place on February 8th.



Above: The team at End Slavery Ecuador

Right: Letter of appreciation for the help given by Fondation Eagle, Condor Trust and Vista para Todos



END SLAVERY ECUADOR

Quito D.M., 09 de febrero de 2026
Oficio- 002

Señora
Rosario Guillen
FUNDACIÓN EAGLE
Presente-
De nuestra consideración. -

Reciba un cordial saludo de parte de todos los miembros de **End Slavery Ecuador**, una fundación sin fines de lucro cuyo objetivo principal es promover la transformación integral de mujeres en situación de trata de personas, prostitución y abuso.

Nuevamente, queremos expresar nuestra profunda gratitud por el **Programa de Salud Visual**. Gracias a su generosidad, logramos atender a nuestras mujeres Amadas, quienes anhelaban desde hace mucho tiempo esta atención oftalmológica y que hoy, gracias a su donación, es una realidad.

Ver sus rostros de alegría y gratitud al recibir sus lentes ha sido el mejor testimonio de la bendición que su apoyo representa. Estamos convencidos de que este es solo el inicio de un camino trabajando juntos por el bienestar de nuestras mujeres.

Muchísimas gracias por hacer la diferencia con nosotros.

Dios les pague, bendiga su empresa y familia.

Saludos cordiales,

Atentamente,

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Campaign 2: Quito Metropolitan Government, Education Department

Organisation visited: The Inclusive Education Programme, run by the Education Department of the Quito Metropolitan government.

This department of the metropolitan government of Quito runs two programmes for young people, adults and older people, who, for a variety of reasons, did not complete their school education. Some dropped out of education for financial reasons, others because of health or other problems. One specific cause that the government has identified is poor eyesight – a significant number of students were not able to read what was written on the blackboard or read other texts. The organizer of these programmes therefore wrote to Vista para Todos in December 2025 to ask for help in the provision of glasses for their students.

All these students are over 18 years old; many are in their 20s and some considerably older. The Education Department gives them the opportunity to take an 11-month course in basic education for life, or a 15-month course leading to the baccalaureate. The courses take place in 14 Centres spread around Quito. Students from all the Centres were invited for eye tests on February 8th or February 15th if they thought they needed help with their sight. In total, 126 eye tests were conducted and 110 pairs of glasses prescribed and distributed.



Distribution of the glasses

For more on education at the Metropolitan Government, see https://educacion.quito.gob.ec/

Campaign 3: Letra para Todos

Organisation visited: The Letra para Todos school

Letra para Todos (Letters for Everyone) is a school set up and run by the Fundación Impak (Impak Foundation), an Ecuadorian charity. It provides a free, high quality education for 173 vulnerable children aged from 4 to 12 years old in the densely populated and poor area of Calderón, to the north of Quito. In January 2026, the school approached Vista para Todos requesting help for their students who could not afford glasses.

Vista para Todos visited the school to conduct eye tests on March 13th and 14th, 2026. In total, 153 children were tested and 53 were found to need glasses. These were delivered on March 20th.

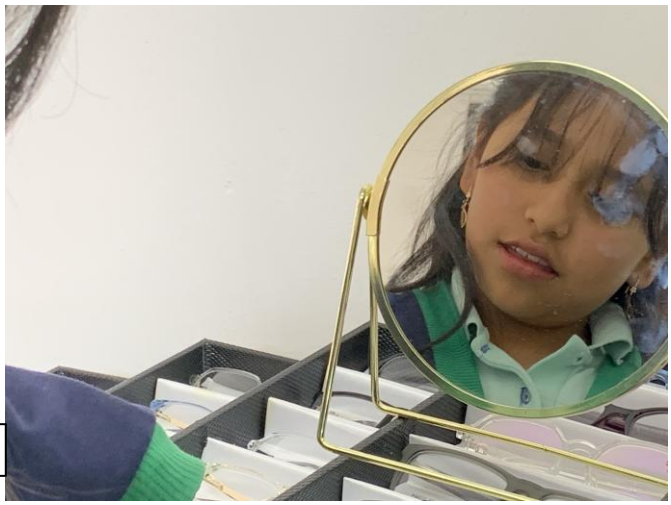


Aerial view of Calderón (El Comercio)



Teacher and pupils at Letra para Todos





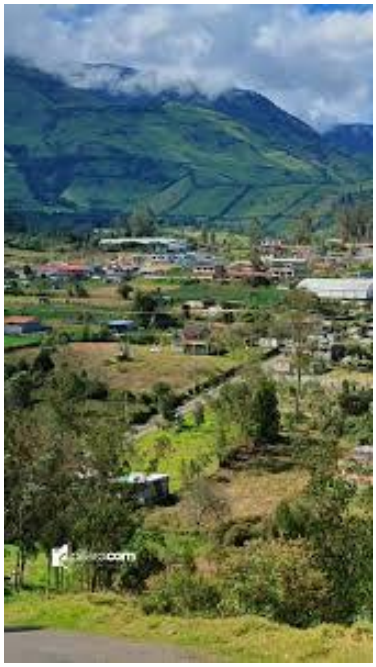
From eye tests ---------- to ---------- glasses

For more information, see: https://www.fundacionimpak.org/escuela-letra-para-todos/

Campaign 4: Cantón Píllaro

Organisation visited: The municipality of Santiago de Píllaro

Santiago de Píllaro is a small town (population 10,000), situated in the Andes, around 120 km south of Quito. As in many small towns in Ecuador, a significant proportion of the population lives in poverty. In April 2026, the person in charge of Social Development in the local government sent a request for help to Vista para Todos, asking for help for the most vulnerable people within the area, focusing particularly on children and young people. The town had identified many children who were having difficulty studying because of visual problems and neither the town nor the families themselves had the resources to pay for eye tests or glasses.





Píllaro in Tungurahua province, south of Quito

The Vista para Todos team visited Píllaro to conduct eye tests on April 23rd and 24th, 2026. Of the 148 children tested, 68 needed glasses. These were distributed on May 5th.







Campaign 5: Rural Parish of Gualea

Organisation visited: The autonomous government of the parish of Gualea

Gualea is a rural parish about 70km north-west of Quito (population 2,757), situated in the Andean cloud forest. The town and surrounding area have been making efforts to promote themselves as a tourist destination as a diversification away from agriculture, which they have previously relied on for income. Despite these measures, most families remain on very low incomes and have no money to spare for items such as glasses. In early summer 2026, the president of the rural council wrote to Vista para Todos to ask for their collaboration in connection with the village's celebration of the rights of children, a day which they celebrate in the parish in June every year. After investigation, Vista para Todos agreed to visit Gualea on June 6th.

The team conducted 35 eye tests among children aged between 5 and 18. Out of this total, 22 children were found to need glasses. These were handed over to the children and their families a week later.



Gualea, in the cloud forest, north-west of Quito





For more information on the parish, see https://gadgualea.gob.ec/

Campaign 6: Rural Parish of Puerto Limón

Organisation visited: The autonomous government of the parish of Puerto Limón

Puerto Limón is a rural parish about 100km west of Quito (population 11,630) in the province of Santo Domingo. The area has traditionally had a relatively high indigenous population. Its economy is based mainly on agriculture (fruit and some dairy), although like other areas nearby it has also been trying to promote tourism.

The president of the parish approached Vista para Todos to ask whether they could provide eye tests and glasses for those children who needed them in seven schools within the parish:

- Unidad Educativa **Jaime Mola** del recinto Tahuaza.
- Unidad Educativa **Puerto Limón** de la cabecera parroquial.
- Unidad Educativa **Vasco Núñez de Balboa** del recinto Santa Cecilia.
- Escuela **Ciudad de México** de la comuna Vicente Rocafuerte.
- Escuela **Vicente Ramón Roca** del recinto La Unión.
- Unidad Educativa **Enrique Noboa Arízaga** del recinto La Polvareda.
- Escuela **Segundo Vaca** del recinto San Remo.

Vista para Todos visited the town on July 24th/25th and delivered the glasses on August 1st. IN total, 117 children and young people had their eyes tested, and 52 were found to need glasses.



Puerto Limón in Santo Domingo province





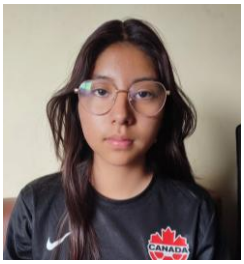


For more information on the parish, see https://puertolimon.gob.ec/puerto-limon/

Condor Trust Young People & Families

During 2026, a number of Condor Trust students and their families needed glasses for the first time or had to renew them due to changes in their eyesight. In total, we helped 12 students or family members.







Appreciation

All the organizations we visited, and of course the recipients of the glasses, were extremely grateful for the help Vista para Todos was able to give, thanks to the financial support of Fondation Eagle. A selection of their letters of thanks is included below.



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