

## Interim Report – May 5<sup>th</sup> 2020

### Financial summary:

Project agreed: November 25<sup>th</sup> 2019: Grant of US\$ 15,625 from the Fondation Eagle to the Condor Trust for Education for the continuation of eye tests/glasses in and around Quito, Ecuador

Amount overspent and carried forward, with agreement from Fondation Eagle, from previous phase: US\$916

Amount spent on new campaigns in period to March 2020: US\$9,414.7

Amount remaining: US\$5,294.3 (April 2020)

### 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 Eagle Foundation, 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 seven rounds of funding, and up to February 2020 in total we have:

- Performed 5,073 eye tests;
- Provided 2,059 pairs of glasses.

### The Current Project

Between the end of 2019 and the beginning of March 2020, we organised a total of 5 campaigns:

- In January 2020, we visited the **Caminos de Esperanza centre** in Quito. This is a facility in a poor area of Quito which offers shelter and education to vulnerable young people.
- **Honrar la Vida school** on the outskirts of Quito caters for very low income children aged from 5 to 15. We work regularly with this school on a number of projects, including music tuition.
- 20 of the students who **the Condor Trust** began to support in autumn 2019, and their siblings, needed glasses.
- At the beginning of March 2020, we undertook two campaigns, one in Quito and one in nearby Latacunga. Shortly after this, Ecuador went into lock-down due to COVID-19, and I am waiting for further details of these two campaigns.

As indicated on the table overleaf, we have so far spent US\$10,331 of the total donated by Fondation Eagle in November 2019.

Data for only three of the five campaigns undertaken is currently available. These campaigns provided 69 pairs of glasses, at an average cost of US\$42 per pair.

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### Expenditure Details and Notes

Summary of Expenditure by Campaign, up to early March 2020						
Name of School/Organisation	Date of campaign	No. of Eye Tests	Cost of Eye Tests (\$)	No. of Glasses	Cost of Glasses (\$)	Total Costs (\$)
Spent in 2018/19 and carried forward						916.0
Condor families	01/09/2019 & 5/1/2020	20	50.0	13	414.8	553.2
Caminos de Esperanza	14 January 2020	46	115.0	29	1,249.0	1,364.0
Honrar la Vida school	17 February 2020	83	207.5	27	1,222.0	1,429.5
Quito	03 March 2020					1,268.0
Latacunga	10 March 2020					4,800.0
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>149</b>	<b>373</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>2,886</b>	<b>10,330.7</b>

- Since the start of the project in 2012, Vista para Todos has provided eye tests at reduced rates. This means we pay US\$2.50 for most eye tests. Vista para Todos also provide all the glasses frames free of charge.
- The proportion of children needing glasses after having their eyes tested also varies from school to school. In some cases, teachers have done a preliminary screening and only put forward for eye tests those children who are identified as having a visual problem. In other cases, Vista para Todos considered it better for all children within an age group to be tested, as they are able to pick up problems which are not always obvious to non-trained personnel.

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Campaign at Caminos de Esperanza, January 2020



Campaign at Honrar La Vida School, February 2020

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