

# YOUR IMPACT IN VENEZUELA

## DONATION IMPACT REPORT

- Strengthening the capacity of a clinic.
- Reducing the morbidity rates of the local community
- Reducing COVID-19 infections



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A surge in COVID-19 infection rates brought Venezuela's public healthcare system, which was already under incredible strain, to its knees.

Many people in Caracas's poorest districts have been unable to get the healthcare they need due to lack of resources and capacity, and their only option has been to go to private healthcare, which is hopelessly unaffordable.

Many people were left wondering if they would ever get access to critical medical support.

### Your gift has already made a difference

Thanks to your support, we are already seeing an increase in the capacity and capability of the clinic (which featured in our Advent Appeal) to serve its local community.

Our partners have reported that members of the community now have a much greater knowledge of COVID-19 symptoms, as well as a better awareness of the clinic and what kind of support and healthcare support is available.

These efforts have resulted in quicker attention to those affected by COVID 19 before they present severe physical affectations. With people seeking medical attention and isolating quicker, the spread of infections has slowed down.

In addition, the clinic is able to arrange Rapid Antigen tests. It costs \$5 USD per patient to perform and analyze a PCR test; for a public healthcare system in crisis, these costs were too high. Now, there is a more affordable and faster diagnosis of potential cases of Covid-19, which are then treated at the clinic.

On behalf of our partners and everyone at Canadian Lutheran World Relief, thank you.



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