



# An Update on Your Gift for COVID-19 Relief in Mexico

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# You Have Made an Amazing Difference

Life was already difficult for the more than 52 million Mexican citizens living in poverty. When COVID-19 swept through their lives last spring, “difficult” quickly became “desperate.” As government quarantine mandates were implemented, countless caregivers, whose low-wage jobs comprised their families’ sole means of support, lost even those meager resources.

“My family was going through a severe crisis because my father lost his job, which resulted in food shortages for my home,” says 16-year-old Ervin. Tragically, Ervin’s statement could be echoed by thousands of other Compassion-assisted children and youth.

That’s why your gift to this food relief project in Mexico has been so important! Christian Brothers Moving & Storage helped provide an emergency supply of food for the families of 4,172 Compassion-assisted children identified by 176 Frontline Church Partners (FCPs) as the most in need.

From August through October, each family received enough food to cover two meals per day for five days. They also received a cookbook compiled by Compassion Mexico’s Health Specialist with recipes for getting the greatest nutritional value from the food provided.

The National Office reports, “Thanks to this intervention, it has been possible to counteract the adverse nutritional effects experienced in our country because of the pandemic.” Ervin adds, “We have more food to prepare at home and, above all, it is very healthy! My whole family sincerely believes that God is good all the time and despite difficulties, better things will always come.”

## Vital Outcomes of Your Intervention



4,172 at-risk children and their families assisted



5-day supply of nutritious food provided each family



176 Frontline Church Partners mobilized to meet families’ emergency nutrition needs



Intervention completed in 3 months





Food packages included a variety of nutritious foods — from fresh vegetables and eggs to milk, rice and beans. They were either picked up by families at the church or delivered to homes by volunteers.



Each family received a cookbook designed to make the most of their food supply. Here, a young recipient shows off the cookbook he and his family received, open to a recipe on how to prepare oats (avena).

For caregivers who are unable to work during the pandemic, the food supplies helped ensure that their little ones avoid malnutrition and stay on track toward healthy physical development.





## Thank you for your support

Jesus said, “And whoever welcomes a little child like this in my name welcomes me” (Matthew 18:5, NIV). Christian Brothers Moving & Storage, we are so grateful for your generous support of this special nutrition intervention in Mexico. Your gift has helped feed and protect thousands of at-risk children and their families during this especially challenging time. May God bless you for sharing Christ’s love with them in this powerful and tangible way!

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