

Meeting with Senator Felipe Harboe



Steven Colon and Grace Martin (directors of FEDES Foundation) met with Senator Felipe Harboe (XIII Circumscription of Biobío) and his chief of staff, Deborah Bailey. The objective was to make progress in the delivery of humanitarian aid to the Region.

The XIII Region, with 2,127,902 inhabitants (population projected by INE in 2016) is the second largest in the country, and like the rest of the country, has major shortcomings with regards to the provision of public health. FEDES' work with other senators and deputies in the nation generated this senator's interest in our work, to look into bringing medical aid to his region, in terms of both supplies and equipment, for offices and hospitals.

From right to left, Senator Felipe Harboe; Director of the FEDES Foundation, Grace Martin; FEDES Foundation President, Steven Colon; Chief of Staff for Senator Harboe,



Donation of Supplies and Orthotics to Sports and Social Clubs of the Municipality of San Bernardo

FEDES Foundation, together with representatives of the health department of the municipality of San Bernardo, delivered this donation. The collaboration agreement between the Municipality of San Bernardo and the foundation allows for periodic deliveries such as these to be made to different low income or needy health care centers or individuals. On this occasion, a delivery was made of wheelchairs, orthopedic supplies, gauze, bandages, immobilizers and other supplies to sports clubs and rehabilitation centers of San Bernardo which serve residents of the municipality free of charge. The beneficiaries were: Cyclo-cross Club, Athletics Club, Club de Pablo, Domus Foundation, Corporación Edudown, Boxing Club, Hockey Club, Soccer Club, Municipal heated pool and Gymnasium for senior citizens. Special thanks to our partner Charity Vision for all these donations.



Work sessions at Fedes Foundation, with the Health and Education team of the San Bernardo Municipality.

Upcoming containers with donations of Clinical Aid were planned and the distribution and follow-up of donations received was discussed.

Loreto González Machuca from the Pharmacy Unit, supervision of agreements of the Municipal Corporation of Education and Health of San Bernardo. Grace Martin, Director of Humanitarian projects for Fedes Foundation and Miriam Acevedo Córdova, Head of Health Promotion for the Municipality of San Bernardo.



Field Visits

In the collaboration agreement between the Municipality and FEDES Foundation, we conducted field visits to meet the beneficiaries of the donations. On this occasion we were received by the family of Mrs. Rosa, who received an electric bed, an implement that has changed their lives since Rosa suffers from multiple illnesses, which also caused her to lose her sight. Her daughter was very happy and grateful.

Distribution of Supplies to Consultation Offices



Photographic sequences of some of the deliveries of clinical supplies to clinics. The technical health staff always appreciates these visits, as they say, "We feel like we are giving care like someone would get in a private clinic; the supplies are of a very good quality, which helps us to give better care, helping patients recover much more quickly. Both the patients and all the staff are very thankful for these donations."

The beneficiary consultation offices were:

- CESFAM Joan Alcina. - CESFAM Carol Urzua. - CESFAM El Manzano
- CESFAM Confraternidad. - CESFAM Joan Alsina. - CESFAM Raul Brañes
- CESFAM Raul Cuevas. - Red de Urgencias y Farmacia (Emergencies and Pharmacy Network).



Donation of 450 wheelchairs to Cuba



Photo 1: Commercial Attaché Sergio Espinosa, Steven Colon and Cuban Ambassador Jose Lamadrid. Photo 2: Steven Colon, Grace Martin, Cuban Ambassador Jose Lamadrid

In collaboration with the Ambassador of Cuba in Santiago Jorge Lamadrid Mascaro and the Commercial Attaché Sergio Espinosa, we were finally able to complete the paperwork and send a container of 450 wheelchairs to Cuba by ship.

The donation was subsidized by Smoky and Kimie Bayles, friends from the USA who have been supporting the Humanitarian Aid projects carried out by the FEDES Foundation for many years. One of their dreams—a dream that came true—was to be able to donate wheelchairs to Cuba. They would have liked to go personally and meet the people who were going to receive them, but due to circumstances beyond their control it was not possible, so Steven Colon and Grace Martin went to Cuba to accompany the distribution of the donation.

In Havana with the Health Authorities



Dr. Maria del Carmen Perera, Director of International Relations, Steven Colon, Ruben Acevedo, National Director of Health Dr. Teresita Gonzalez Head of the Collaboration Department and Dr. Ernesto Rodriguez, Deputy Director of Health.



Photographic sequences of some Senior Homes we were able to visit.

Secuencias fotográficas de las visitas



Steven with Jose, in charge of the Center's maintenance and warehouse, showed us the chart of the people who are receiving chairs and how they are assembling them.

The San Juan de Dios Home for the Elderly cares for those with mental illnesses and physical disabilities in its two Centers.

It has one area for men and another for women. This place is run by brothers from the San Juan de Dios Order. The Center had a very big need for wheelchairs, and due to lack of resources they could not get more, so they had to share the few they had among the users, according to the mobilization needs. This meant that many elderly people could not go out for some fresh air or participate in general activities due to the lack of this equipment.



The Directors and professionals gave us a tour of the Center, together with the government health authorities.



Hernestina 83 years old, recited a long poem with wonderful intonation and a prodigious memory. She was very happy to be able to do it. We all applauded her.



Antonia, a wonderfully sweet woman, only had words of affection and gratitude.



Steven, put his touch of humor that made everyone there laugh.



Juan told Grace that he is a poet and singer; he sang some of his compositions. Grace listens to one of his poems. He was very happy to have someone listen to him; he was a school teacher. He suffers from osteoarthritis and loves to talk. He doesn't receive many visitors and was very happy that we visited him from so far away, especially that wheelchairs that they needed so much had been donated.

The William Booth (of the Salvation Army) Nursing Home



Pablo, was accompanied by two of his friends who carried him so he could pick up his chair. He was hit by a vehicle several years ago and had to have both of his legs amputated. He was very grateful to have his own chair. He thanked all those who made it possible for him to have this donation. And he enjoyed talking and joking with Steven.

In the photo below, with Doris, dressed in the Salvation Army uniform. She is a nurse and the director, along with her husband, from the William Booth Nursing Home. She is very dedicated to people's welfare, not only in the nursing home she directs, but also the neighborhood where she lives.



Meeting with Directors of Hospitals and Consultation Offices of the Fifth Region



A meeting was organized by **Dr. Juan José Mendoza Navarro, Director SSVQ (Servicio Salud Viña Quillota-Viña Quillota Health Service)**, who invited the Directors and Administrators of all the hospitals in the Region.

The meeting was attended by representatives of more than 10 hospitals. The purpose was to introduce them and encourage them to take advantage of the program "Help in equipment and clinical supplies" that the FEDES Foundation and its International Network are carrying out.



Second meeting at the San Juan de Dios de Los Andes Hospital

The Director of the San Juan de Dios de Los Andes Hospital, Jimmy Walker invited Directors and Mayors of his Region to a meeting with members of the FEDES Foundation, so that they could share the experiences and results of donations that the Foundation has brought about in terms of equipment and clinical supplies for hospitals and clinics in different regions of the country. This meeting was attended by representatives of the CESFAM (Centros de Salud Familiar-Family Health Centers) and authorities of the Municipality of Los Andes. Steven Colon shared with those present what these clinical donation programs consist of and presented the results of the agreement the with Quillota Hospital, where they have already benefited from these donations in supplies, surgical instruments and clinical equipment, for a value in Chile of approximately \$650,000,000 pesos (one million dollars aprox.). After this meeting, a collaboration agreement was signed between the San Juan de Dios Hospital and the FEDES Foundation.

Visits to FEDES Foundation



MEETING WITH THE DIRECTOR AND ADMINISTRATIVE TEAM OF SAN JUAN DE DIOS DE LOS ANDES HOSPITAL

Jimmy Walker, Director of the San Juan de Dios Hospital and his administrative team came to learn about the programs carried out by the FEDES Foundation. They are very interested in being able to renovate and equip the hospital with new technology and thus be able to provide all their users with better services.

Meeting with the Director of Health of the Sagrada Familia Municipality.

The Community Health Director of the Municipality of Sagrada Familia, Pablo Luna Taguada and Joaquín Retamal Deputy Director of Clinical Management, met with the President of the Fedes Foundation. They met in order to make a collaboration agreement to obtain donations of clinical implements that benefit all users of the Public Health Service of the Municipality, a rural Municipality that has many needs, especially bedridden patients. Their desire is to give better quality of attention and be able to meet the needs of the most disadvantaged.



Joaquin Retamal, Fedes Foundation President Steven Colon and Municipality Director of Health for Sagrada Familia Pablo Luna.



Lorena Vera with Grace Martin at the Fedes

Donation of wheelchairs, walkers and canes.

Lorena Vera paid us a visit. She works in the parliamentary office of Senator Felipe Harboe in the Ñuble Region. She wanted to know about the Foundation and see the work we do.

She was able to learn about the humanitarian aid programs that the Foundation carries out and visited the Foundation's Skills Training Center where we have classrooms for Culinary Arts, Complete Beauty Salon services, Computer Class rooms, Telecommunications, Care for the Sick, Computer Support, Wardrobe, and Warehouse and Logistics, among others.

She told us about the great need for Orthopedic Implements in the Region of Ñuble, a Region with a large rural population. On this occasion she received a donation of wheelchairs, walkers, and canes to help the neediest in the Region.

SIX NEW COURSES BEGAN

All the courses described below pertain to the Skills Training Program of the National Training and Employment Service (SENCE--Servicio Nacional de Capacitación y Empleo). Each course is for 25 people, from 18 to 65 years of age.



Complete Beauty Salon Services

COMPLETE BEAUTY SALON SERVICES: There are 25 women in this course which has 510 chronological hours plus technical assistance of 2 months, with a subsidy for tools. It began on December 11, 2017 and will end on May 29, 2018. At the end of the course students will be able to offer a variety of beauty salon services (Facials, manicure and pedicure, massage therapy, hair removal, makeup, among others), providing quality services with a clear orientation towards customer service.

BAKERY, PASTRY AND CONFECTIONERY: There are 24 women and 1 man in this course which has a duration of 495 chronological hours plus technical assistance of 2 months, with a grant of equipment as to start their Micro Business. It began on December 27, 2017 and will end on June 7, 2018. At the end of the course the students will be in a position to properly carry out the functions and tasks of food handling, with special emphasis on the basics of baking, pastry and confectionery operations, applying norms of safety and risk prevention, along with proper customer service.



Pastry and Bakery



Administration



Care of the Sick

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT: There are 22 women and 3 men in this course which has a duration of 545 chronological hours plus an internship of 360 hours. It began on December 11, 2017 and will end on June 7, 2018. At the end of the course students will be able to handle administrative office procedures, including the preparation of documents, document file management, customer service techniques, accounting operations in basic terms, assisting in the different processes that are required for accounting and taxation, use of different IT tools, according to the established requirements and protocols.

CARE FOR THE SICK: There are 24 women and 1 man in this course which has a duration of 500 chronological hours plus an internship of 360 hours. It began on December 11, 2017 and will end on May 25, 2018. At the end of the course the students will be able to carry out all the operations of basic care up to intensive care of patients and elderly people who are bedridden, using the necessary equipment and accessories, properly disposing of contaminated waste. All of the above with a clear ethical position, based on legal rights.



Computer Support



Telecommunications

COMPUTER SUPPORT: There are 7 women and 18 men in this course which has a duration of 530 chronological hours plus an internship of 360 hours. It began on December 18, 2017 and will end on June 11, 2018. At the end of the course students will be able to configure information systems, repair equipment and perform network installations and repairs for data transmission. In all of the above, observing personal security measures and taking care of the power supply systems or other communication networks with which the data networks usually share spaces.

TELECOMMUNICATIONS: There are 25 men in this course which has a duration of 450 chronological hours plus an internship of 360 hours. It began on December 11, 2017 and will end on May 10, 2018. At the end of the course students will be able to carry out all the installation and repair operations in the services of basic telephone, broadband internet, fiber optics and satellite television. All this in a framework of quality and with a clear orientation towards customer satisfaction.

Certification of the course "Production of Pastry and Confectionary Products" in collaboration with the PRODEMU Foundation.



This week the **"Production of Pastry and Confectionary Products"** course of 80 hours was certified for 15 women beneficiaries of the **Program for the Development of Employability Skills** of the **PRODEMU** Foundation.

It was attended by Práxedes Peña Reyes, Provincial Executive Director, Maipo Province, Metropolitan Region and the Metropolitan Regional Director Mrs. Evelyn Mierzejewski.



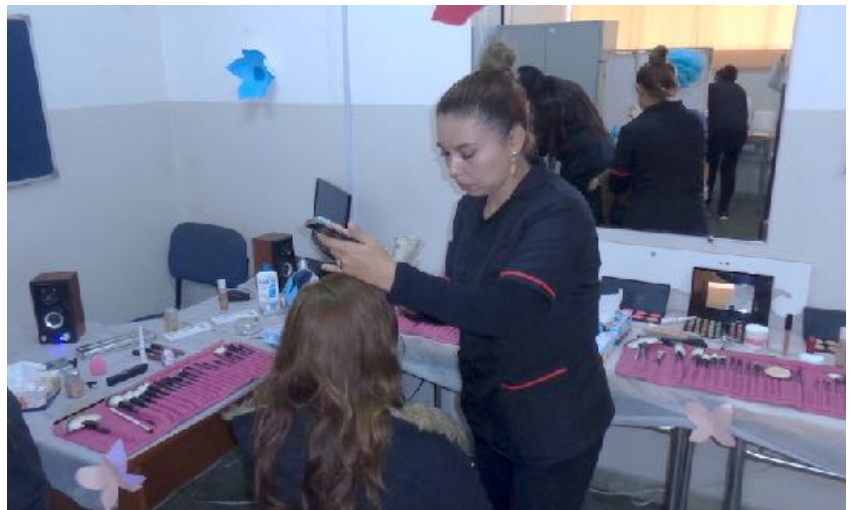
Beauty Fair



In May the Complete Beauty Salon Services students from the Skills Training program in our Work Training Center offered the services they learned during the course to the general public.

From 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., in the classrooms, they cared for about 100 people who paid an entry fee for the following services:

- Manicure
- Pedicure
- Massages
- Make up
- Facial Cleansing



In this activity they put into practice everything they learned in the course.



CERTIFICATION FIVE COURSES SKILLS TRAINING PROGRAM



On April 18, 2018, the certification ceremony was held for 5 courses of the SENCE (National Training and Employment Service) Skills Training program. These are: Complete Beauty Salon services, Sewing and Dressmaking, Care of the Sick, Bakery, Pastry and Confectionery and Installation and Repair of Telecommunications systems. Sofia Varela, FEDES Director, gave a welcome message to the authorities, students and family.



In attendance at the certification:

The Seremi (Ministerial Regional Secretary) of Labor and Social Welfare Paola Vidal; Regional Metropolitan Director of SENCE Dinka Tomicic Bobadilla; Head of the SENCE Training and Employment Unit for the Metropolitan Region Oscar Burotto; Erika Contreras Barrera SENCE Communications Officer-Metropolitan Regional Directorate; Cristian Epuñir Sepulveda Professional Assistant of the Rostros Nuevos Foundation; Luis Rojas Formation and Training Supervisor Cobra Chile Servicios S.A.; FEDES Foundation staff and the students and their families.



Photographic sequences of the 5 courses that were certified, happy to see that it was worth it all for them and their families.



Telecommunications Courses



Course in Care for the Sick



Wardrobe



Course in Complete Beauty Salon Services

Mrs. Paola Vidal V., Seremi of Labor and Social Security RM, participated in the ceremony along with the other guests who issued certificates. She also talked very animatedly with different students who were certified that day. At the end of the ceremony she congratulated us for the work done with the participants, who were thankful for the training which SENCE (National Training and Employment Service) delivered through us, as well as the treatment and care that Fedes gives through its staff to each student. Reference was likewise made to the order and maintenance of the place as well as the conducting of the ceremony and each person's concern that everything would turn out well. Before leaving, she invited us to meet with her to give her more details about our work, something that the President of Fedes Steven Colon did. (Note: We just had Presidential elections so most of the Government Authorities are new).

SENCE Metropolitan Regional Director, Dinka Tomicic Bobadilla congratulated two of the participants who were outstanding in their different courses, together with their



Photo from left to right, the Seremi of Labor and Social Security Paola Vidal; Head of the SENCE Training and Employment Unit for the Metropolitan Region Oscar Burotto; SENCE Metropolitan Regional Director Dinka Tomicic Bobadilla. They all received a beautiful bouquet of flowers, along with an agenda and pen, from FEDES for honoring us with their presence.

TRAINING COURSES FOR WORK SECOND SEMESTER Skills

Training and More Capable Programs

SKILLS TRAINING

The purpose of this Training Program is to generate work skills in its users that allow them to increase the probability of accessing jobs, based on the training received.

The final result it seeks is job placement for the beneficiaries within 3 months of completion of the training process.

Courses: "Warehouse and Logistics," "National and International Cuisine," "Elderly Care," "Installation and Repair of Telecommunications Systems."

MORE CAPABLE PROGRAM

Its objective is to support access to and permanence in the labor market for women, young people and disabled persons who are socially vulnerable, through technical training, transversal skills and labor mediation, enhancing their employability.

Courses given: "Assistance activities in the installation of telecommunications services," "Administrative logistics," "Activities of basic assistance in computer science," "Basic bakery operations," "Operational support in computer platforms," "Bartender"

Course in International Cuisine



During the training we received visits from several renowned restaurants, which offered practices to students with possible jobs. The good performance of all the users is worthy of mention, the majority of them being hired.

Photos: students preparing the different culinary dishes. At the end of the course they had a social event for the closure of the course sponsored by the Fedes Foundation, an activity that encourages team unity.

Telecommunications Courses



In these sequences we see the students with their instructor Rodrigo Sanchez. During the Telecommunications course the users learn technical skills including:

- Safety Protocols on the job
- Basic Telephone Installation Services,
- Internet and Broadband, together with Fiber Optic Technologies. They detect installation failures, connection using a multi-tester.
- They are taught how to install conduits according to safety regulations, applying protective elements during installation.

In theoretical classes with instructor Alberto Galvez, teaching technical skills in:

Reception of Products, Telephone and Broadband Service, Customer Service Protocols, Basic Electricity among many others.

Transversal Skills

In this sequence we see them working in the module "Knowledge of labor laws, rights and duties" taught by the instructor Vladimir Orellana.

Construction simulation module of a house for practical examination for Technical Certification by the Movistar Company



Social Responsibility Project MOVISTAR -FEDES

New Investment of the FEDES Foundation in small houses that will be used by our users after having completed and approved the Training course. Here they will take a practical certification exam as a "Multi Skill Technician" to obtain the MOVISTAR certification.

These small constructions simulate real spaces of a house where they will have to install three services in real time: TV, Broadband and Internet.

The certification is carried out by auditors from the MOVISTAR company. The small constructions provide everything necessary for this purpose. This certification allows them to enter Movistar companies as technicians with better income.



Finished Modules



Photographic sequences of the inauguration, left to right, Marco Andres Justiniano Opazo, Head of Training and Certification of the Telephone Company; Steven Colon, President FEDES Foundation; Michalangelo Lértora Verdugo, Quality, Environment and Training Officer COBRA CHILE Group.



Luis Rojas, Supervisor of Formation and Training of Grupo COBRA Chile shows everyone present the rooms where they conduct their practices.

Meeting with the METROPOLITAN SEREMI Director



Paola Beatriz Vidal SEREMI of Labor and Social Welfare R.M. in a meeting with the Fedes Foundation team, considering other training projects to benefit vulnerable young people. We were very impressed by her energy, joy, and vision for work.

Meetings at FEDES - Alliance with Municipalities of Peñalolen and Santiago for Skills Training programs.



Municipality of Peñalolen. Paloma Fisher, in charge of the Municipal Training and OTEC Department; Steven Colon President of FEDES; Maria Fernanda Bisal Project Coordinator for the Municipality of Peñalolen; Isolina Contreras Project Coordination Fedes Foundation

Municipality of Santiago. Margarita Lara Alarcón, Coordinator of Employment Unit-OMIL, Steven Colon and Yasmin Zuñiga,

Meetings with the Training Officers for the Municipalities of Peñalolen and Santiago. These meetings were to manage the executions of the Bartender and Basic Bakery Operations courses corresponding to the SENCE (National Training and Employment Service) Regular More Capable program.



Visitas a Fundación Fedes

MEETING WITH POLYTECHNIC SCHOOLS

FEDES Training Foundation, in collaboration with the Telecommunications Company **COBRA Chile**, has been developing a series of meetings with Directors and Heads of Studies of 5 Polytechnic High Schools. The objective is to create **alliances** that enable the development of strategies so that the graduates of the Schools can specialize in a comprehensive manner as well-qualified technicians in all the services in the area of Telecommunications provided by the FEDES Foundation, and then work in the Cobra Company at the end of their practice.

In this meeting collaboration was strengthened with the following Schools:



Colegio Cumbre de Cóndores Renca (Mr. Victor Sobarzo)
Colegio Chileno Alemán de Cerrillos (Mr. Pedro Astudillo)
Colegio Centro Educacional Matías Cousiño (Mr. Danilo Azocar)
Colegio Alma Mater (Mr. Marcelo Bravo)

VISIT TO CASA DE LA JUVENTUD



Brisa, Romina and Steven Colon in FEDES FOUNDATION

Brisa and Romina came to the installations of **Fedes Foundation** representing the management of "**Casa de la Juventud**" in the Municipality of San Bernardo, Santiago.

They work with a large number of young people and they wanted to learn about the skills training programs that FEDES carries out, since their desire is that many of the young people they serve can benefit from this training.

A variety of ideas for networking also came up in the meeting, not only with young people but also so that their families can participate in the programs of the Foundation.

In turn, Brisa and Romina informed us about the programs they carry out with young people in the Municipality.

Warehouse and Logistics Course



In this course, students are trained in Warehouse Management, Hygiene, Safety and Risk Prevention, Cargo Reception, Stock Control, Storage, Management of the SAP MM Material Management Module and Fork Lift Training. The companies "Imperial" and "Coasin," among others, visited during the course, and, after interviewing the users, they were pleasantly surprised by their extensive knowledge of logistics and how well prepared they were. Good performance by the female gender throughout the entire course should be noted in an area more customarily occupied by the male gender. After their internship, a large number of participants, especially women, have been hired.



Practicing electric pallet handling



Visit to the Imperial Company by the users and their instructor.

Operational support in computer platforms



Photographic sequences of the different subjects included in the curricular program of the Operational Support in Computer Platforms course such as: Software installation, wiring, and knowledge of computer components, among others.



Field trips were made as part of the training plan. **SONDA** y **CISCO** were among the companies that were visited.



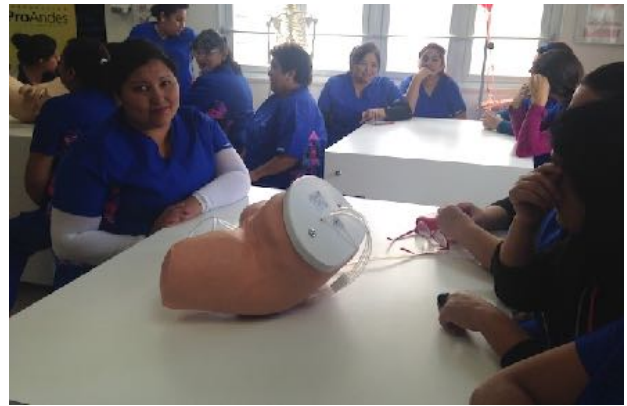
Visit to companies: The computer support course paid several visits to the **SONDA** company, well known in Latin America. The users were deeply motivated after this visit. After this visit the operations manager Mr. Armando Sandoval (General Services Manager for Sonda), gave a motivational talk to all the beneficiaries of the training courses in the courtyard of the FEDES Foundation.

Course in the Care of the Sick and the Elderly



Photographic sequences of some of the curricular activities of the course in "The Care of the Sick and the Elderly." Students learn techniques for identifying and checking on conditions and physical and cognitive functional pathologies of patients, communication and empathy in the care of people, vital signs and first aid, etc. This course has had very good results in the labor field. After the practice, a very high percentage are hired.

"The hand washing dance" is an activity that reinforces the importance of hand washing in the area of health in a recreational and entertaining way, while emphasizing participation and teamwork at the same time.



Fedes Foundation has a collaboration agreement with the **ProAndes Professional Technical Institute**. In this photo we see our users participating in a foley catheter management module, taught by the nurse Claudia Benavente. After which they received a certificate of participation. Pro Andes give us Scholarships for the students that want to keep studying.

Transversal Skills Module

Methodology based on the experiential learning approach where each beneficiary plays an active role in their own learning. It is a process of continual discovery and growth, both personally and professionally, through their own experience.



Instructor Maria Jose Ayala gave the employment readiness courses. Performing techniques in these sequences for solving problems and conflicts and transmitting tools for oral and written expression. Planning of the occupational project and use of TIC'S in the search for employment and techniques for entrepreneurship.

Social and Occupational Support



The Social and Occupational Support (ASL–Apoyo Socio Laboral) component is a support resource for participants in the More Capable and Skills Training programs. This support is implemented during the entire period of the training course and internship (for courses with dependent endings). Through a continuous process of individual accompaniment and personalized attention, an orientation service is delivered, aimed at enhancing a person's job placement.

Rodrigo Diaz, psychologist and instructor in the Social and Occupational Component Visiting the Center of the "Don Orione-Pequeño Coto Lengua" Foundation, with the Care of the Sick course users.



Group activities outdoor exercises are tools that serve to develop harmonious relationships in the workplace that promote effective communication.



Special Recognition for the San Bernardina Entrepreneurial Woman, granted by Mayoress Nora Cuevas, which included a visit by the Undersecretary of the Ministry of Women and Gender Equity Carolina Cuevas Merino and Sernam (National Service for Women and Gender Equity) authorities.



The Mayoress of San Bernardo Nora Cuevas offered a special breakfast to a group of entrepreneurial women of the Municipality. There was also a **special visit from the Undersecretary of the Ministry of Women and Gender Equity Carolina Cuevas Merino** in this celebration.

Nora Cuevas (Mayor of the Municipality) asked the guests to introduce themselves and share their experiences and entrepreneurial undertakings with those present. She was amazed when she heard them, because the majority of those present who had good entrepreneurial ventures had trained at the FEDES Foundation Vocational Training School. Immediately the Mayor asked her assistant to call Steven Colon to come participate in the event, saying affectionately: "This gringo is going to be as excited as I am to hear these testimonies and participate in the joys and achievements of the students of the Fedes Foundation."

The meeting went on for quite a while because the testimonies and experiences were very enriching. All of them are admirable women, worthy of praise and imitation. We are very grateful for the invitation and proud to be able to participate in our users' results and success. The ceremony also included the participation of the Hermanas Carmelitas Descalzas (Barefoot Carmelite Sisters).





Internship - Employment Intermediation



Labor Inclusion. Francisco Vidal, with a disability due to Osteogenesis imperfecta. Support in Computer Platforms Course user was hired by the Coasin company (Photo at the company where he told us he feels completely fulfilled and happy. He wants to continue his training and go on to University)



Susan Reyes, Computer Support Student in the Coasin company giving remote technical support through the help desk. She had an excellent internship and was hired.



Carmen Martin, Social and Occupational Tutor, along with **Beatriz Lozano**, emigrant from the Dominican Republic, completed the Warehouse and Logistics course. A woman with great leadership skills and teamwork capability, she stood out for her initiative and commitment on the job. Thanks to her good performance she was hired by the Imperial Company.



Pedro Rodriguez from the Bartender course where they learn customer service according to protocols, norms and quality standards. After an excellent performance on St. Patrick's Day he was able to celebrate a work contract.



Gonzalo Ahumada, user of the Accountant's Administrative Assistant course. He did his internship in the Hospital del Pino in the Inventory Department, after which he was hired for his good performance.

Congratulations to all of them for their good work...!!



Mery Rebolledo, (who is a Venezuelan immigrant) took the Accountant's Administrative Assistant course and was hired by the EASY company after an excellent internship in human resources

Follow-up to entrepreneurship courses



COMPLETE BEAUTY SALON SERVICES

Rose Mery Villareal. She has installed a beauty salon in her home, providing massage services, manicure, facial cleansing, hair removal, and hairdressing. She has done very well this last month, has advertising on the front of her house and price lists inside. She has a Municipal license with initiation of activities and can give official receipts.

When asked about her experience of studying at Fedes her answer was "All the techniques that were acquired in Fedes have been fundamental to starting this business; Fedes gave me the impetus to achieve this."

GASTRONOMY



Yesenia, teamed up with a friend and is currently making bread and Christmas Cakes, as well as other cakes and cake to order, and a few weeks ago sweet doughs such as Berliners, milk bread, etc. She offers her products online, by word of mouth and phone calls, and she wants to expand her products, making whole grain bread with seeds. She has taken two more courses through the municipality of San Bernardo, one being "Emprendo Semilla" "Social Entrepreneurship." She plans to buy more tools to continue implementing her bakery. She says that in the FEDES course she learned about developing her business, hygiene measures, techniques for making her recipes, and also sharing with work groups. She wants to continue growing and expanding her business.

Marisol Magdalena Rojas Reyes



-Former student in the "Complete Beauty Salon Services Course" left us this little reaction on Face Book

"Fedes, it is not a minor role you have played and continue to play in the lives of many.

You open doors and windows for people who without their own resources could not succeed,

You lend a hand to whoever wants to succeed for their children, their family and for themselves. I am eternally thankful to you. It was a privilege to have studied at Fedes."

Container with clinical equipment and supplies for Consultation Offices in San Bernardo.



Arrival of the container with medical and orthopedic help for the Municipality of San Bernardo. This donation has been subsidized by Kim and Smokey Bayles, a married couple who are friends in the United States and been helping Chile and other countries for years. They have also donated thousands of wheelchairs to Chile. We could never thank them enough for all this help that has benefited thousands of people in vulnerable situations.

One of the many supplies delivered were 12 electric wheelchairs that will be very helpful for people with severe disabilities. Electric beds also arrived for bedridden patients, electronic hoists for patients, oxygen equipment, as well as innumerable supplies and other medical equipment.



Electric wheelchairs



Portable oxygen concentrator equipment

Miguel Dominguez, Pharmacist, together with Steven Colon. Miguel is in charge of the management of the Municipality of San Bernardo's Pharmacy and the distribution of all the donations received for the Municipality

MANAGING DONATION OF CLINICAL INPUTS AND MEDICINES FOR THE REGION OF QUINTANA ROO - MEXICO.

FEDES Foundation is collaborating in the management of a project to help the Hospitals and Consultation Offices of the Region of Quintana Roo in Mexico with medicines and clinical supplies. In a visit to this Region, the Director of Health of the City of Puerto Morelos invited us to visit her Municipality where we saw the great need that exists in the area of health. We asked our partners in Chile, the American Organization "Direct Relief International" and its Manager in Mexico if they could help in this city, and to our surprise Mr. Eduardo Mendoza, Manager of DR in Mexico, offered to help the entire Region where there are 11 Hospitals and more than a hundred consultation offices. Sergio Chale, Legal Director of the Municipality with Dr. Noemi Rodriguez, Director of Health, After the tour of the district. They showed us the public consultation office that serves more than 30,000 people, where they do not even have 15% of the medicines they need, without mentioning the great lack of supplies they have.



Steven Colon in a meeting with Sergio Chale, Legal Director of the Municipality of Puerto Morelos, Dr. Noemi Rodriguez Director of the Departments of Health of the Municipality.



Steven Colon and Grace Martin in a meeting with Sergio Chale, Legal Director of the Municipality of Puerto Morelos, in the Municipality offices.



Some sequences of the neighborhoods and consultation offices in the Municipality of Puerto Morelos



Invitation to Easter Island



Evelyn, who made it possible for us to visit the Island. She received us with the warmth and affection so typical of the Island. She was a wonderful guide, taking us to visit and tour the Island. We could see in situ the health needs and thus have a clear vision to be able to obtain the necessary donations. She was a great hostess and representative of the Mayor and the Island.



In the Hospital of the Island Hanga Roa Rapa Nui With the Sub Director to the right Dr. Carlos Schlack and Felipe Collao, Head of the dental department



With Tiare in charge of the Center for Older Adults and Koro, an older adult at the Center.



A visit to Miriam who has just returned from Santiago where several treatments were carried out that are not on the Island. She was grateful for the visit.

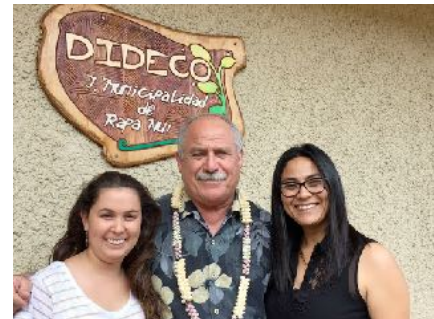


Steven Colón with the Mayor of Easter Island Pedro Edmunds Paoa. The Mayor invited the president of FEDES to get to know the Island and its needs and sign a cooperation agreement. FEDES will be bringing donations of equipment and clinical and orthopedic supplies to Easter Island.

President of Fedes Foundation met with the Mayor of Easter Island and Representatives of the Health and Disability Organizations.



Easter Island is a "magical" place with an incredible mystique; its people are very happy and friendly. It has been an unforgettable experience, and we hope that with this agreement we can collaborate so that their Hospital can have sufficient equipment and supplies to be able to give optimal attention to all its users. A registry is being made in order to know the exact amount of people with different capacities there are and also in order to collaborate so that they might have the technical aids they need.



With Loreto Gonzalez, Director of the DIDECO and Susana Canales, social worker



With Tonita Founder of the Ka AHA RA IA Center that attends to people with different capacities, we went to the radio to discuss the agreement with the Mayor and request that everyone on the Island sign up all those with reduced mobility and other different abilities, so we can help them with the technical implements they need.



Second container with medical supplies and equipment for the Municipality of San Bernardo



In the agreement that Fedes has had for 8 years with the Municipality of San Bernardo, in November another container arrived with equipment and clinical supplies that are incorporated into the health system of the Health and Education Corporation of the Municipality. It contains a wide variety of supplies and equipment that they needed in order to provide better care



Natalia Fernandez (secretary of Fedes Foundation) explaining our programs to the people that came to the activity.

"Social Inclusion Fair 2018" MUNICIPALITY OF SAN BERNARDO

The FEDES Foundation is invited every year to participate in the "Social Inclusion Fair" organized by the Office of Disability of the Municipality of San Bernardo, promoted by Mayoress Nora Cuevas. Many institutions that support and work on this issue participate. The Municipality provides a space and designates a stand for the Institutions that participate. The FEDES Foundation appreciates every opportunity to spread its program of donations of orthoses and other aid for the benefit of the most disadvantaged. It also disseminates all the courses of Training in Crafts that the Foundation carries out free of charge (with ENCE code) for people of limited resources.

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LIFE STORIES



Donation of an electric wheelchair

Ninoska is 31 years old, born with the syndrome of Focomelia, a malformation of teratogenic origin consisting of the absence of bone and muscle elements in the upper and lower limbs. She lives with her mother. They are a very hard-working family with very scarce resources. Ninoska is applying for her own house, so she works hard to plasticize documents and ID cards at the doors of the Municipality of Pedro Aguirre Cerda. She is an example of overcoming, a single mother of a beautiful 5-year-old child that she adores. She told us: "I am very grateful for this donation, it has changed my life. I could not get out of the house because my son is a little restless and makes sudden moves; I have fallen many times from the conventional chair, trying to go after him. Now I can go to the park, I put him in the lower part of the chair where he can be supported. Another thing is that now I arrive at work clean, because before I used to get my hands very dirty. Thanks to the electric chair, now I have a new job as a municipal official in customer service. For me this chair is essential, I am very grateful. The electric chair has been the greatest gift. Thank you very much.

DONATION OF A WALKER

Jorge Cifuentes, four years ago he contracted a disease called Guillain Barre syndrome. He was left without full mobility in his body, was bedridden and barely able to speak. Three years ago, he was released from the rehabilitation sessions, being told that they could not do anything more, that these were the sequelae of the disease, and that he would have to live like this, with 100% disability, for the rest of his life. He told us in his few sentences that he can talk now: "I didn't give up and I just started doing the exercises they taught me. After three years I was able to get out of bed and walk short distances, holding on to different objects." I was very grateful for the donation of the walker. He went on: "Now with the walker I will be able to go for a walk, and my desire is to be able to go out and sell the few crafts that I have left. At this time, I cannot work with my hands (he is an artisan who works making silver jewelry), but I have faith that little by little I will regain the use of my hands." He began to practice with speed and the brakes right away; he was very happy ... we joked that now he had a Mercedes Benz.

A few days later he sent us this note: "I am writing to you, first thanking the Lord for allowing me to acquire a walker through you, on December 12 of this year. It has been spectacularly useful for me as a matter of fact, it has even served as a work tool, enabling me to be able to sell some small products and also walk great distances. I pray to God that He will bless you a lot in your work. of help. I say goodbye very gratefully (especially to Ms. Grace) Greetings."



Paulina Ninoska, happy, moving around at her new job in the Municipality of Pedro Aguirre Cerda. Left picture: Ninoska with Grace M. at Fedes Foundation.

The chair was donated by Alvaro Muñoz a young man, who suffers from Duchenne muscular dystrophy. Since the chair was no longer of any use to him due to the progress of his disease, he asked Carlos (his dad) to donate it. And his Dad went to Fedes to find a person who needed it.



Jorge Cifuentes at the Fedes Foundation receiving the walker



Fernando with his mom Maria Isabel.

Maria Isabel, suffers from diabetes and other conditions. She lives in the city of Talca (4 hours from Santiago). Her son Fernando found the Foundation online and called us. He needed a chair for his mother; they live on her small pension and cannot afford a chair. He explained the need to be able to take his mother out for a walk as she was going through a very depressing situation having to stay at home all the time. I told him that he would have to come to Santiago to pick it up because we did not have an office in the Regions. "Of course," he told us. "That's not a problem. I'll come for it." He was very grateful for the donation



Fernando Muñoz (son of Maria Isabel) sent us the following note:

Good evening, Ms. Grace and Ms. Natalia.

This afternoon, taking advantage of the good temperature in the city of Talca, we took our Mother for a walk in the center, where she had not been for more than a decade and I recorded this beautiful moment, taking some photographs, which are attached below.

Eternally thankful, Blessings,

The Nuñez Guerrero family.

Donation of a Cane for a Blind Person



Teresa de las Mercedes together with her husband

Teresa de las Mercedes is 56 years old and 4 years ago she went blind because of glaucoma. They requested a donation of a cane for the blind for her. They are neighbors of the Lo Espejo Municipality, near us. She arrived accompanied by her husband Luis Gabriel, who told us that he is very worried about Teresa. All these years he has helped her to get around. Gabriel wants her to learn to get around on her own, in case something happens to him. He commented with a bit of sadness: "I am not in good health either, I have had many brain and facial operations, since I suffered an accident as a child (a wagon ran over my head). It's a miracle that I survived, since the hospital in my Region did not have resources for good surgery. I can't see well either, but I manage. Teresa and I thank you for helping us because she needed a cane to go to their training classes for blind people. Infinite thanks, for making it possible!!"

DONATION OF WHEELCHAIRS



(Photo from left to right Grace, Irene and Fanny.)

Irene, 52 years of age, suffers from severe rheumatoid arthritis, which affects all her joints. Fanny (Irene's daughter-in-law, who lives with her) called us on the phone to ask us for a chair for her mother-in-law. She commented: "My mother-in-law Irene is desperate because she has been going everywhere for a long time, knocking on doors of different government institutions but since she is not 60 years old, she is not eligible for the donation of a wheelchair. She has not been able to walk for years because of the pain; she spends a lot of time lying down, that's why she has had sores on her back and buttocks. To go to the doctor, she has to charitably request a neighbor to lend her one for a few hours. I need you to help us. I explained the donation program for these implements and the documentation that we request.

Not even two hours had passed when Fanny showed up with Irene (her mother-in-law) because she wanted us to meet her and see that she really needed the chair. It took a big effort for Fanny to push a borrowed chair that was broken with wheels that did not move.

When we delivered it, they cried with emotion ... Fanny sighed and said, "not only is it a help for her; it is for me too. You can't imagine, I carry her everywhere ..."

Irene, nearly overcome with emotion, told us: "I want to get out of the house, I want to be able to go to the fair to help my family and not be a burden." When I asked her what her wish was, where would she like to go now that she has the chair? Looking at the sky and with a big smile she told us: "My biggest desire is to go for a walk with my grandchildren (Fanny's children who are 7-year-old twins) to the beach. With the chair it's easier for them to take me. That would make me very happy."

Nacho, 22 years old, happy with his wheelchair. Nacho's sister told her teacher at school that her brother did not have a wheelchair. They live in a rural area and his family finds it difficult to move. The teacher is the nephew of a friend who collaborates with the Foundation and told us about the situation of this family and offered to take the chair to the house. The whole family could not be happier. (She had outgrown the chair she had, which was donated by TELETON.) Nacho no longer qualifies for the benefit of accessing another chair because he is 22 years old and the program is for up to age 18. He is a very happy young man who loves to go out for a walk. Now he can do it.



Paola Inostroza a teacher who passes by Avenida Independencia every day, would always see **Laura**, who lives on the street. A few days ago, she passed by and saw her sitting on the ground. She asked her what had happened to her that she didn't have the chair. Laura told her it had broken. The chair is her legs and means of transport.

Paola wanted to do something for Laura and started searching the internet and found the Fedes Foundation. She came to visit us and shared Laura's need, brought us the documentation we requested. She couldn't get some of it, because since Laura lives on the street, everything she had was stolen little by little. Paola came to pick up the chair and took it to Laura who was very happy over the donation because now she could move again. She was very moved that Paola went out of her way to bring her the chair, "a chain of love."



Paola, picking up the chair at Fedes

Laura, happy with the chair