



WHO WE ARE

Junta de Beneficencia de Guayaquil (JBG) is a private non-profit charity institution founded in 1888, which has provided social care to millions of low-income Ecuadorians in areas such as health care, education, care for the elder and funeral services. We have thus become Ecuador's largest NGO, and the only one of its kind in Latin America, which fills us with pride and serves as encouragement for us to continue helping those in need through our massive charity work.

We are committed to society to improve the quality of life of those who are not covered by public or private health care, or those who do not have access to education due to the extreme poverty. We offer individuals a wide range of health services from experienced medical professionals, with high-tech equipment and the appropriate infrastructure to meet their needs with quality and warmth.

{tab=WHAT WE DO}

Hard work has enabled us to create a network of first-rate services at extremely low subsidized costs and, in some cases completely free, through our four hospitals, specialized in obstetrics and gynecology, pediatrics, general and mental health care, respectively. Here, we serve pregnant women, children, adults, and people with mental disorders. Together, our hospitals provide more than five million medical consultations per year to people from all over the country.

We care about the physical and mental development of over 3.000 children and teenagers at our two educational centers. Likewise, we provide spiritual guidance, tutoring, psycho-pedagogical support, housing, food, and clothing to over 200 underprivileged girls at our homes for girls.

We contribute to the welfare and harmony of more than 300 elderly residents at our nursing home and retirement home.

Finally, our commitment to those in need is completed full circle by providing people with a place to eternally rest at our two cemeteries. Here, families are saved the concern of paying property taxes, as these are waived in our cemeteries. In some cases, we provide free cremation to individuals who have been abandoned at non-profit institutions, hospitals or morgues.

This is why we can proudly say that our vast charity work comprises a human being's full life cycle, from birth through every important stage of their life, until death. This is solid proof of the extent of our charity work.

Our commitment toward the poor has motivated us to expand our work country-wide, by providing support to smaller social welfare foundations and institutions in Ecuador, especially those in the health care area.

{tab=HOW WE HELP}

Each of our institutions has a Social Work department with a professional, experienced and humane staff, to evaluate and analyze the different needs of the people who come to our facilities. They are able to identify cases that need further assistance, and provide timely solutions to benefit those who have less.

Moreover, our hospitals have the valuable contribution of the Volunteer Ladies of the Hospital Volunteer Association's (Damas Voluntarias de la Asociación de Voluntariado Hospitalario, ASVOLH). These ladies, with a kind heart and commitment, complement our social work by providing their time and effort to help men, women and children through their healing process.

As one of the largest employers in Ecuador, we responsibly contribute to the welfare of more than 7,000 people and their families, including physically disabled employees. The Ecuadorian Social Security Institute (IESS) has recognized us as one of the most serious and lawful institutions when it comes to employee insurance and financial duties.

Indirectly, we represent a source of income for more than 3.000 Ecuadorian families, who, through the sale of our lottery products (Lotería Nacional), can earn a dignified living and contribute to our charity work as well.

{tab=HOW WE SUSTAIN OURSELVES}

Income generated by the sale of our lottery products, goes in its entirety to our vast charity work. In addition, to subsidize the high costs of the health care and welfare of millions of Ecuadorians, we work on our self-management through the sale of services in our private hospital areas, nursing homes and cemetery. Here, we offer customized services to those who can afford it, in order to benefit hundreds of thousands of people in need, who come to our facilities for health care, education and elderly care.

The image of solidarity and charity of our institution has gone beyond our borders, earning us the support of important foundations, institutions and hospitals from the United States, Canada, Germany, Japan, Chile, and many other countries. They have shown their support by donating medical supplies and equipment, and by sending medical missions to perform high-risk surgeries and train our hospitals' staff. Thus, we are able to share these donations and help with other smaller foundations, while training and assisting them in health care just as these foreign organizations do with us.

Despite all the generous help we receive and our own self-management, our funds are not sufficient to meet all the urgent social needs that arise every day. This is why we appeal to the solidarity of those who are willing to join us in this massive, rewarding charity work, which brings hope and welfare to hundreds of thousands of Ecuadorian men, women and children from less privileged areas of our society.

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