

Thirty eight persons with mobility problems from the Naranjal Canton received wheelchairs, crutches, walkers and walking sticks as a donation from la Junta de Beneficencia de Guayaquil, delivered free of charge together with Free Wheelchair Mission and the Jesus Christ Church of Latter Day Saints.

Flor Maria Calderon arrived from the Jaime Roldos precinct to receive the crutches she so badly needed. “I`ve always been very active; I like going from one place to another and I move around on a wheelchair, however the crutches will be a big help, I feel more independent” Maria commented to us. who, about a year and five months ago, lost one of her legs in her a struggle with diabetes she has been suffering from for about five years.

Another one of the beneficiaries was Erlinda Zerna from the la Previsora Citadel. Sequels from poliomyelitis and a fractured femur limit her mobility. “My spinal column couldn`t” take it anymore. I had to push myself with a stool, then take two or three tiny steps and sit down again; for this I am deeply grateful to La Junta de Beneficencia de Guayaquil, since this wheelchair will be of great benefit to me”, he added.

Eng. Marcos Chica, Canton Mayor, thanked the Guayaquil entity and those institutions which made this donation possible to benefit those persons most vulnerable in this part of the Guayas Province. “Thanks for helping us to serve this community; for that ever present solidarity to help those who need it the most”, he pointed out.

The ceremony was attended by beneficiaries, family members, Canton authorities and those from la Junta de Beneficencia de Guayaquil and was held in the autonomous Government City in the Naranjal Canton