

Abril 2020

Corona Crisis



<https://youtu.be/r-4HepgPt9w>

We send greetings to you all, to wish you peace and good in the midst of the horrific global situation that COVID-19 has unleashed. This is a time for unity, for prayer and for joining hearts. Today we are asking our friends and our volunteers to join with us in our effort to survive this international crisis, care for our residents and open our doors to the public once again in the future.

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WE NEED EACH OTHER AND GUATEMALA NEEDS THE OBRAS!

If you are able, we would greatly appreciate any contribution that you can make to us. All contributions will be a direct blessing that will help us ensure the continuity of care for the patients we serve in our residential care homes, pay our salaries and purchase supplies for the time when the multitudes of patients we expect in the future will once again crowd our hallways.

UPDATE FROM THE OBRAS



*Un caso activo fallecido por causa ajena a COVID-19

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We give thanks to God that at this moment, our precious in-house patients are being looked after and cared for without interruption. There has been no Corona Virus detected in the Obras residents or staff, praise God!

For Obras Sociales del Santo Hermano Pedro, the COVID-19 pandemic has caused many hardships. All of our medical, surgical and dental groups from Spain, the United States and Canada surgeries have cancelled. In addition to this, we were forced by the President of the Republic to temporarily close our outpatient care clinics, laboratory and diagnostic center services resulting in no income. Yet, our overhead and expenses continue.

The cancellation of public transport has made the situation even more difficult for the Franciscan fraternity because our local volunteers and paid staff have difficulty in getting here to help us at Virgin del Socorro, the Nutritional Recovery Center, Renacer and San Juan Bautista. As you know, our in-house patients require 24/7 services.

The good news is that regardless of the hardships, our faithful staff of nurses, cooks, cleaners and all the others are finding a way to come and provide the care for the patients we love so much. There are those who have walked up to 5 miles to get here; those who have requested rides from friends and relatives; and others have organized motorcycle rides to get to work.

We hope, with God's blessing, that soon we will be back to normal and that we will be able to open our doors; our clinics, laboratory, operating rooms and other services once more. We know that demand for health services at the Obras will be even higher since so many clinics and hospitals have been closed around our country while the people continue to suffer from many maladies.

We pray earnestly that we will be able to secure the necessary resources to guarantee the care and service to all who come for a helping hand as we have for almost 39 years and that we can continue to care for our permanent patients.

We trust that Divine Providence, through our faithful friends, has not abandoned us and we trust that even in the midst of this global crisis, the Obras will continue this important and Godly work with the help of your generosity and empathy.

We join together at the Obras and send you Easter blessings. Thank you for your loyal support and faith and for sharing the hope of redemption and life everlasting in Christ. The Lord is with all of us!

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