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Rosa's Family: Creating A Hopeful Tomorrow

Rosa, a Cuenca Soup Kitchen beneficiary, works as a recicladora. She often works 12-plus hours a day picking through trash just to be able to buy food. When her two adult children died of COVID, she became the sole provider for her seven grandchildren. Suddenly her hard work was no longer enough and CSK stepped in to help her provide hopeful tomorrows for her grandchildren. Rosa's story reflects the plight of the 33% of Ecuadorians who struggle to put food on the table.

Rosa wants a better life for her grandchildren so while she continues to work hard, CSK makes sure that she and her family receive food, hygiene kits, and the school supplies the children need in order to build better futures. Because hunger and hygiene impact access to education which decreases earning power, CSK focusses on these areas to turn lives around.

Join CSK to break the cycle of poverty as we continue to provide food, education, and hygiene assistance to thousands of people.

Your support transforms lives today - including the lives of hundreds of people like Rosa and her seven grandchildren.

In a world full of unknowns, CSK is committed to increasing meaningful opportunities for both beneficiaries and supporters: People helping people.













Cuenca and Paccari Recognize Cuenca Nonprofits

This month CSK was honored to be among a small number of nonprofits invited by the City of Cuenca to Casa Del CoCo for a chocolate tasting hosted by Paccari - it did not disappoint! Casa Del Coco is a beautifully restored patrimonial building which houses Paccari's Casa De Experiencias Chocolateria. The chocolate was delicious, the presentation was truly interesting, and the company was exceptional!

A big thank you to Municipio Cuenca for arranging this beautiful event to recognize nonprofits working in Cuenca. An equally large thank you to Chocolate Paccari and Veronica Peralta for the lovely evening!







AnaHerington

Giving back is core to who Ana is and she always does it with a big smile and an open heart! Many of us know her through her two Facebook groups,, "Cuenca Expats and Friends" and "Restaurants, Food, and Events in Cuenca" where she generously helps expats and others navigate the ins and outs of living in Ecuador.

Ana grew up in Guayaquil, went to the American School, and attended law school at the Universidad De Chile in Santiago specializing in logistics, imports, and exports. In 2004 she and her father formed Cardenas Express del Ecuador (Cardexpress). DHL is one of their premiere clients.

Ana has worked with CSK since 2019 because she knows her country is struggling and she feels a duty to give back. CSK and the "camaraderie, ethics, and devotion" of the volunteers are a perfect fit for her sunny personality.

In 2017 Ana married Toby Herington and they planned to settle in the U.S. because Ana is able to work remotely. It took six years but her residency visa has finally come through which means Ana will be leaving us soon. But don't worry. She will still run the Facebook groups and be a real presence in our lives.

We are thrilled for Ana and her family and we want her to keep us in her heart as we will always keep her in ours.

As Ana says, "Be kind. I will deeply miss all of you. I love you all." We feel the same way, Ana. We miss you already!

EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES:

MOVIE FUN DAY!

"ONE LIFE"
Saturday April 6th at Millennium Mall
Time: 10:30
Tickets: \$8

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