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# MÉDICOS DEL MUNDO SPAIN

WE COMBAT EVERY ILLNESS, INCLUDING INJUSTICE



Intervention of the team of Médicos del Mundo Spain with the Gregorio Marañón hospital staff of Madrid to reduce infections and protect the health of professionals health services in the COVID-19 pandemic.

## SUMMARY REPORT 2020

# About us

Médicos del Mundo Spain, which is part of the International Network of Doctors of the World, is an independent association that pursues the compliance of the fundamental right to health and the enjoyment of a dignified life for anyone.

## Our goals are:

- To provide help to victims of human crisis caused by wars or natural disasters and to those people living in poverty in the less developed areas on the planet.
- To attend unprotected people from our social environment.

In addition to intervening to help the population, we denounce the violations of human rights, especially the restrictions of access to healthcare.

MdM has a firm commitment towards the universalization of humanitarian medicine, conceiving access to health as a right of all people, regardless of origin, race, social or sexual status, or religion.

## THROUGHOUT 2020 WE HAVE BEEN

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**954** : people associated with MDM Spain  
: (360 men and 594 women)

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**1,558** : volunteers in Spain  
: (359 men, 1,196 women, and 3 with other identity)

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**19** : volunteers in countries where we develop international cooperation projects  
: (7 men and 12 women)

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**64,176** : loyal donors  
: (28,882 men, 34,689 women and 605 unidentified)

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**1,541** : public and private collaborators

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**1,049** : hired staff  
: (517 men and 532 women)

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**665** : hired staff in countries where we are running international cooperation projects  
: (417 men and 248 women)

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**77** : humanitarian staff  
: (30 men and 47 women)

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**308** : hired staff in regional offices  
: (70 men and 238 women)

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**131** : people working at the Central Headquarters  
: (43 men and 88 women)

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# 2020, the year that made us stronger

40 years ago, in France, was born an association of volunteers who have worked since then to implement the right to health to all the people, especially the most vulnerable, excluded, or victims of natural disasters, epidemics, famines, diseases, armed conflicts, or political violence. 30 years ago, group of people with the same convictions joined in Spain.

2020 began with good news: the social organizations that we form Poletika, we valued employment measures positively, social protection, and taxation agreed to in the government pact between the two signing political groups as positive.

**We also initiated the commemoration of our 30th anniversary** in February emphasizing that we would like to celebrate our demise because it would mean that everyone has achieved the healthcare they deserve. We knew, however that for the time being we could not allow ourselves to disappear and that we were to continue to combat all diseases, including that of injustice.

In that month we also celebrated, as we do every year, the Luis Valtueña International Humanitarian Photography Award, an international reference in humanitarian photography.

And the COVID-19 arrived. **We offered our help to the health authorities to collaborate with the healthcare workers:** training and improving on the infection prevention and control protocols. We did so in hospitals of the public system and in nursing homes for the elderly.

**For the first time, we distributed tonnes of food and warm clothing.** We also demanded the regularization of immigrants, the protection of female victims of violence, the right to adequate shelter for homeless people during the epidemic, and an increase in international humanitarian aid.

**We contributed to resisting in Spain as well as beyond our borders. Here and there.**

We have followed the evolution of the pandemic and continued with our projects in the 19 countries

where we work. We have also been in other emergencies, such as the flooding in South Sudan and in the aftermath of the cyclone in Guatemala.

**In coordination with the International Network Doctors of the World, with presence in 74 countries,**

we have always been alongside the healthcare workers. We resisted, sharing the testimony of those who fought without rest. Society, individuals, and corporations showed extreme solidarity. To everyone, thank you!

**But above all, we continued learning.** We learned that in order to protect global health it is necessary to guarantee healthcare to every person who resides in a territory. That to tolerate inequality is to help spread infectious diseases. That the most equitable health systems, those that leave no one behind are the ones that better resisted the worst health crisis of the last hundred years. That is the best public health strategy, and that is what we presented to the Reconstruction Commission of the House of Commons, knowing that we were the only health NGO to have been consulted.

This pandemic goes on and on and will continue, if between the lessons learned is not to strengthen international aid and the protection of refugees and migrants, extremely exposed. If the countries with weak or almost non-existent health systems, do not have access to diagnostic techniques, prevention and treatment, including vaccination, transmission of the virus and its dreaded mutations it will continue, causing avoidable suffering.

We end the year 2020 and we face 2021 with hope. **Hoping to return to close relationships. With the hope to build a world fairer.**

*Nieves Turianzo.*



# In Spain



As a health NGO, after the declaration of the state of alarm, our priority was to prevent contagions. We focus on the most vulnerable people to ensure that they had all the necessary information, visiting them, using social media, **offering telephone assistance and psychological support in over a dozen languages**. We also adapted our normal care programmes to the sudden confinement.

**Our challenge has been to be where society needs us.** After reporting and contributing with advice on mental health and guidelines for families with young children and adolescents during confinement, with recommendations to dispose of household residue of infected persons, having refuted the fake news to do with pharmaceutical treatments, etc. Later, the moment arrived in which to act on the basic: to cover the hygienic and food necessities of those who hardly have anything; women who are in a situation of prostitution, persons without a home or who live in shacks, migrants and those who have been left without seasonal jobs in the fields... and a long etcetera.

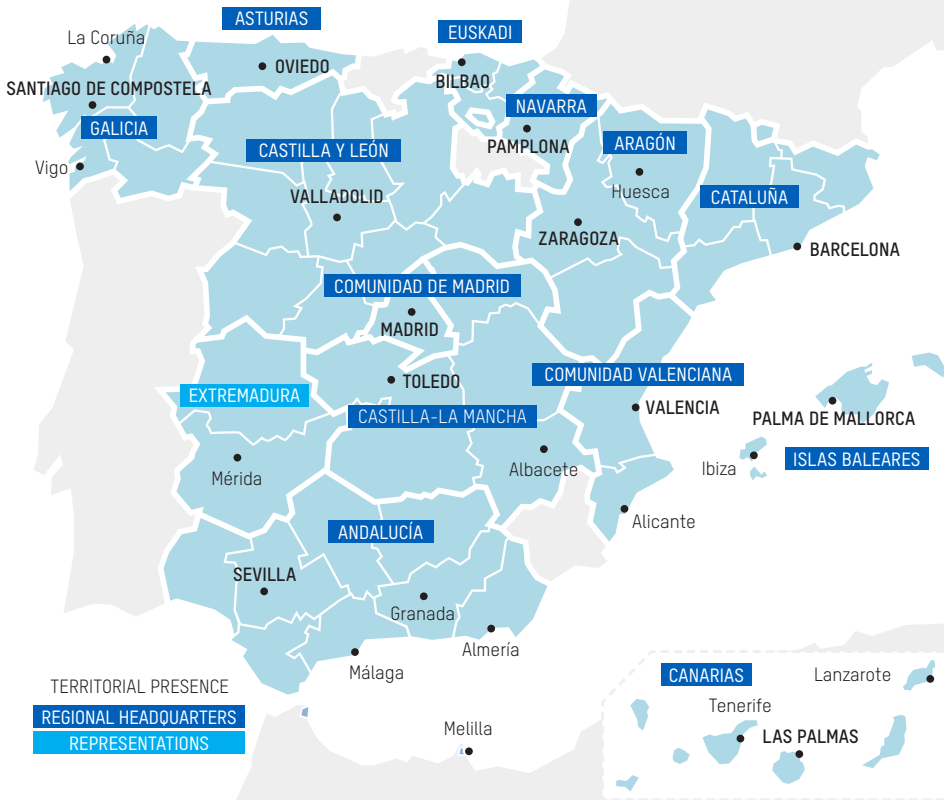
For that, **our teams in 14 autonomous communities and the city of Melilla were deployed to attend to the main needs and to follow up on the health status of those who needed them most.** Hundreds of volunteers put their fears aside to care for others, giving much importance to the dignity of those treated. Another of our objectives has been to ensure COVID-19 vaccinations for each and every person. How? By identifying those not included in the statistics and do not receive notice of any appointment. By accompanying those who live on the street, or the seasonal agriculture workers to the healthcare centres. And by claiming vaccinations for those living on the margins of the healthcare system in Spain to the authorities.

## IN THE SPOTLIGHT

- We lead the contribution of REDER (Network of Reporting and Resistance to the RDL 2012) in the **statement by the United Nations Rapporteur on extreme Poverty in Spain**, by participating in the meeting held between him and social organizations.
- Meetings with political parties in Congress of the deputies **"Health in Development Cooperation and**

**Humanitarian Action, 2019"**. Throughout the second half of the year the corresponding **report of 2020** was prepared and the bilingual edition of the online tool **Cooperasalud.org** was launched.

- At the end of March, **we denounced the conditions of overcrowding of the CETI**, and in the juvenile center La Purísima, the situation of ex-ward minors which are left in a condition of sanitary exclusion.
- In April we sealed a deal with the project **COVID Photo Diaries**, promoted by eight well-known photojournalists: **Anna Surinyach, Isabel Permyu, Susana Girón and Judith Prat, José Colón, Manu Brabo, Javier Fergo and Olmo Calvo**. The initiative documented the day-to-day in different parts of the country throughout the state of alarm.
- Between May and September, **communications were sent to different political** decision-makers to call their attention to the need of ensuring the protection of those facing the pandemic in the situation of exclusion.
- In May we presented **"Resistencia"** (Resistance), an homage to those who fought without rest.
- Together with other social organizations and unions, in June we demand more public and universal health through the **#AfterApplaud** campaign.
- On September 23, International Day Against Exploitation Sexual and Human Trafficking, we make visible to the people who were most hidden by the pandemic and at the same time we generate social rejection towards who consume, sustain and finance the business of prostitution with the campaign **"Social blindness, a new symptom of the coronavirus"**
- In November, Santi Palacios won the **24th Luis Valtueña International Humanitarian Photography Award**, with the series "Seniors in solitude" a visual tour of the nursing homes of Catalonia during the state of alarm.
- We presented the **video "Nursing homes against COVID-19"**.
- The year ended with **"Esperanza"** (always hope), a video in which one hundred film makers from five continents tell the stories of the voluntary service through images.



## IN SPAIN

**134** regional-scope projects

**16** state-scope projects

**82,474** intervention activities  
 (50,459 social, 19,155 health and 12,860 psychological)

**23,678** people assisted  
 (8,999 men (38 trans), 13,970 women (659 trans) y 12 of non-binary gender)

## COVID-19

**6** hospitals of the public network of the Community of Madrid received our support and **54** circuits were designed

**40** nursing homes for the elderly where spaces were organized, and teams formed

**20,171** intervention activities for those in a vulnerable situation of **116** nationalities

**125,000** kilos of food, **72,000** face masks, **10,000** hygiene kits and the delivery of **800** medication packs

# International cooperation

**From Bolivia to South Sudan, along with COVID-19 have come to join humanitarian crises, droughts, conflicts, precarious health systems and chronic shortages of resources. From Doctors of the World we have worked in 19 countries in Africa, South America, Central America and the Middle East.**

After declaring the pandemic in March 2020, many protocols were set in motion: Infection Prevention and Control (IPC), case management, residual management, as well as systems for risk communication to ensure clear and concise messages about COVID-19. The purpose was to avoid rumours, fake news, and the social stigma of the affected persons, their families, and the healthcare workers.

Furthermore, we worked on the creation of psychosocial services for the healthcare teams and for the protection of the particularly vulnerable population (the elderly, isolated persons, gender violence victims, people with mental health conditions, migrants in transit and minors, among others) and in the training of healthcare workers.

We also raised awareness with the distribution of informative material, training, and communication. We also gave health and hygienic equipment as well as individual protection material to public healthcare workers.

The speed of virus spread and the effects; both the contagion and the economic crisis consequent, put in risk the **mental health** of many people. Doctors of the World has provided special attention to the most vulnerable people as the 6,000 refugees who have received medical care in Angola, the migrant population in Central America or victims of gender violence -in greater risk due to the lockdown- who we have protected in Guatemala or Mozambique..

This crisis activated the emergency agreement of The Spanish Agency for International Development Cooperation (AECID) in Senegal, Mozambique, Haiti, Guatemala, Honduras and Bolivia, where we worked elbow to elbow.

We were ready and waiting in **Africa**, a continent with wide experience in the management of

epidemics – given the recurrence of epidemic diseases – and made up of a very solidary society, which facilitated the dissemination and appropriation of the messages. However, working against it were their fragile healthcare systems, insufficient and poorly equipped infrastructures, and lack of specialised human resources. Add on to that endemic diseases such as malaria, tuberculosis, HIV, etc., at risk groups for COVID-19.

Our organization was also in six countries of the American continent. There, the migrant people are exposed to extreme conditions vulnerability. They suffer limitations to enter neighboring countries, lack of access to basic services, lack of protection against all kinds of violence, in addition to the difficulty in gathering their families. These people have been protagonists in the action of our organization during 2020.

In the context of the pandemic, Doctors of the World sent to Bolivia a team with wide experience in emergency management, meant to support



Reporting on the pandemic in San Ignacio de Velasco, Santa Cruz, Bolivia.

and accompany the health personnel in the care and resolution of COVID-19 cases. In the case of Occupied Palestinian Territory has secured the health care for Bedouin communities through mobile clinics.

But in 2020 not only did we respond to the emergency caused by COVID-19. But in 2020 we not only responded to the emergency caused by COVID-19, but also we were close to other catastrophes like the South Sudan floods in July, which caused displacement and famine in the population. There we were supporting the teams community health facilities and infrastructures affected, installing field hospitals in affected areas.

At the end of the year, we went to Guatemala to relieve the disasters caused by the tropical storm Eta and the hurricane Iota on its way through Central America, we provided shelter, healthcare, drinking water and sanitation, hygiene, and psychosocial accompaniment to those most affected by this crisis.



## INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

**68** : international development programmes

**64** : humanitarian action programmes

**19** : countries or territories (Angola, Argelia, Bolivia, Burkina Faso, El Salvador, Guatemala, Haití, Honduras, Mauritania, México, Mozambique, Sierra Leona, Senegal, Sudán del Sur, Territorio Palestino Ocupado, Venezuela, Ucrania)

**155** : associated national organizations

**3,005,342** : people directly involved in our programmes

**19,121,460** : people indirectly involved

## COVID-19

**225** : health centres in **10** countries have a COVID-19 emergency plan

**1,800,000** : persons were informed of the effects of the disease and how to prevent it

**430** : professionals trained in mental healthcare and over **1,300** in infection and prevention control

**3,200** : patients received psychological support

# International Network

The International Network of MdM brings 16 organizations together with the aim to provide medical care to people in a vulnerable situation, wherever they may be.

Ärzte der Welt **Germany**

[www.aerztederwelt.org](http://www.aerztederwelt.org)

Médicos del Mundo **Argentina**

[www.mdm.org.ar](http://www.mdm.org.ar)

Dokters Van De Wereld **Belgium**

[www.doktersvandewereld.be](http://www.doktersvandewereld.be)

Médecins du Monde **Canada**

[www.medicinsdumonde.ca](http://www.medicinsdumonde.ca)

Médicos del Mundo **Spain**

[www.medicosdelmundo.org](http://www.medicosdelmundo.org)

Doctors of the World **United States**

[www.doctorsoftheworld.org](http://www.doctorsoftheworld.org)

Médecins du Monde **France**

[www.medicinsdumonde.org](http://www.medicinsdumonde.org)

Γιατροί του Κόσμου **Greece**

[www.mdmgreece.gr](http://www.mdmgreece.gr)



Médecins du Monde **France.**

Assistance to the population after the explosion in The Beirut port on August 4<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

Médicos del Mundo **Spain.**

Reporting in times of COVID in San Ignacio de Velasco. Santa Cruz, Bolivia.



## INTERNATIONAL NETWORK

**130** international projects  
In **74** countries

世界の医療団 **Japan**  
[www.mdm.or.jp](http://www.mdm.or.jp)

Dokters vander Welt **Luxembourg**  
[www.medecinsdumonde.lu](http://www.medecinsdumonde.lu)

Dokters van de Wereld **Netherlands**  
[www.doktersvandewereld.org](http://www.doktersvandewereld.org)

Médicos do Mundo **Portugal**  
[www.medicosdomundo.pt](http://www.medicosdomundo.pt)

Doctors of the World **United Kingdom**  
[www.doctorsoftheworld.org.uk](http://www.doctorsoftheworld.org.uk)

Läkare i världen **Sweden**  
[www.lakareivarlden.org](http://www.lakareivarlden.org)

Médecins du Monde **Switzerland**  
[www.medecinsdumonde.ch](http://www.medecinsdumonde.ch)

Dünya Doktorları Derneği **Turkey**  
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Γιατροί του Κόσμου **Greece**.  
Care for a refugee in Lesbos.  
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# 2020 Financial report

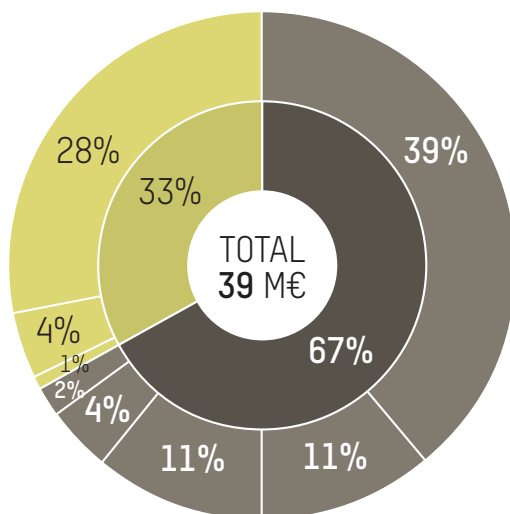
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M€ = MILLION EUROS

## HOW DO WE GET OUR FUNDS

**PRIVADOS 13 M€ (33%)**  
28% Members and collaborators **10.7 M€**  
4% One-off donations **1.6 M€**  
1% Subsidies and private entities **0.4 M€**

**PUBLIC 26 M€ (67%)**  
39% International **15.3 M€**  
11% Central government **4.3 M€**  
11% Regional governments **4.1 M€**  
4% Town and city councils **1.5 M€**  
2% Provincial governments **0.7 M€**

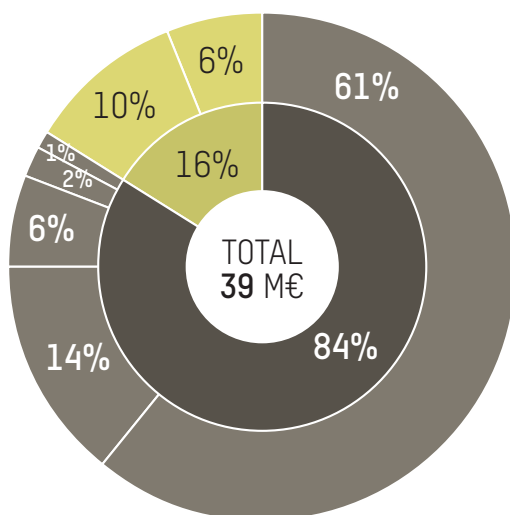


## HOW WE SPEND OUR FUNDS

**MISSIONS 32 M€ (84%)**  
61% Development cooperation and humanitarian **23.4 M€**  
14% Social inclusion **5.3 M€**  
6% Association development **2.3 M€**  
2% Mainstreaming, advocacy, and social communication **0.7 M€**  
1% Education for development **0.6 M€**

**FUNDRAISING 3.9 M€ (10%)**

**ACTIVITY SUPPORT 2.3 M€ (6%)**



# What you can do

Your help can change lives. By supporting **Médicos del Mundo Spain** you are helping to improve health access for everyone, vulnerable, excluded or victims of natural catastrophes, famines, diseases, armed conflicts, or political violence.

## MAKE A DONATION

Help us in an ongoing way by making a regular or a temporary donation. You can do this by filling in the simple form at our website

[www.medicosdelmundo.org](http://www.medicosdelmundo.org),  
by calling **91 567 86 01** or **902 286 286**  
or by sending an email to:  
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## CONTRIBUTE TO CHANGE UNFAIR SITUATIONS: BECOME A VOLUNTEER

Medicos del Mundo is a voluntary organization, a place for action and participation where you can contribute to change a reality many times unfair. Volunteers act and take action to defend the rights of the most disadvantaged and those excluded from access to the public health system. To become a volunteer, get in touch with your nearest office or send an email to [voluntariado@medicosdelmundo.org](mailto:voluntariado@medicosdelmundo.org)

## SPREAD THE WORD

You can also help us by sharing the news of our campaigns amongst your friends, subscribe to our newsletters or send us your comments and suggestions. You can find us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [Instagram](#), [LinkedIn](#) and on our [YouTube channel](#). We would love for you to become part of our community, care to join us?

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