



Geovanny Hidalgo, inhabitant of Las Orquídeas, was happy to receive as a donation a special wheelchair model Active, that will allow him to carry out many of his activities.

Just like Geovanny, happy were also the rest of the recipients who came from several sectors of the city as well as from several places of the country, to receive the donation of a mobility device that would help each one of them with their disabilities.

A total of 30 wheelchairs, 150 canes for the blind, 5 PET cars and 5 walkers, were donated by Junta de Beneficencia de Guayaquil on the International Day of Persons with Disabilities. These permanent programs are possible due to the international cooperation of organizations such as Free Wheelchair Mission, The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and Mobility World Wide.

Miguel Pérez Quintero, director in charge of the Junta de Beneficencia de Guayaquil, pointed out that Junta de Beneficencia de Guayaquil's duty has historically been, is and will be, to help the neediest. "Our commitment, beyond all is with the ethical, moral and spiritual values of each person who needs a mobility device, regardless of religious preferences " he said.

Diana Banchón, president of the Federation of the Blind of Ecuador, thanked on behalf of all the recipients the help they permanently receive from our organization, "People with special abilities deserve to have opportunities to live and function in a normal world, and to do so, we need tools that allow us to be able to do it.

Today, thanks to Junta de Beneficencia de Guayaquil, 150 blinds received a guide cane which is much useful in their daily life, and many people will also improve their quality of life thanks to wheelchairs and other devices. "We are grateful to this organization" said Banchón during the act that took place in the courtyards of the former Santa Luisa de Marillac Educational Unit. Presents were the Archbishop of Guayaquil Luis Gerardo Cabrera; Miguel Pérez Quintero, director in charge of Junta de Beneficencia de Guayaquil; the donors' organizations

representatives; Ecuadorian foundations; and, the recipients.