



Rebuilding Colombia, *Together.*

A call to partners to help families recover



Who we are

We are a youth-led social organization that works in communities living in poverty, building infrastructure solutions to promote community development and resilience.

Through our collaborative work, we generate unlikely encounters that transform reality.



Communities



Families living in poverty, co-creating solutions for their own development.

Youth



Mobilized as protagonists of present and future social change.

Companies



Allied partners investing in infrastructure and community resilience.



Our impact

29
YEARS

MAKING A
DIFFERENCE

18
COUNTRIES

+153K
HOUSES BUILT

+590
ACTIVE
COMMUNITIES

+688K
PEOPLE WITH
DIGNIFIED HOUSING

+1.7M
VOLUNTEERS
MOBILIZED

+700
COMPANIES
IMPACTED

WHERE WE ARE



United States
México
Guatemala
El Salvador
Dominican Republic
Haïti
Honduras
Costa Rica
Panamá
Venezuela
Colombia
Ecuador
Perú
Bolivia
Paraguay
Brasil
Uruguay
Argentina
Chile
Europe: Madrid, Lyon, Frankfurt

*18 countries with permanent social operations in Latin America and the Caribbean, and offices in the United States and Europe for volunteer mobilization and fundraising.



Our impact in Colombia

+120K

VOLUNTEERS
MOBILIZED

6k

HOUSES
BUILT

+100

COMMUNITIES
IMPACTED

+27k

PEOPLE
IMPACTED

19
YEARS

MAKING A
DIFFERENCE

Active work

- Bogotá
- Cali
- Medellín
- Barranquilla



29 years of turning emergencies into rebuilt communities

Across Latin America and the Caribbean





Our Emergency Response Experience

For over two decades, we have consolidated a rapid response model for disaster and climate emergency situations across Latin America and the Caribbean. Throughout our history, we have responded to dozens of disasters ranging from high-magnitude earthquakes and volcanic eruptions to floods, hurricanes, and massive wildfires.

At a regional level, our emergency response translates into macro figures that reflect the scope of our operational capacity:

75

*Disaster responses
in 18 countries since
2001*

+37.000

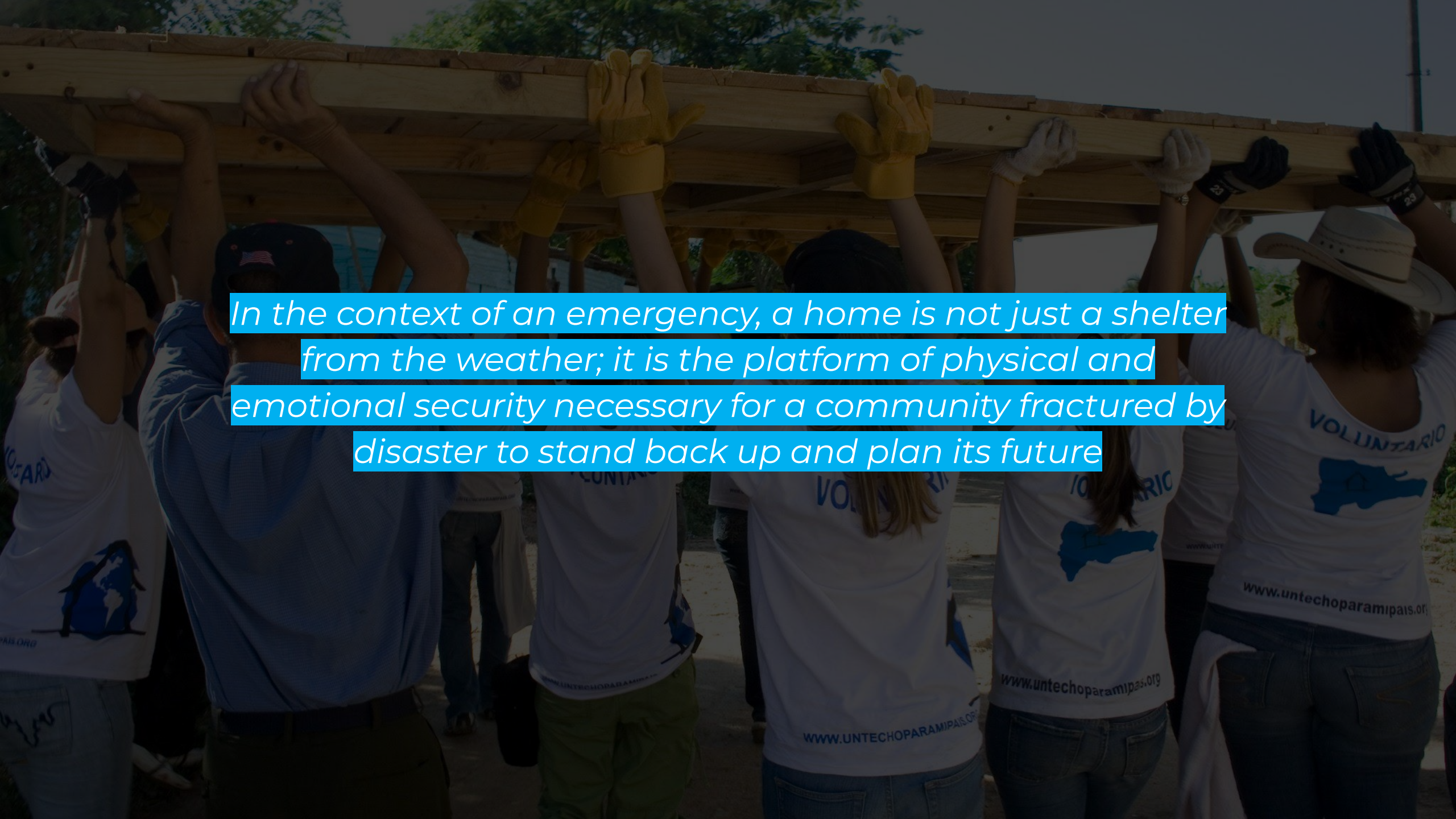
*Shelter solutions
constructed*

+350.000

*Volunteers
mobilized for
emergencies*

+175.000

*People
impacted*

A group of volunteers, mostly seen from the back, are working together to lift a long wooden beam. They are wearing white t-shirts with a blue logo and the word 'VOLUNTARIO' on the back, and the website 'www.untechoparamipais.org'. Some are wearing yellow work gloves. The scene is outdoors with trees in the background.

*In the context of an emergency, a home is not just a shelter
from the weather; it is the platform of physical and
emotional security necessary for a community fractured by
disaster to stand back up and plan its future*



The emergency in Colombia

On August 10, a major **7.4 magnitude earthquake** struck western Colombia at 7:34 a.m., centered near **San José del Palmar, Chocó**. Dozens of aftershocks have followed. The national government has declared a **state of national disaster** as search and rescue operations remain actively underway.

Thousands of families have been affected, with homes, hospitals, and infrastructure damaged across departments including **Chocó, Valle del Cauca, Risaralda, and Caldas**. Cities such as **Cali, Pereira, Manizales, and Quibdó** have been hit hardest. Assessments are ongoing as emergency teams coordinate response efforts.

+180
lives lost

+2.400
people injured*

+5.000
houses damaged

Figures as of July 11th 2026, expected to rise as assessments continue.

Source: United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA)



TECHO's action plan

Assessment & Community Outreach

Information gathering and visits to affected communities to assess damage, identify needs, and prioritize the response.

Initial rollout

- Field assessment
- Community prioritization
- Mobilization of volunteers to the disaster zone for data collection, tabulation, and analysis

Infrastructure Reconstruction

Reconstruction of lost or damaged housing and community infrastructure, as part of long-term recovery.

Post-implementation phase

- Housing satisfaction surveys and technical reviews of the provided solutions
- Definition of a long-term strategy

1st phase

10 of august - today

2nd phase

Planned for early September, depending on initial situation reports and the outcome of the fundraising campaign.



Every reconstruction begins with someone willing to help.

For families affected by the earthquake, recovery is not a moment.

It is a journey from emergency response to permanent reconstruction, resilient housing, and stronger communities.

We invite our community of partners to help build what comes next.

Colombia can't wait.



Construction of homes for affected families

House construction goal

150

In the first months post-emergency, our goal is to at least build 150 emergency houses for families affected by the earthquake.

With partners' support, families will gain access to adequate housing to start rebuilding their lives after such a tragedy.

These modules will be built alongside young Colombian volunteers and TECHO's Latin American volunteer community.

*Housing
models*





Join us in rebuilding this community

and restoring hope for the families affected by this tragedy.

Thank you

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