

## Activities in Asuncion, Paraguay – 2016

From the report by Elisabeth Benita Gavilán, director of the Vida Plena Foundation:

**In Asuncion, Paraguay, the Vida Plena Foundation established strong links with the Callescuola Association and they hope to reach more families with the ICDP programme by joining forces to widen the coverage in the country.**

The Association Callescuola is a not-for-profit organization that has been operating since 1982 (but it was legally registered a bit later, in 1987). Callescuola was founded in a decade in which the human rights of children, adolescents and adults were often violated and the argument frequently used was that they can "be considered threats against the authorities".

Callescuola's mission is to improve the quality of life of children and adolescents living on the street, in the context of promoting child participation, social equality and unconditional respect for children's rights.

Their areas of intervention include educational community projects, tutoring and technical training, support for the participation of children and adolescents, as well as projects to improve health, environment and sanitation.

They have acquired their first group of ICDP facilitators.

