On April 16 at 6:58 p.m. a powerful magnitude 7.8 earthquake struck Ecuador, lasting about a minute.
“It was the longest night I have ever experienced. It was absolute horror. When dawn was breaking I felt only slightly hopeful and relieved. Mostly, I felt like we had to address the reality of the destruction we would be seeing and all the challenges ahead of us when setting up our emergency relief program for people around us.”

Nubia, CARE Ecuador
In partnership with ECHO, CARE started to distribute mattresses and mosquito nets to people most in need.
First CARE/ECHO Distributions
Delivery of construction kits
Psychosocial support for children in Jama
CARE’s support so far:

**WASH:** 10,000 beneficiaries
Access to clean water and toilets, take care to protect from sexual violence, etc. distribute hygiene kits

**Shelter:** 4,000 beneficiaries
Support for reconstruction of temporary shelter

**Psychosocial support:** 3,500 children
Theater, playtime, ….in partnership with local organizations.
CARE and EIB action

First emergency relief phase:
• Distribution of hygiene packages and a joint assessment with local communities about the shortcomings and destruction in the Water/Sanitation System

Early recovery phase:
• Establishing a public private partnership with Universities and communities and link them to a Disaster prevention network of community based organization that we are planning to develop as well.
• The goal: help actors on all levels to address the Water and Sanitation problems they do have right now in communities strongest hit and to develop capacities and resilience for the coming disasters.

After the project:
A roll out of the lessons learned to other community based organizations and communities is planned.
EIB and CARE: the impact

1,500 members of most vulnerable families receive a hygiene package.

2,000 families (12,000 people) in 25 communities will benefit from the strengthened capacities to address their urgent and future needs in water management and the preparation of an emergency response.

All 12,000 community members will benefit from a hygiene awareness and education campaign on how to protect from waterborne and vector born diseases.
INTRODUCING CARE
CARE International

• Founded 1945 in the USA: more than 100 million CARE Packages helped relieve hunger and need in post-war Europe
• One of the biggest and leading humanitarian organizations worldwide
• International Secretariat located in Geneva, Switzerland
• Politically independent, ethnically and religiously neutral
• 11,000 employees worldwide (95% local staff)
• Total turnover: 560 M€
CARE International

- Decades of experience in more than 80 countries and in several fields of humanitarian work
- Low Risc-Partner of the EU and other donors
- Consulting status 1 at the United Nations
- In the international ranking „Top 100 NGOs“, by „The Global Journal‘s“ CARE came in seventh - in the sector „Humanitarian“ CARE was awarded a second rank
- As a global network, CARE actively promotes the dialogue with business companies and can look back on years of successful cooperations with companies
CARE Luxembourg

- Founded in 2008
- Our ambition: generating adding humanitarian value by being the first CARE-organization responding to big impact disasters and supporting forgotten crises
- Partner of: Fondation de Luxembourg, IMS, Philathrophie.lu, INDR and Prime Partner for humanitarian Aid of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs Luxembourg;
- Member of Don en Confiance
CARE IN NATURAL DISASTERS
Our Vision 2020: Support 150 million people in need. Guarantee the right of 100 million mothers, girls and newborn to lifesaving medical services and a life without violence.