



Accompanying the Salvadoran people
in their struggle for justice and equity

INSTITUTIONAL PROTOCOL FOR THE PREVENTION OF COVID-19

VOICES fully understands and accepts the severity of the current global pandemic and is doing everything in its power to avoid propagating the illness any further. On the contrary, **VOICES** has long since been committed to improving the public health and safety of the Salvadoran people and will continue to strive towards this goal through the use of education, demonstration and by providing the necessary resources at the community level.

Until the pandemic is no longer considered a threat, **VOICES** has established and will rigorously enforce the following measures to ensure that staff, program participants, communities and partners stay safe.

1. Avoid all forms of greetings that involve physical contact.
2. Continuous hand washing.
3. Sanitizing the work area, prior to the beginning and end of every program.
4. Reinforce the need to avoid touching one's eyes, nose and/or mouth, as well as the demonstrating the correct way to use a mask.
5. Always make sure that there is enough alcohol gel or liquid alcohol for the use of whoever wants it, at any time.
6. Ensure that the work area has enough space to achieve social distancing.
7. Make sure that the work area has an adequate level of ventilation.
8. All attendees must wear a mask, all the times. (Masks will be available to those who require it.)
9. Each participant must bring their own notebook and pen to take their respective notes, it will not be possible to share a pen, or to sign the attendance list.
10. Food will be prepared on site, ensuring that all foods are well cooked.
11. Each person should bring their own plate, cup and cutlery.

*The aforementioned protocol applies to every setting and instance in which **VOICES'** staff are present and/or our programs are being carried out.*