Parish’s System for Rights Promotion and Protection in Simiátnug
Who are we?

We are a community of mostly indigenous population (94%) We belong to Kichwa nationality with our own customs, traditions and language (Spanish and Kichwa).
Our problems

• Violation of children’s rights, mainly physical and psychological abuse of girls and boys (7 out of every 10 children suffer any type of abuse at national level)

• Gender inequalities

• Domestic violence and gender violence

• Femicide

• Teenage pregnancies
What do we do

The construction of the community-based child protection mechanism

20/38 communities and 9 neighborhoods

Component 1
Promotion and Sensitization of Community Promoters

Component 2
Community Replication

Component 3
Community Organization

Component 4
Community-based rights protection system
Lessons Learned

- Women are not visible in the community so women need to overcome fears to start participating
- Develop self-esteem and empowerment (I need to trust myself first)
- Learn to make decisions on our own (not to depend on others to make my own decisions)
- Women need support from the family through dialogue with husbands, fathers and the same women
- Involve the girls to hear their voices to make them more visible and help them increase economic opportunities through different projects like Girls 'Letters and Entrepreneurship activities.
- We need to express that violence should not be part of our daily lives..... It is not something «natural» People have started to see violence as a problem...
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