

# CAPACIDADES

(CAPABILITIES) DISABILITY FROM A DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVE.

## Methodology:

The program develops in the community through four phases: Identification of interests and needs, design of plan of action, implementation, and evaluation. It is structured as follows:

### Summary:

**CapacidadES** is a strategy of social mobilization of opportunities for the social inclusion of people with disabilities along with their families, through steps focused on communication for development, promotion of health, and civic participation. It's an opportunity to view people with disabilities and their families as individuals with rights and as persons that through opportunity can contribute to the social, cultural, and economic development of their environment. It's a proposal to improve their living conditions and propitiate spaces for participation, awareness, empowerment and promotion for effective fulfillment of their rights.

Formative processes: Workshops with varying audiences for experiential education and academic events.

Promotion and diffusion: Educational, cultural, and recreational activities in public spaces of the community; communication campaigns where the public is the protagonist; contests as events to expose the abilities and talents of people with disabilities; and advising networks directed towards the provision of supportive services (delivering the information to their homes).

Accompaniment: Provision of legal offices for matters relating to rights and disabilities; psychosocial accompaniment for families with disabled persons in their homes.

Management for intersectoral collaboration and partnerships.: Meetings and conversations with key actors (public and private, judicial, civic and community-based) to improve and coordinate activities and strategies.

Investigation and systematization: Identification and characterization of the disabled population, mapping of the communal territory, plan evaluation, systematization of experience, theoretical support of components, management of knowledge for social innovation.

## Results:

1,600 records

1,600 records of characterization and localization of disabled persons in the community.

693 families

Psychosocial accompaniment of 693 families with disabled relatives.

Social mobilization

Communication campaign and social mobilization constructed in realization with the community.

1,215 participants

1,215 participants in the formative processes including disabled individuals, care-takers, teachers, journalists, community members, students in schools representative of public and private businesses.

830 people counseled

830 people counseled through the social network addressing (institutional services for people with disabilities)

Innovative initiatives

30 proposals received in 7 different categories, with innovative initiatives for the first contest of skills, abilities and talents of people with disabilities throughout Medellín city.

Communities

After the first phase in 2014, the program implemented some of its components in three additional communities (Santa Helena, San Sebastian de Palmitas, and in the Villa Hermosa community) in 2015 with resources prioritized by the community.