



***“Eat Hunger Up” and “Rekindle Your Clothes” campaigns organized in the summer and in Christmas to help meet growing social needs***

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**ESTEVE volunteers have also made financial contributions to help earthquake victims in Nepal and Syrian refugees**

**Barcelona, 23 December 2015.-** This year, ESTEVE collaborators have contributed 10,573 kilos of food and 1,461 kilos of clothing to help the most needy with the ***“Eat Hunger Up”*** and ***“Rekindle Your Clothes”*** campaigns. This is the sixth consecutive year that ESTEVE employees contribute to these initiatives, and the second consecutive year that these campaigns are organized in the summer and in Christmas to help meet growing social needs.

The ***“Eat Hunger Up”*** campaign has involved ESTEVE employees from Spain and from our subsidiaries in Portugal, Italy, Turkey, Mexico and China, who have donated more than 10 tons of non-perishable basic food items (pasta, rice, legumes, milk, and oil). Half of this was directly donated by workers, and the other half by the Company. All will be distributed among the most needy through different local social organizations and other charities with which ESTEVE has been collaborating for years.

Also, this campaign has included volunteer action, with 122 ESTEVE volunteers collaborating with several Food Banks in food collection activities.

For its part, the ***“Rekindle Your Clothes”*** campaign —second-hand clothing donation by ESTEVE workers, made to coincide with wardrobe renovation— has been carried out at all ESTEVE centers in Spain. In total, 1,461 kilos of clothing were delivered to the Formació I Treball Foundation of Càritas, a body devoted to the occupational insertion of people with personal, social and occupational difficulties. This Foundation manages the provision of clothing and other resources to households.

### **A social commitment that is also an international commitment**

Outside Spain, ESTEVE volunteers have collaborated in two emergency situations this year. Firstly in Nepal, subsequent to the earthquake of last April and in response to the Nepalese government calls for help (11,000 people injured, 70,000 homes destroyed, more than 8 million people affected). All contributions made by collaborators and by ESTEVE were donated to the Red Cross for the acquisition and shipment of basic materials.

Secondly in Syria, through Farmamundi's Humanitarian and Emergency Aid Fund (FAHE), participated by ESTEVE, to meet the basic needs of refugees and migrants at the border between Serbia and Hungary. Contributions included sanitary and hygiene kits, nutrition packages and essential goods distributed in the areas of Subotica and Kanzija, near the Hungarian border and the main point of entry for migrants and refugees.

All these actions are part of ESTEVE's Corporate Volunteer Program implemented in the most vulnerable population of our country (Fourth World) and in developing countries (Third World).

### **About ESTEVE**

ESTEVE ([www.esteve.com](http://www.esteve.com)) is a leading chemical-pharmaceutical group in Spain with a strong international presence. Founded in 1929 and presided over by Joan Esteve, it currently employs nearly 2,300 people, has a presence in Europe, USA, Mexico and China, and had a sales revenue of 838 million Euros in 2014. Firmly committed to excellence, the Company uses its best efforts to promote health and improve people's quality of life. Research being ESTEVE's hallmark, a portfolio of highly innovating projects ultimately aims to provide responses to unmet medical needs. Also, because ESTEVE is a socially responsible Company, it ensures that all projects entered by it align with its CSR vision. You may follow ESTEVE at Twitter's link: @ESTEVE\_news

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