

ALLIANCE

THE MISSION IS VENEZUELA

The values that guide us in a unified response from the Society of Jesus in Venezuela

1. Coordination, Networking, Autonomy and Subsidiarity

No single organisation can respond to the effects of the earthquake on its own. Coordination means that each organisation retains its autonomy but voluntarily agrees to coordinate its actions under a single strategy and programme.

2. Trust and Commitment

In crisis situations, mutual trust is key to effective coordination and delegation.

3. Transparency

In humanitarian response, transparency saves lives. It means working without hidden agendas: openly sharing available resources, information and the limitations of each organisation.

4. Communication

Clear, two-way and constant communication prevents duplication of effort.

5. Willingness to collaborate

A willingness to collaborate requires determination, discipline and setting aside institutional egos to work as a single team focused on the agreed response.

6. Humility

Recognising one's own limitations is an act of responsibility. Humility allows us to accept when another organisation is better prepared, always seeking the 'greater good' above institutional recognition.

7. Putting People First

We must be guided by those affected by the earthquake, their needs and their objectives.

8. Gospel Values

For our organisations, helping means standing alongside those who are suffering, listening to them and making those affected feel that they are not alone, thereby fostering a culture of mutual care.

9. Respect

Respect is demonstrated through the quality of the aid provided and by treating beneficiaries with dignity, whilst understanding their culture, their pain and their specific circumstances in Venezuela.

10. Fulfilling Commitments

In an emergency, each organisation must fulfil the commitments made during coordination meetings. This commitment means adhering to the agreements and standards set, whilst always maintaining an attitude of solidarity, empathy and cheerfulness, which is vital for sustaining the morale of the teams and the affected communities.