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UNITING A WORLD WITH OUR LIVING TRIBUTE TO THOSE WHO DIED ON 9/11

As we enter June our first appeal to all of you is to BE ALERT to youngsters recently free from their schools and running about without a care in the world. This is the time of year where all of us need to be that much more alert to our surroundings. DRIVE SAFE, ALERT AND AWARE!

Locally, the entire team of Gear Up Foundation domestic and international would like to publicly thank Jefferson Fire & Safety for their incredible support of their mission. Their team was able to bring the aerial truck up to standard allowing for the historic donation made last month to the town of El Carmen in Ecuador. The work was completed in January and the truck was finally put into service this past month. "Anyone who has the opportunity to work with Jefferson Fire & Safety will be extremely satisfied," said Vince Forras, Founder of Gear Up Foundation.

The donated Aerial is now in service shown below along with Christian Peterson, Gear Up, Laly Loor and Mayor Rodrigo Mena and his wife.

At the time of this writing an additional truck has just been delivered to El Carmen to help with public safety and their sewer system. The Combo truck is pictured below:



El Carmen Mayor Rodrigo Mena and his wife, Tania Mendoza with Combo truck delivered by GUP



El Carmen Fire Department fully equipped, THANKS TO GEAR UP FOUNDATION!



The final truck in this set of donations is ready to release from port, that being a refuse truck that the foundation was able to source through its contacts and deliver to serve the city, again under the banner of public safety. An additional refuse truck has been sourced and is awaiting paperwork and eventual shipment to Ecuador from Miami, Florida, thus completing this phase of the donation package.

Meanwhile, Gear Up Foundation in the USA have been utilizing the magic of ZOOM to achieve meaningful relationships and results with the newly elected officials in remote parts of Ecuador. Many of the areas need emergency service vehicles including ambulances, fire trucks, gear, and training. The foundation is working to promote its abilities and calling on their 20 plus year track record in fulfilling its promises to the people with the help of Geovani Arizaga, Achupalla Foundation.

Gear Up will be calling on the expertise of its President, Ron Naab, in helping to fulfill these requirements. Their warehouses are nearly full of donated gear thanks to the kindness of so many. The foundation continues to request those who may offer not only donations of gear, but in-kind donations of storage space and domestic transport of donations to port. Please contact Ron Naab directly!

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