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ICA –Chile worked this year with ICA Guatemala during a week from August 6 to August 11, supporting an Action Plan for a Colombian project dedicated to protect their forests on the Corredor Chocó-Darién. The facilitators in this process were: Joaquina Rodríguez (ICA-Guatemala), Lisseth Lorenzo (associate to ICA-Guatemala), and Isabel de la Maza (ICA-Chile).

During this first semester, ICA-Chile supported the restructuring of ICA-Guatemala

ICA-Chile finished the ToP Program for physically challenged youngsters at Puerto Montt, Chile.

ICA-Chile will implement 16 ToP courses during September, October and November 2011 for different Community Counsels for the Physically Challenged in different parts of Chile, through a system of Social Scholarships supported by the National Service of Training and Employment (Servicio de Capacitación y Empleo) with the support of the Sociedad de Fomento Fabril, SOFOFA, a national net of entrepreneurs.

We have done a telephonic survey to the population that's been benefited by the Emergency Projects we received from Japan during 2010 in order to know how they are doing. Our support work has continued through Proyecto Viento Fuerte (Strong Wind Project), at Tubul, a village that was devastated by the earthquake and tsunami they suffered on February 27, 2010. We also offered training in ToP Methods to people who work in communities at Arauco, also suffering from the catastrophe in 2010.

ICA-Chile is now systematizing our experience with physically challenged youngsters through our PELPs.