Handicapped people at my town.



IT IS A WORK OF ALL

• When someone has a disability, their opportunities decrease, and they have to cope with the real world without the same resources that we have. That's because we must help them to integrate into society. At my village, there are some associations to help handicapped people. One of the most important is AFADI.

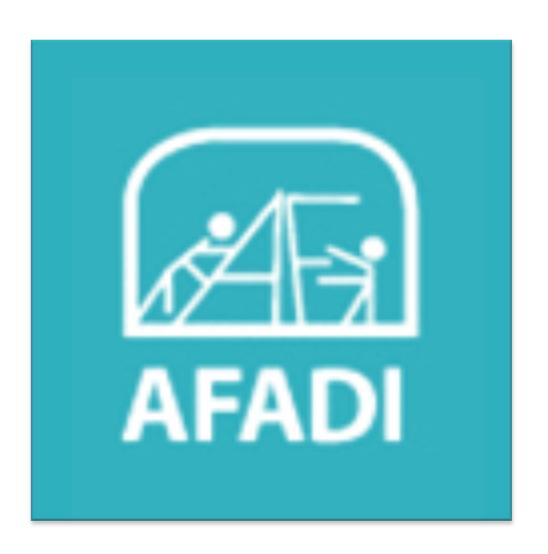
WHAT IS IT?

First:

 It is an association created in 1974 by some parents who wanted the integration of their children.

 All this time, it has grown up a lot, and now they help families with the same problems. At AFADI'S offices





AFADI

I had the opportunity to talk with AFADI's director; and this are the questions that I did to her.

THE INTERVIEW

What types of disabilities does AFADI work with?

How many associates are there?

☐ The association takes some help from the Town Hall of the Rinconada?

- With all types, from deaf people , up to people with down syndrome.
- There are about 350 but before, there were a little bit more.
- ☐ Yes, they gave us some subsides! But, now it's getting harder to get them. We don't have too much money.



Here is where they do their work, and where I did the questions.

Here's where the children do their work





- The Town Hall gave subsides to pay the transport, the monitors and workshops of the fundation. It also counts with a physical therapist, two therapists, one work shop's monitor and a bus driver.
- They have done excursions to some places, and even the have gone to a restaurant all together.



This is the Town Hall of La Rinconada

- But that wasn't all, they did so many mecanic works, crafts, o garbage collection.
- And now we are in a very important part of AFADI: INTEJA.



These are some paints that they did by themselves.





WHAT IS INTEJA?

• It's a company that forms part of AFADI, created for the laboral integration of handicapped people.

 And they have obtained very much. (this is a photo of Majuelo's park)



INTEJA

- They started working in gardening, helping the maintenance of the Majuelo, (a park in San José).
- They have worked in a florist, and even in a bakery. But this last one, didn't go on very well, so they had to close it.
- In the Coca-Cola too, doing picking!

Now a days, there are more than 80 people with a disability, working at INTEJA.

FUTURE PROJECTS

 Something that they want to do in a future is to buy an apartament to let them live there in an independent way, which is a greatful idea to their social development.



CONCLUSION

 They have obtained a bigger acceptation for part of the society. They are people with bigs opportunities if we help them to reach those opportunities. • She told me 'Before, we went out to have dinner in a restaurant, people turned around and whatched them with a really disgusting face. And then, they changed their sits like they didn't like being near that kind of people. But now, that has changed. Now, people stop and start talking with them, like the persons they are"

But we must keep going.