

Call for Support



**Federación Nacional de Trabajadores y
Vendedores Independientes de Guatemala
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As an Organization of Self-employed Workers of Guatemala, we empathise with vendors affected by the raging fire which destroyed the La Terminal Market market at zone 4 of Guatemala City. This central market housed an approximately 1600 formal tenants and a similar number of sellers in the surrounds without taking into account hawkers. In this tragedy over 3000 self-employed vendors have lost the product of their efforts, gained with great sacrifice, as well as their income to support their families, leaving many workers in debt. The incident has to be carelessness or malicious behaviour.

In this time of crisis we hope that "politicians and government" do not take advantage of this situation because it is not just to play with the pain and suffering of those affected.

As an Organization of Self-employed, we request the unconditional support from the central government and the municipal government. Do not convert this into political gain, on the other hand we are requiring the appropriate authorities to investigate whether there was criminal conduct.

Because we are workers, not criminals!

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