

A woman with dark hair, wearing a brown t-shirt, is smiling and washing her hands and a baby at a public water tap. The baby is wearing a green shirt and purple pants. Water is splashing around them. The background is a blurred green field.

VULNERABILITY & COVID-19 IN CENTRAL AMERICA

CAUSES AND THE ROLE OF CIVIL SOCIETY

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VULNERABILITY IN CENTRAL AMERICA

- Poverty & Inequality
- Corruption & Impunity
- Regressive Tax Policies
- Climate Change
- Gender Inequality
- Economic Model based on Extractives



IMPACT OF COVID-19 IN CENTRAL AMERICA



- Increased:
 - Poverty
 - Internal & External Debt Payments
 - Gender-Based Violence

IMPACTS OF COVID-19 (continued)



- Opportunities for Corruption
- Human Rights Violations
- Forced Migration

THE ROLE OF CIVIL SOCIETY

- Humanitarian Assistance
- Policy Advocacy
 - Social Protection
 - Fiscal Reform
 - Oversight & Transparency
 - Women
 - Rural Development



THANK YOU!

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