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JOSÉ VICENTE TATICUAN

[Voice #15: José Vicente Taticuan](#)

José Vicente Taticuan, originally from Ipiales, Nariño, left home at the age of 11 to work in Medellín. He later returned to Nariño, and after meeting his wife, moved to Cali in search of better opportunities. They initially lived in Meléndez before moving to Pampas del Mirador, a neighbourhood he helped develop. Over the years, José worked in construction, contributing to the building of homes and infrastructure in the area.

José and his wife also played a key role in community efforts, such as providing meals for others during the pandemic. He is deeply concerned about the challenges facing the youth in his neighbourhood, particularly the prevalence of crime and the lack of job opportunities. Despite these struggles, José values the strong sense of community, where neighbours support each other. His journey reflects both the personal and collective efforts to overcome challenges and build a better future.

Additional resources:

[Voice #8: Emilia Jiménez](#) | [Voice #10: Flor Carabalí](#) | [Voice #12: Gloria María Fernández](#) | [Voice #19: Maria Ofelia Arellano](#) | [Voice #23: Nancy Sanchez](#) | [Voice #25: Olga Quintero](#) | [Voice #29: Ruby Moran](#) | [Voice #30: Sandra Ocampo](#)

Based on José Vicente Taticuan's video, discuss the following questions with your peers:

Question 01: How can urban planning strategies address the specific challenges faced by migrants in informal settlements, considering José's migratory journey and the socio-economic challenges migrants encounter when integrating into urban communities?

Question 02: What role does community-based work, such as José's efforts to provide food during the pandemic, play in creating resilient neighbourhoods? How can urban planning strategies integrate community-driven initiatives to enhance social cohesion and reduce vulnerability in informal settlements?

Exploring connections:

Below the image, you'll find additional voices that expand on themes from José's testimonial. We invite you to explore these perspectives and connect José's insights with broader discussions on *Care and Community-Led Initiatives*.