

Costa Rica's "Cruz Roja" (the Red Cross) is chronically underfunded by the government despite the fact that they provide a number of vital emergency services as well as offering classes in first aid, CPR and others. The need for financial support is especially great in Grecia where they are the only providers of emergency ambulance service. A few dollars a month from the expat community would make a real difference, and you may be assured that whatever we can raise will be used exclusively in the Grecia service area.

You can donate online by making an inter-account transfer to the Grecia Cruz Roja's account at Banco Nacional de Costa Rica if you have an account there. If you need help setting up a transfer, please ask for the specific instructions.

The Cruz Roja's colon account is: **100-01-006-0005436-5**

The name on the account is: **Programa Socios Contribuyentes Cruz Roja Grecia**

The email address is: **greCIA@cruzroja.or.cr**

Please also send an email to this address when you set up the transfer on the Banco Nacional website: **temergency@gmail.com**.

If you do not bank at Banco Nacional, you can make a donation in person at the bank's teller window or you can transfer money from your bank via the SINPE interbank transfer system, but you will have to consult your own bank's service platform for help setting that up. Your bank will need Banco Nacional's 17-digit routing number for colones and the name and number of the account at Banco Nacional.

The 17-digit used by the SINPE system to transfer funds denominated in colones to Banco Nacional is

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