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732 REFUGEES AND ASYLUM-SEEKERS

775 GUATEMALANS AT-RISK

27,064 PEOPLE ASSISTED

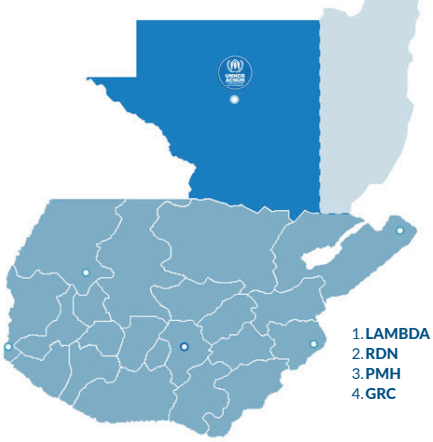
26,307 PEOPLE RECEIVING INFORMATION ON THE ASYLUM PROCEDURE

2 CITIES OF SOLIDARITY

In 2024, UNHCR operated six field offices across Guatemala, including its field unit in Peten, the country's largest and most forested department, dedicated to safeguarding refugees, asylum seekers, displaced Guatemalans, including returnees. In collaboration with local authorities, NGOs, communities, and four partner organizations, UNHCR ensures access to essential services, including shelters, clean drinking water, hygiene kits, legal assistance, mental health support, pre-hospital care, and durable solutions.

Additionally, UNHCR promotes labor inclusion for refugees, asylum-seekers, and returnees through private-sector engagement, scholarship programs, and technical training initiatives. In Peten, 135 individuals received training to enhance their skills and improve access to employment opportunities.

Presence of **UNHCR** and its **partners**



CITIES OF SOLIDARITY

Since 2021, the municipalities of Flores and San Benito have actively supported refugee integration through the Cities of Solidarity initiative.

In 2024, San Benito and Flores strengthened community structures, empowered youth, and improved healthcare access. Clínica San Benito provided free, inclusive medical care, while Punto Print and the Directorate of Youth created safe learning spaces. Livelihood programs supported local and refugee women, with the Municipal Directorate for Women growing to 2,600 members. Flores prioritized child welfare through the Child Care Center (CAI) and integrated individuals into livelihood programs. Over 100 officials received training in international protection, while lake cleanup campaigns engaged 70 participants in environmental conservation.

This strengthens refugee integration efforts, promotes community resilience, and sets a model for solidarity. It enhances access to healthcare, education, and livelihoods, making Flores and San Benito key examples of successful local support for displaced people.

392 TRAINED IN PREVENTION, MITIGATION & RESPONSE TO VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN AND GIRLS

640 TRAINED IN INTERNATIONAL PROTECTION, ACCESS TO RIGHTS AND SERVICES, & UNHCR MANDATE

446 PERSONS INVOLVED IN PEACEFUL COEXISTENCE ACTIVITIES

492 PEOPLE PARTICIPATING IN EMPOWERMENT ACTIVITIES

Source: UNHCR Response Monitoring 2024. Data for Peten.

*1. LAMBDA | LAMBDA Association, 2. RDN | *Refugio de la Niñez* , 3. PMH | Human Mobility Pastoral, 4.GRC | Guatemalan Red Cross.

*The boundaries and names shown and the designations used on this map do not imply official endorsement or acceptance by the United Nations.

COMMUNITY STRENGTHENING

UNHCR directly impacted over 400 refugees and host community members, fostering empowerment, integration, and social cohesion. Through training on international protection, child protection, and violence prevention, public officials and civil society members enhanced their technical skills. Additionally, individuals were trained to address violence against women and girls, strengthening prevention and response efforts. 34 women were committed to a comprehensive care plan with specialized services, while 239 children and adolescents participated in activities to learn about and advocate for their rights.

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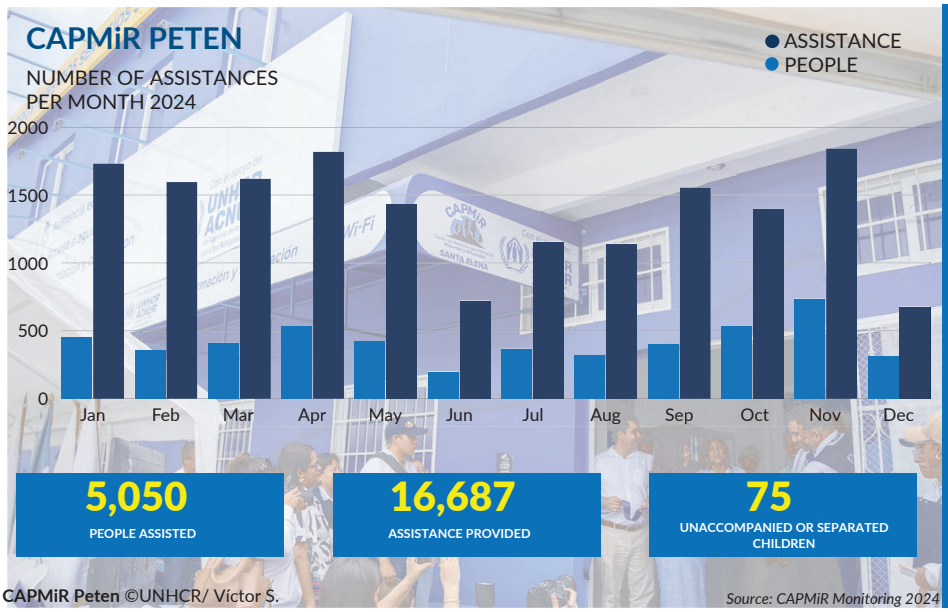
Lake cleanup with partners and counterparts in the framework of World Refugee Day and Cities of Solidarity. ©UNHCR/Emanuel Avila.



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The Reception Center for Refugees (CAPMiR) provide essential services, including pre-hospital care, hydration, hygiene kits, mental health support, and guidance on the asylum and protection system.

In 2024, five CAPMiR centers assisted 28,092 people, of whom **5,050** were served at the CAPMiR in Peten. Of the beneficiaries in Peten, 58% were Hondurans.

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