UNHCR wide territorial presence in Ecuador is a significant asset to ensure the identification of people with specific needs as well as a comprehensive and individual support. During the first trimester of 2022, 1,480 people of our concern have been assisted, most of them from Venezuela and about a half of them being under 18. The support is mostly destined to children, adolescents and GBV survivors, being groups with specific needs and that would require tailored and specialized services. In 2022, 185 unaccompanied and separated children (UASC) received this individual support. They have been able to access to alternative care modalities as temporary protection measure while waiting for a durable solution.

In addition, 665 GBV survivors have been able to access to specific services such as legal support, psychosocial care and safe spaces. Complementarily, UNHCR have been also strengthening the local prevention and mitigation mechanisms to risks faced by children, adolescents and persons at risk of GBV, by training 860 persons of local institutions in child protection and 602 in GBV prevention, mitigation and response. Finally, UNHCR has also been focusing on developing prevention and response capacities among the communities. In 2022, 1928 community members have therefore been trained in GBV as well as in sexual and reproductive health.