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Shelter is one of the main needs of Venezuelans arriving in Lima, as revealed during UNHCR's participatory assessments. UNHCR and partners are working on mapping shelters in the capital city to strengthen the protection network. So far 17 have been identified, of these, the majority are run by faith-based organizations and/or private spontaneous initiatives, confirming the generosity and solidarity of the Peruvian people towards Venezuelan nationals. These shelters usually have a limited capacity, mainly receiving from eight to fifteen people, and only three are hosting 50 or more.

UNHCR is supporting six of these shelters, and partners are providing counselling to people staying in the temporary shelters. UNHCR is scaling up and will continue to strengthen and reinforce existing community initiatives and structures. Additionally, UNHCR is providing cash based assistance to the most vulnerable to access other housing options.