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# CENTRAL AMERICA & MEXICO



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POP. PROJECTION 2 265 K*	021	PEOPLE IN NEED	PEOPLE TARGETED 44.0 K*	total requirements \$24.1 M	RMRP PARTNERS
VENEZ. IN DESTINATION	262 K	108 K	42.3 K		
HOST COMMUNITY	-	17.3 K	2.22 K		
IN TRANSIT	2.39 K	2.39 K	1.67 K		

\*The gender and age disaggregation for all categories is available in the RMRP 2021 document at <u>r4v.info</u>.

### SITUATION

The countries of Costa Rica, Mexico and Panama have responded to multiple and concurrent displacement and migration situations over recent years, including increased arrivals from Venezuela. By November 2020, there were an estimated 251,900 Venezuelan refugees and migrants in the sub-region. The sub-region will continue to be considered an important destination for refugees and migrants from Venezuela throughout 2021.

Across the sub-region and favourable protection environments generally allow for access to asylum, work permits, national health and social protection programmes, and primary education for children. A substantial proportion of Venezuelan refugees and migrants are still in need of regularization of their status; those in irregular situations are unable to access basic services and face heightened protection risks. There has been a significant deterioration of living conditions of Venezuelan refugee and migrant households due to the ongoing economic impact of COVID-19, as well as the lack of valid documentation resulting from continued delays in asylum and migratory regularization processes. Limited economic activity and partial closure of public life has likewise negatively affected integration prospects. The increasingly vulnerable profiles of refugees and migrants from Venezuela arriving in the sub-region have put additional pressure on strained national resources.

## **RESPONSE PRIORITIES**

Reinforce government capacities to ensure access to asylum and inclusion of refugees and migrants from Venezuela in national systems, including migratory regularization procedures and social protection programmes. Mitigate protection risks and respond to protection needs by addressing barriers to access of enjoyment of rights, strengthening information dissemination and anti-discrimination campaigns, services and referral pathways. Expand integration opportunities for the refugees and migrants, including access to formal employment, skills training, livelihood opportunities and social cohesion activities.

Through national coordination mechanisms, advocacy for the full inclusion of refugees and migrants in national response plans and access to services on a par with nationals will continue through strengthening of national services and capacity building for government officials. Protection activities include ensuring access to territory, access to documentation, legal counselling, consultations, as well as the prevention, risk mitigation and response to gender-based violence, protection against sexual exploitation and abuse, and child protection concerns. Two-way communication activities and access to feedback and complaint mechanisms will enhance accountabilities of R4V actors to affected populations. Promoting the integration of refugees and migrants will be carried out through inclusion in the formal labour market, opportunities for income generation, fostering education, peaceful coexistence and through social cohesion activities.

#### NUMBER OF ORGANIZATIONS AND FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS BY ORGANIZATION TYPE



### POPULATION IN NEED AND TARGET, FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS AND NUMBER OF PARTNERS BY SECTOR

		People in need	People targeted	Financial Requirements (USD)	Partners
=	Education	21.2 K	9— 3.78 K	\$840 K 🛛 🌑	4
	Food Security	70.9 K -		\$1.00 M	3
ţ	Health	52.5 K	9.93 K	\$2.45 M	3
	Humanitarian Transportation	3.20 K ⊢——	● 0.05 K	\$10.0 K	1
÷	Integration	109 K 🛏	→ 12.2 K	\$6.49 M	6
	Nutrition	28.8 K 🛏		-	-
4	Protection*	122 K 🛏	→ 24.7 K	\$5.01 M	6
Ŵ	Child Protection	12.4 K 🛏	●—— 1.08 K	\$220 K •	4
*	GBV	34.1K ⊢—	→ 2.73 K	\$919 K	4
¥	Human Trafficking & Smuggling	25.5 K	0.04 K	\$429 K 🛛 🗨	2
Î	Shelter	81.8 K 🛏		\$886 K	5
•	WASH	1.80 K	• 0.90 K	\$96.0 K •	2
•••	Multipurpose Cash Assistance			\$4.58 M	5
У Ľ Л R	Common services**			\$1.21 M	3

\*This includes Support Spaces | \*\* This includes AAP, Communication, Coordination, CwC/C4D, Fundraising, Information Management, PSEA and Reporting.