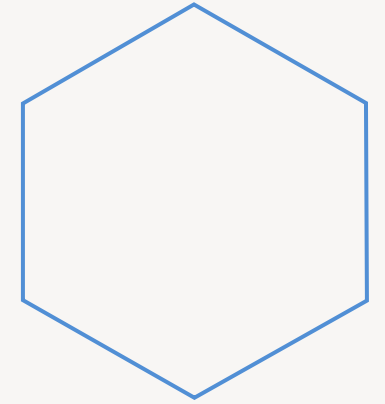


# Strategic Framework Roma Task Force 2023



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# Strategic Priorities 2023





# Mapping

Due to the constant and unpredictable mobility of communities of Roma refugees, it remains essential to continue **mapping** their geographical distribution accurately. In addition, this exercise will improve the capacity for needs assessment and outreach to provide humanitarian support and information on available services. In implementing this exercise, we must also include refugees that live in private accommodations and in rural and remote areas of the country to ensure maximum coverage and efficiency of the survey.



# Temporary Protection

It is established that Temporary Protection will enter into force on March 1st 2023. This is a positive development for those displaced from Ukraine, as it will provide a more stable legal status in the Republic of Moldova and access to important rights and services. It is, therefore, vital to facilitate and guarantee access to the refugees of Roma ethnicity as well. The working group needs to pay particular attention to refugees that need documents or are encountering difficulties obtaining them.

It is essential to ensure that the refugees know the rights and obligations of applying for temporary protection and receive all the support they might need.



# Education

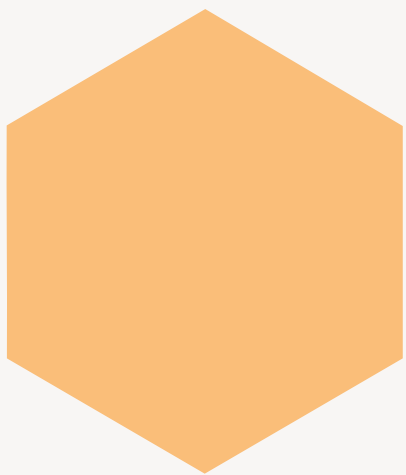
Humanitarian organizations and local institutions must engage the community with awareness-raising activities about the benefits and opportunities of education. Activities of informal education with children can be a starting point in this direction with, again, the proper and constant involvement of the community mediators or representatives of the Roma community in Moldova or the identification of community focal points among the refugees themselves.

We should aim to involve children in basic literacy activities by equipping spaces in the RACs since most parents prefer having their children close to them.



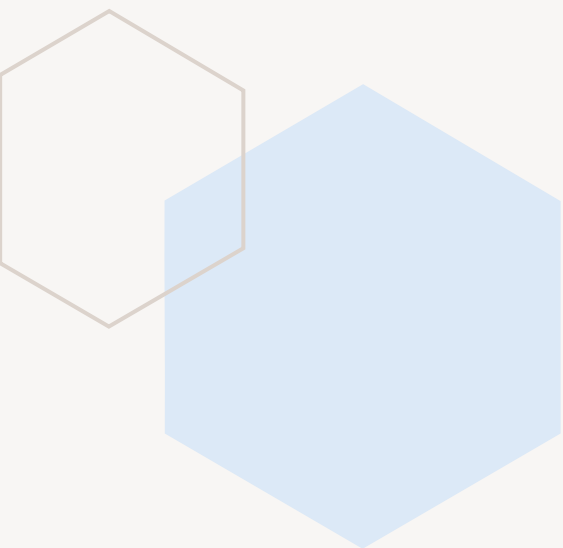
# Employment and vocational training


Along with encouraging Roma refugees to get involved in the educational system, it is crucial to engage them in vocational training activities, insert them in the country's job market, and encourage them to become economically independent and depend less on cash assistance and in-kind aid. Engaging them in employment activities is imperative to avoid conflicts that lately arise more often in the RACs that host Roma refugees



# Gender based intervention

RTF encourages its networks to incorporate a gender perspective in all efforts and to ensure gender equality in interventions toward Roma refugees. This includes taking specific actions to facilitate the meaningful participation of women and girls in all activities around relief, recovery, and prevention, as well as in leadership and decision-making. The RTF also recognizes that women and girls and civil society, especially women's rights and women-led stakeholders, are critical in helping prevent, mediate, and resolve conflict.





# Adapt to shifting operational environment

It is essential to continue adapting to the shifting operational environment and contribute to identifying gaps in humanitarian assistance and challenges and responding accordingly. Therefore, RTF will continue developing a better understanding of the needs of people of Roma ethnicity fleeing Ukraine and strengthening protection preparedness according to their mission and values.

Moreover, the RTF encourages research, data collection, round tables, and other forms of dialogue to identify the future needs of Roma refugees impacted by the conflict.





# Promote integration

It is critical to emphasize the need of strengthening links between Roma refugees and the local Roma population, as well as encouraging the interchange of knowledge and skills.

It is also critical to foster mutual understanding between Roma refugees and host communities. One way to achieve this is to use April 8th, the International Roma Day to arrange a series of awareness-raising events for Roma as well as cultural activities to celebrate Roma traditions and culture.

# International Roma Day



## Awareness raising activities

- Organize activities that promote a better understanding of the Roma communities and the challenges they might face
- Engage host communities as well



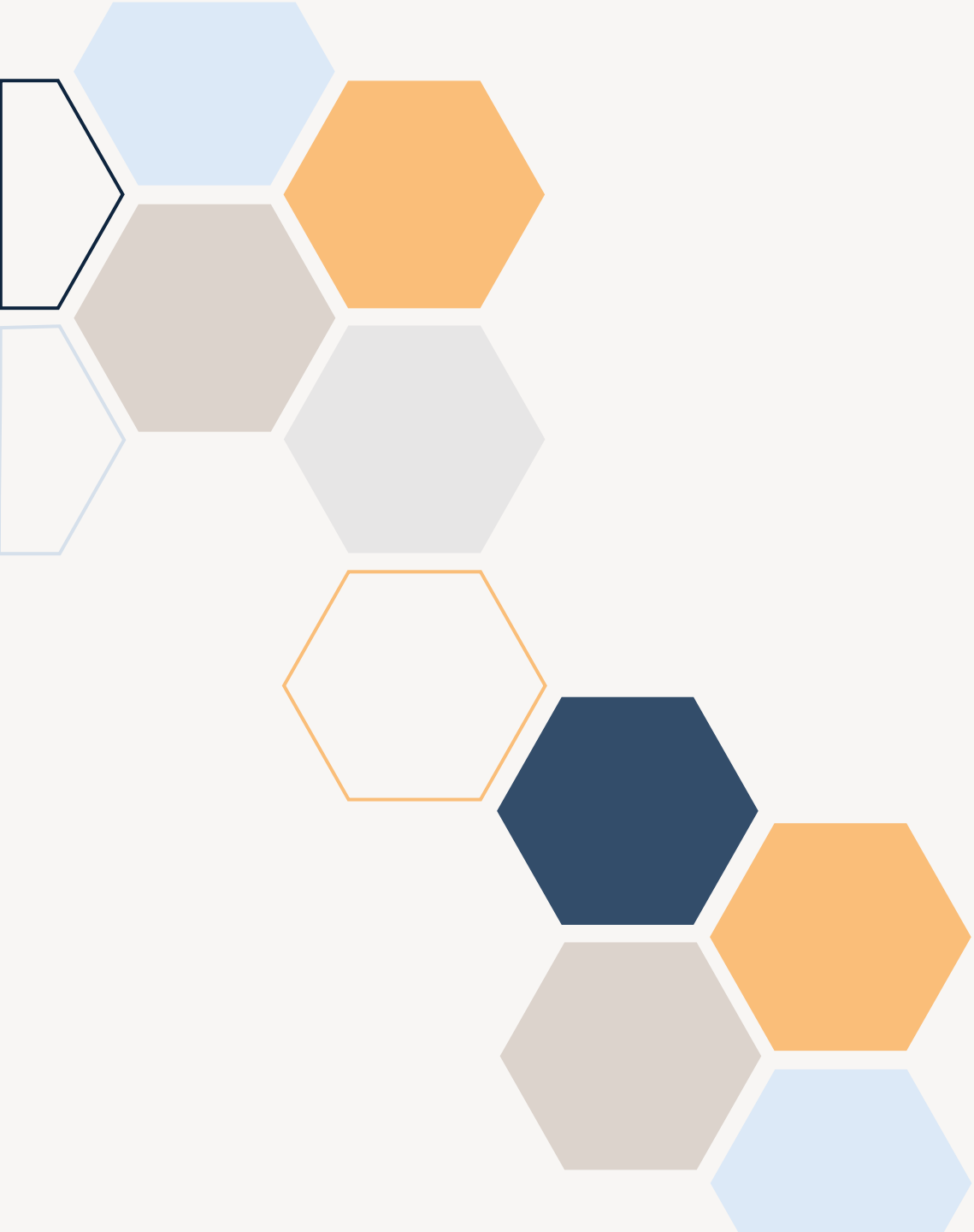
## Cultural activities

- Organize cultural activities that give value to the culture and traditions of Roma communities
- E.g. Organize culinary activities
- Musical activities



## Actors to involve

- Engage other organizations and actors from the Government
- Engage host communities
- Engage Moldovan Roma people



**Thank you!**  
**Nais tu ke!**

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