

Monterrey, Mexico

2019 - 2022



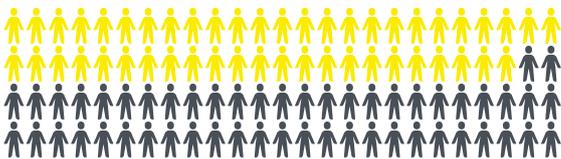
10,105 refugees and asylum-seekers in Nuevo León (as of 2019)

The Monterrey Sub-Office (SOMON) has assisted **10,105** persons since it was established in 2019.

Since 2019, **6,002** persons have benefited from the Local Integration Program in Nuevo León.

UNHCR estimates that there are more than **15,000** refugees and asylum-seekers in Nuevo León.

POPULATION PROFILE



Mujeres
Hombres

Children

3,595



48%

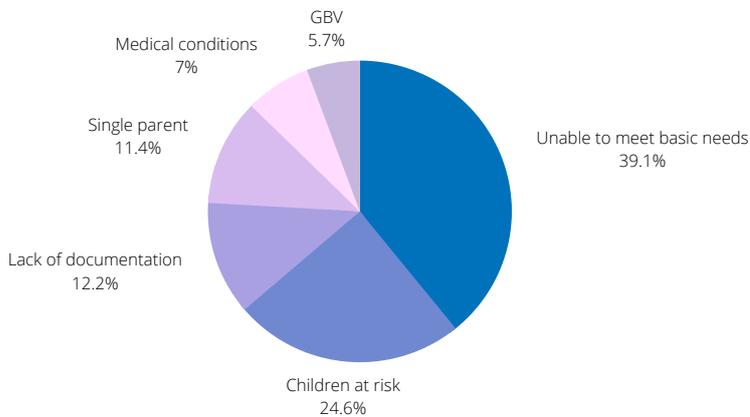


52%

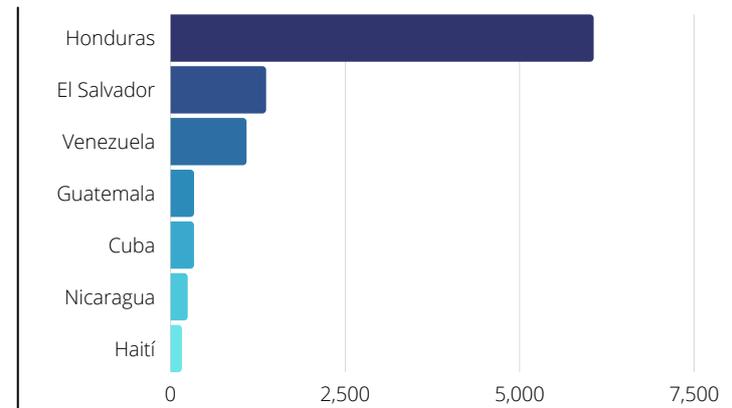
Families

4,637

SPECIFIC NEEDS



NATIONALITIES



SOMON'S MAIN AREAS OF INTERVENTION ARE:

1. Local integration
2. Access to asylum and capacity-building of relevant authorities
3. Comprehensive assistance to persons with specific needs
4. Communication, feedback, and community participation
5. Peaceful coexistence and support to shelters
6. Strengthen protection and assistance in the Northeast Border.



LOCAL INTEGRATION

2019 - 2022

EMPLOYMENT

- 1,108** direct links to employment
 - Help desk, protection counseling
 - Job fairs at the Local Integration Program
 - Virtual job fairs
 - **30** portfolio companies
 - 10 with active links during the COVID contingency

EDUCATION

- Academic integration rate: **97%**
- In 2021, UNHCR provided support on:
- 540 - Scholarships for literacy and elementary education
 - 263 - Vocational guidance
 - 479 - University and high school education

AMBULANCE DONATION



The purpose of the donation was to contribute to strengthening the health response, amidst the COVID-19 pandemic. The specially equipped ambulance for maternal necessities is being used by the Regional Maternity and Children's Hospital. This donation represents an investment of MXN 1.6 million and recognizes the solidarity of the Nuevo Leon community in welcoming refugees and supporting their local integration.

SUPPORT DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC



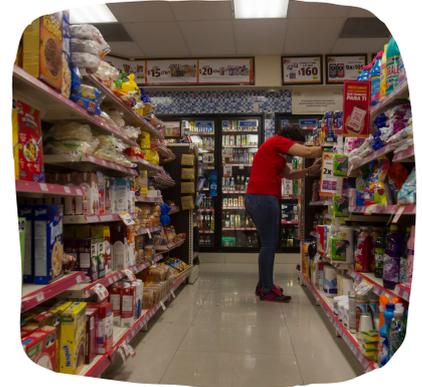
- UNHCR assisted 16 shelters in Nuevo Leon, Coahuila and Tamaulipas with equipment, capacity building, infrastructure projects, amongst others.
- UNHCR's support to shelters during the COVID-19 pandemic included:
 - Distribution of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE): 740 liters of hand sanitizer, 349 anti-fluid robes, 54,300 face masks and 7,000 disposable surgical gloves.
 - Shelter equipment: bunk beds, mattresses, pillows, kitchen equipment, cleaning products, etc.
 - Infrastructure projects: construction of one new shelter, refurbishing of existing shelters and the creation of isolation spaces for potential COVID-19 cases.
- State-run hospitals in Nuevo León were supported with Personal Protection Equipment (PPE), including:
 - **57,650** triple-layer masks
 - **2,475** surgical gowns
 - **2,500** N95 face masks
 - **1,000** face shields
 - **1** ambulance

PARTNERS AND ALLIES

2019 - 2022

UNHCR seeks to protect and find solutions to refugees and asylum seekers (PoC) through the Local Integration Program and establishing alliances that promote labor, education, community, health, and legal inclusion of PoCs.

Effective collaboration achieved with state and local authorities, UN Agencies, the private sector, academia, and civil society organizations to further the protection of refugees and asylum seekers.



SHELTERS AND PEACEFUL COEXISTENCE

2019 - 2022

SHELTERS

- **16** shelters were assisted with:
 - Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) against COVID-19
 - Equipment such as bunk beds, mattresses, bedding, cleaning products, among others.

INFRASTRUCTURE

- 5 infrastructure projects were implemented to improve and expand reception conditions, as well promote peaceful coexistence with host communities.
 - **4 shelters**
 - **1 recreational park**

PEACEFUL COEXISTENCE ACTIVITIES



Peaceful coexistence and community-based initiatives strengthen relations between refugees, asylum seekers and local communities. Such initiatives have included dance workshops, sporting events, awareness campaigns on the plight of refugees, reforestation, rehabilitation of public spaces, gastronomic and cultural events, among others. These initiatives have included a wide range of actors such as academia, the private sector, government and civil society organizations.

UN SOLO EQUIPO: EL “CLUB UNIÓN” CAMPAIGN



The main sports clubs of Nuevo León, namely Fuerza Regia, Rayados, Tigres and Sultanes joined UNHCR to promote an awareness campaign called Un Solo Equipo: El “Club Unión” (One team: The “Union Club”). The aim of this campaign is to build and promote awareness among the local population in Monterrey on refugee issues and reduce negative attitudes towards refugees and asylum seekers.