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OPERATIONAL HIGHLIGHTS

- UNHCR and the National Commission for Refugees (CONARE) co-organised a two-day training on International Refugee Law for 32 officials from CONARE Caracas, including registrars, legal analysts, and Adjudicating Commissioners. This marks the first time that registrars, legal analysts, and Adjudicating Commissioners sat together in a study session setting to jointly analyse gaps in the current Refugee Status Determination system. The training focused on strengthening capacities related to registration and asylum claim analysis, thorough the analysis of inclusion and exclusion clauses, as well as the applicable legal reasoning in line with national law and international standards through case studies.

- UNHCR provided technical and logistical support to the Civil Registry of the municipality of Atures in southwestern Amazonas, where 57 indigenous Piaroa children accessed civil birth registry. The Government of Amazonas participated in the activity, providing other nutrition and health services, while the Office of the Ombudsperson and the Red Cross provided assistance on access to rights.

JUNE IN FIGURES

68,457
BENEFICIARIES

40,519
WASH

21,242
SHELTER

6,696
PROTECTION

38,612

29,841

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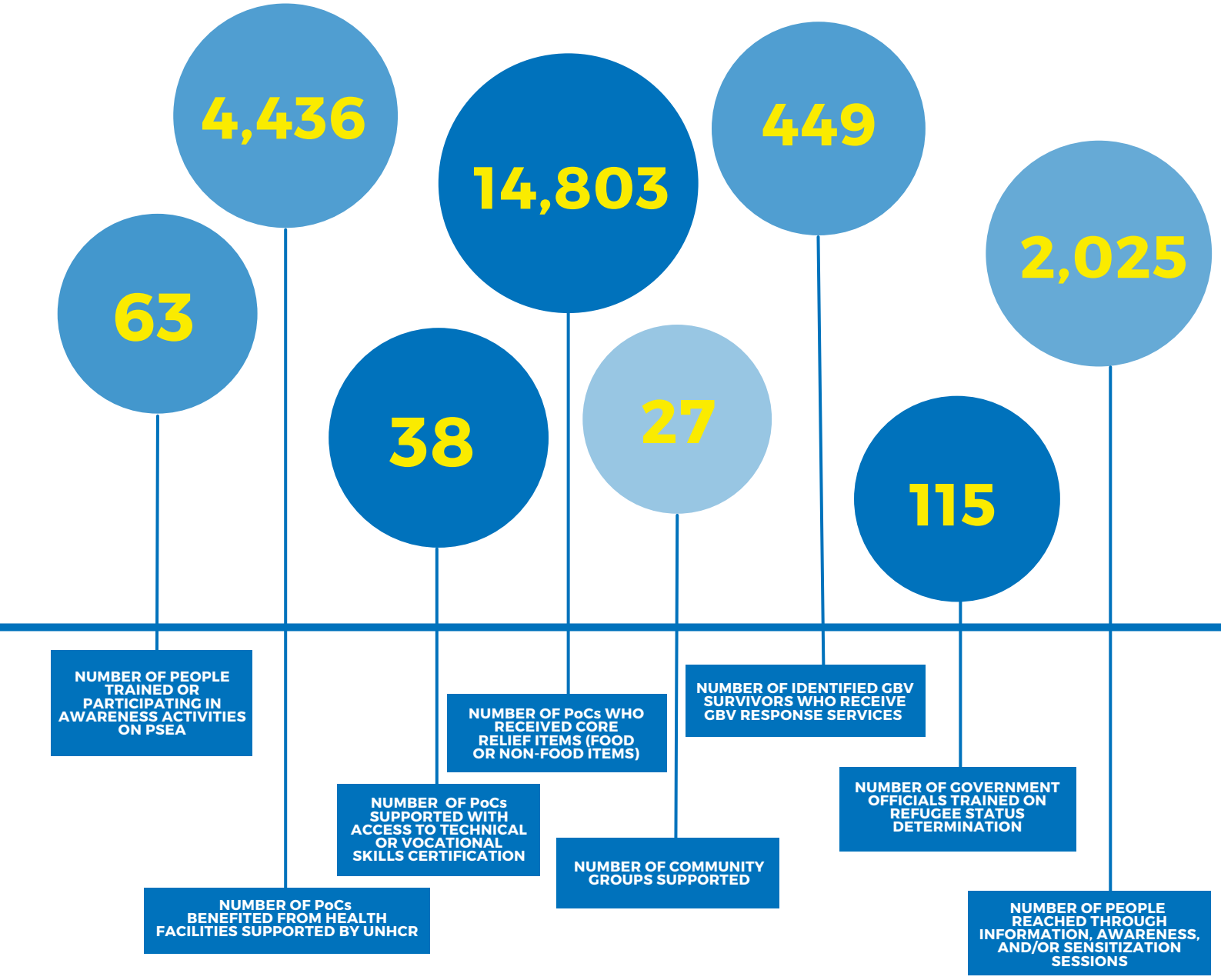
UNHCR INDICATORS



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16,189	46,955	5,313

PROTECTION HIGLIGHTS

- Hosted by the Bar Association of Caracas, UNHCR co-organised the graduation ceremony of the postgraduate course on International Refugee Law and Statelessness, together with the Bar Association and partner HIAS. The event was co-chaired by the President of the Bar, UNHCR's Country Representative, and a delegate standing in for HIAS's Country Director. In his speech, UNHCR's Representative recognised the commitment of the 11 graduating lawyers and encouraged them to promote refugee protection and engage in refugee solutions in their legal practice. He also took the graduating lawyers' oath of commitment.

- UNHCR HQ is currently working on the roll-out of the UNHCR sport strategy that seeks to promote sports interventions that favour the protection of people we serve and the communities they live in. Sports-related activities that promote peaceful coexistence and inclusion for people of concern have historically been part of the Venezuela Operation. To contribute to the roll-out of the strategy, UNHCR Venezuela participated in a survey conducted by the Bureau for the Americas to showcase our current sports-related activities to advance protection in areas of inclusion, GBV, and child recruitment mitigation, as well as highlight our funding needs.

HRP CLUSTERS LED BY UNHCR

SHELTER ENERGY & NFI CLUSTER

By the end of June, the Shelter, Energy, and NFIs Cluster reached 25,715 direct beneficiaries through partner organisations and 76,725 indirect beneficiaries through interventions in institutions and community spaces providing essential services to the population. Activities covered 16 states and the Capital District. Thirty-four spaces delivering essential services to communities were built and rehabilitated and 86 spaces received NFIs. 4 Refugee Housing Units (RHUs), 36 solar streetlights and 24 systems to generate energy were installed. 4,083 solar lamps and 1,786 habitat kits were delivered to people of concern, including people affected by natural disasters. 2,282 individual kits were provided for people on the move, and 7,424 people made use of temporary collective shelters.

PROTECTION CLUSTER

Through the end of June, the Protection Cluster, including both the Child Protection and Gender-Based Violence Areas of Responsibility, benefitted 428,573 people with specific protection needs in over 180 municipalities. The specialised protection services provided reached more than 5,100 individuals with disabilities and over 36,200 indigenous people. On 30 June, the Protection Cluster organised a monthly meeting, with the participation of 67 staff members from partner organisations, which included an update on monthly activity monitoring and the Táchira and Falcón human trafficking context analysis. In June, the Cluster also organised the monthly meeting of the Working Group on the prevention of and response to Trafficking in Persons (GTTdP), a training session on trafficking in persons for health personnel as part of the current capacity-building exercise of the Health Cluster and a UNHCR-led workshop on returns and reintegration for members of the Protection Cluster.