JULY 2022

UNHCR
The UN Refugee Agency

VENEZUELA

MONTHLY BULLETIN

OPERATIONAL HIGHLIGHTS

- UNHCR provided supplies (footstools, mattresses, gloves, children and adult wheelchairs, sheets, pillows, broom kits, mops, fixed stretchers, biosafety suits, blankets, infrared thermometers, among other items) to the Medical Service of the International Airport at Maiquetia, La Guaira state, following the completion of renovation work at the medical unit serving the terminals. This provision was made in the context of the rehabilitation works that UNHCR and Fundación Vivienda Popular carried out in the medical service unit of the international terminal to strengthen its capacity to attend to COVID-19 cases and the medical needs of people who are in a situation of mobility in the air terminal. The renovation works will soon be inaugurated in the presence of authorities and UNHCR management.
- Within the framework of the intersectoral response to floods in Apure, UNHCR delivered 540 NFIs to 90 family groups (330 people) in the community of Mata de Cabo, in the Páez municipality. Heks Eper and UNICEF complemented the delivery with hygiene kits and water purification tablets. As part of this interagency response, INTERSOS provided the Mata de Cabo and Totumito outpatient clinics with medical supplies and Cáritas organized a medical day, while IOM provided information sessions on the prevention of human trafficking and the Office of the Ombudsperson assisted 8 people in gaining access to rights, identifying in the process a case for access to refugee status determination.

JULY IN FIGURES

28,269

BENEFICIARIES

1,877

WASH

18,974

SHELTER

7,418

PROTECTION

14,230

14,230

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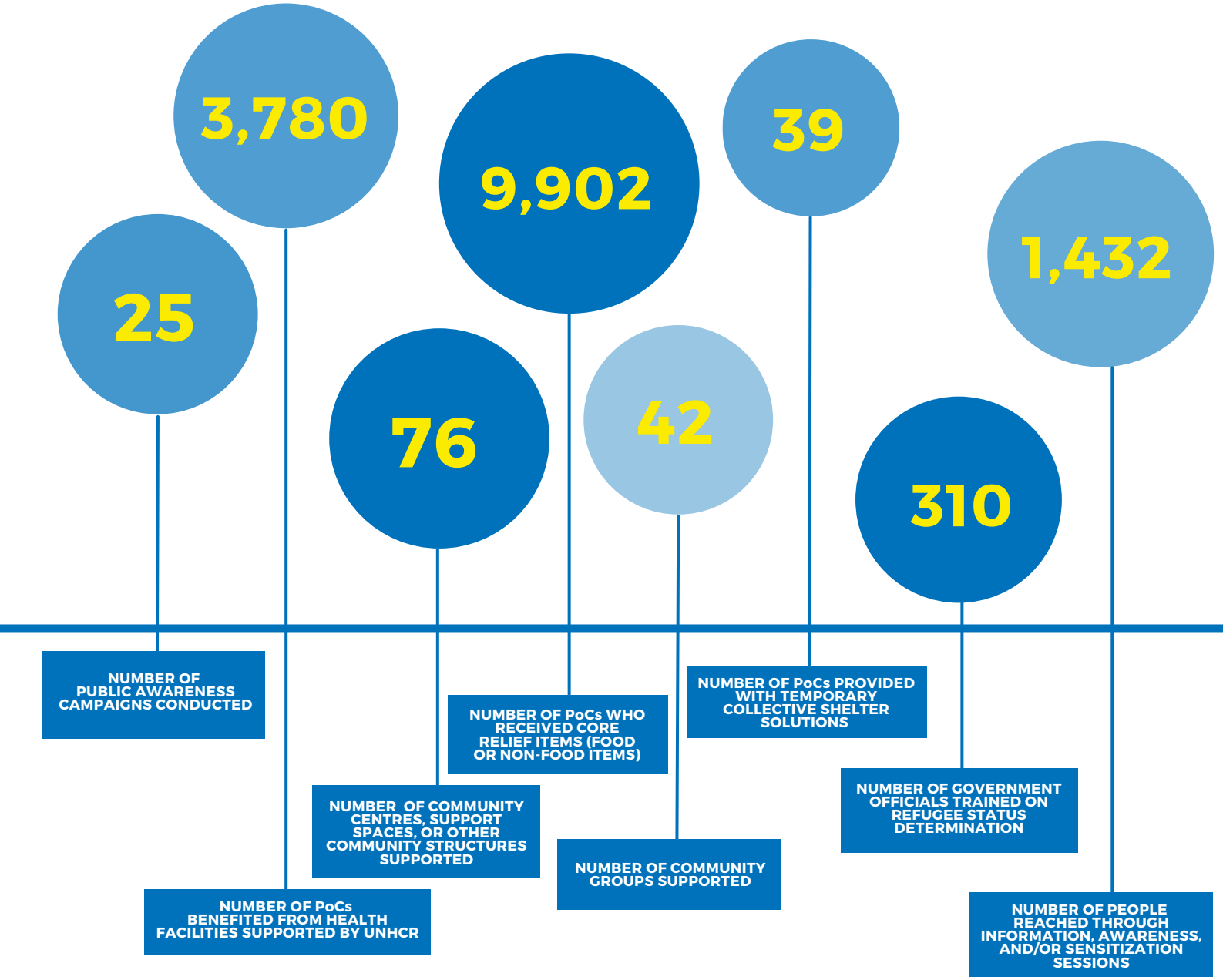
UNHCR INDICATORS



AGE GROUPS

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6,641	19,418	2,210

PROTECTION HIGLIGHTS

- Within the framework of the joint UNHCR-CONARE workplan, three outreach registration and documentation brigades were carried out in Barinas, Falcon and Miranda States. During the month of July, 113 Colombian asylum-seekers filed their asylum applications and were issued individual documentation.

- According to available data from CONARE, the Commission recognised 19 refugees during the first semester of 2022, bringing the total number of recognised refugees in Venezuela to 9,355. CONARE also registered and documented 551 asylum-seekers, 412 of whom accessed RSD procedures and documentation through ten outreach brigades conducted nationwide. There are still 1,048 asylum applications pending final decision.

- In line with UNHCR's Global Action Plan to End Statelessness (2014-2024), actions 7 an 8 related respectively to ensuring birth registration for the prevention of statelessness and to issuing nationality documentation to those with entitlement to, UNHCR Venezuela, in coordination with the Civil Registry, the Office of the Ombudsperson, the National Children's Protection Council, local indigenous authorities, HIAS and IOM, supported two outreach registration and documentation brigades. They resulted in 119 Venezuelan children from indigenous populations in the Amazonas and Apure States benefitting from late birth registration procedures and being accordingly issued with birth certificates.

HRP CLUSTERS LED BY UNHCR

SHELTER ENERGY & NFI CLUSTER

By the end of July, the Shelter, Energy and NFI Cluster has reached 30,219 direct beneficiaries through partner organizations and 89,529 indirect beneficiaries through interventions in institutions and community spaces providing essential services to the population. Activities covered 16 states and the Capital District. Key figures of the response: 45 constructions and rehabilitations and 110 distributions of NFIs in spaces providing essential services to the population; 7 Shelter Emergency Units, 66 solar streetlamps and 26 systems to generate electricity installed; 4,825 portable solar lamps and 2,309 habitat kits delivered directly to the most vulnerable populations; 2,346 individual kits provided to people on the move; and 8,459 people given access to temporary collective shelters.

PROTECTION CLUSTER

The Protection Cluster participated in the evaluation of the projects that will be included in the 2022 first allocation of the Humanitarian Fund of Venezuela, with a budget of 3.8 M$. A total of 9 projects with a protection component were approved and were awarded 31.7% of the total amount of the first allocation. Also, within the framework of the commemoration of the World Day Against Trafficking, the Cluster held a thematic meeting with partners in which several organizations presented their interventions in the fight against this scourge. The Protection Cluster also held a workshop on monitoring and evaluation in which 21 partner organizations participated to strengthen data management and reporting capacities.