

SAN PEDRO SULA

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UNHCR provides support to the Municipalities of San Pedro Sula in the construction of mechanisms for the prevention and response to forced displacement and **recovery of safe spaces**, as well as **support for mixed movements**.

In the Comprehensive Regional Protection and Solutions Framework (**MIRPS**), UNHCR is strengthening the efforts in the prevention and response to the triggers of forced displacement, emphasizing protection by presence.

UNHCR, through the strengthening of local **organizational processes** upheld by the population, supports victims of internal displacement at times when violence has increased.

THE PEOPLE WE SERVE

Field Unit San Pedro Sula 2022

The San Pedro Sula field office covers the entire northwestern part of the country, working directly in the departments of Atlántida, Cortes, Santa Bárbara and Yoro, in **20 high-risk urban and rural communities**, as well as the Corinto border with Guatemala. UNHCR established a presence in the Centers for Attention to Returned Migrants (CAMR) Omoa and Lima and the Center for Attention to Families and Minors (CANFM) Belén.

The main profile of people we serve are internally displaced or at risk of displacement, returnees, and people in mixed movements in need of protection.



Intervention of Tactical Urbanism in the Garifuna neighborhood Alfonso Lacayo that seeks to strengthen protection environments in the community.

UNHCR PRESENCE



Staff:

- 20 National staff
- 4 International staff
- 57% women and 43% men

PARTNERS

STRATEGY

PROTECT

Ensuring centrality of protection in the response to forced displacement

RETURN | UNHCR has a consolidated presence in the two CAMR and in the CANFM for direct identification and attention to cases of returnees with protection needs, attending to 859 cases of 2,594 people until the end of November 2022 and strengthening the detection of these cases.

TRAINING | In order to strengthen the services provided by the state, UNHCR conducts training on the issues of forced displacement and case identification for government entities and the CAMRs and CANFM.

LEGAL PROTECTION | UNHCR provides technical assistance for the design and piloting of the Municipal Emergency Humanitarian Assistance Mechanism (MMAHE) of the Municipality of San Pedro Sula, which consolidates a path of prevention and response to internal displacement.

ASSIST

Ensure operational response capacity and lifetime support for the most vulnerable people during emergencies

HEALTH | UNHCR has financed infrastructure for six health clinics in communities from the north to the south of San Pedro Sula at high risk of displacement, seeking to improve community protection mechanisms, the availability of medicines for health emergencies, as well as for identification and referral of cases.

RISK MITIGATION | UNHCR offers technical assistance to the Municipality of San Pedro Sula for the design of the Municipal Strategy of Art and Culture for risk mitigation in communities at high-risk of displacement due to violence. Part of the efforts include the adaptation of cultural spaces for social and community inclusion through artistic workshops, the reactivation of municipal libraries and tactical urbanism interventions.

The Tactical Urbanism strategy specifically seeks to promote the inclusion and rooting of the population in its public spaces and promote people's access to state services such as health, education, sports, art, and culture. Transforming public space into a key asset for the optimal functioning of communities.

CASE MANAGEMENT | UNHCR provides technical assistance to communities at high risk of displacement for the construction of community mechanisms for the identification and referral of cases with protection needs.

EMPOWER

Empowering communities

LEADERSHIP | UNHCR offers technical assistance to promote dialogue and the participatory capacity of 87 leaders in the formulation of the recently adopted Municipal Art and Culture Policy for Social Inclusion.

COURSES | UNHCR developed a soft skills course in the form of training for leaders to be trained by other leaders of La Central Community, in the Rivera Hernandez high-risk sector. The leaders and members of the community are trained in skills such as mechanics, computer, and barber, as a form of providing durable solutions for people at risk of internal displacement due to violence, and fight stigmatization of these communities.

LIVELIHOODS | UNHCR implemented a community livelihood pilot project through its partners Children International and Fe y Alegría, as a comprehensive intervention aimed at more than 30 youth and adults at the La Central Youth Community Center (CCJ) in Rivera Hernández. As part of the activities, a community startup was launched with the support of the private company HUSH for the creation of ecological detergents sold in local grocery stores whose income is reverted to the CCJ.

FORMACIÓN | ACNUR brinda asistencia técnica para el fortalecimiento de la oferta de servicios de formación técnico-vocacional del territorio, y equipamiento de los Centros Técnicos Municipales y de Centros de Capacitación Municipal para garantizar la inclusión y empleo de poblaciones vulnerables en las pulperías locales cuyos ingresos son revertidos al CCJ.

SOLVE

Include the people we serve in national/local services with support for local capacity building

TECHNICAL SUPPORT | UNHCR supports the authorities in the construction of Local Plans to respond to internal displacement, in coordination with the Inter Institutional Commission for the protection of Internally Displaced Persons by Violence (CIPPDV), in prioritized municipalities in the north of the country, including San Pedro Sula, Choloma and El Progreso.

GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE | UNHCR strengthens the state's response capacity to protection cases through funding infrastructure for the Office of the Municipal Emergency Humanitarian Assistance Mechanism for Internally Displaced Persons by Violence (MMAHE) and Casa Refugio for the care of survivors of gender violence.

CARE CENTER | UNHCR provides technical assistance for the design of an Integrated Attention Center that guarantees access to the municipality's social care system for the vulnerable population, including displaced persons and/or people at risk of displacement.

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