VENEZUELA CRISIS RESPONSE

Situation Report HOPEWITHOUT BORDERS September 2020



by sector in host countries

Latin America and the Caribbean **REGIONAL OVERVIEW**



SOURCES:

OCHA H RP | R4V 2019 | R4V Mid-Year Report June 2019 | R4V.info | COVID-19 RMRP 2020 | UNHCR Data Portal

KEY RESPONSE MESSAGES

- > Political, human rights and socio-economic developments in Venezuela continue to lead to the exodus of millions of refugees and migrants—nearly 5.2 million as of Sept. 5, 2020. About 100,000 Venezuelans have opted to return to the country during the pandemic, despite border restrictions and increased risks.
- In response to the crisis brought on COVID-19-prevention measures, World Vision is requesting US\$3 million to increase response activities inside Venezuela. We are working to reach 50,000 people through multi-purpose cash assistance. This allows them to buy essential supplies like food, medicine, and personal hygiene items. We are focused on the most vulnerable people in Venezuela.
- Venezuela is among the least prepared countries to respond to the coronavirus pandemic, as it lacks basic supplies needed to prevent infection and treat illness. Meanwhile, economic shutdowns and border closures have prompted migrants to once again take to the illegal crossings, exposing children and women, in particular, to increased risk of trafficking and abuse. This is particularly acute at Colombia's border with Venezuela. The international community should focus on humanitarian aid towards Venezuela, applying humanitarian law and obligations, and try to prevent a health disaster across much of Latin America.
- Migrants' needs under COVID-19 are accentuated by higher risks of income loss, housing eviction, exploitation, human trafficking and others. In a recent World Vision assessment conducted in 7 countries in South America, 70% of Venezuelans had to change their housing arrangements because they could no longer afford it and looked for a cheaper solution, shelter or remain on the street. In this context every third child reported going to bed hungry. Governments need to ensure that humanitarian organizations have access to communities, migrants and refugees to provide basic assistance alongside the governments.
- World Vision's 7-country response aims to raise US\$80 million to reach 700,000 people from January 2020 through December 2022. That includes reaching 200,000 regionally and 40,000 in Venezuela between October 2019 and September 2020.

REGIONAL HUMANITARIAN NEEDS



Migrants and refugees leaving Venezuela daily, before border closures



People need humanitarian assistance.



in need of

protection*



People in need of critical health



3.23 M People who are food insecure





services

People in need of life-saving WASH services



People in need of education services



People in need of non-food items

*Reported cases of unaccompanied and separated children, elderly, people with disabilities, as well as human trafficking and smuggling prevention and response services.

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RESPONSE ACHIEVEMENTS: MONTHLY



People reached with some form of assistance*, including 15.878 children



educators reached with education services



People provided inclusion services

People received multipurpose cash transfers



53.09 I People reached with WASH services



People reached with non-food items



(AUGUST 2020)

People reached with protection services



People reached with food security. nutrition, or livelihoods assistance or training



People provided

RESPONSE ACHIEVEMENTS: CUMULATIVE

(JANUARY 2019- PRESENT)



People reached with some form of assistance*, including 172.325 children



educators reached with education services



People received multipurpose cash transfers

21.069 People reached with WASH services

People reached with non-food

items



63.509 People reached with protection



services

People provided inclusion services



193.093

People reached with food security & nutrition assistance or livelihoods training

COUNTRY OVERVIEWS

- **Bolivia**: Together with organizations that are part of a consortium, WV has been responding to families in the cities of La Paz and El Alto, with the delivery of food kits, hygiene and personal care kits and first aid kits. In addition, health care services are provided to that needy population and the provision of seasonal items (polar jackets, blankets).
- **Brazil**: Humanitarian organizations are re-adapting operations to the COVID-19 risks in order to continue supporting Venezuelans, mainly in health and livelihoods sectors. The economy has gradually re-actived, re-opening job opportunities for migrants. 29 municipal governments in 7 states are participating of the first edition of "MigraCidades", led by IOM with the goal of improving the naturalization process for migrants in the country. Though economic activity has resumed at limited levels, borders remain closed and there is no sign they open soon. Venezuelans struggle to access social protection programs, mainly for lack of knowledge of how to register themselves.
- > Chile: COVID-19 has exacerbated the risks, threats and vulnerabilities migrant and refugee families face. They are among the most affected by the pandemic, due to lack of social integration, widespread job and income loss and greater risk of evictions from their homes.

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- > Colombia: The sanitary emergency declared due to COVID-19 has hindered thousands of Venezuelan households in their ability to meet basic needs. Evictions, lack of work and food have caused the return of at least 100,000 people to Venezuela. Tens of thousands more are expected to return, according to the Colombian migratory authorities. The border areas have received around 1,200 buses with people seeking re-entry into Venezuela through the border crossings. This situation has given rise to serious overcrowding along the border. As such, the need for advocacy and support from humanitarian actors remains key in order to attend to their needs.
- **Ecuador**: As the country gradually opens up, refugee and migrant livelihoods remain a priority. Several partners have reactivated some programs by strengthening capacities for employment and entrepreneurship, as well as financial support for economic inclusion. Food-security assistance continues to expand, while several strategies have been registered for the payment of rents and the opening of temporary shelters in July and August. The pandemic also has widened the gap in access to education for Venezuelan children.
- > Peru: During the coronavirus pandemic, World Vision Peru has continued working to address needs of the most vulnerable migrant and refugees, including interventions in the following areas: Multipurpose cash; Non-Food Items, providing cleaning kits to feeding centers, and integration, through the USAID-funded project that helps doctors get their certification to practice in the country. The strategies are taking into account the current pandemic situation in which we live and seek to reduce the levels of vulnerability of the migrant population.
- **Venezuela:** Venezuela has recorded more than 73,000 infections and 614 deaths from COVID-19. An InSight Crime report revealed that distributors cross the border into Brazil to buy food and resell it in Venezuela at inflated prices; this, despite alleging that they are products bought for humanitarian reasons. Harsh conditions have been reported for returned migrants, who are quarantined under military control. Millions struggle daily to obtain basic food in a context of power outages, water shortages and the constant risk of exposure to COVID-19. Some officials have called the returning migrants "biological weapons" and say they are sent by the Colombian government to infect the population.

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KEY MESSAGES

- > Venezuelan migrants are returning to their home country and are stranded in several border areas, mainly Colombia's border with Venezuela. WV advocates that the international community provides the necessary funding to support Venezuelan migrant children and protect them from unimaginable dangers during this journey in the midst of a world- wide pandemic.
- > Venezuela has recorded more than 73,000 infections and 614 deaths from COVID-19. confirmed cases of coronavirus in Venezuela. The government extended the state of alarm decreed in April, which allowes it to take extraordinary measures to manage the pandemic.
- > World Vision Venezuela continues to support families with multipurpose cash assistance. In response to the floods in Aragua state in early September, we supported churches in the Hope Without Borders Church Network to provide food and hygiene kits to 300 affected families.

FUNDING NEEDS





HUMANITARIAN NEEDS

by sector in Venezuela



assistance



People need urgent food assistance



People need access to education



People in need of water sanitation. and hygiene services



2.8 M People nee'd urgent health services



People need protection services

RESPONSE ACHIEVEMENTS MONTHLY: (AUGUST 2020)

People reached with some form of assistance



RESPONSE ACHIEVEMENTS **CUMULATIVE**

(JANUARY 2019- PRESENT)



People reached with some form of assistance



Families reached with food and nutrition assistance



People provided with water. sanitation and hygiene services



People reached with protection assistance



People received multipurpose cash transfers



People reached with health services

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- Due to the quarantine imposed by the government, the needs of the refugees and migrants coming from Venezuela have changed. These are some of the identified needs: personal protective equipment, personal hygiene kits, temporal shelter to practice social distancing, housing support, eviction support, food and work. World Vision has addressed some of these needs together with other partners, but it is critical the humanitarian community continue efforts to bring help to the most vulnerable.
- More than 680,000 cases of COVID-19 have been reported in Colombia. As of late August, 6,146 were Venezuelan refugees and migrants. Cundinamarca (Bogotá D.C.), Antioquia, Atlántico and Valle del Cauca are the departments with the majority of these cases. 85% of the venezuelan population affected by COVID-19 say they do not have health insurance. This highlights the need for continued support from humanitarian actors.
- > About 105,000 people have returned to Venezuela mostly from Norte de Santander province. For this reason, the Healthcare Center 'Tienditas' (CAST in Spanish) was established at the border. From this center, World Vision has addressed some of the needs of the families in transit. This highlights the necessity of a continuing support from different humanitarian actors.



FUNDING NEEDS

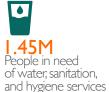


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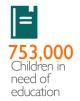
















People returning to Venezuela due to COVID-19 crisis

SOURCES:

International Affairs Office, R4V Platform, UNHCR, COVID-19 RMRP 2020, GIFIMM

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SECTOR HIGHLIGHTS



CASH BASED PROGRAMMING

Unconditional electronic cash has been provided to vulnerable families in order to be used for different purposes.



EDUCATION

Even if in-person educational activities have ceased, together with other partners, WV has distributed school books and materials that encourage a ludic and recreational education from home. In addition, educational institutions have been supported with supplies and the disinfection of the facilities children would occupy the moment they can attend in-person classes.



PROTECTION

Online awareness sessions have been conducted with parents and caretakers on the matter of protection. World Vision has contributed to the CAST 'Tienditas' by making available a protective and friendly space, together with protective kits, for migrant children.



FOOD SECURITY

Food vouchers and food in-kind have been distributed in different cities of the country to address food security risks during the national guarantine.



Through partners, WV has provided vulnerable families affected by the COVID-19 emergency with personal hygiene kits. Likewise, through the CAST Tienditas', WV has delivered self-care products, basic hygiene kits and water storage materials to hundreds of vulnerable families seeking to return to Venezuela.

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RESPONSE ACHIEVEMENTS: MONTHLY (AUGUST 2020)



People reached with some form of assistance



63,269 People reached with food security. nutrition, or livelihoods assistance or training



People received protection assistance



People received multipurpose cash transfers



People received water, sanitation. and hygiene services



Children and their families received education assistance



People reached with non-food items

RESPONSE ACHIEVEMENTS: CUMULATIVE

(JANUARY 2019- PRESENT)



272.408 People reached

with some form of assistance



165.294

People reached with food security, nutrition, or livelihoods assistance or training



28.019 People received protection assistance



People reached with inclusion services



Children and their families received education assistance



People received multipurpose cash transfers



15.180 People received water sanitation. and hygiene services



People provided with shelter

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COUNTRY OVERVIEW

KEY MESSAGES

World Vision Ecuador advocates the guarantee of the rights of migrant children and adolescents, separated or unaccompanied, by making four requests to the Ecuadorian State and its authorities:

- Include in public policies and actions to attend to the health emergency the large number of migrant and refugee children and adolescents;
- > Implement concrete and specific actions to protect your rights, from housing to your right to daily maintenance, prioritizing your family ties:
- Regularize their immigration status and grant the necessary administrative measures for this purpose, while their stay in the country lasts; and:
- > Avoid the eviction of migrant families from rental rooms for lack of payment and include families in situations of human mobility in the state's humanitarian care programs.



FUNDING NEEDS



SOURCES: RV4 2019, RV4 Mid-Year Report June 2019, RMRP 2020.

HUMANITARIAN NEEDS



















SECTOR HIGHLIGHTS



CASH-BASED PROGRAMMING

World Vision Ecuador is assisting families through cash transfers for food and multipurpose cash in two coastal provinces—Manabí and Los Ríos.



WVE is implementing the project "Protection of Venezuelan migrant girls, young women and women and their children in Portoviejo", which aims to provide prevention and protection from gender-based violence in WAYCS (Center of Services for Children, Adolescents and Women) to Venezuelan migrant girls, adolescents and women and to increase their resilience.

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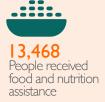
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RESPONSE ACHIEVEMENTS: CUMULATIVE (JANUARY 2019- PRESENT)









80 Children and their families received education assistance

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KEY MESSAGES

- Although the arrival of Venezuelan migrants along the country's northern border has decreased, a large number still remain within the country. Therefore, WVP is adjusting its strategies to provide an effective response in the areas of Multipurpose Cash Transfers, Livelihoods, Food Security, among others.
- > WV has been coordinating with the National Cuna Más Program to promote partnerships for the progressive reactivation of the services of the Cuna Más Programme in the time of COVID-19. This includes running day care centres for migrant children under the age of five.



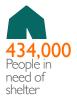
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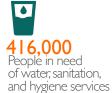


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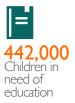


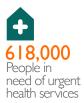












SOURCES: ENPOVE, R4V Platform, COVID-19 RMRP 2020.

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SECTOR HIGHLIGHTS



In the region of La Libertad, WV provided cash transfers worth about \$115 each to 1,621 people. That's about 279 Tumbes, 484 in La Libertad and 858 in Lima. We also delivered 210 transfers in Tacna According to the beneficiaries, the money was used for food and shelter.



We have identified 17 feeding centers in which the second phase of the USAIDfood-security project will be implemented: 2 in Tumbes, 4 in La Libertad and 11 in Lima.

WV Peru helped 44 Venezuelan migrant doctors register for the National Medical Examination, as part of the process to obtain their credentials to practice medicine in Peru.



The USAID II project has been initiated and its objective is to reduce the vulnerability of Venezuelans in Peru through the promotion of livelihoods, protection, food assistance and cash transfers. This will be implemented in Tumbes, La Libertad. Lima and Tacna.

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RESPONSE ACHIEVEMENTS: MONTHLY (AUGUST 2020)







People reached with inclusion services

RESPONSE ACHIEVEMENTS: CUMULATIVE

(JANUARY 2019- PRESENT)



People reached with some form of assistance



31,640 People received multipurpose cash transfers



7,984 People provided with food and nutrition



People received protection assistance



People reached with inclusion services



100 Families received livelihoods assistance



People received water sanitation.



Children and their families received and hygiene services education assistance



People reached with non-food items

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COUNTRY OVERVIEW

KEY MESSAGES

The increase in cases of COVID-19 in La Paz caused a significant increase in the demand for health care. This collapsed the local health system, worsening this situation due to social demands, which threaten with the closure of the roads. The government is asking for general elections to be held, which has caused a political crisis affecting the entire country.

SECTOR HIGHLIGHTS



> World Vision has been providing care services in Child-Friendly spaces to support the protection of children.



> The consortium WV Bolivia is part of continues providing food to some of the most vulnerable families during COVID-19 prevention measures.



World Vision is supporting basic health care and first aid efforts.



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RESPONSE ACHIEVEMENTS: MONTHLY (AUGUST 2020)



of assistance



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People reached with protection assistance



People reached with non-food items

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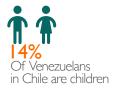
- > Currently the Congress of the Republic is discussing the so-called new immigration law that seeks to promote regular and orderly migration. The legal body contains various articles that have been controversial and criticized by various social organizations.
- The closure of the borders caused by the pandemic has not meant a decrease in people entering the country through unauthorized steps. From January to July, 3,949 entries have been registered due to unauthorized steps. Of which 2,101 are of Venezuelan origin. Migrants of all ages, who have had to expose themselves to the enormous risks of crossing the desert in extreme climates and even being victims of the trafficking networks that operate in the area.
- COVID19 has destroyed more than 100,000 jobs carried out by migrants, which has a direct impact on their economic security and the risk of eviction due to non-payment of rent.



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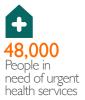
















SOURCES: OCHA HRP, R4V, COVID-19 RMRP 2020

SECTOR HIGHLIGHTS



INTEGRATION

We have activated an innovative entrepreneurship program for remote refugee and migrant women, who receive tools, supplies or materials at home through online classes to activate or strengthen their businesses.



CASH-BASED PROGRAMMING

We have carried out digital monetary transfers that have allowed migrant families to acquire goods and services that ensure their survival in the uncertain economic conditions that the country presents today.



The socio-educational accompaniment program continues to provide tele-face-to-face care to migrant children attended in Arica and Santiago de Chile.

RESPONSE ACHIEVEMENTS MONTHLY: AUGUST 2020



People reached with some form

of assistance



Children & their families reached with education assistance





People reached with non-food items



People reached with food and nutrition



People received

multi-purpose

cash transfers

People reached with protection assistance



People reached with water, sanitation, and hygiene services

RESPONSE ACHIEVEMENTS **CUMULATIVE:**

JANUARY 2019- PRESENT



People reached with some form of assistance

Children & their

families reached

with education

assistance



People reached with food and nutrition



People reached with protection assistance



People reached with non-food items



People reached with water. sanitation, and hygiene services



People reached with shelter



People received multi-purpose cash transfers

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KEY MESSAGES

- After a 6-month interruption in the education cycle, Venezuelan children are facing the consequences of the stress and challenges caused by the lack of online resources and other mechanisms to continue learning at home. World Vision is supporting children with digital and physical tools to keep them motivated and active meanwhile they wait for classes to start up again.
- > As part of the economic recovery, job opportunities are key for Venezuelans' recovery and integration. World Vision is actively advocating with employers to maintain and reinforce migrant-friendly employment policies during the pandemic.
- > Venezuelan Women still suffer the worst consequences of the pandemic, mainly those who are facing lack of household income. World Vision, in partnership with IOM, is working to support 1,200 women with financial education and Cash-Based Interventions to support their financial recovery.



HUMANITARIAN NFFDS



protection services



need of shelter



people



Children in need of education



People in need of non-food items

SOURCES:

Federal Police; Government of Brazil; Regional Platform for Refugees and Migrants Platform, Socio-economic and vulnerability, July 2019 profiling of Persons of Concern in Pacaraima, Boa Vista and Manaus, OCHA HRP, RV4 2019, RV4 Mid-Year Report June 2019, COVID-19 RMRP 2020.



People in need of water, sanitation, and hygiene services







COUNTRY OVERVIEW | BRAZIL

SECTOR HIGHLIGHTS



More that 250 venezuelans were reached with educational kits that allowed them to maintain certain type of activities during the month. Educational kits include learning materials and health materials to promote COVID-19 prevention.



More than 224 psychological and psychosocial services were performed with vulnerable families affected by secondary effects of the pandemic.



FOOD SECURITY/NUTRITION

More than 181 migrant families received food kits, which help them endure the effects of the pandemic.



In partnership with PRM, 255 migrants received portuguese training as part of the capacity-building processes for increasing their job prospects.

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RESPONSE ACHIEVEMENTS: MONTHLY (AUGUST 2020)



Péople reached with some form of assistance



People reached with protection assistance



People provided inclusion services



People reached with multi-sector assistance



Children and their families reached with education assistance



People reached with food and nutrition

RESPONSE ACHIEVEMENTS: CUMULATIVE

(JANUARY 2019- PRESENT)



People reached with some form of assistance



People reached with protection assistance



181 Families reached with livelihoods assistance



People reached with water. sanitation, and hygiene services



Children and their families reached with education assistance



People reached with non-food



People provided inclusion services



People reached with multi-sector assistance



People received multi-purpose cash transfers