#### **RESPONSE TO THE MIGRATION CRISIS IN VENEZUELA** Situation Report "Hope Without Borders"

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# **APRIL TO JUNE 2023 CURRENT SITUATION IN THE REGION**

- As of the second quarter of 2023, the Interagency Coordination Platform (R4V) indicated that 7,320,225 people have left Venezuela since 2018. It is important to note that, this figure mostly considers people in movement crossing through regular crossings. Therefore, it is estimated that there are more people of Venezuelan nationality outside of their country.
- The migrants flow has not stopped despite the migratory measures adopted by the countries to the north of the continent. The countries with the greatest impact on the humanitarian needs derived from mixed flows to the north are Panama, Mexico and Costa Rica. The situation in Central

America is being closely monitored; however, discussions of coordination mechanisms suggest the alarming need on the Honduras-Nicaragua border. Also, "Hope Without Borders" is monitoring potential flows and an increase in humanitarian needs resulting from the <u>discontinuation of Title 42 in the</u> <u>United States</u> and the implementation of the Migrant Processing Centers in Guatemala, Costa Rica and Colombia.

The number of child and adolescent migrants who continue crossing through the Darien jungle is alarming. According to Panamanian government figures, <u>more than 200,000</u> <u>people crossed the jungle between January and June</u> 2023; four times more <u>than the number recorded for the</u> same period last year. So far in 2023, 40,458 children, both accompanied and unaccompanied, have crossed the jungle.

The visibility of the Venezuelan crisis is low, which affects the availability of financing. As of June 21, 2023, R4V reported that only 10.4% of funding needs for 2023 have been covered. Meanwhile, within the country, only 14% of the \$720 million funding required to attend to the vulnerable population has been covered. The allocation of resources to finance humanitarian assistance operations for refugees and migrants is urgently needed. In addition, funds to enable host communities such as the migrant population to establish comprehensive positive socio-economic integration systems.

#### HUMANITARIAN NEEDS BY SECTOR:



Until 2022 in Latin America and the Caribbean <u>there are 73.4%</u> of migrants and refugees from Venezuela living in the region <u>who are considered people in need</u>. That is, their living standards are being threatened or violated.

47% of the population, 2.78 M **EDUCATION** 39% of them are boys, girls and adolescents people 53% of the population, 3.16 M FOOD 31% of them are boys, SECURITY people girls and adolescents 57% of the population, 3.40 M HEALTH 31% of them are boys. people girls and adolescents 28% of the population, 1.65 M HUMANITARIAN 30% of them are boys, girls and adolescents TRANSPORT people 65% of the population, 3.86 M NCLUSION 30% of them are boys, girls and adolescents people 9% of the population, 556.4 K NUTRITION 60% of them are boys, girls and adolescents people

The sectors that, according to the Interagency Coordination Platform for Refugees and Migrants from Venezuela (hereinafter R4V), are the most affected, are <sup>1</sup>:



#### PEOPLE REACHED BY WV RESPONSE <sup>2</sup> By 2019 to June 2023



To assist Venezuelan people in their country and in migratory conditions, World Vision's Multi-country Response "Hope without Borders" calls to consider that:

- Venezuelan refugee and migrant children have the right to grow up protected and safe to develop their full potential. The right to a family and not to be separated from it must be respected and promoted by host countries. States should take all necessary actions to prevent the most vulnerable migrant children from being left behind or separated from their families for economic reasons. The families of refugee and migrant children and adolescents should have support for their strengthening and the means to guarantee the well-being of the childhood. Family reunification remains a priority for World Vision and we encourage the promotion and facilitation of family reunification through the articulation of state protection systems and active family search. It is necessary to adapt the response actions to the needs of unaccompanied children and offer alternatives in decent and safe conditions for the construction of their life plan.
- Venezuelan refugee and migrant children and adolescents still face barriers to access to quality education in Latin America. Children who have been out of

- the school system for more than two years, due to multiple displacements between countries, food insecurity faced by their families or bureaucratic barriers in institutions, are at greater risk of becoming victims of trafficking, smuggling and the worst forms of child labor. Flexible educational alternatives are needed to enable them to catch up and advance in their education. In the case of over-age adolescents, these alternatives should focus on livelihoods and the possibility of accessing technical and higher education.
- Socioeconomic integration of Venezuelan refugees and migrants brings benefits to the economy of the countries. CEPAL, the Inter-American Development Bank and other financial authorities recognize the contribution of the Venezuelan population to the economic recovery of the continent. It is necessary to move towards the formalization of employability in adequate conditions and promote the training of the migrant population to generate income. Regularization and awareness-raising among employers are key to improving the conditions of the

population. Priority should be given to families with children, and campaigns against xenophobia should be actively promoted and regulations that deepen xenophobic feelings in the host populations should be transformed. There should be no legal barriers to the generation of businesses or the inclusion of migrants and refugees in national industries.

 To concentrate efforts for the integration of Venezuelan migrants and refugees in Central and South American countries should not favor policies of detention or refoulement of the population, let alone unleash humanitarian crises at the borders. Integration efforts in host populations must maintain a focus on dignity and rights, and prevent migrants to opt for irregular routes to flee violence, insecurity and xenophobia. <u>Countries'</u> regularization and integration policies to promote an organized migration must be truly accessible to the most vulnerable and economically fragile population, and consider the costs and challenges faced by families with children.

<sup>2</sup> Data of R4V and OAS



**INITIATIVES AND** 



Note: Colombia: The data presented do not represent the entire quarter (partial cut-off)

\*\* The data presented in this publication do not include impact figures for the April, May and June quarters for Chile and Peru. In the case of Bolivia, the figures are presented only for the \*\*\* The Migration Response to the Venezuelan Crisis collects information on unique beneficiaries per project in each country. There is no information system to track people moving bet



#### **INITIATIVES AND HUMANITARIAN ACTION:**

During the month of June, with the support of Start Network, WV initiated the "Panama Migration Response" project, which has two components:

 Delivery of basic necessities on the northern and southern borders of Panama;

#### TYPE OF KITS

Hygiene for women

1,450 units

Hygiene for men

1,350 units

Hygiene for girls and boys

350 units

Baby hygiene

340 units

NFI anatomical shoes

2,800 units

Energy bars

10,000 units

Nutritional cookies and fruit puree (babies)

1,500 units

2. Capacity building for partners of Faith-Based Organizations working with migrants:

#### ACTIONS

- Minimum Standards in Humanitarian Care Workshop, Sphere Handbook and Core Humanitarian Code
   3 Faith Based Organizations
- Provision of bathroom, toilet and lodging supplies
   1 Faith Based Organization
- WV participated in the face-to-face meetings of the Quito Process, held in San José, Costa Rica and Brasilia. The organization's delegates advocated for speedy family reunification procedures and discussed the creation of a regional Guide for Family Reunification.
- In June, the Multi-Country Response "Hope Without Borders" presented the report Transiting economic integration: Learning and challenges of Venezuelan people in Brazil, Colombia, Chile, Ecuador and Peru: March 2023. The report highlights the needs and challenges of refugees and migrants in terms of access to full employment, housing, health care and education, among others. It highlights the crucial role that international cooperation has played in addressing some of these challenges, emphasizing the importance of continuing to support similar initiatives to advance along the path of economic integration.



## **CURRENT SITUATION** VENEZUELA





- According to the Center of Documentation and Social Analysis of the Venezuelan Federation of Teachers (Cendas-FVM) by <u>April 2023 the Family</u> Food Basket in Venezuela was Bs 13,214.61 (US\$ 526.27). The family food basket is difficult to acquire when the basic monthly salary in Venezuela is fixed at US\$ 5.25 as of April 28, 2023 according to the Central Bank of Venezuela.
- Caritas Venezuela reported that from January to March 2023 there was a <u>10% to 11% acute malnutrition rate in children under 5 years of age</u>. The organization said that despite reducing the rate of acute malnutrition the numbers are very high. If the rate is higher than 10%, help is needed and if it is higher than 15%, extraordinary help is needed. WV is working with the health units to collect data and provide information that will allow better intervention and avoid duplication of actions.
- WV Venezuela conducted a needs assessment of children in five states of the country (Amazonas, Apure, Bolivar, Delta Amacuro and Sucre) to learn about their situation and these were the most relevant results: a. Families do not have the resources to cover the costs of their children's education (uniforms, school supplies, transportation, backpacks, among others) so 27% of school-age children attended only occasionally or abandoned school). b. Indigenous children or children from remote communities do not attend school due to lack of transportation, for example, in Delta Amacuro 47% of the school-age population has low attendance due to the difficult access to transportation. c. The infrastructure of the educational units visited was poor. The infrastructure of the educational units visited is in poor condition, for example: 100% of the schools in Amazonas, 86% of the schools in Sucre, 76% of the schools in Apure report damages in roofs, doors and floors; leaks, deterioration or total lack of paint, broken bathrooms and sinks and connections to water sources that do not work.

#### HUMANITARIAN NEEDS BY SECTOR:



According to the latest Humanitarian Response Report of the United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA), 5.2 million people in Venezuela require humanitarian assistance. The prioritized needs are the following:

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In order to attend in an articulated and integral response to the Venezuelan people in vulnerable situations, World Vision needs to:

- Provide screening teams to work in new states where health and nutrition projects will be implemented to mitigate and prevent chronic child malnutrition.
- Implement education projects in public institutions.
- Position and make visible, through the Regional and Global Office, the humanitarian needs in Venezuela, to generate greater understanding of the situation and obtain new resources for projects.
- Diversify sources of financing and areas of work to generate new projects that help the economic and sustainable recovery.



#### RESPONSE IMPACT FROM APRIL TO JUNE 2023



4.8 K girls 5.0 K boys 3.3 K women 0.6 K men

0.2 K Education 9.2 K Food Security

and nutrition

2.6 K Multisector

**0.2 K** Protection

**1.5 K** Wash

#### **INITIATIVES AND HUMANITARIAN ACTION**

- Generation of new protective spaces, aimed at promoting the rights of children, adolescents and women, based on the promotion of gender-based non-violence. Through psychosocial support, specialists in protection and psychology assist the population at risk of mental health disorders.
- Training of partners and referral of protection cases. Initiation of the design of rights protection routes with specialists.
- WV Venezuela is recognized as a leader in the implementation of food security projects. Through two projects it delivered food baskets to 6,642 people in seven states. The NGO now participates in the Food Security and Nutrition cluster.
- WV carried out nutritional diagnoses, delivered nutritional supplements and referred cases for prioritized attention to health institutions. A process of standardization of WV's team of nutritionists was carried out and thanks to the data collected, the newsletter "NutriVision" was created as a means of information on the results of the nutritional screenings.
- Together with the Red Esperanza Sin Fronteras (RESF), trained faith leaders in protection and safeguarding issues for the implementation of new humanitarian assistance projects.

#### For the next period WV Venezuela is preparing for:

- Support the equipment and restoration of educational units in poor condition to provide a safe space for the country's students.
- Implement new food security and nutrition projects for the most vulnerable children.

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## **CURRENT SITUATION** COLOMBIA





- In the second quarter of 2023, <u>internal armed conflict is still present in</u> <u>several regions of the country</u>. Arauca and Catatumbo are some of these areas where armed groups have clashed and there are criminal actions that jeopardize the operation of projects such as "A Tu Lado" of WV Colombia.
- The announcement by the U.S. government to end Title 42 and initiate Title 8 generated several changes in the attention to the migrant and refugee population. In April, the U.S. announced the creation of centers to handle migrant applications in Colombia and Guatemala. Later, it was clarified that the Secure Mobility Offices will not serve Colombians, <u>but their main objective will be to serve migrants coming from countries such as Haiti or Venezuela who use Colombia as a transit country</u> to the United States. This change, according to GIFMM, generated a decrease in migration
- **flows to Central and North America.** This applies to flows from both the south of the continent and the Venezuelan border. In addition, in Nariño there was a slight increase in intentions to go to the south of the continent, in contrast to the stabilization of returns to Venezuela. This reduction in migratory traffic has also been evidenced in Necoclí and Medellín, according to reports from the maritime transport company and the Transport Terminal, respectively.
- On the eve of World Refugee Day, <u>WV Colombia revealed sharp increases in levels of hunger and violence against children, contrasting data from 2021 with the peak of the COVID-19 pandemic.</u> The number of families acquiring loans to meet basic needs doubled from 2022 and 82% of families are reducing the quality and quantity of their meals to face declining incomes.

## HUMANITARIAN NEEDS OF VENEZUELAN REFUGEES AND MIGRANTS IN COLOMBIA:

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In order to attend to Venezuelan migrants and refugees in Colombia in an articulated and comprehensive manner, the following is required:

• Receive additional funding to address the diverse needs faced by migrant families in Colombia. These needs include access to critical services such as education and health care. In addition, we are committed to addressing the growing problem of food security that affects these families. Our goal is to make a real and positive impact on the lives of these vulnerable people.





#### RESPONSE IMPACT FROM APRIL TO JUNE 2023



11.6 K men



**Note:** The data presented do not represent the entire impact of the quarter (partial cut)

#### **INITIATIVES AND HUMANITARIAN ACTION**

- 520 migrant children were linked to formal education through flexible acceleration models in Guajira, Medellin and Oriente through the Education Cannot Wait (ECW) project.
- In coordination with the humanitarian sector, government and academia, the second Forum "A future beyond borders: realities of migrant children in Colombia" was held. In this space, the safe mobility tool of Migration Colombia, designed as a regularization and protection mechanism for families in transit to a third country and even returning to Venezuela, was socialized for the first time.
- The registration protocols for the population in transit were updated within the framework of the Care Centers of Cash Berlin and Hermanos caminantes.
- Mothers, fathers and family representatives, through the project of the International Organization for Migration (IOM), know the care routes to promote the guarantee of rights in health, education and protection.
- Together with Migration Colombia and the Colombian Institute of Family Welfare (ICBF), we promote work routes for the processes of response to refugees and migrants for children, adolescents and families.
- WV Colombia, together with NiñezYA and the Alianza por la niñez colombiana, worked on the approval of the National Development Plan 2022-2026, which established actions in favor of Venezuelan migrant childhood.

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## **CURRENT SITUATION** | ECUADOR





- The Government of Ecuador granted migratory amnesty to Venezuelan nationals and their families who have not registered their entry into the country and are in an irregular situation. This mechanism is expected to have a positive impact on the most vulnerable Venezuelan population in Ecuador.
- At the local level there are expectations in the decentralized autonomous governments. New authorities have been appointed for the period 2023 - 2027 and this implies, in most cases, changes in local policies regarding migration.
- With a survey of more than 3,500 Venezuelan adults living in Ecuador, the International Organization for Migration (IOM) conducted a study in which it is evident that <u>6 out of 10 Venezuelans feel well integrated into the social and economic sphere in Ecuador.</u>

## HUMANITARIAN NEEDS OF VENEZUELAN REFUGEES AND MIGRANTS **IN ECUADOR:**

## World Vision





#### Territories where World Vision works



## In order to attend the Venezuelan migrants and refugees in Ecuador in an articulated and comprehensive manner, it is required:

- Visibilize strategic actions from communication for donors, partners and population of interest. This strategy includes the design of a chat Bot with ICT (Information and Communication Technology) support from the Andean Block office, to provide timely information to the population of interest. This tool will be used to support the targeting, consolidation of the database, prioritization of needs and channeling of assistance to the vulnerable population. It will also allow us to have a systematized and constant contact with the population on the progress, achievements and activities of the Human Mobility projects.
- Diversification of partners and donors that participate and support WV Ecuador's projects in favor of the refugee and migrant population.



#### RESPONSE IMPACT FROM APRIL TO JUNE 2023



**3.5 K** APPROXIMATE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO RECEIVED HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE

0.5 K	girls
0.5 K	boys
1.8 K	womer
0.5 K	men

**2,8 K** Education







#### **INITIATIVES AND HUMANITARIAN ACTION**

- WV Ecuador has implemented financial products adapted to the reality of migrants and refugees in need of regularization. Through the Cash for Reimbursement product, people carrying out regularization procedures received support for procedures and mobilization.
- WV expanded its work with leaders of diaspora organizations in Guayaquil and Portoviejo. This work improved communication channels both in identifying the needs of the population, as well as in sending key messages and information to people of interest.
- The strategy for the prevention of gender-based violence and assistance to victims and survivors was implemented through the identification, referral and management of detected cases, and the application of routes and protocols with a gender approach. This includes the delivery of assistance to vulnerable people, prioritizing gender and diversity criteria, especially women heads of household, victims and survivors of VBG, pregnant and lactating women, women with little children, among others.
- WV Ecuador is implementing the Prevention of Sexual Exploitation and Abuse policy by training the local team. The thrust of this strategy involves men in trainings on gender and non-hegemonic masculinities, protocols and protection routes, etc. The objective is to generate a cascade effect throughout the organization, including partners, faith leaders, suppliers and other stakeholders linked to the territory.
- In addition, in support of the Council for Human Mobility Equality (CNIMH), the National Agenda for Human Mobility Equality (ANIMHU) was published. It establishes policies aligned to the guarantee of rights such as employment, access to services, health, education, regularization and protection; and the Manual on the Rights of People in Human Mobility for communicators to counteract and dismantle the xenophobic discourse in order to support the construction of a culture of peace and peaceful coexistence.

#### For the next period WV is preparing for:

- Work with mixed flows, including the Ecuadorian population, with emphasis on the Sierra Centro.
- Provide orientation and legal assistance in Portoviejo to migrants and refugees in vulnerable situations.
- Generation of a socioeconomic integration project in Yaguachi and Juan Montalvo in articulation with UNHCR. To provide comprehensive care to participants, mostly migrant women and national heads of household, on protection issues, including child protection and VBG, training, livelihoods and support for entrepreneurship as sustainable and comprehensive actions with community actors. In the same way, the accompaniment of cases requiring psychosocial support in coordination with the Oasis para el Camino foundation and other local actors is planned.

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## **CURRENT SITUATION** PERU





The migration flow from Chile to Peru increased since April 27, after it became known that the main suspects in the murder of a policeman were Venezuelans, raising people's spirits and leading the government to take drastic migratory measures. The xenophobic situation led hundreds of people to leave Chile for the north of the continent; however, those without documents could not cross the border with Peru. A border crisis was generated where hundreds of families were stranded for days. WV Peru's "Walking with Hope" project immediately mobilized to the Peruvian-Chilean border. Blankets and hygiene kits were delivered, in addition to installing our itinerant friendly spaces for migrant and refugee children. This helped more than 450 people, including 200 children and adolescents.

In the month of May, <u>the number of dengue fever cases increased in the northern and</u> <u>central coast of the country</u>, so the Peruvian Government declared the extension of the Sanitary Emergency. Tumbes is one of the most affected cities where there is a high presence of Venezuelan migrant population and where WV Peru implements several of its migration projects. For this reason, the organization is working to prevent contagion in the population, especially the migrant population. Several informative pieces were prepared about how to prevent the disease, which have been shared through our communication channels with participants and on social networks.

The deadline for the processing of the alien's card and approval of the amnesty of fines has been brought forward. Due to high demand, many people must wait for the next call for applications. These recent events have increased the workload of the team of the Legal Protection component of the "Abriendo Caminos" project that WV Peru works with BPRM.

## HUMANITARIAN NEEDS OF VENEZUELAN REFUGEES AND MIGRANTS IN PERU:







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## In order to attend to Venezuelan migrants and refugees in Peru in an articulated and comprehensive manner, it is required:

- Planning the attention of emergency education in Tumbes and protection of migrant families, especially the population of children and adolescents, including the delivery of basic, educational, health and hygiene kits.
- Prioritization is being given to the regularization of migratory status. WV Peru will assume the payment of the foreigner's card fees.
- To attend in border areas in the north of the country. It is planned to deploy personnel in this region to ensure the implementation of the programs to be carried out in the binational team with Ecuador.





#### **INITIATIVES AND HUMANITARIAN ACTION**

- 4,618 Venezuelan migrants received cash vouchers for the purchase of basic necessities. As part of this
  work, they were trained to improve their eating habits by including the consumption of fruits and
  vegetables in their daily diet. In addition, 33% of the participating households reported that food
  purchases were their priority.
- 455 migrants from Venezuela regularized their migratory situation in the country, with the accompaniment for the updating of personal documents requested in the country for migrants.
- 502 children and adolescents participated in reception spaces and received assistance for protection. Likewise, 144 migrants over 18 years of age received mental health assistance. 762 migrants have benefited from hygiene, educational, protection and emergency kits during the border crisis between Chile and Peru.

#### For the following period WV is preparing to:

• Facilitate access to education services. Currently, this is one of the major barriers affecting migrant children and adolescents, mainly Venezuelan nationals. If they do not have the foreigner's card or if they do not have it in force, they cannot access, especially affecting children under 5 years of age. This generates great difficulties in their development and growth process.

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## **CURRENT SITUATION** CHILE





At the beginning of May, more than one hundred migrants, mainly Venezuelans, including children, remained stranded at the Chilean-Peruvian border due to migration controls by the Government. This was aggravated by the fact that the Peruvian side prevented their passage alleging lack of documentation and the militarization of the area. Between May and June, <u>the Chilean government announced the biometric</u> <u>registration of migrants in an irregular situation</u>. With this measure, the aim is to avoid further deportations and to have a registry of migrants in Chile.

## HUMANITARIAN NEEDS OF VENEZUELAN REFUGEES AND MIGRANTS **IN CHILE:**

### World Vision





#### Territories where World Vision works



In order to attend to Venezuelan migrants and refugees in Chile in an articulated and comprehensive manner, the following is required:

- To manage the cases for the Regularization of children and adolescents.
- To have more space and infrastructure in the WV Chile shelter. Due to the current conditions, families cannot stay for a long time, which prevents us from giving more support to families with children or with special conditions.







#### **INITIATIVES AND HUMANITARIAN ACTION**

- During this quarter, the work of disseminating the humanitarian response has been sustained, especially in the territories of focused coverage in the north of Chile (Arica and Parinacota, Tarapacá and Antofagasta).
- WV Chile has become a strategic partner specialized in children and adolescents for multilateral organizations and the State. In spite of the fact that there is no official declaration of a migratory emergency by the government.
- Meetings have been held with local authorities and civil society support networks and State agencies at the territorial level to coordinate the response.
- WV Chile held training meetings for security and military personnel in northern Chile.
- The organization expanded its humanitarian attention with a focus on mental health.
- WV Chile managed interventions to support and reduce gaps in education, health, art, culture and recreation with a focus on children.
- Between April and June, WV Chile worked together with the agencies in charge, in the identification, reporting and prosecution of cases of rights violations.
- WV Chile is co-leader of the Child Protection subsector.

#### For the next period WV is preparing for:

- Generate advocacy actions for the admission of children and adolescents to the specialized protection system, with partial or total regularization, and search for children with no known whereabouts.
- In view of possible changes in the political situation in accordance with the approval or rejection of the proposed new constitution. We seek to sensitize the population on the social perception of security management, control and criminalization of violence.

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## **CURRENT SITUATION** BOLIVIA





There has been a decrease in the number of migrants crossing the border and a reduction in the number of people assisted in the WV Bolivia project. This situation is due to changes in the strategy for assisting migrants and refugees enabled on weekends and holidays, greater coordination with other institutions that assist migrants and refugees at border points.

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## HUMANITARIAN NEEDS OF VENEZUELAN REFUGEES AND MIGRANTS IN BOLIVIA:









In order to attend the migrants and refugees from Venezuela in Bolivia in an articulated and comprehensive manner, it is required:

- To make visible and attend to unaccompanied children and adolescents as a priority. To this end, WV Bolivia considers working in a friendly space in conjunction with the Ombudsman's Office.
- Promote articulated work with the Ombudsman's Office to advise the migrant population, including families with children in their passage through Bolivia, on aspects related to legal documents.
- Prepare provisions and cold weather clothing to assist the migrant population passing through the country, in this season of low temperatures.



#### RESPONSE IMPACT FROM JANUARY TO MARCH 2023



0.08 K girls 0.09 K boys 0.12 K women 0.18 K men



**0.16 K** Multisector

**0.07 K** Non- food items



#### **INITIATIVES AND HUMANITARIAN ACTION**

- 380 people assisted during the months of April and May in the different activities of the project, 26% of the people assisted were children and adolescents.
- Legal advice for safe transit through Bolivian territory with organizations working in migration and humanitarian assistance.
- WV Bolivia contributed to the implementation of rules related to immigration regularization for foreigners, to promote the protection of their rights and access to basic services, including health and education.

#### For the next period WV is preparing to:

- Review, advise and develop the rules for the regularization of migrants in coordinated work with the Ombudsman's Office, which goes in favor of migrant children.
- Articulate the cross-border response with the national offices of the Multi-country Response "Hope without Borders" with emphasis on comprehensive child protection.
- Coordinate the detection of migrants who have been assisted in other offices of the response.

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## **CURRENT SITUATION** BRAZIL





- Funding for work with refugees and migrants continues to be a problem for organizations working in Brazil. The migratory flow has increased in recent months (with a high presence of children and adolescents, elderly people and people in serious health conditions) but there is no funding. Children and adolescents represent 28% of all entries to Brazil. As of May, of the 17,129 children who crossed the border, 1,108 are separated or unaccompanied children, according to UNICEF data.
- Due to the lack of infrastructure in border cities, public services, in many cases public services have collapsed due to the lack of infrastructure in border cities.
   For example, in the city of Pacaraima there are no hospitals for the care of serious health cases of its own, much less for foreigners. This situation has generated cases of xenophobia and discrimination.
- The large number of people in the streets of the border cities of Brazil with Venezuela has led to the decision to reopen a new vertical space as a shelter for 500 people. The lack of space management and the number of people on the streets has generated a number of security problems with the local government.

## HUMANITARIAN NEEDS OF VENEZUELAN REFUGEES AND MIGRANTS IN BRASIL:

## World Vision





#### Territories where World Vision works



To attend to Venezuelan migrants and refugees in Brazil in an articulated and comprehensive manner, it is necessary:

• Increase funds for the sustainability of projects involving refugees and migrants from Venezuela. Especially for humanitarian assistance of migrant and host communities in vulnerable zones.

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#### RESPONSE IMPACT FROM APRIL TO JUNE 2023



0.03 K girls 0.03 K boys

1.44 K women

1.19 K men



#### **INITIATIVES AND HUMANITARIAN ACTION**

- In this quarter, more than 700 people have been certified in Portuguese language training and vocational courses.
- More than US\$ 50 thousand were distributed in CBI (Cash Based Interventions) assistance for training, seed capital and internalization strategy. 150 entrepreneurships are supported with financial resources and training in entrepreneurship for refugees and migrants.
- More than 1,300 participants attended information sessions on labor rights, human rights and protection in Brazil.
- WV Brazil launched the "Migrant Friendly Company Seal" to recognize good labor practices of corporations with internal policies of inclusion and hiring of refugees and migrants.
- In addition, WV Brazil, in partnership with civil society and government organizations, promoted trainings to address the integration of the refugee and migrant population, social policies of integration in the city and territories of operation, in addition to addressing issues such as xenophobia. The events will take place in person and virtually in Boa Vista, Manaus and São Paulo and had the participation of more than 818 members of the host community.
- On May 18, with the participation of more than 300 people, an event was held to promote the rights of children migrant and Brazilian and the prevention of child abuse.

#### For the next period, WV is getting ready to:

- Urgently attend to malnourished children and pregnant mothers.
- Increase humanitarian assistance for the newly arrived migrant and refugee population, with special attention to women with young children and their health and shelter needs. Especially for shelter care.
- · Work intentionally with Advocacy for the articulation of public policy work with local governments.
- Promote a sports project through sports, specifically the practice of soccer. The project is aimed at Brazilian and migrant children and will be carried out in partnership with local sports and citizenship offices.



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#### **HOPE WITHOUT BORDERS** in the media

#### Colombia:

- In Colombia, going to school is a survival challenge.
- More effort is required: World Vision on Venezuelan migrant children left behind in Colombia.
- More than 10,000 migrants participate in workshops to improve their economic opportunities in Colombia.

#### Perú:

- The first step: breaking down barriers
- Situation of irregular migrants on the Chilean-Peruvian border

#### **Bolivia:**

- Bolivia hosts thousands of forcibly displaced people
- Nearly 40% of forcibly displaced people are children and adolescents. How can we be an active part of the solution?
- Migrants and refugees in Bolivia

#### Chile:

- World Vision calls on the countries of the region to make immigration laws more flexible and humane.
- Judicial Power trains members of the Armed Forces and police in protocol for the treatment of unaccompanied minors at the border, where World Vision participates as speaker.

#### **Brasil:**

- The Ven, Tú Puedes! project was highlighted on World Refugee Day
- BRF Institute expands partnership with NGO World Vision
- The female face of Venezuelan migration

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