

# PERU



REFUGEES AND  
MIGRANTS IN PERU  
**1.05M**



PEOPLE REACHED WITH SOME  
FORM OF ASSISTANCE\*  
**46,800**



FUNDING SITUATION\*\*  
% **0.3** FUNDED: **\$3.8M**  
REQUIREMENT: **\$274.7M**

## Situation

The Inter-American Commission on Human Rights (IACHR) released a [statement](#) expressing concern over the increasing militarization of borders and significant restrictions on access to territory and protection procedures in the region during the COVID-19 pandemic. The IACHR warned that the implementation of such repressive mechanisms to contain mixed flows are ineffective and threaten human rights, forcing persons in human mobility to take increased protection risks, including falling into human trafficking. The Protection Working Group of the GTRM shared inputs on the situation in Peru with the IACHR to prepare this statement.

**The pre-registration process to obtain a new stay permit** (*Carné de Permiso Temporal de Permanencia*, or CPP) closed on 7 April 2021. The Superintendence of Migration (SNM) announced that some 368,000 foreigners living in Peru, mainly Venezuelans (98 per cent), submitted their pre-registration, including over 130,000 asylum-seekers. Authorities in Chile informed that a regularization procedure will also be implemented for people who entered up to 18 March 2020 and are in an irregular situation. GTRM partners are closely monitoring if this new regularization path in Chile has any influence on the flows across the Peruvian border.

## Response

GTRM Partners assisted **some 6,400 refugees and migrants** with general protection orientations (4,000) and with legal counselling (2,400). Most orientations answered questions raised on the preregistration procedure, documentation, rights and on access to basic services. Partners further supported some **1,860 Venezuelans** through **case management** across specialized services and joint interventions on shelter, Cash-Based Interventions (CBI) and health. To support the socioemotional needs to build resilience and improve wellbeing, over 3,000 persons received psychosocial assistance.

Partners reported a security incident between organized crime groups at the border with Bolivia in Desaguadero. As a result of this incident members of the host community requested the Mayor to expel all Venezuelans and asked the owners of hotels and passenger transport companies to refuse them service. The situation was managed through a mediation by the Mayor's office. Partners in Puno liaised with their counterparts in Bolivia to inform refugees and migrants near Desaguadero about the situation.

Over 160 women and adolescent survivors of gender-based violence (GBV) were assisted with mental health support, CBI and access to shelter and with information on regularization procedures in coordination with the Women Emergency Centres (CEM) of the Ministry of Women and Vulnerable Populations (MIMP) and the SNM. Partners contributed to the development of a new CEM protocol to assist survivors of GBV, emphasizing the heightened vulnerability of refugee and migrants. Partners also developed two information products: the first with the Ombudsperson's Office on access to social protection services for cases of GBV, and a second jointly with the MIMP on access to justice and legal counselling. Some 80 adolescents and women

received expert and peer support on self-esteem and sexuality through ten specialized thematic spaces.

GTRM partners assisted some **800 children and adolescents, including from the host community through 11 protection support spaces**. Some 170 parents and caregivers received support with workshops on child rearing and protection to prevent violence against children. Partners referred some 50 children and adolescents to specialized services.

Some **190 highly vulnerable refugees and migrants benefited from alternative accommodations** in hotels and shelters. As part of the shelter sectoral response partners distributed **140 baby kits**, to highly vulnerable families residing and in transit in Tumbes and over 150 individual winter kits between Arequipa and Madre de Dios to provide support for the colder temperatures. GTRM Partners distributed almost **30,000 hot and cold meals** to support **some 2,500** highly vulnerable refugees and migrants in shelters and in transit, and host community members in La Libertad, Lima and Tumbes. **Individual food kits** were distributed to 515 vulnerable refugees and migrants in transit (and 200 received food support through the municipal soup-kitchen Zorritos, Tumbes) and a further 140 family food kits reached some 500 persons in Lima and Tacna. In addition, nearly **11,000 persons received CBI to support access to food**.

As part of Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) efforts, partners distributed some **3,000 hygiene kits**, including 570 kits for women and adolescents, 235 kits for babies, over 720 family kits and 1,460 individual kits to assist nearly **3,270** highly vulnerable refugees and migrants, including those in transit, and members of host communities in Callao, Cusco, Lima, Puno Tumbes. Partners distributed drinking water to 2,240 refugees and migrants in

transit. However, WASH response and services, mainly access to water and sanitation, remain facing several challenges and gaps as water scarcity poses great difficulties particularly in Lima, Puno, Tacna and Tumbes.

Some **780 refugees and migrants received financial education** as part of the efforts on financial inclusion and **1,480 persons** participated in **entrepreneurship programmes** to increase their livelihoods opportunities and self-reliance. Some 400 persons **benefited from CBI for livelihoods**, including seed capital and 100 health professionals (doctors) to cover the expenses for their certification in order to allow them to work in the country.

Partners distributed **2,300 school kits** to vulnerable students from refugee and migrant and host communities. These distributions were coordinated with the education authorities in Piura and Tumbes and in support of a local primary school in Tacna, also in coordination with national and local education and governmental authorities. These efforts aim to support the permanence of students from economically and socially vulnerable households in the public education system. In Lima 10 children who had abandoned their studies for economic reasons were supported to rejoin the online classrooms and 130 were accompanied to access the education system. The Ministry of Education (MINEDU) launched an extraordinary school matriculation period, in which a third of the total vacancies were given to foreigners, mainly

Venezuelan students, with support of the GTRM, as partners actively informed and supported refugee and migrant families.<sup>1</sup> Some 90 per cent of the foreign studies accessed the public education system for the first time, 80 percent of them located in Lima and over 50 percent applied to primary education vacancies.

Some 6,050 highly vulnerable refugees and migrants and members of the host community received **emergency and primary health care**, including 70 persons living with HIV in Callao, Lima, Tacna, and Tumbes. These persons were assisted through ambulatory medical visits organized by partners. In addition, some 830 refugees and migrants and members of the host community were oriented and assisted to access some health insurance. GTRM partners distributed 120 kits for **sexual and reproductive health (SRH)**, and 1,530 persons in transit received contraceptives. Some 320 persons received **CBI support to access health services and treatment**, while another 200 received mental health services. A total of **USD 1.7 million were distributed to assist 23,800 persons through multisectoral CBI**.

## Coordination

**GTRM's preparedness efforts have enabled its 80 partners to coordinate a sectorial approach to the R4V emergency response.** The GTRM promoted the participation of its partners in the human mobility thematic workshops of the Quito Process, especially those regarding health and the vaccination process against COVID-19. Likewise, during the second plenary meeting the GTRM working groups (WG) received inputs from each sector lead in preparation for the upcoming side events of the International Donors Conference. As a result, the Protection WG ensured its participation in the side event for Protection on unaccompanied and separated children. On 8 April, GTRM coordination team in liaison with the CBI working group hosted the first All-hands meeting with seven key financial service providers to present the aggregated results of CBI in Peru for 2020 and 2021. The meeting also aimed to present financial providers with the transformative impact of CBI and how its use benefits both Venezuelan and host communities and contributes to the economic recovery, this as an incentive to promote new pathways for the financial Inclusion of refugees and migrants and the expansion of financial services and alliances. A follow-up meeting with financial providers was set for the following month.

	Education	Food Security	Health	Hum. Transp.	Integration	Nutrition	Protection	Shelter	WASH	CBI
<b>PEOPLE REACHED*</b>	<b>1477</b>	<b>14,341</b>	<b>13,299</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>6,060</b>	<b>346</b>	<b>8,454</b>	<b>748</b>	<b>2,547</b>	<b>23,795</b>
<b>NO RMRP</b>	<b>446</b>	<b>166</b>	<b>2,102</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>945</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,937</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>2,960</b>	<b>144</b>

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<sup>1</sup> According to MINEDU, only 3percent of the vacancies assigned the year before went to foreign students.

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