



Geographical distribution - Regional CWG- 72 participants.

TECHNICAL CONSULTATION FOR STRATEGIC PLANNING -2021

# CASH AND VOUCHER ASSISTANCE - REFUGEE AND MIGRANT RESPONSE FOR VENEZUELANS

Open survey to partners - October 2020





### WHY THIS SURVEY?

The objective is to promote reflection on the role of CVA in the 2021 Strategic Response Planning process for Refugees and Migrants from Venezuela. The RCWG made available an open survey to capture the opinion of the partners on to what extent systematic integration of CVA as a modality, in the analysis phase response to humanitarian needs and the search for durable solutions for refugees and migrants from Venezuela. This survey is part of the CVA Guidance RMRP 2021 bit.ly/RMRP2021. For more information please contact cbi.rwg@gmail.com



#### **DESIGN AND SAMPLING**

The survey seeks outreach across the different responses from RMRP partners. As part of the Planning exercise, and the Response Analysis stage, the RCWG made available an open survey to capture the opinion of the partners on to what extent they integrate systematically CVA as a modality, during response analysis to address humanitarian needs and search for durable solutions for refugees and migrants from Venezuelan. Purposevely sampling, Maximum variation sampling.

#### **DATA COLLECTION PERIOD**

The survey was designed to technically complement the partners during the process of response analysis and activities submission; in order to promote reflection on the different areas of appropriateness, feasibility, and linkage with Sector Programming and priorities for the RCWG work plan. It was extended to a second period to complement the review, consolidation and narrative process. First cut-off point - Data collection. August 31 to September 18- The process of submitting activities to the Plan until September 18, 2020. Second cut-off point - From September 22 to October 2 - The process of review, consolidation of data and narratives.

#### **PROFILE**

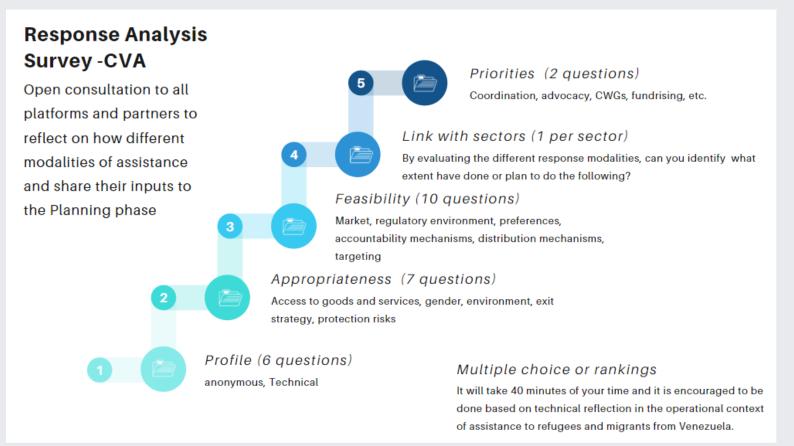
47% belong to a United Nations Agency, 36% to an International NGO, 8.33% to a National NGO or Civil Society Organization and 7% to the Red Cross Movement. 49% are focal / technical points of implementing partners, while 28% fulfill a role of Coordinator, Leader or Co-leader of CWG and 17% are Sector Leads, 4% of local authorities or government staff and a 3% of non-implementing organizations such as Universities, platforms, etc.



Thanks to the 72 focal points who responded from 15 countries / territory : Anguila (3), Argentina (3), Aruba (1), Brazil (1), Chile (1), Colombia (22), Costa Rica (4), Dominica (1), Ecuador (12), Guayana Francesa (1), México (2), Panamá (9), Perú (9), Trinidad and Tobago (2), Other (1).



### QUESTIONNAIRE



#### METHODOLOGICAL FEATURES AND TOOL'S LIMITATIONS

- Heterogeneous vs. homogeneous purposevily sampling by population profile (recommended but not feasible).
- Response unit: By organization or by focal point? Anonymous to avoid being a review process
- Response time. 60% completion rate. 38 min Normally used time. Lighter options are recommended.
- · Many "skipped" questions associated with "errors" in the design of logic processes in Survey Monkey-

### DASHBOARDS (SPANISH)



### **PROFILE**

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#### APPROPRIATENESS OF CVA

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#### **FEASIBILITY**

HTTPS://ES.SURVEYMONKEY.COM/STORIES/SM-ZSLNMG7Y/

#### LINKAGES WITH SECTORS

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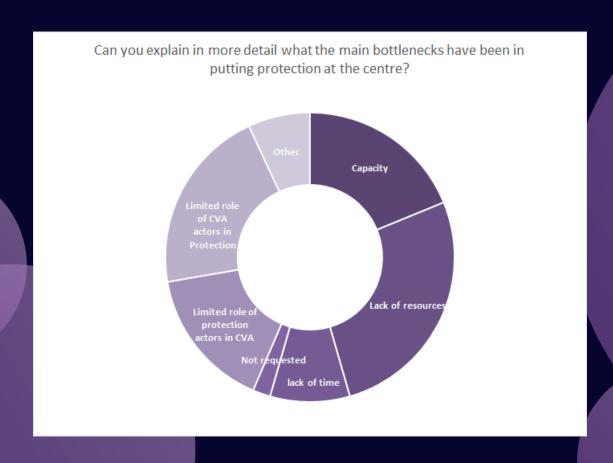
### **WORKPLAN REGIONAL CWG**

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# PROTECTION AND CASH AND VOUCHER ASSISTANCE

91% OF FOCAL POINTS RESPONDED THAT THE IDENTIFICATION AND ANALYSIS OF PROTECTION RISKS (AND BENEFITS) WHEN EVALUATING THE DIFFERENT RESPONSE MODALITIES WERE OF HIGH PRIORITY AND ESSENTIAL

### 9% did not give priority, low or medium priority



#### CVA APPROPRIATENESS ANALYSIS

# PROTECTION AT THE CENTER



69% consider that the design of their CVA programa puts protection at the center (strong and solid)



71% have established (or plan to) a complaints mechanism for women at risk or survivors to report any incidents of sexual exploitation and other serious misconduct; 16% would consider it, y 13% do not consider it or do not plan to do it



59% answer that they link CVA with protection programs (sector specific or MPC)



71 % answer that is appropriate to link CVA with Protection and GBV case management services (legal support, incentive for follow up appointments)



86% consider that CVA is very and extremely feasible given the risk mitigation measures put in place

"THE PROJECT WAS ARTICULATED WITH A PROTECTION PROJECT WITH A SPECIFIC GBV COMPONENT FOR REFERRAL OF CASES. HOWEVER, THE CVA PROGRAM PER SE DID NOT HAVE A SPECIFIC REFERRAL MECHANISM IN THE PILOT PHASE"

### GENDER BASED VIOLENCE AND CVA



WHILE EVALUATING THE DIFFERENT RESPONSE MODALITIES, CAN YOU IDENTIFY THE EXTENT TO WHICH YOU HAVE DONE OR PLAN TO DO THE FOLLOWING?

 Consult with women, girls, LGBTQI people about their preferences of protection/Gender-Based Violence / contextspecific risks regarding preferences in modalitiess



 Consulting with women, girls, LGBTQI people on their preferences and context-specific protection/GBV risks on specifications for essential dignity kit items/hygiene item



 Assess the specific risks of GBV (e.g. Intimate Partner Violence) for different groups (Subgroups of women such as different ethnicities, immigration status, age, girls, LGBTQI people) who will receive cash and / or vouchers



 Once assessed, work to mitigate potential GBV risks at the community, agency, and interagency levels and identify avenues for referral to GBV services?



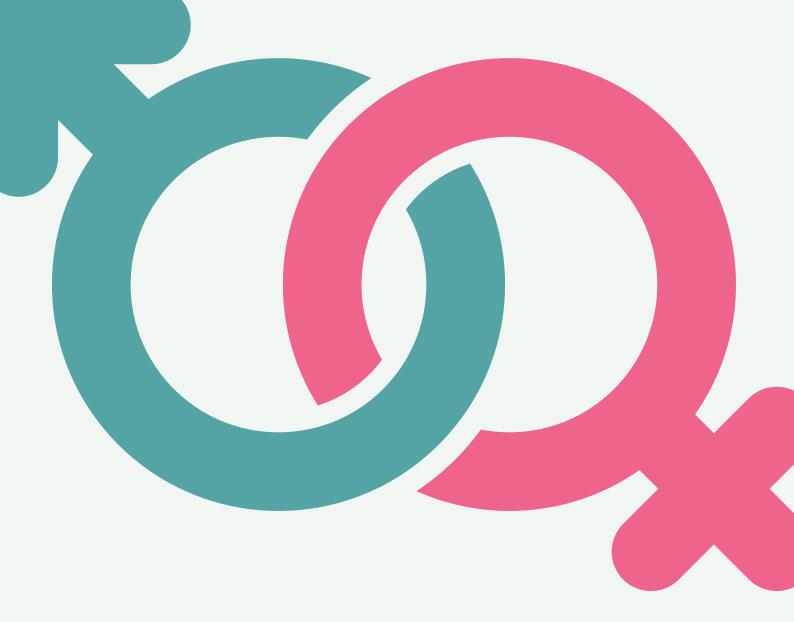
 Identify whether non-medical items from the Dignity Kit of adequate quality and quantity are available and affordable in the local market in stores where the target population feels safe and does not have greater exposure to GBV risks.



Identify whether cash assistance or vouchers can be provided in place of or in conjunction with in-kind support to allow GBV survivors to access services or meet their basic needs (e.g., allow them to escape perpetrators, access housing safe and reduce indirect costs related to medical care or psychosocial support such as transportation). Ensure that the design complies with the Standard of the "Minimum inter-institutional norms for gender violence in emergency programming".



• Others



CAN YOU CLASSIFY
WHETHER GENDER
ANALYSIS HAS BEEN A
PRIORITY WHEN
EVALUATING THE
DIFFERENT
MODALITIES OF
RESPONSE?

75% HIGH PRIORITY AND
ESSENTIAL
16% MEDIUM
9% LOW PRIORITY

Can you explain in more detail what have been the main bottlenecks for integrating gender approach?

CAPACITY 27,45%; LIMITED RESOURCES 27,45%; LIMITED TIME 7,84%; NOT REQUESTED 7,84%; LIMITED ROLE OF GENDER FOCAL POINTS IN CVA 39,22%; LIMITED ROLE OF CVA STAKEHOLDERS IN GENDER DISCUSSIONS 31,37%; OTHER 19,61%

# IDENTIFICATION AND RISKS (AND BENEFITS) ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS WHILE EVALUATING THE DIFFERENT MODALITIES OF RESPONSE

46% REPORT THAT IT HAS
NOT BEEN A PRIORITY OR
LOW PRIORITY. 41%
MEDIUM



"This variable is not usually included in Post Distributing Monitoring and neither in assessments are conducted prior to CVA to determine impact on the environment

**23** 

PARTICIPANTS PERCEIVED A LIMITED ROLE OF ENVIRONMENT FOCAL POINTS IN CVA

15

PERCEIVE A LIMITED ROLE OF CVA STAKEHOLDERS IN ENVIRONMENT DISCUSSIONS



18 REPORT IT WHAT NOT REQUESTED
17 LIMITED CAPACITY
7 LACK OF TIME
14 LIMITED RESOURCES



65% consider that CVA is appropiate to access

Energy items / services for heating,
cooking, lighting, and charging (i.e. gas rates, electricity)

" COMMENTS SUGGEST THAT THE MAIN LIMITING FACTOR IN ADDRESSING THE CVA / ENVIRONMENT RELATIONSHIP IS TECHNICAL KNOWLEDGE AND SUPPORT."



"FOOD, HEALTH AND HOUSING SECTORS HAVE BEEN EVALUATED TO DETERMINE THE DELIVERY OF CASH"

## **FEASIBILITY**

Is CVA feasible for the Refugee and Migrant Response- R4V?

Survey- Regional CWG - R4V- October 2020

### MARKET ANALYSIS

"Markets in countries where we work with migrants are integrated and products are widely available. The only one that has challenges is Venezuela, a country in which CVA is feasible but a more intense monitoring must be carried out since it may not be feasible in certain periods."

To highlight REACH's work with the Market Analysis and Needs Subgroup of the Colombia CWG.

In the context of changes in government isolation measures related to COVID-19 and the duration of the health emergency, it monitors changes compared to the first round in terms of the following aspects:

1. The barriers faced and the level of physical, social and financial access to markets in Colombia from the perspective of consumers 2. The functionality and capacity of local markets to supply basic needs related to food and hygiene products 3. If there are price fluctuations (current or expected) for food and non-food staples 4. Understand the impact of COVID-19 and government isolation measures on market structure and capacity.

### IS CVA FEASIBLE GIVEN MARKET CONDITIONS?



49

PARTICIPANTS REPORT THAT
MARKET CONDITIONS ARE VERY
AND EXTREMELY FEASIBLE

FOOD, HOUSING, HYGIENE AND BASIC SERVICES ARE THE MOST COMMENTED

# IS CVA FEASIBLE GIVEN THE REGULATORY ENVIRONMENT?

Know your client's regulations (KYC); National laws and government policies regulating cash and voucher assistance; The financial legal status of the service provider; Security measures implemented to ensure client safety in remote areas, regulatory barriers for refugees and migrants (ID, etc.)

**74,51%** answered that is very and extremely feasible to use CVA given the regulatory environment.

### "KYC" /CONOZCA TU CLIENTE ES A MENUDO UN PROBLEMA PARA POBLACIÓN MIGRANTE EN SITUACIÓN DE VULNERABILIDAD

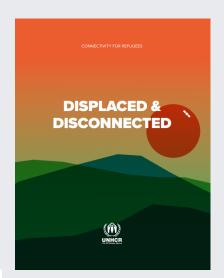
# DISPLACED AND DISCONNECTED: SOUTHAMERICA

Understanding the legal and regulatory barriers that forcibly displaced people face to access connectivity and financial services in South America. Webinar CWG Regional - 13 de Agosto, 2020 https://youtu.be/s-da5cNFG91

	Mobile Connectivity		Financial Services	
	Asylum Seeker	Refugee	Asylum Seeker	Refugee
Brazil	S	S	S	S
Chile	N	S	N	S
Colombia	N	S	N	S
Ecuador	N	S	N	S
Peru	N	S	N	S

Table 2: Summary of Legal Access: Does the legal / regulatory framework in the country permit the population of concern to access the service in their own name?

Y: Yes, without any restrictions (e.g. no requirements for ID documentation) or with restrictions which can be met easily by all members of the population of concern S: Yes, though seldomly; i.e., with restrictions which are possible but not easy to meet or which can be met by some but not all members of the population of concern N: No



## IS CVA FEASIBLE GIVEN AVAILABLE DELIVERY MECHANISMS?

"The countries of the region have solid financial institutions for the distribution of CVA"; "The limitations for the distribution mechanisms come from the legal status of the target group"; "In Peru, providers are increasingsly serving the population that does not have valid documents in the country." 84% (43) respondents report that delivery mechanisms are very and extremely feasible. 8 moderately feasible. There are preferred, safe, timely, reliable mechanisms. Challenges exists for coverage and financial inclusion.

84% Totally agree (4/5)

### **PREFERRED**

DELIVERY MECHANISMS AVAILABLE THAT ARE EASY TO USE AND PREFERRED BY THE RECIPIENT

88%
Totally agree (4/5)

### SAFETY

MECHANISMS ARE AVAILABLE TO RESPOND SAFELY

> 80,32% Totallly agree (4/5)

### COVERAGE

MECHANISMS ARE
AVAILABLE TO RESPOND IN
DIFFERENT AREAS OF
INTERVENTIONS AND TO ACHIEVE
BROAD
COVERAGE

86% Totally agree (4/5)

### TIMELINESS

MECHANISMS ARE AVAILABLE TO RESPOND IN A TIMELY MANNER

> 92% Totally agree (4/5)

### RELIABILITY

MECHANISMS ARE AVAILABLE TO RESPOND RELIABLY

45% Disagree/Neither (1/2/3)

## FINANCIAL INCLUSION

MECHANISMS AVAILABLE THAT CAN CONTRIBUTE TO THE FINANCIAL INCLUSION OF PARTICIPANTS



82%
Totally agree (4/5)

### DATA PROTECTION

THERE ARE DATA PROTECTION MEASURES FOR THE SECURITY AND PRIVACY OF THE RECIPIENT'S DATA.

# ARE THE COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE DISTRIBUTION MECHANISMS AVAILABLE IN RELATION TO YOUR ACTIVITY / PROJECT ACCEPTABLE?

Fixed costs, transaction fees, other fees, insurance have been reviewed. The costs of the different modalities have been evaluated, by remote or rural areas; If there are additional costs for any necessary software, operating fees, staff time, managing relationships with financial service providers; Which modality would be the most cost effective in your operating environment?

82

% CONSIDER DELIVERY MECHANISMS COSTS ACCEPTABLE (4/5)

92

% CONSIDER THAT CVA IS FEASIBLE GIVEN THE PREFERENCES OF THE POPULATION (4/5)



86

% CONSIDER CVA FEASIBLE GIVEN THE MITIGATION MEASURES IN PLACE (4/5)



Market analysis

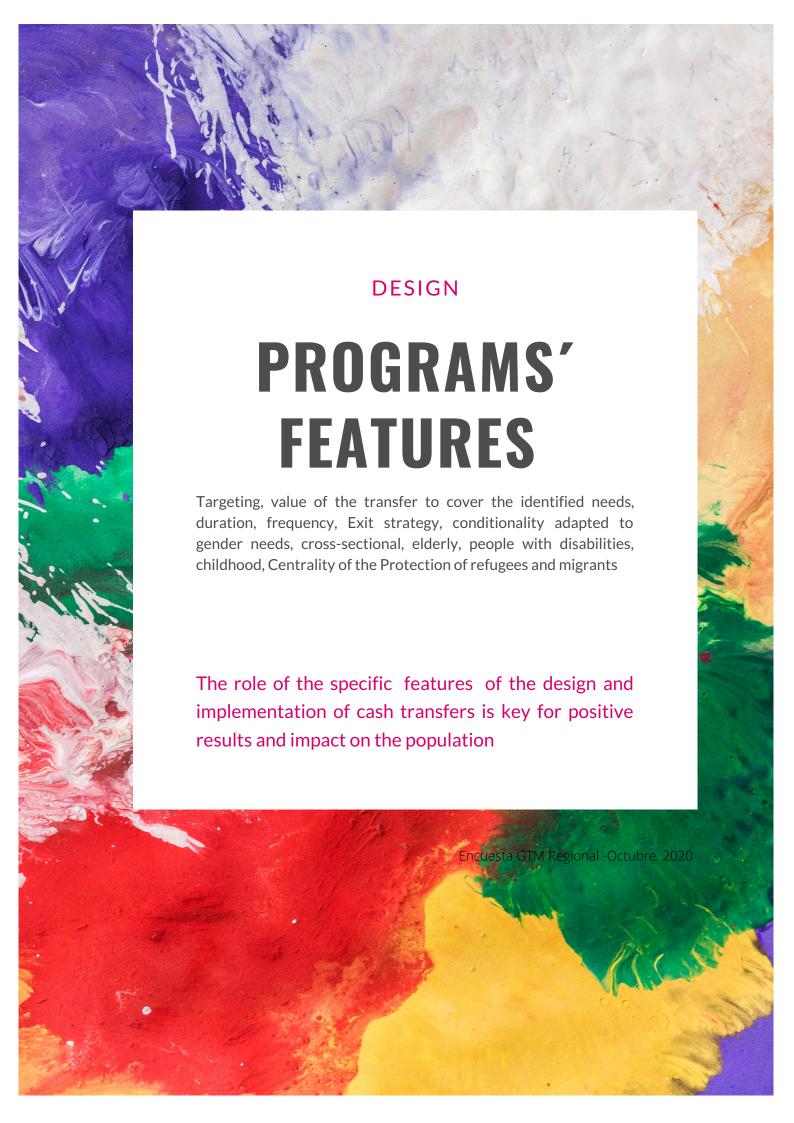


**Delivery mechanisms** 



Regulatory environment

Risk analysis and mitigation measures



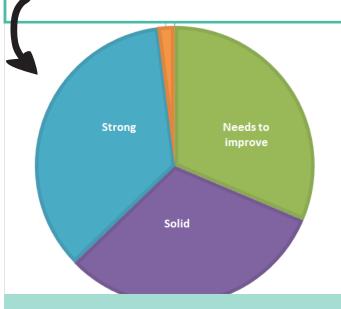


# TARGETING MECHANISMS FOR CASH AND VOUCHER ASSISTANCE

# FROM THE PERSPECTIVE OF THE POPULATION:

"PERCEIVED AS FAIR, UNDERSTANDABLE, TRANSPARENT"

67% consider it solid and strong



**ACCURATE** 

(MINIMIZED INCLUSION AND EXCLUSION ERRORS)

58% consider it solid and strong

HARMONIZATION BETWEEN
ACTORS IN THE HUMANITARIAN
SECTOR

47% see the need to improve and 31% lo consider it solid

PARTICIPATION
AND INCLUSION OF
AFFECTED
COMMUNITIES IN THE
SELECTION CRITERIA

49% see the need to improve

COORDINATION

/ HARMONIZATION WITH THE

TARGETING USED BY THE

GOVERNMENT OR THE LOCAL

AUTHORITY IN SOCIAL SAFETY

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22% weak or too weak. 4% consider it does not apply 43% needs improvement

"It needs to improve, but this is planned as part of implementation and budgeting through an external evaluation using PMT. The evaluation will be led by a multi-agency steering committee that will support actionable findings."

## HOW WOULD YOU CONSIDER THE PROGRAM FEATURES USED FOR PTM FOR REFUGEES AND MIGRANTS IN YOUR ORGANIZATION OR CONTEXT?



VERY WEAK; WEAK; NEED TO IMPROVE; SOLID; STRONG



# 39,22% think that improvement is needed, 57% consider it strong and solid

"With the measures taken during the pandemic, it has allowed the value to be higher satisfying basic needs and even invest in livelihoods""

"National guidelines are followed"

"It must be updated to adjust to the economic changes caused by the pandemic"

VALUE OF THE TRANSFER TO COVER THE IDENTIFIED NEEDS

### FREQUENCY & DURATION

# Regarding the frequency 70% consider it solid and strong

""It could be more months"

"It is 4 months maximum, accompanied by workshops and advice with other institutions to guarantee self-sufficiency"

"Monthly is appropriate. During the pandemic, 2 months in a distribution"

41% believe that it should be improved in terms of duration

FOR EXAMPLE, MARK A LOW RANGE IF CONDITIONS REINFORCE GENDER INEQUALITIES (I.E. CARE BURDENS, ACCESS TO INFORMATION, ETC.)

"Unconditional"

"We only use conditionality in education"

52% consider it solid and strong

Multipurpose transfers do not have conditions by definition

"Before the pandemic, there was a scheme of co-responsibilities"

CONDITIONALITY

### CENTRALITY OF PROTECTION OF REFUGEE AND MIGRANTS

## 69% consider it solid and strong

- "In CVA there is a clear orientation towards actions for the protection and integration of the migrant population, they can still be strengthened"
- "The project worked specifically with elderly population and people with disabilities who were in a situation of high socioeconomic vulnerability at the time of the evaluation".
- "They are priority populations: elderly people, with different capacities, with chronic diseases or survivors of GBV"
- "Focused on a newcomer to the country, seeking to provide opportunities to people with a state of greater vulnerability. Transfers are accompanied by advice and references to integration mechanisms"

ADAPTED TO THE NEEDS OF GENDER, CROSS-SECTIONAL, ELDERLY, PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES, 59% consider it solid and CHILDHOOD strong

Which of these factors will trigger the phase-out of multipurpose cash assistance?

Improved access of target households to employment and other income-generating opportunities, including major poportunities, including major policy changes, such as granting of work permits or granting of minimum wages

Socio-economically vulnerable households included in national social protection programs by the government crisis conditions

Graduation of the target population when crossing the poverty line / or other value of the food basket, esconomic households

### 28% consider it weak, too weak and 39% needs for improvement

- "We do not have an exit strategy for people, a referral system to other areas could be generated"
- "An appropriate exit strategy must be designed, efforts were focused on implementing the pilot and now that a medium-term project is available it must be designed"

**EXIT STRATEGY** 



"Until there is the willingness of donors to finance these aid mechanisms that allow exit strategies"

"EXIT STRATEGY IS THE MOST CHALLENGING ISSUE GIVEN THE VERY POOR PROTECTION CONTEXT AND LIMITED RESOURCES. MOST 'PERSONS OF CONCERN' DO NOT HAVE THE RIGHT TO WORK OR ACCESS TO MOST OF THE SERVICES."



# COMMUNICATION, PARTICIPATION AND ACCOUNTABILITY





### CASHCAP IN A MEANINGFUL DIALOGUE WITH COMMUNITIES

Proof of Concept. May, 2020



To amplify efforts and generate greater buy-in, it is suggested to align initiatives to operationalize community engagement and accountability in cash and voucher assistance with broader Response Communication, Participation, and Accountability strategies. regionally and nationally (CashCap, 2019).

https://reliefweb.int/report/world/cashcap-meaningful-dialogue-communities-proof-concept-may-2020





We have consulted with the affected people about which response modality they would prefer. 48% lo han hecho. 18% planifica la consulta; 27% lo consideraría, y 7% no lo considera ni planifica hacerlo.



### INFORMED DECISIONS

We have established

mechanisms to provide all the information to the affected people so that they can have an informed decision about the modalities of the response and the design of the program.

39% report implementing this action; 20% plan it; 25% would consider it, and 16% do not consider it or plan to

do so.

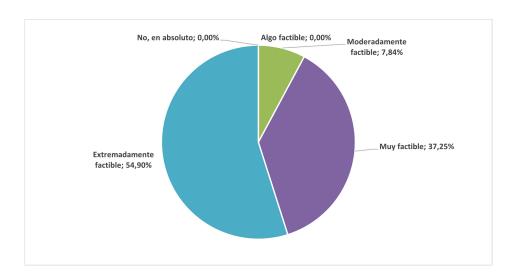


### PARTICIPATION IN PROGRAMME DESIGN

We have established participatory mechanisms so that affected people can comment on what, how much, for how long, when and through what mechanisms they would like to receive cash assistance and vouchers.

29% report implementing this action; 21% plan to do so; 27% would consider it, and 23% do not consider it or plan to do so.

# IS CVA FEASIBLE GIVEN THE PREFERENCES OF THE TARGET POPULATION?









### LISTENING TO LEARN AND PLAN

We have analyzed the feedback from communities that received cash assistance during the last 6 months and we use that information to plan for 2021. 44% report implementing this action; 27% plan it; 16% would consider it, and 7% do not consider it or plan to do so.

### FEEDBACK MECHANISMS

We have built-in mechanisms to enable the provision of information, participation, and feedback mechanisms in cash and voucher assistance activities by 2021

34% report implementing them; 27% plan to have them; 21% would consider it, and 7% do not consider it or plan to do so.\*

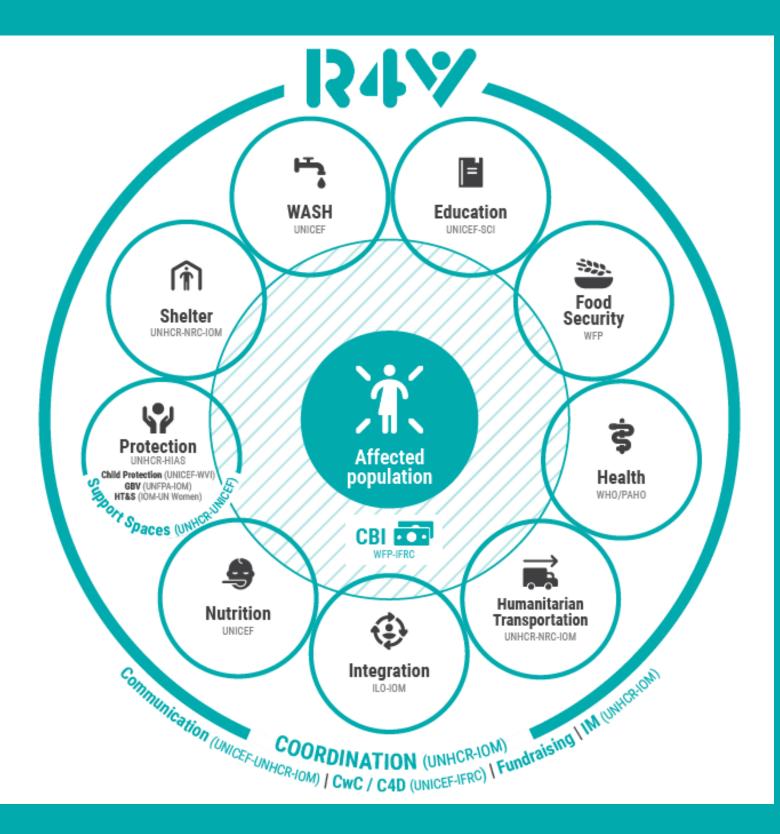
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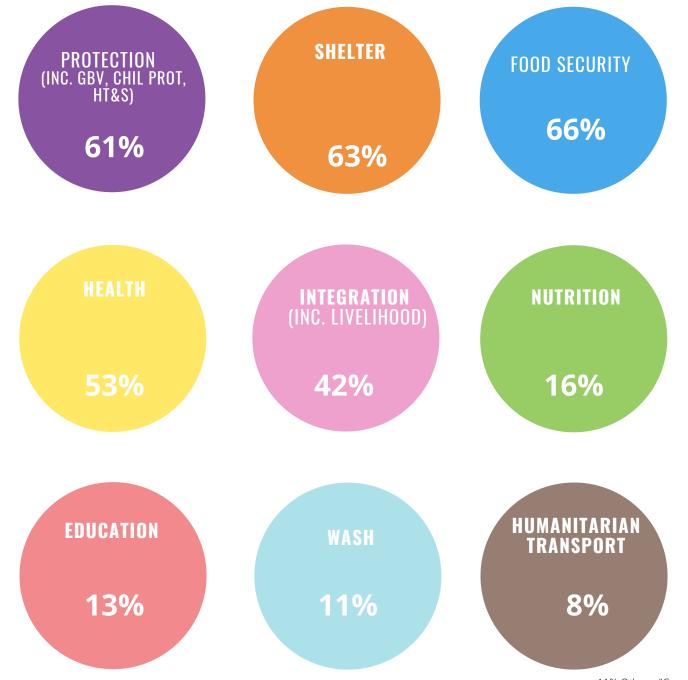
#### **PSEA**

We have established a complaints and feedback mechanism for women at risk or survivors to report any incidents of sexual exploitation and other serious misconduct.

50% report implementing this action; 21% plan it; 16% would consider it, and 13% do not consider it or plan to do so.

### **CVA** and linkages with Sectors





11% Others. "Connectivity ". Total. 38 participants

### CVA IS A MODALITY OF RESPONSE IN MULTIPLE SECTORS

Which sectors CVA activities are linked with? .
Las transferencias multipropósito son por naturaleza multi
sectorial.

"Example if 72% of the expense of the multipurpose cash transfer was on food and rent, mark the those sectors, ; or if the MPCs are part of integrated programming, with co-responsibilities, incentives or programs linked to any sector"

"FOR ITS NATURE, MPC ALLOWS TO BENEFICIARIES TO ADDRESS NEEDS THAT WE MIGHT NOT KNOW ABOUT"



CLARIFICATION. THIS QUESTION IS NOT INTENDED TO REPLACE THE REPORTING SYSTEM THAT INDICATES MULTIPURPOSE TRANSFER ACTIVITIES OR SECTOR TRANSFERS. FOR THIS REFER TO HTTPS://R4V.INFO/ES/SITUATIONS/PLATFORM

# FOOD SECURITY



65% identify what are the underlying factors, why people do not have access to food



87% Identify to what extent the lack of purchasing power is affecting the ability of households to access food



El 55% identify the capacity and functioning of relevant markets for food goods and services that are relevant to an adequate diet. These include markets for nutritious food, cooking supplies, and transportation services.



52% identify if people can access food with additional purchasing power



42% Identify and consider feasible to connect the humanitarian response with social protection programs aimed at supporting the access of families / children, adolescents or young refugees or migrants from Venezuela to food and to improve household food security (31 surveyed)

90% CONSIDER THAT THE USE OF CASH
ASSISTANCE AND VOUCHERS IS APPROPRIATE
TO ENABLE VENEZUELAN REFUGEES AND
MIGRANTS TO HAVE ACCESS TO FOOD

**52 SURVEYED** 

### CVA AND NUTRITION

### **Prevention**

Using cash or vouchers for family assistance and / or individual food assistance; **11** 

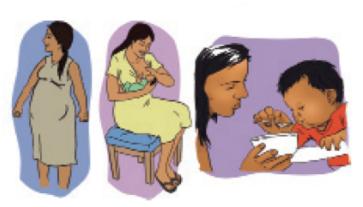
**Treatment** 

Provide cash or vouchers to facilitate access to treatment for malnutrition; **2** 

Provide
conditional cash transfers to
incentivize attendance to preventive
health
services priorities; 4

Provide
cash or vouchers at home to
caregivers of children with
severe acute
malnutrition, 2

Combine cash transfers or domestic vouchers with Behaviours Change interventions (SBC); **8** 



Cash transfers do not change the way nutrition professionals goals and select nutritional response complementary through CMAM, IYCF-E, micronutrientsupplementation, etc.) address tο nutritional needs. The response analysis process identify the timing of potential response and the options available in terms of responding to a number of concurrent needs in a given context. CVA adds nutritional additional modalities for the implementation of these response options. In contexts where communities face economic barriers to underlying determinants, viable CVA modalities and approaches should be considered as part of the analysis of response options. Please check if you are considering implementing any of the top five approaches to using PTM in a nutritional response



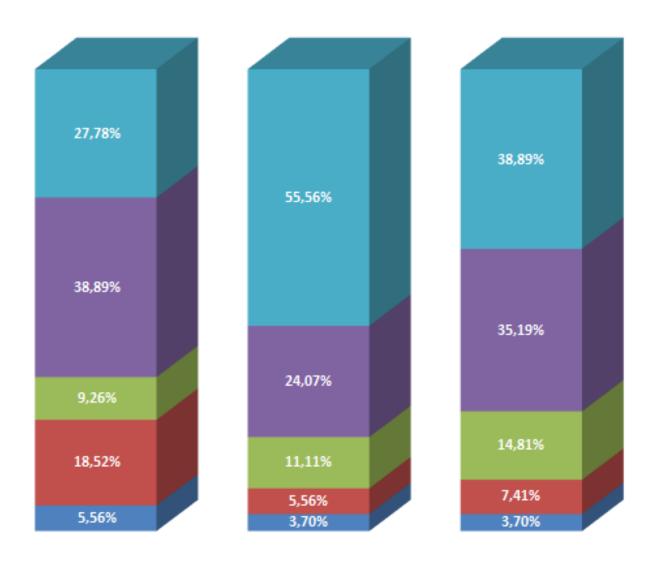


# SHELTER AND CVA

### Webinar (Spanish). Stregthening CVA in Shelter programming- October 8th



Would you consider that the use of cash and voucher assistance is pertinent / appropriate to help Venezuelan refugees and migrants have access to



Commodities associated with accommodation (furniture, construction materials, etc.)

Services associated with accommodation (rental, construction services, etc.)

Household items (utensils, pots, rugs, blankets, kitchen utensils)

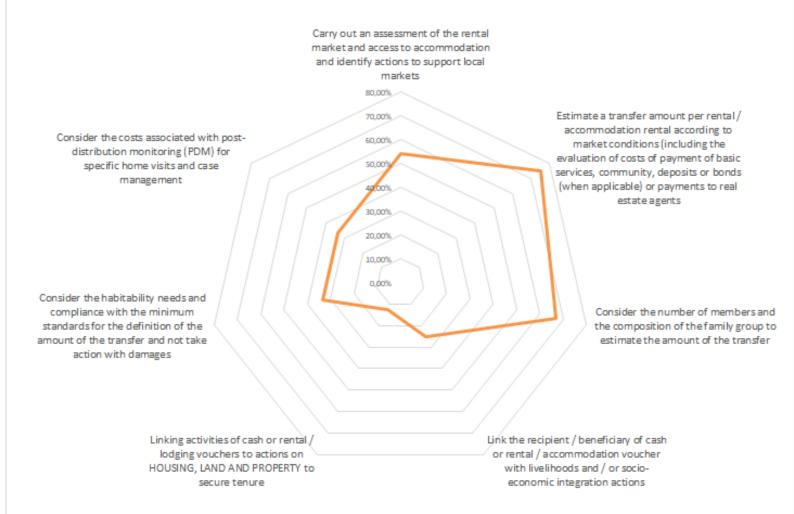
■ Not at all ■ Slightly Appropriate ■ Moderately appropriate ■ Very appropriate ■ Extremely appropriate



# RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM OBJECTIVE

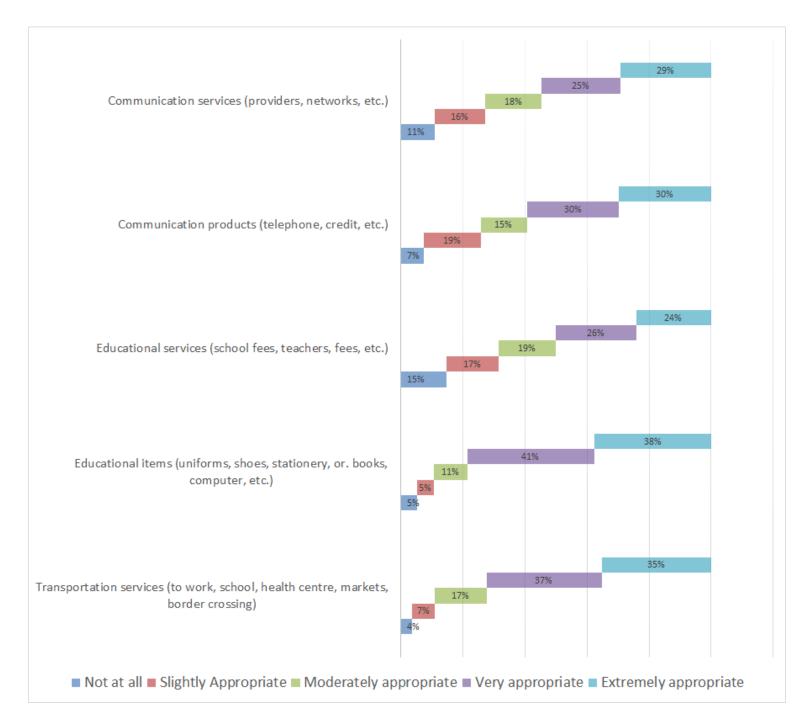
"Rental assistance is more than the provision of cash to cover all or part of the cost of renting an apartment or room. The objective of rental assistance is to ensure people's safety and dignity, whilst enabling access to adequate accommodation for an agreed period of time, to make it possible for people to live in a dignified space, with access to minimum services, water, electricity, and household items to cover basic needs. It also should ensure that people do not fear eviction or abuse, and that they can pay the cost of rent and utilities"

# WHILE EVALUATING THE DIFFERENT RESPONSE MODALITIES, CAN YOU IDENTIFY THE EXTENT TO WHICH YOU HAVE DONE OR PLAN TO DO THE FOLLOWING?



# EDUCATION AND CVA

79% consider the use of CVA appropriate to enable refugees and migrant from Venezuela have access to educational items (uniforms, shoes, stationery, or. books, computer, etc.)



Cash and Voucher Assistance for Education in Emergencies Synthesis Report and Guidelines

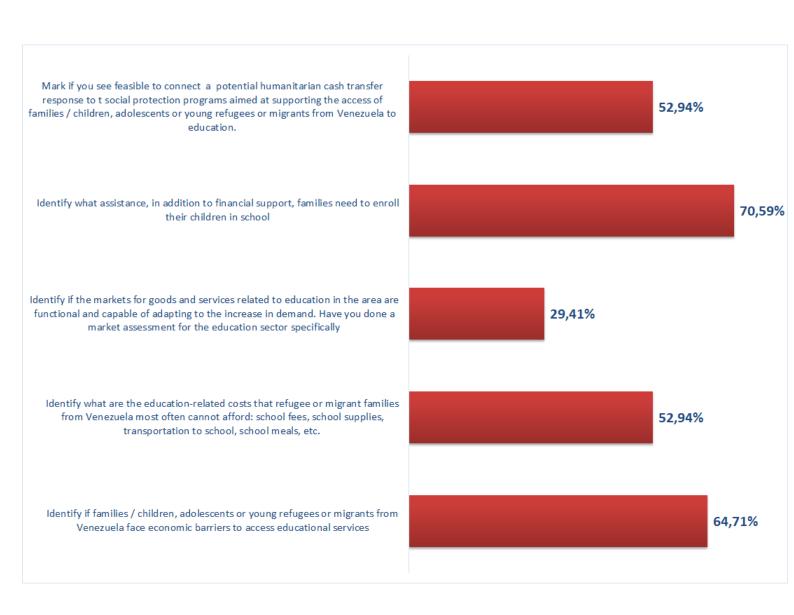


### CASH AND VOUCHER ASSISTANCE FOR EDUCATION IN EMERGENCIES SYNTHESIS REPORT AND GUIDELINES

The research project endeavoured to answer three main questions:

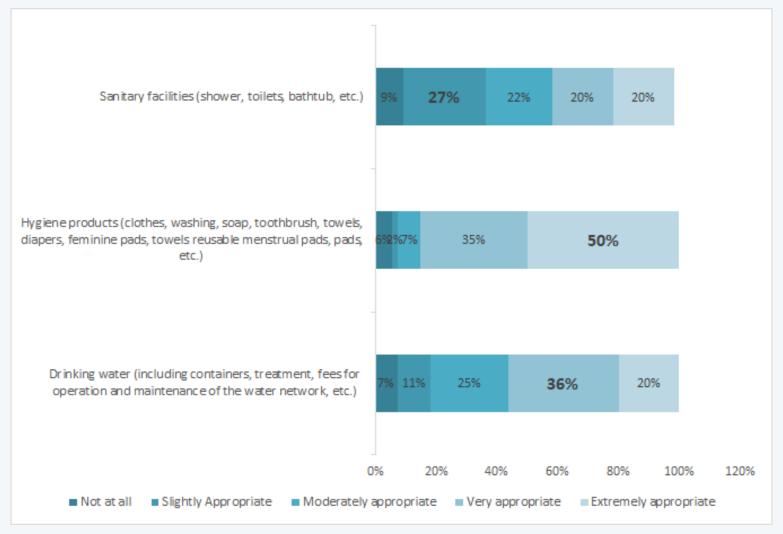
- 1 When is CVA the best modality to deliver EiE projects, and when is a combination of modalities preferable?
- 2 How are education-related costs calculated to be included in the Minimum Expenditure Basket (MEB), depending on the context?
- 3 What elements need to be taken into account when calculating the education-related component of Multipurpose Cash Transfers (MPC) intended to meet basic needs?

# WHILE EVALUATING THE DIFFERENT RESPONSE MODALITIES, CAN YOU IDENTIFY THE EXTENT TO WHICH YOU HAVE DONE OR PLAN TO DO THE FOLLOWING?



### WASH AND CVA

85% consider the use of CVA appropriate to enable refugees and migrant from Venezuela have access to hygiene products (clothes, washing, soap, toothbrush, towels, diapers, feminine pads, towels reusable menstrual pads, pads, etc.)



- Carry out an assessment of the hygiene items market, including menstrual hygiene and / or services (water rates, water transport, etc.) and
  identify actions to support local marketss; 7 participants
- Identify the exact costs of water and sanitation that households must pay. They usually buy hygiene-related goods (soap, toothbrush, etc.) and / or services (water fees, water transport, etc.); 7 participants
- Identify and compare alternatives to provide cash or vouchers to households to cover Water and Sanitation related expenses, or planned financial transfers to water and wastewater providers; 3 participants
- Link the recipient / beneficiary of the Water and Sanitation cash or coupon with livelihoods and socio-economic integration actions; 3
  participants
- Link actions of cash or vouchers and support to local markets for access to Water and Sanitation with actions of hygiene campaigns, behaviour
  hanges, and other actions for access to key messages of promotion and education on hygiene, infrastructure and items, including menstrual
  hygiene management kits; 5 participants
- Link actions of cash or vouchers and support to local markets with actions to ensure access to basic and / or safely managed services related to the provision of water that are sustainable and resistant to the impacts of emergencies, including disease outbreaks; 3 participants
- Identify if families face economic barriers to access basic hygiene items (including alcohol gel, bleach, etc.) and water and sanitation services (fees, transportation, containers): 9 participants
- Link cash or vocuher actions and support to local markets with actions to guarantee access to basic sanitation and hygiene services that are sustainable and resistant to the impacts of emergencies, including disease outbreaks; 2 participants

## INTEGRATION AND CVA

69% consider the use of CVA appropriate to enable refugees and migrant from Venezuela have access to Productive assets (seeds, seed capital, machines, etc.)

FACTORS THAT WILL TRIGGER PHASING OUT OF MULTIPURPOSE CASH ASSISTANCE



- 52 An improvement in crisis conditions
- Graduation of the target population when crossing the poverty line / or other value of the food basket, basic, etc. (not including the transfere value)
- Improved access of target households to employment and other incomegenerating opportunities, including major policy changes, such as granting of work permits or granting of minimum wages
- Large-scale livelihood programs targeting vulnerable socio-economic households
- Socio-economically vulnerable households included in national social protection programs by the government

56 surveyed

# WHILE EVALUATING THE DIFFERENT RESPONSE MODALITIES, CAN YOU IDENTIFY THE EXTENT TO WHICH YOU HAVE DONE OR PLAN TO DO THE FOLLOWING? IDENTIFY HOW

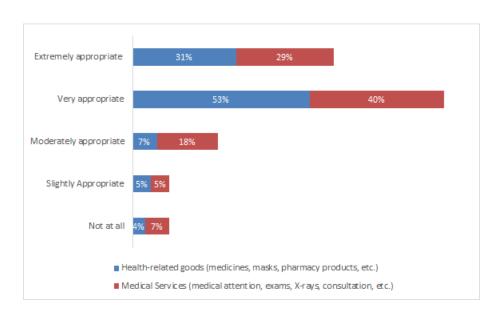
- cash transfers can support refugees and migrants from Venezuela and host communities to meet basic needs, prevent the depletion of productive assets, and protect subsistence activities 70%
- start-up cash grants (seed capital) can help restart livelihood activities or create new micro,
   small and medium-sized enterprises
- cash transfers can mitigate the impact on the living conditions of the refugee and migrant population due to the loss of their main source of income
- to link the beneficiaries of cash transfers with socio-economic integration schemes (Regularization of the population from Venezuela, Professional training and recognition of titles and skills, Promotion of employment, Entrepreneurship and business development, Financial inclusion, Access to social protection, Social cohesion)
- Connect humanitan response CVA with programs programs to guarantee access to social protection for refugee and migrant workers aand their families

26%

### HEALTH AND CVA

¿WOULD YOU CONSIDER THAT THE USE OF CASH AND VOUCHER ASSISTANCE IS PERTINENT / APPROPRIATE TO HELP VENEZUELAN REFUGEES AND MIGRANTS HAVE ACCESS TO

- HEALTH-RELATED GOODS (MEDICINES, MASKS, PHARMACY PRODUCTS, ETC.)
- MEDICAL SERVICES (MEDICAL ATTENTION, EXAMS, X-RAYS, CONSULTATION, ETC.)





TECHNICAL NOTE ON THE INCLUSION OF HEALTH EXPENDITURES IN THE MINIMUM EXPENDITURE BASKET AND SUBSEQUENT MULTI-PURPOSE CASH TRANSFER

This technical note aims at providing a general guidance on how to reflect health expenditures in the design of the Minimum Expenditure Basket (MEB). We also include within the guidance how these health expenditures can be translated into an optimal mix of response options for health sector specific supply and demand side financing options for reducing financial barriers to access essential quality health service.

# WHILE EVALUATING THE DIFFERENT RESPONSE MODALITIES, CAN YOU IDENTIFY THE EXTENT TO WHICH YOU HAVE DONE OR PLAN TO DO THE FOLLOWING?

Identify the economic barriers to accessing health services (for example, out-of-pocket payments) 71%

Conditionality / co-responsibility is considered because it is expected (evidence) to improve participation in adoption of priority preventive health services that are of sufficient quality and provided free of charge.

Identify how the design of cash transfer programs mitigate risks that patients can use poor or ineffective medical services or buying poor quality drugs.



"These are all of the active sectors under the RMRP: Sector lead organizations only represent regional-level leadership.

\*\*Fundraising leadership to be confirmed.

# REGIONAL CASH WORKING GROUP-R4V

# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

September 2020

The Regional Interagency Coordination Platform for Refugees and Migrants from Venezuela recognized the need to create a product-oriented Regional Working Group on Cash-Based Interventions, which aims to support national / sub-regional platforms and country-level working groups under the regional platform umbrella while recognizing the leadership of country-based responses (ToR, 2019).





### FAQ

- 1. What is the R4v?
- 2. Is there any Cash
  Working Group under
  the R4V?
- 3. Why it is important?
- 4. How can I contact the Coordination team?

  How frequently do members meet? How can I subscribe to the e-mailing list?
- 5. Who is a member of the RCWG?
- 6. How does the RCWG link up with other Platforms?
- 7. Which are the next steps?

You can contact the Cash Working Group Coordination team at cbi.rwg@gmail.com



### WorkPlan-Regional CWG

Regularly map CVA activities in the region

Mapping of targeting methodologies

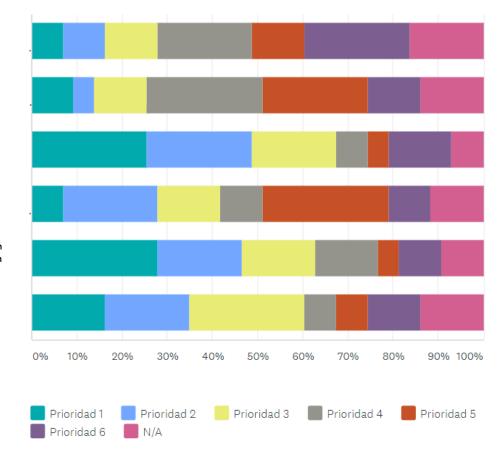
Promote information exchanges on key technical issues and priorities for the operational response of CVA

Explore harmonization of CVA standards and approaches tailored to context and response

Promote the linkages of cash transfers in assistance to refugees and migrants with the social protection systems of host countries

Support appropriate and consistent coordination of response at the national and regional levels

43 participants



"we highlight that there is a need to foster to have better understanding of the role that cash-based interventions may play in the protection and empowerment of persons with disabilities in humanitarian contexts, or the risks that persons with disabilities may face when they access cash in these settings"





The Group will continue to work collectively, strengthening its work plan to actively contribute to addressing capacity needs, bottlenecks and strategic opportunities identified by regional partners and national responses to assist refugees and migrants from Venezuela in the states. affected countries in Latin America and the Caribbean by 2021.

