

RMRP 2022

ARUBA



POPULATION PROJECTION
19.0 K

PEOPLE IN NEED
21.2 K

PEOPLE TARGETED
6.67 K

TOTAL REQUIREMENTS
\$5.28 M

IN DESTINATION	19.0 K	15.2 K	6.3 K
HOST COMMUNITY	-	6.0 K	383

RMRP PARTNERS
6

SITUATION

As a small island country reliant on tourism and hard-hit by the COVID-19 pandemic, Aruba is the country most impacted by displacement proportional to its local population in the world, with 1 out of 6 people on the island being a refugee or migrant. Despite the border with Venezuela being officially closed since early 2019, refugees and migrants from Venezuela continue to undertake dangerous irregular sea journeys to reach Aruba, and face serious protection risks as a result.

Since January 2021, Venezuelans traveling to Aruba by plane require a visa. Some of the population currently in an irregular situation may have arrived in Aruba prior to the implementation of the visa requirements and subsequently overstayed; others had work permits which expired or were not renewed; and others have sought asylum, but with few asylum cases recognized and no right to work in the interim for asylum-seekers. Most Venezuelans are therefore in an irregular situation without access to legal work opportunities, and risk being detained and deported, as the Government of Aruba continues to regularly return Venezuelans in an irregular situation to their country of origin. Administrative barriers and difficulties in obtaining documentation from Venezuela also hinder access to other rights and critical services, such as healthcare, formal employment, and livelihood opportunities, in addition to language barriers and costs associated with accessing education. Venezuelans in an irregular situation are excluded from public social programmes, except for COVID-19-specific food assistance and COVID-19 vaccination campaigns. These gaps leave Venezuelans vulnerable to abuse and exploitation, including human trafficking, and sexual and labour exploitation.





RESPONSE PRIORITIES

- 1 Prevent, mitigate, and respond to protection risks of the most vulnerable refugees and migrants from Venezuela, while strengthening community-based protection mechanisms and the capacity of key actors to combat human trafficking, smuggling, and exploitation of refugees and migrants.
- 2 Provide and improve safe and dignified access to essential rights, goods, and critical services.
- 3 Support and facilitate increased integration opportunities for refugees and migrants, including livelihood opportunities and formal employment, in addition to enhancing social cohesion through peaceful coexistence campaigns.

Aruba is also considered one of the countries that has been most economically impacted by COVID-19, due to its small size and economic reliance on tourism. Long-lasting negative effects on the economy and public health of Aruba have exacerbated Venezuelans' vulnerabilities, including loss of livelihoods. These conditions have escalated protection risks for the local population as well as refugees and migrants, exemplified in increased reports of evictions, concerns about mental distress and exposure to violence, including gender-based violence (GBV).




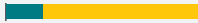









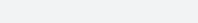



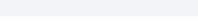

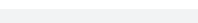




Considering Aruba's small size and limited absorption capacity, R4V partners will place increased emphasis on supporting self-reliance, prioritizing peaceful co-existence through social cohesion initiatives and livelihood opportunities for refugees and migrants from Venezuela. R4V partners will continue to work together with the Government of Aruba and other humanitarian organizations to enhance access to basic services and prevent and respond to situations of abuse and exploitation for refugees and migrants from Venezuela.

NUMBER OF ORGANIZATIONS AND FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS BY ORGANIZATION TYPE

	 International NGO	 National NGO / CSO	 Others [‡]	 UN Agencies
Financial requirements	25%	1.71%	-	73.3%
Organizations	2	1	-	3
Appealing partners	HIAS, ILO, IOM, PADF, UNHCR, VENEARUBA SOLIDARIA			

[‡] Others include the Red Cross Movement, civil society, academia and faith based organizations.
The list of organizations and RMRP partners only includes appealing organizations under the RMRP.
Many of these organizations collaborate with implementing partners to carry out RMRP activities.

POPULATION IN NEED AND TARGET, FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS AND NUMBER OF PARTNERS BY SECTOR

Sector	People in need (PiN)*	 Targeted  In need	People targeted*	Financial requirements (USD)	Partners
 Education	2.1 K		395	279.3 K	2
 Food security	17.4 K		979	190 K	2
 Health	6.7 K		281	137.6 K	2
 Humanitarian Transportation	-	-	-	-	-
 Integration	17.4 K		540	1.7 M	4
 Nutrition	-	-	-	-	-
 Protection**	15.2 K		2.9 K	1.1 M	4
 Child protection	224		80	20 K	1
 Gender Based Violence (GBV)	5.7 K		542	614 K	4
 Human Trafficking & Smuggling	286		10	70 K	1
 Shelter	-	-	-	-	-
 WASH	-	-	-	182 K	2
 Multipurpose Cash Assistance	-	-	969	953 K	3
 Common services***	-	-	-	55 K	1

* Figures for refugees and migrants in-transit to other countries are not included in the totals as they can be - by definition- recipients of services in more than one country. However, the total budget and sector specific requirements include activities targeting this population group, including as refugees and migrants in-transit will have specific needs to be addressed.

** This includes Support Spaces

*** This includes AAP, Communication, Coordination, CwC/ C4D, Fundraising, Information Management, PSEA and Reporting.