

Situation

- Brazil had its general elections split between two rounds on 2 and 30 October, in which citizens voted for state and federal
 members of congress, governors and the president of the republic. Luís Inácio Lula da Silva was elected for the presidency and
 will be sworn in on 1 January. A <u>transition cabinet was established</u> and its members are organized in 31 technical groups on
 thematic areas.
- As a result of the increase in new arrivals observed from August to October, Janokoida shelter for indigenous refugees and migrants recorded an occupation of 109 per cent of its total capacity.

Response Education

- Partners held information and advocacy sessions with key stakeholders in Roraima- including the Education Departments of Boa Vista and Pacaraima local governmentsto optimize school enrollment and transfer processes for refugee and migrant children who are being relocated across Brazil through the Interiorization strategy. The meetings were part of the Education Sector joint initiative called "Education Passport" aiming at supporting Venezuelan families to integrate in the Brazilian education system.
- To improve the educational environment in the nortnern region, Sector partners facilitated an online course, followed by a presencial event, for 40 Education professionals from the Amazonas state and Manaus Municipality. These activities enabled participants to deepen their knowledge and understanding on the legal frameworks applicable to refugee and migrant children in the areas of education and forced labour. Moreover, it stimulated a reflection among these actors on how to transform schools in welcoming spaces, that ensure education quality and interculturality.

GHealth

 Between 17-21 October, the Sector rolled out the 1st module of the course "Health, Education and Migration: Vulnerabilities, Diversity and Rights." This training is a joint initiative with the Federal University of Roraima (UFRR) to establish a knowledge-exchange network among undergraduate and post-graduate students of UFRR, refugees, migrants, members of the host community and civil society organizations in Roraima.

Integration / Interiorization / Humanitarian Transportation

 On 27 October, Sector partners facilitated the 1st face-toface meeting of the Refugee Entrepreneurs Platform in Boa Vista. Sixty-five refugees and migrants from Venezuela participated in the event, receiving technical orientation on access to microcredit and digital marketing. Entrepreneurs shared their experiences and challenges as business owners in Brazil. In October, 3,119 refugees and migrants from Venezuela were supported by the Voluntary Relocation Strategy, representing a 90 per cent increase compared to September. Of those, 473 were supported by the Job Placement modality, through which 320 (about 68 per cent) were effectively hired.

Nutrition

- R4V partners continued their nutritional surveillance programme and screenings in the shelters and Local Health Facilities of Pacaraima and Boa Vista. In total, 510 people (including 182 children under the age of 5) were screened for malnutrition. Out of them, 344 children were screened by health-nutrition monitors through the mid-upper arm circumference (MUAC) tape methodology, an approach adopted in the context of lack of nutrition professionals in the region.
- In October, 279 out of the 557 pregnant or lactating women monitored by the Sector received daily nutritional supplementation with micronutrient tablets. In addition, 1,395 counseling sessions (844 in Roraima and 551 in Amazonas) on appropriate feeding were held for caregivers of infant girls and boys aged 0-23 months.

Protection

- On 17 and 18 October, Protection partners facilitated a series of training sessions on international refugee law and national normative frameworks for the protection of refugees and migrants for 28 civil servants newly appointed to Operation Welcome positions in Pacaraima. Participants included members of the Federal Police, Ministry of Citizenship, Public Defender's Office (DPU), the Brazilian Army but also staff of the Education Department and Guardianship Council of Pacaraima municipality.
- On the occasion of Children's Day, child protection partners carried out several activities in Boa Vista and Pacaraima to strengthen family and community bonds. These included games, lectures, poems recital, distribution of oral health kits, and sensitization about non-violent education for caregivers.
- In Boa Vista, the GBV Sub-sector held a capacity building activity on "Forced Displacement and Gender Violence -

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How can we act in a network that welcomes and protects?" The training targeted workers of the local protection network, engaging in the areas of public health, social assistance, justice, security and psychosocial care, and aimed to promote a reflection on gender-based power imbalance, GBV in forced displacement contexts and available GBV-response mechanisms.

î 🎬 Shelter/Food Security

- After the storm that damaged shelter facilities in Boa Vista in September, partners worked jointly with the Operation Welcome taskforce to recover the most affected structures in the Rondon 1, Pricumã and Tuaranoko shelters. These included replacement of overhangs, repair of Refugee Housing Units (RHU), repair of the power distribution system and fencing, besides the relocation of refugees and migrants from the 13 de Setembro shelter to unaffected areas.
- Sector partners and the ICRC established a cooperation framework to improve the communication of refugees and migrants with their family members and close friends in shelters and the Reception and Relocation Centre (PITRIG) in

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the state of Roraima. Under such agreement the ICRC will expand their Protection of Family Links initiative to increase its coverage, thus reaching a larger number of people in the shelter facilities in Boa Vista and Pacaraima.

WASH

- The Sector responded to the water quality concerns of around 7,000 refugees and migrants in Boa Vista's and Pacaraima's shelters and spontaneous occupations through the following series of related actions: water storage tank cleaning; cleaning and disinfection of drinking water taps; replacement of water tap filters, including activated carbon filters; and testing for residual chlorine.
- Sector partners and the National Service for Industrial Apprenticeship (SENAI) in the state of Roraima teamed up to provide free scholarships for refugees and migrants in shelters and spontaneous settlements to enrol in courses of hydraulic setup and maintenance, as well as environmental management. Fifteen refugees and migrants from Venezuela completed the courses and were duly certified in these areas.

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PEOPLE REACHED**	7,875	42,545	50,792	15,519	9,281	22,072	5,828	68,584	15,307	26,217	

* Partners submitting data to Activity Info in October 2022** New Beneficiaries consolidated as of October 2022.