BRAZIL







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Situation

- On 23 November, the Joint Permanent Commission on International Migration and Refugees of the Brazilian Parliament held a <u>public hearing on the prospects of Operation Welcome</u>. R4V partners, refugees and migrants, academics and representatives of the federal government presented their work for the response to the influx of Venezuelans and debated on Venezuelan displacement trends and the strategic role of Operation Welcome in ensuring the reception and local integration of refugees and migrants in Brazilian society. Composed of 12 senators and 12members of the Parliament, the Commission aims to monitor population movements at Brazilian borders, ensure refugees' and migrants' rights, and analyze the root causes and effects of international population movements to Brazil.
- On 22 and 23 November, R4V Brazil Coordination team conducted a Workshop on Inter-agency Coordination targeting Sector, Sub-sector and Working Group leads. The initiative aimed to generate reflections about sector leads' roles and responsibilities, so to equip these stakeholders with the required skills and tools they must handle to promote an inclusive and cooperative environment among R4V partners. The workshop was designed to strengthen these actors' capacities to coordinate R4V structures, ensuring more effective complementarity of interventions and better response to Venezuelan refugees and migrants needs in Brazil.

Response

Education

- Sector Partners carried out a series of artistic and cultural activities involving more than 800 refugee and migrant children and adolescents from Waraotuma, Pricumã, Rondon 1 and Jardim Floresta shelters, culminating in dance presentations performed by them on 25 November at the Boa Vista Municipal Theater, with the presence of families and friends. The initiative is part of the Super Panas strategy to support venezuelan boys and girls with educational and psychosocial services, providing a safe environment and strengthening their integration process in the formal education system in Brazil.
- In November, a series of workshops and lectures took place in the framework of the University of Roraima's extension programme "CommUNITY: refugee and migrant people at the Federal University of Roraima." Through the course "Health, Education and Migration: Vulnerabilities, Diversity and Rights," Sector partners disseminated information and fostered debate on education and health rights of refugees and migrants in Brazil, targeting a diverse public of 100 participants from the academic community, refugees and migrants from Venezuela and members of the host community.

3 Health

 On 23 November, in partneship with the Health Departament of the Mucajaí Municipality (Roraima), R4V partners provided health care consultations to 38 refugees and migrants from Venezuela. Five women underwent preventive gynecological exams and received prescribed medicines. Partners also held focus group discussions with 17 refugees and migrants on the importance of vaccination, access to health services, as well as prostate cancer prevention and diagnosys. In Boa Vista, Sector partners promoted health interventions in the framework of the awareness-raising session "Knowing the Sustainable Development Goals." In this context, 47 refugees, migrants and members of host communities were provided with free health care consultations and blood glucose tests.

Integration / Interiorization / Humanitarian Transportation

- In November, 2,063 refugees and migrants from Venezuela were supported by the Voluntary Relocation Strategy. Of those, 379 were supported by the Job Placement modality, through which 315 (about 83 per cent) were effectively hired.
- Sector partners promoted an employability event at the Information Centre for Migrants, Refugees and Stateless (CEIM) in the state of Paraná, offering training and workshops on labour market trends, resume drafting, job interviews preparation and job openings referrals. Forty-one refugees and migrants were hired by companies participating in the event in the areas of transport, logistics, distribution, customer service and food. Refugee and migrant attendees were also registered in the National Employment System (SINE) to integrate a talent pool and have access to other job opportunities.
- On 16 November, Sector Partners jointly with the UN Global Compact in Brazil and civil society organizations held the 1st face-to-face meeting of "Refugee and Migrant Entrepreneurs Platform" in São Paulo. Around 35 people attended the event, which included lectures on microcredit opportunities for refugees and migrants, and orientation sessions on how to present their businesses efficiently.

Nutrition

 R4V partners continued their nutritional surveillance programme and screenings in the shelters and Local Health Facilities of Pacaraima and Boa Vista. In total, 358 people (including 137 children under the age of 5) were screened for malnutrition in Boa Vista, Pacaraima and Manaus. Moreover, in Pacaraima, through the mid-upper arm circunference (MUAC) tape methodology, an approach adopted in the context of lack of nutrition professionals in the region, 376 children were screened by health-nutrition monitors.

- Some 237 out of the 529 pregnant or lactating women monitored by the Sector received daily nutritional supplementation with micronutrient tablets. In addition, 1,355 counseling sessions (785 in Roraima and 570 in Amazonas) on appropriate feeding were held for caregivers of infants, girls, and boys aged 0-23 months.
- In November, R4V partners conducted a workshop on nutrition challenges and best practices in Pará. This activity reached the staff of government authorities and civil society organizations engaged in the humanitarian response to refugees and migrants, mainly Warao indigenous peoples, in the state.



- R4V partners launched a <u>Manual for the prevention of refugees and migrants smuggling</u> and a <u>booklet about the dangers of smuggling</u>. Two capacity building activities on smuggling were held for local and national law enforcement authorities in Brasília and Foz do Iguaçu. In addition, partners also organized a two-day training about trafficking in persons for authorities and civil society organizations from several Brazilian states.
- Protection partners participated in a technical visit of the Public Defender's Office (DPU) to the municipalities of Macapá, Santana, and Oiapoque in Amapá state aimed at assessing the needs of the refugee and migrant population in the region and mapping the local institutions and actors who are supporting them. In addition, in Oiapoque, R4V partners conducted a training session on international protection and access to migratory regularization targeting social protection workers in these municipalities.
- On 29 November, Child Protection partners held the training
 "Family reunification and social reintegration of
 unaccompanied children and adolescents in the context of
 displacement: challenges and perspectives in practice," in
 partnership with the ICRC and with the support of Roraima
 State Secretariat for Labour and Social Welfare. The target

- audience were technical teams from state shelters of Boa Vista and Pacaraima, as well as civil society organizations.
- For the "16 days of activism for the end of violence against women and girls," which in Brazil takes place from 20 November (Black Awareness Day) until 10 December (Human Rights Day), partners conducted 175 activities in several Brazilian states, such as film debates, GBV prevention and response trainings, webinars, exhibitions, public marches for the end of violence, focus group discussion on new masculinities, graffiti workshops and female empowerment sessions, among others.

Shelter/Food Security

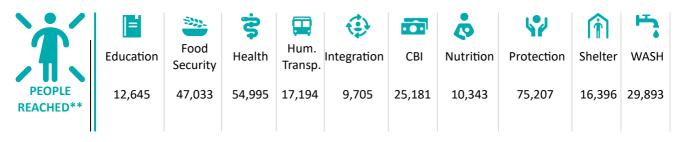
- On 7 November, Sector partners held a training on the Distribution of Non-food Items (NFIs) for civil society organizations in Manaus. The event aimed to harmonize kits composition and clarify procedures for of NFIs delivery and registration.
- In the first week of November, the Sector welcomed in Boa Vista a delegation of the Federal Subcommittee for Sheltering and Interiorization. The mission enabled the Subcommittee to monitor the situation on the ground and to strengthen its relationship with local institutions, including the State Secretariat for Labour and Welfare, the Municipal Secretariat of Social Assistance and State Shelters for adolescents.

WASH

- The Sector responded to the water quality concerns of around 7,000 refugees and migrants from Venezuela in Boa Vista and Pacaraima shelters and spontaneous settlements 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.
- In November, Sector partners signed an agreement with Roraima state Water Company (CAER) and Roraima State Public Defender's Office (DPE) to connect spontaneus settlements to the public water supply network concluding the need for water truck delivery in those locations.
- Nearly 9,000 litres of sodium hypochlorite solution (household bleach) were produced and distributed for cleaning and disinfection at multiple sites in Boa Vista and Pacaraima, benefiting over 8,000 individuals.

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