



**477 K** REFUGEES & MIGRANTS  
IN BRAZIL  
402.571 RESIDENCE PERMITS  
50.878 ASYLUM-SEEKERS  
53.307 REFUGEES



PEOPLE REACHED IN 2022 WITH  
SOME FORM OF ASSISTANCE\*  
**60.4K**



FUNDING SITUATION\*

**8.9%**FUNDED: USD 10.9 M  
REQUIREMENT: 122 M

## Situation

- The Humanitarian-Logistics Task Force of *Operação Acolhida* activated Phase II of its Contingency Plan, which included reopening Rondon 2 shelter in Boa Vista, a temporary collective shelter with a capacity to accommodate 500 people, intended to ease the pressure on BV-8 shelter and Reception and Support Center (PRA) in Pacaraima. Both sites have been operating above their capacities so far throughout the year. These measures were taken due to the limited reception capacities in Roraima, the main entry point for Venezuelans.
- On 14 June, the Ministry of Development and Social Assistance, Family and Fight Against Hunger issued [Ordinance N.893](#) allowing an emergency transfer of federal funds for the provision of social assistance in the municipalities that receive refugees and migrants affected by humanitarian crises in neighboring countries, including Venezuela. In total, 15 cities from 9 different states will receive this support, including Pacaraima in Roraima.

## Response

### Education

- The Education Working Group of Boa Vista resumed its activities in June with a meeting to coordinate actions to increase available Spanish-speaking staff to support school enrollment, provide school transportation services, conduct training of teachers, promote grade-leveling exams and the revalidation of diplomas.
- During the “National Week of Discussions on Migration, Asylum and Statelessness”, R4V partners held an event together with the Ministry of Justice and Public Security to launch a [dashboard](#) on the revalidation of university-level diplomas for refugees and migrants. According to this data visualization tool, out of 500 diploma recognition processes started by government actors and R4V partners, a total of 162 have been successfully completed, enabling access to dignified work and facilitating labour inclusion for refugees and migrants.

### Health

- Over 100 people, including graduate and post-graduate students, refugees, migrants and community leaders completed the extension course on “Health, Education and Migration: Vulnerability, Diversity and Rights” of the University of Roraima (UFRR). This initiative focused on promoting access to sexual and reproductive health, including HIV prevention, applied to the needs of refugees and migrants from Venezuela without discrimination. Participants published [a letter with recommendations](#) to assist decisionmakers with developing public policies for this population.

### Integration / Interiorization / Humanitarian Transportation

- The Interiorization, Integration and Humanitarian Transportation Sector, together with the Ministry of Development and Social Assistance, Family and Fight Against Hunger of Brazil, jointly launched the report ["Interiorization: A Strategy to Support Socioeconomic](#)

[Integration](#)". The report shares success stories from the internal relocation program of Operation Welcome, which has enabled over 100,000 people to start anew outside the state of Roraima. In the near future, sector partners will also release this report in English and Spanish.

- The sector partnered with the Special Secretariat of Citizenship of Rio de Janeiro to promote the [1st In-Person Meeting of the Refugee Entrepreneurs Platform](#) in the city. The event, which was attended by 25 business owners, included sessions on microcredit and mentoring, and promoted the exchange of experiences, opportunities and challenges faced by participants, thereby enhancing networking among them.
- 2,246 refugees and migrants from Venezuela were supported by the Interiorization Strategy in June. Out of this total, 385 were assisted by the Job Placement modality.

### Nutrition

- R4V partners carried out nutritional surveillance and screenings in shelters and local health facilities in Pacaraima and Boa Vista throughout the month of June. A total of 387 people were screened for malnutrition, including 81 children under the age of 5 and 22 people with disabilities (PWD). In Pacaraima, health-nutrition monitors screened 5 children using the mid-upper arm circumference tape methodology. In addition, partners monitored 164 pregnant or lactating women and provided counseling on appropriate feeding to 20 caregivers of infants and children aged 0-23 months.

### Protection

- In celebration of LGBTQIA+ Pride Month in June, partners supported the participation of refugees and migrants in related activities taking place in [Roraima](#), [São Paulo](#) and [Brasília](#). Events included cultural performances and dialogues on entrepreneurship, political empowerment and LGBTQIA+ social security

\* Accumulated figures from 01/01/2022 up to 31/06/2023.

rights, and the provision of healthcare services, legal guidance, and social assistance.

- The sector held a series of information sessions with residents of Operation Welcome shelters willing to establish themselves in Boa Vista instead of moving to other parts of the country. The activity addressed the importance of local protection mechanisms, such as the Unified Social Assistance System (SUAS), the Unified Health System (SUS), Justice, and Security, besides providing information on where and how to access those services.

### Shelter/Food Security

- To relieve pressure on the Janokoida shelter in Pacaraima – which has regularly exceeded its maximum capacity this year, given the large number of indigenous refugees and migrants entering Brazil – partners established an emergency shelter allocation mechanism. When the facility exceeds a capacity of 450 people, recently arrived indigenous families are referred to a 7-day temporary shelter at BV-8 Transit Centre, while they conclude their documentation processes. After that, the families are voluntarily transferred to Waratouma a Tuaranoko shelter, in Boa Vista. Partners developed information materials and community-based protection strategies to foster common understanding

within and with the community and minimize the risk of tensions.












- Rondon 5 shelter, a facility in which individuals and families are hosted before they are relocated to their destination cities through the "interiorization" strategy, experienced its highest arrival and departure rates so far this year: 1,076 individuals entered the shelter in June, while 1,055 individuals successfully departed to other regions of Brazil.

### WASH

- The sector responded to water quality concerns of refugees and migrants in shelters and spontaneous settlements in Boa Vista and Pacaraima by cleaning and disinfecting drinking water taps, testing for residual chlorine, and providing cleaning supplies such as household bleach.
- Partners built public lavatories benefitting over 4,000 people, granting them access to clean bathrooms and safe water in the Reception and Relocation Center (PITRIG) of Pacaraima. The WASH infrastructure at the facility was designed to be durable, offering separate washrooms for women and men, complete with toilets and showers. It includes three PwD-accessible family toilets with showers, a laundry area, and dedicated spaces for children.

### R4V Brazil Platform Partners

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 PEOPLE REACHED**	 Education	 Food Security	 Health	 Hum. Transp.	 Integration	 CBI	 Nutrition	 Protection	 Shelter	 WASH
	4,618	31,684	8,175	9,782	12,881	8,177	2,049	37,712	6,052	16,668

\* Partners submitting data to Activity Info in June 2023 \*\* New Beneficiaries consolidated as of June 2023.