



**510 K** REFUGEES &  
MIGRANTS IN BRAZIL  
429.888 RESIDENCE PERMITS  
37.245 ASYLUM-SEEKERS  
103.713 REFUGEES



PEOPLE REACHED IN 2023 WITH  
SOME FORM OF ASSISTANCE\*  
**95K**



FUNDING SITUATION\*

**13.2%** FUNDED: USD 16.1 M  
REQUIREMENT: 122 M

\*Source: [Financial Tracking System](#)

## Situation

- On 18 September, the Brazilian Chamber of Deputies – through Law 14.678 – established the Migrant and Refugee Week, to be celebrated annually from 19 to 23 June. During this week, public authorities in partnership with academic institutions and civil society will promote activities to raise awareness on issues affecting refugees and migrants, including rights and obligations, as well as to encourage social cohesion and public debate around them.
- Between 18 and 22 September, R4V partners conducted a mission to Tabatinga, located at the border with Colombia and Peru and, therefore, an important transit point into the state of Amazonas. Joint activities included carrying out needs and protection assessments, capacity-development sessions for the local network, as well as meetings with local authorities responsible for health, education, social assistance, and public security issues. Partners also supported the establishment of the Municipal Public Policy Committee for Refugees, Migrants and Stateless Persons and the creation of the 1st Refugee and Migrant Support Space of Tabatinga, coordinated by the Municipal Secretariat of Institutional Relations.

## Response

### Education

- The Ministry of Education, which integrates the Federal Subcommittee for Reception and Interiorization (SUFAI), sent a delegation to assess the situation of refugees and migrants in Roraima regarding education services. The governmental representatives visited local shelters and held meetings with Sector Partners and Municipal and State Education authorities. The assessment focused on the identification of blockages and allowed a better understanding of obstacles for refugees and migrants to access the Brazilian formal Education System. During the Ministry's mission, Sector partners shared that, during a verification in August, 1.153 children and adolescents living in the shelters of Operation Welcome in Roraima were out of school, furthermore, in Boa Vista, 26% of children and adolescents residing in spontaneous settlements were not attending school, while in Pacaraima, the corresponding figure was 15%. According to the Ministry, specific areas and departments such as school transport, infrastructure and training of teachers will have improved strategies and enhanced investments.

### Health

- R4V partners supported the Health Coordination Unit (CSA) of Operation Welcome and the Secretary of Health of Boa Vista in organizing the activity "All Against Hepatitis A", in Rondon 1 Shelter, in response to suspected hepatitis A cases in the site. The activity included screening, vaccination, distribution of antiparasitics to all ages, provision of medical care, notification of new suspected cases, nutritional assessments, and other relevant referrals. The team recorded medical attendances for 99 children and 9 adults, evaluated 176



vaccination cards, and identified 9 confirmed cases of child malnutrition.

### Integration / Interiorization / Humanitarian Transportation

- R4V partners joined forces with the National Employment System (SINE), the Ministry of Labor and Employment, and the World Bank to promote an online training for SINE's employees and focused on the inclusion of refugees and migrants in the SINE system. The training covered the profile of refugees and migrants in Brazil, data on their inclusion in the labour market and good practices in assisting and intermediating job vacancies. SINEs from Roraima and Paraná shared their experience in attending refugees and migrants.
- R4V partners launched a national renewable energy project with the Federation of Industries in Rio de Janeiro, Ceará, São Paulo, and Minas Gerais. The project aims to provide skill development training to 150 Venezuelans among other vulnerable refugees and migrants, providing them with the necessary skills to enter the renewable energy sector as solar panel installers.
- The event "Refugees and Migrants Entrepreneurs Fair" was held in collaboration and with the technical support from the Christian Life Community Brazil and R4V partners. The fair spotlighted the work of 13 entrepreneurs whose self-employed income-generating projects had previously been supported by the event's organizing institutions. The fair took place at the Brasilia Cultural Center and supported increase the monthly income of the entrepreneurs' businesses.
- Throughout September, 2,170 refugees and migrants from Venezuela were supported by the Interiorization Strategy. Out of this total, 677 were assisted by the Job Placement modality.



### Nutrition

- A total of 784 people were screened for malnutrition, which included 592 children under the age of 5 and 18 individuals living with disabilities. In Pacaraima, health-nutrition monitors screened 40 children using the mid-upper arm circumference (MUAC) tape methodology. In addition, partners also monitored 268 pregnant or lactating women and provided counseling on appropriate feeding to 106 caregivers of infants and children aged 0-23 months.



### Protection

- In the month of September, the GBV Sub-sector carried out several activities in the framework to Yellow September, a campaign focused on suicide prevention. Key highlights include the activity in SMAPS: Caring for the Caregiver – a space created to share good Mental Health practices among professionals in the city of Manaus.
- In Pacaraima, partners held an economic empowerment and entrepreneurship training between 25 and 29 September. The event was promoted in partnership with the Instituto Rede Mulher Empreendedora, with the presence of 57 women from the transitional shelter BV8, the Janokoida indigenous shelter and city residents, promoting peaceful coexistence.
- As part of the academic welcome week at the University of Brasília, a conference was given on mental health and gender-based violence with the participation of 26 international relations students, in this space the differential impact of GBV on the lives of refugees, mainly women, girls and LGBTQIA+ people.
- R4V partners launched a guideline on identification and assistance of children and adolescent victims of

trafficking. The material was adapted to a capacity building activity which was delivered to key stakeholders from the network of Curitiba.

- R4V partners organized an event in Brasília to launch 3 studies on the prevalence of forced labour in small scale gold mining in the Tapajós River Basin. Partners participated in the CONATRAP meeting to present the methodology to elaborate the IV National Anti-Trafficking Plan.



### Shelter/Food Security

- On 14 September, the community library of Mi Casa, Tu Casa project was inaugurated at the Jardim Floresta shelter in Boa Vista, the first to open in an indigenous shelter. During the ceremony, more than 30 children were able to participate in storytelling and drawing activities. At the moment, some 400 indigenous refugees, mostly of Warao ethnicity, are living in the shelter.



### WASH

- The WASH Sector supplied shelters in Boa Vista and Pacaraima with household bleach, other cleaning materials and personal protective equipment (PPE) for cleaning and disinfection.
- Partners ensured appropriate water quality standards of shelters and spontaneous occupations in Roraima, through cleaning and disinfection of drinking water taps, as well as testing for residual chlorine. Both actions benefitted nearly 8,000 individuals in September.
- Partners provided 16,935 accesses to bathroom and laundry facilities in Boa Vista, Pacaraima, Caracará and Rorainópolis during the month of September, in which hygiene promotion actions, laundry service, access to toilets, showers and baby changing facilities were offered.

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PEOPLE  
REACHED\*\*



Education

6293



Food  
Security

35,008



Health

10,688



Hum.  
Transp.

14,480



Integration

26,055



CBI

13,039



Nutrition

2,451



Protection

24,210



Shelter

28,180



WASH

27,410

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