

# Covid-19 Situation Peru

30 June, 2020



## Context

Peru has reached the **sixth position of the COVID-19 global ranking** with **over 285,000 positive cases** and **over 9,700 deaths**. The Peruvian Government decreed the end of the quarantine for most of the regions. However, new measures have been implemented with an extension of the State of Emergency until 31 July, the shortening of the curfew now running from 10 p.m. to 4 a.m. –with the exception of the most affected northern regions, which will keep the general quarantine as before.

The Regional Health Directorate of Tumbes issued a declaration of red alert in health facilities throughout the department of Tumbes. This declaration implies the immobility and 24-hour availability of all health personnel, the implementation of monitoring activities to strengthen primary care, and the provision of medicine by the Executive Directorate of Medicines, Supplies, and Drugs.

After the request for consultation from the Congress of Peru, UNHCR drafted two consultation papers on legislative project N° 4830-2019/CR which proposes a new structure for the Special Commission for Refugees (CEPR for its Spanish acronym) and Revisory Commission for Refugee Affairs, and against legislative project N° 4958-2020/CR which proposed the repatriation of Venezuelan nationals with humanitarian legal stay or temporary residency permits.

## Asylum-seekers, refugees and migrants situation



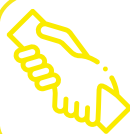
On 22 June UNHCR supported the CEPR to enable the **virtual system to resume asylum claim procedures remotely**, which had been suspended due to the quarantine measures. To date, **over 8,700 asylum-seekers have been registered nationwide**. Also, asylum-seeker card expirations have been extended until 31 December 2020.



**Over 30 Refugee Housing Units (RHUs)** were donated to the Ministry of Health in Peru. UNHCR conducted a training for Staff of the Ministry of Health and the Navy of Peru to support the assembly of RHUs in the primary health care services in Lima. They will serve as a space for triage, consultancy and attention to non-emergency cases.



Since the emergency started, **over 17,500 highly vulnerable refugees and migrants- some 5,400 families-** have received emergency Cash-Based Assistance (CBI) for **over USD 1,640,000**.



**Some 11,600 blankets** have been distributed in Apurímac, Arequipa, Cuzco, Lima and Tacna since the start of the Emergency. This week **over 470 were distributed in Tacna and 100 in Lima** to vulnerable families including the host community with the support of the Red Cross and the Interreligious Committee for Refugees (CIREMI for its acronym in Spanish) respectively.

### UNHCR Peru Funding Update (As of 22 June 2020)



The financial requirements for Peru include requirements for the Coronavirus Emergency and the Venezuela Situation  
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**THANK YOU!** 🙏

UNHCR Peru Operation would like to show our greatest appreciation for your kind solidarity and support to refugees and migrants in the country  
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# UNHCR Response

## World Refugee Day

### #CasaTalentos Contest

The final took place on 30 June!  
In case you missed it, watch it again [here](#).

Refugees and migrants as well as the host community have been participating in a virtual talent show from home by sending their talent videos. The final instances were evaluated by a board of Peruvian Stars. Watch the shortlisted talents [here](#) and [check here](#) how the Peruvian Star Board announced the results!



Contest winner

### Peru's Ombudsman's Office message on World Refugee Day

UNHCR and the Ombudsman's Office launched a press release to urge the State to take a greater coordinated response at national level to fully uphold refugee and asylum seeker rights.

Read more [here](#)  
Watch the video [here](#)

### In case you missed it!

A series of TedTalks during World Refugee week by refugees and migrants in Peru was organized by UNHCR and supported by the national newspaper La República and TEDTukuy over **60,000** views so far!

- Watch Yuliana Bolivar's story [here](#)
- Check Laury's story for an inspiring message by refugee and migrant children [here](#)
- [Here's a powerful story](#) about refugees and migrants living with HIV/AIDS
- You can find all the other stories [here](#)

## Remote support

Since the start of the emergency, **over 43,800** calls have been received via hotlines by UNHCR and partners Action Against Hunger (ACF), CAPS, Caritas, Encuentros, HIAS, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, The Ombudsperson's Office, Plan International and PROSA with **4,000** receiving personalized legal orientation.

**Over 620** activities on psychosocial support and empowerment to mitigate Sexual Gender-Based Violence (SGBV) and case referrals have been carried out through UNHCR and partners. Also, in Cuzco and Lima, some **40** teenagers participated in SGBV prevention strategy sessions conducted by UNHCR partner Plan International, while partner CAPS offered capacity development activities for some 90 civil society organizations' staff on protection and referral pathways.



## Humanitarian Cash-Based Assistance (CBI)

**Some 250** families have been benefited with multipurpose supermarket vouchers in Cuzco to cover their basic needs. Additionally, other interventions will be carried out in Arequipa, Lima, Tacna and Tumbes, **expecting to reach 2,300** families.

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## Solutions to COVID-19

### Basic Needs and Shelter

More than **620 persons of concern** are receiving shelter and daily food support in **over 20 shelters/collective accommodations** supported by UNHCR in Arequipa, Lima, Puno, Tacna and Tumbes.

Over **91,000 food rations** have been provided since the start of the Emergency in the shelters, hotels and temporary centres in Arequipa, Lima, Tacna and Tumbes. This week, UNHCR partner Action Against Hunger (ACF) also provided three virtual child protection sessions to parents in the child-friendly spaces in Lima.

### Health



Over **3,300 specialized mental health consultations** have been provided through partners ACF, CAPS, Caritas, IFRC, HIAS and PROSA in Callao, Cuzco, Lambayeque, Lima, Madre de Dios and Tumbes



UNHCR and partners have carried out over **300 HIV/AIDS consultations** through partner PROSA in Tumbes.



Some **610 primary health orientations** have been carried out in Lima and Tumbes by UHCR and partners.

## Coordination

UNHCR is co-leading together with IOM the emergency coordination response for refugees and migrants through the **GTRM** (for its acronym in Spanish) composed by more than 70 partners including donors. The GTRM is coordinating with the recently activated Humanitarian Network and has been holding bi-monthly coordination meetings on Cash Based Interventions (CBI), protection, health, information management and communications, as well as basic needs (shelter, food security and food distribution) with all sector leads to operationalize and channel assistance.



Since the start of the emergency, almost 1,400 vulnerable refugees and migrants have been assisted by the Dialogue Table for Refugees and Migrants in Tacna on shelter, food and kit distributions, humanitarian transport and CBI supported by the local GTRM led by the Regional Government.

For more information please download the latest R4V Response Report [here](#)

To read previous updates please access [here](#)

# Peru Operation: UNHCR and partners 2020

**Presence**  
 ● UNHCR Office ● Field Office ● Presence

**Activity**

- Protection (childhood, SGBV, legal orientation, community prt. psychosocial support, access to territory and border monitoring.)
- Shelter
- Health / HIV AIDS
- CBI
- Reg. and documentation
- Advocacy
- Local integration
- Livelihoods

## TUMBES (7)

- CAPS
- Obudsman's Office
- Encuentros
- IFRC
- Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- Plan International
- PROSA

## PIURA (2)

- Obudsman's Office
- Encuentros

## TRUJILLO (1)

- Obudsman's Office

## LIMA (12)

- Aldeas Infantiles
- Scalabrinianos Association
- Action Against Hunger
- CAPS
- Obudsman's Office
- Encuentros
- IFRC
- HIAS
- Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- Plan International
- PROSA
- Pontifical Catholic Univ. of Perú

## ICA (1)

- IFRC

## AREQUIPA (4)

- Obudsman's Office
- Encuentros
- IFRC
- Aldeas Infantiles

## CUZCO (4)

- Aldeas Infantiles
- Caritas Cuzco
- Obudsman's Office
- Plan International

## TAMBOPATA (3)

- Caritas del Perú
- Obudsman's Office
- IFRC

## PUNO (1)

- Obudsman's Office

## CHUCUITO (1)

- Directa (Zepita District)

## TACNA (5)

- Scalabrinianos Association
- Obudsman's Office
- Encuentros
- IFRC
- Plan International

## Key Figures 2020

Some **862,000**<sup>1</sup>  
Venezuelan refugees and migrants in Peru

Some **1,230**<sup>1</sup>  
Refugees

Some **482,500**<sup>2</sup>  
Asylum-seekers

1. Figures from the Superintendence of Migration (up to January 2020)  
 2. Figures according to the Special Commission for the Refugees (CEPR) up to date

**RESPUESTA A VENEZOLANOS**  
 Plataforma de Coordinación para Refugiados y Migrantes de Venezuela

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