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CONTEXT

The National State of Emergency has been <u>extended until 31 September</u>, while the national curfew has been shortened from midnight to 4 a.m.

On 19 July, Pedro Castillo was <u>declared president of Peru</u> and was sworn in on 28 July amid Bicentennial celebrations in the country. On 30 July, President Castillo finalized the composition of his cabinet, while three lists of candidates were presented for the election of the Board of Directors (*Mesa Directiva*) for the annual period of the Congress sessions 2021-2022. Sixty-six votes are needed to be elected on a first-round.

The Superintendency of Migration has passed the <u>Decree No 006-2021</u> and an added text (*Texto Único de Procedimientos Administrativos – TUPA*) by which the implementation of the Temporary Permit of Permanence Card (CPP) comes into force.

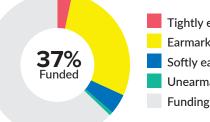
More than 56,800 Venezuelans have been vaccinated so far according to the Ministry of Health, out of whom some 19,490 have received the two jabs. Additionally, foreigners who are <u>not registered</u> on the official lists can go to a vaccination centre close to their home address and be vaccinated accordingly.

UNHCR PERU FUNDING UPDATE

As of July 21

UNHCR's financial requirements 2021:

\$60.9 million



Tightly earmarked Earmarked Softly earmarked (indicative allocation) Unearmarked (indicative allocation) Funding gap (indicative)



HIGHLIGHT

Gracias Causa Brigade carries out Reforestation in Lima

The Gracias Causa brigade of Venezuelan volunteers carried out a reforestation in Lima's Huascar park, organized by the Municipality of Lima and UNHCR. Over 20 volunteers cleaned the park, placed social distancing signs, and learnt about reforestations techniques shared by Peruvian experts working at the park. This integration activity included Venezuelan entrepreneurs who offered their products and shared typical dishes. Also, the Venezuelan breakdancer group Invectando Kultura offered a show for the more than 80 participants.



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ASYLUM-SEEKERS, REFUGEES AND MIGRANTS SITUATION

To support the Superintendency of Migration, UNHCR is keeping the refugee and migrant communities abreast regarding the steps to follow, and requirements needed for the CPP to regularize their stay in Peru. So far, over **360,800 messages and emails** have been sent. Additionally, the Superintendency of Migration informed UNHCR that so far, they have issued between **3,000 and 4,000 CPP cards**, plus some **400 and 500 Foreign ID cards** issued together with the Humanitarian Residency.

The Working Group for Refugees and Migrants (GTRM for its acronym in Spanish) held a special session led by the Director of the Superintendency of Migration on the requirements for the new CPP to explain the process and answer the main questions raised. Community-based leaders, UNHCR staff, IOM, UNFPA, UNICEF as well as UNHCR partners CAPS and Encuentros participated. The information is being shared with the target populations on social media and the main channels used by the refugee and migrant community in Peru.

The Special Commission for Refugees (CEPR for its acronym in Spanish), the Ministry of Labor, the Superintendency of Migration, UNHCR and partner HIAS organized a virtual event for private sector companies to share information on the different documentation for asylum-seekers, refugees and migrants in Peru, their right to work and the specific procedures to hire them. The event had **200 participants**, mainly from corporate human resources areas.

UNHCR Response



REMOTE SUPPORT

 UNHCR and partners CAPS, Caritas, Encuentros, HIAS, PROSA and Plan International answered some 40,430 calls and messages via the free-toll hotlines to offer orientation and assistance in protection, education, documentation, and shelter, where more than 16,300 have focused on legal orientations.

Some **9,700 protection cases** have been followed-up through specialized case management services • of UNHCR and partners.



HUMANITARIAN CASH BASED ASSISTANCE (CBI)

- Some 10,900 people received CBI to cover basic needs such as food, health, as well as seed capital to support business initiatives through partners Action Against Hunger (ACF), Aldeas Infantiles, Caritas, Encuentros, IFRC, HIAS and Plan International supported by UNHCR for some 820,120 dollars. Most beneficiaries are located in Arequipa, Cuzco, Lima, Madre de Dios, Piura, Tacna, Trujillo, and Tumbes.
- As part of the livelihoods' strategy, some 5,180 persons participated in workshops led by UNHCR and some received orientation to enhance their capacities to access decent work, learn about their rights and complaint mechanisms to report exploitation and abuse in the labor market.
- UNHCR, the Ministry of Labour, and ACF organized a virtual job fair where 10 companies presented their business, job vacancies, recruitment processes, salaries and benefits, and highlighted the value that refugees and migrants add to their companies. More than 70 refugees and migrants from Lima attended.

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BASIC NEEDS AND SHELTER

- Some 700 refugees and migrants have been supported daily at the 13 shelters and hotels in Arequipa, Lima, Tacna, and Tumbes. Also, some 72,100 food rations have been provided. Basic needs and shelter support have been key for those who have lost their livelihoods due to the pandemic.
- Some 15,230 persons received kits distributed by UNHCR and partners, including hygiene, winter, food, and baby products, as well as those to cover SGBV survivors' needs. These kits have been essential during the pandemic for the most vulnerable families and their children. Additionally, some 4,750 thermal blankets have been distributed in key cold regions in preparation for the winter season.

UNHCR, together with the GTRM partners GIZ and TECHO Peru expanded the reception capacity to
 include **30 more families** at the Ronald McDonald House Shelter that welcomes vulnerable children and adolescents from the host, refugee and migrant communities for medical treatment. Peruvian and Venezuelan volunteers supported the set up after receiving training and were awarded certificates.

🛊 🕨 HEALTH

- On mental health, some 8,410 psychosocial support activities have been provided through partners ACF, CAPS, Caritas, HIAS, Scalabrinians, and PROSA. Psychosocial support has been crucial during times when confinement has had a strong impact on mental health.
- UNHCR and partners have carried out some 300 HIV/AIDS consultations through partner PROSA in Lima and Tumbes for populations of concern in need of a space for treatment and assistance while other health centres were either outstretched or fully busy with COVID-19 cases.
- To enhance the capacities of the national health system in Arequipa, Cuzco, Tacna, and Tumbes, 24
 RHUs Refugee Housing Units have been donated to hospitals and clinics in Peru.

THANK YOU, SWEDEN FOR YOUR LIFE-SAVING CONTRIBUTION!



Many of those who fled Venezuela in search of safety are facing protection risks at destination. Sexual and gender-based violence (SGBV), exploitation and abuse continue to be a prominent feature of displacement trends in the Americas. UNHCR is grateful to the Swedish Post Lottery Code funds awarded to work jointly with Amnesty International to improve the lives of Venezuelans in situations of vulnerability in Colombia, Ecuador and Peru with a special focus on women and girls, SGBV survivors and the LGBTIQ+ community.

COORDINATION

UNHCR is co-leading the emergency coordination response for refugees and migrants through the **GTRM** composed by over 80 partners including donors and IFIs together with IOM. The GTRM is coordinating with the Humanitarian Network and has been holding 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

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