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CONTEXT

On 7 September, the UN Resident Coordinator and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs signed the United Nations Sustainable Development Cooperation Framework (UNSDCF) for 2022-2026.

UN Resident Coordinator in Peru, Igor Garafulic, confirmed President Castillo's participation in the United Nations General Assembly held on 21 September. The <u>official press release</u> stated that the President would reinforce Peru's commitment to democracy and human rights. Priority topics included in the agenda covered the economic recovery to tackle social exclusion, environment protection, and the fight against corruption.

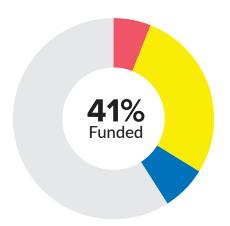
According to the <u>Commissioner of the Secretary-General</u> of the OAS, Lima is the city with the highest number of Venezuelan refugees and migrants in the world, with over 800,000 persons. As stated by the Superintendency of Migrations in a Congress session held in September, only 28 per cent of Venezuelan refugees and migrants (362,800 persons) have a regular migratory status in Peru, while 72 per cent (923,600 persons) hold an irregular stay.

FUNDING UPDATE

As of 28 September

UNHCR's financial requirements 2021:

\$60.9 million



Tightly earmarked

Earmarked

Softly earmarked (indicative allocation)

Unearmarked (indicative allocation)

Funding gap (indicative)

HIGHLIGHT

Mini-Olympics organized by Alianza Lima with local authorities in Lima 2019 Olympic venue

As part of the MoU between Alianza Lima's Club and UNCHR, a sports-for-integration activity was carried out on Mini-Olympics. Over 300 people attended including authorities of the Ministry of Transportation and Communications, Alianza Lima's General Manager, UNHCR's Representative, Peruvian and Venezuelan children aged 6-12, and their families.

Read more <u>here</u>.



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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 Temporary Residence Permit (CPP for its acronym in Spanish) and the Humanitarian Residence (CMH for its acronym in Spanish) to regularize their stay in Peru. Social media posts have reached **over 292,000 views**. Additionally, the latest report by the Superintendency of Migrations informs that **over 180,270 requests** related to the CPP have been registered. Also, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs granted the Humanitarian Residency to more than **56,000 persons** and the Migration Office is already working on the issuance of **over 23,000 Foreigner IDs** for asylum-seekers.

UNHCR and community-based organizations have been regularly conducting in-person and virtual legal advice activities to support local authorities on the access of populations of concern to technology for migratory online procedures. Some **600 refugees** and migrants benefited in September from these initiatives.

According to the latest report by the Ministry of Health (MINSA for its acronym in Spanish) on 21 September, the total number of doses applied to foreigners so far is **351,545** (first dose **253,024**; second dose **98,521**). Out of the total number, some **304,560** doses were applied to Venezuelans, accounting for the greatest majority.

UNHCR Response

REMOTE SUPPORT

UNHCR and partners CAPS, Caritas, Encuentros, HIAS, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, and Plan International answered some 72,750 calls and messages via the free-toll hotlines to offer orientation and assistance in protection, education, documentation, and shelter. Out of these, more than 23,380 have focused on legal orientations with partners Aldeas Infantiles, Caritas, Encuentros, HIAS, and PROSA supported by UNHCR.

Some **19,220 protection cases** have been followed-up through specialized case management services of UNHCR and partners.

HUMANITARIAN CASH BASED ASSISTANCE (CBI)

- Some 18,200 people received CBI to cover basic needs such as food, health, as well as seed capital to support business initiatives through partners ACF, Aldeas Infantiles, Caritas, Encuentros, HIAS, IFRC, and Plan International supported by UNHCR for some USD 1,286,000 Most beneficiaries are located in Arequipa, Cuzco, Lima, Madre de Dios, Piura, Tacna, Trujillo, and Tumbes.
- As part of the livelihoods' strategy, some 7,600 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 UNHCR partner Encuentros carried out a one-week virtual information fair, where nine technical education institutions presented their offers to certify skills in areas such as construction, woodworking, software development, shoemaking, bakery, etc. The fair aimed to promote access to certification processes for refugees and migrants with technical skills to improve their employment opportunities. The webinars reached more than 8,000 views.

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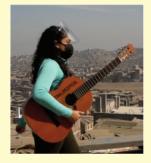
BASIC NEEDS AND SHELTER

- Some 930 refugees and migrants have been supported daily at the 13 supported shelters and hotels in Arequipa, Lima, Tacna, and Tumbes. Also, some 127,700 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 **18,430 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 to cover their basic needs regarding housing, food, and health. Additionally, some **10,700 thermal blankets** have been distributed in key cold regions.

* HEALTH

- On mental health, some **13,450 psychosocial support activities** have been provided through partners ACF, Aldeas Infantiles, CAPS, Caritas, HIAS, Scalabrinians, and PROSA. Psychosocial support has been crucial during times when confinement has had a strong impact on mental health. Also, over **8,100 persons** have been supported on their access to the National Health System (SIS for its acronym in Spanish) by UNHCR and partners ACF, Caritas, Encuentros and PROSA.
- UNHCR and partners have carried out some 430 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, out of the 35 RHUs – Refugee Housing Units installed, 29 have been donated to hospitals and clinics in Peru.

THANK YOU, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FOR SUPPORTING PEACEFUL COEXISTENCE THROUGH ART!



The winners of the #CasaTalentos 2020 contest in the framework of World Refugee Day launched their music videos about integration, produced, recorded, and mastered with the support of US funds. The videos, depicting amazing landscapes of key landmarks in Lima, reflect the emotions and lyrics composed by Venezuelan and Peruvian musicians who became close friends. The videos have reached over 280,500 streams on social media so far.

Watch them here: Ebert Daniel Cristina López Luis Alcázar

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 assistance.

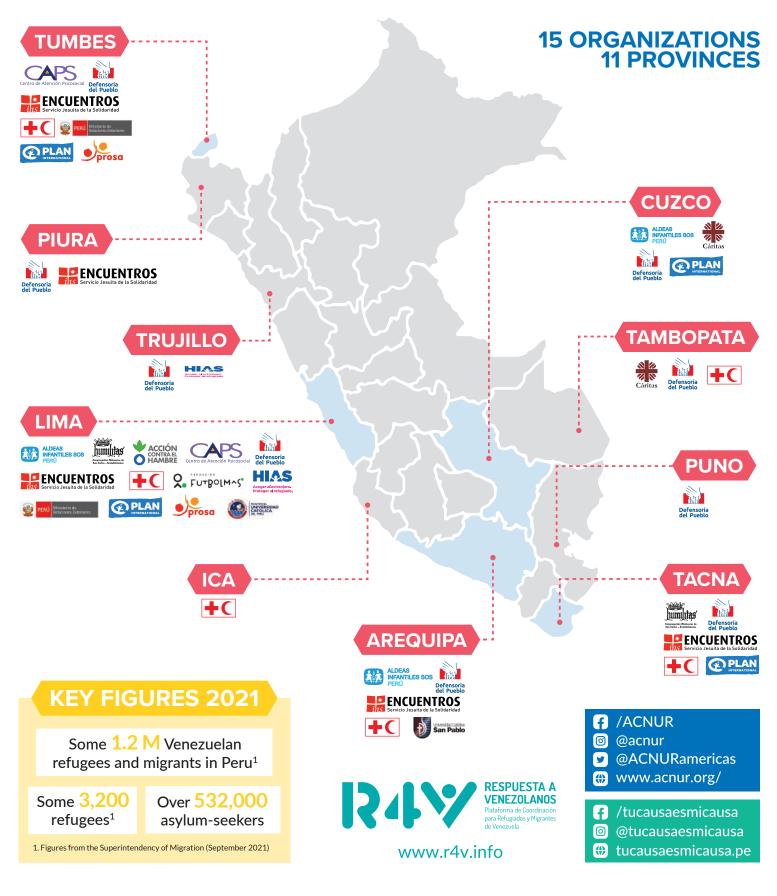
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