Context

National and local members of GIFMM\(^1\) have worked to ensure operational coordination and service delivery on the ground as well as to strengthen local government capacity.

As the arrival of refugees and migrants continued to grow over the 2019, so did their urgent need for humanitarian assistance as well as support on integration. During the year, the humanitarian response was focused to supply the needs of the population in transit, population with the intention to stay, pendular, Colombian returnees, and host communities, mainly in four areas on intervention (AoI), which were emergency response, protection, socio-economic inclusion and capacity building.

\(^1\) Learn more about the GIFMM and its partners: [https://r4v.info/es/situations/platform/location/7511](https://r4v.info/es/situations/platform/location/7511)

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**POPULATION**

1.77 million

Venezuelans in Colombia

Regular vs irregular

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400,000 people accessing temporary transit permits

492,523 Venezuelans leaving Colombia to Ecuador (two main exit points)

4.7 million border mobility cards granted

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A Venezuelan woman receives medical care in Maicao, La Guajira. Americares, in association with government entities in the health sector, opened this clinic to provide essential primary health care services and access to medicine for Venezuelan refugees and migrants. © Americares

An average of 350,000 beneficiaries received one or more assistance every month.
Response

The Interagency Group for Mixed Migration Flows (GIFMM) served as a space for coordination between agencies of the United Nations, international and national NGOs and members of the Red Cross Movement, in order to facilitate a joint operational response that guaranteed support and effective coordination with the national Government’s strategy response.

The arrival of refugees and migrants from Venezuela to Colombia required comprehensive and timely interventions to provide emergency assistance, which was especially urgent in border areas, where the local capacity to respond was already saturated. In addition, it required to increase assistance in large urban areas as well as actions focus on facilitating integration.

Key activities

Education

32,042 children benefitted from education in emergencies activities and services.

Food security

268,551 people reached on a monthly average through food assistance, including:

- 166,993 through meals served in community kitchens (62.1%)
- 95,340 through food vouchers (35.5%)
- 6,218 through in-kind food assistance (2.3%)

Health

403,734 refugees and migrants received basic medical attention.

71,609 people who received psychosocial and mental health assistance.

39,589 children were vaccinated.

12,168 pregnant women received prenatal attention.

735 local authorities and health institutions were supported with technical assistance, logistics and capacity building for health services.

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2 These are some key activities per sector under the RMRP 2019, including yearly or monthly average of people reached.
Integration

5,000 initiatives through community dialogue spaces carried out through local GIFMMs along with the private sector, trade unions and other strategic local actors.

2,327 people participated in trainings on routes to access employment.

1,612 people participated in trainings to access entrepreneurship.

600 initiatives for peaceful coexistence and social cohesion.

150 campaigns against discrimination and xenophobia where carried out in the departments of Antioquia, Arauca, Bogotá, Boyacá, Cauca, La Guajira, Nariño, Tolima and Valle del Cauca.

Multisector

54,656 people provided with safe emergency accommodation in accordance with the Sphere Standards.

21,244 people reached through humanitarian transport assistance.

Multipurpose CBI

56,431 people received multipurpose cash transfers.
Protection

158,976 people oriented on their rights, regularization processes, documentation, and asylum procedures.

151,342 children benefited from protection and child friendly spaces.

5,193 cases accessed prevention and SGBV assistance.

2,167 organizations or community-based networks strengthened through community protection mechanisms.

1,870 people trained on international protection and access to rights for refugees and migrants.

96 points of service to “caminantes” (people transiting by foot) identified during the development of the tool for mapping the points of service.

WASH

142,747 people received hygiene kits.

58,165 people accessed a safe potable water source in accordance with the Sphere Standards.

SUPPORT SPACES

89 Support Spaces implemented

114 child protection spaces identified

12 departments

59 actors

6 sectors

More information: Toolkit and factsheet
PRESENCE AND TYPE OF ACTIVITIES

**Atlántico**
- 16 partners | 9 implementers

**Bolivar**
- 12 partners | 3 implementers

**Sucre**
- 3 partners

**Antioquia**
- 13 partners | 11 implementers

**Chocó**
- 1 partner | 4 implementers

**Valle del Cauca**
- 9 partners | 4 implementers

**Cauca**
- 3 partners | 3 implementers

**Nariño**
- 11 partners | 15 implementers

**Putumayo**
- 5 partners | 6 implementers

**Magdalena**
- 7 partners | 2 implementers

**La Guajira**
- 20 partners | 16 implementers

**Cesar**
- 8 partners | 4 implementers

**Norte de Santander**
- 20 partners | 30 implementers

**Santander**
- 10 partners | 7 implementers

**Boyacá**
- 5 partners | 3 implementers

**Arauca**
- 13 partners | 13 implementers

**Casanare**
- 3 partners

**Vichada**
- 7 partners | 7 implementers

**Guainía**
- 3 partners | 1 implementer

**Guaviare**
- 1 partner

**Craquetá**
- 1 partners

**Meta**
- 3 partners | 1 implementer

**Córdoba**
- 1 partner | 1 implementer

**Colombia**
- 7 partners

**Quindío**
- 3 partners | 1 implementer

**Risaralda**
- 2 partners | 2 implementers

**Caldas**
- 2 partners | 1 implementer

**Putumayo**
- 5 partners | 6 implementers

**Caquetá**
- 1 partner

**Córdoba**
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**Caquetá**
- 1 partner
Local GIFMM

The GIFMM has ten local GIFMMs in Antioquia, Arauca, Atlántico (covering Magdalena and Bolívar), Bogotá, La Guajira (covering Cesar), Nariño, Norte de Santander (covering Santander), and Valle del Cauca, which objective is to coordinate the response at the local level and ensure coordination with local authorities.

Among the key activities supported by local GIFMMs:

- Interagency workshops organized to strengthen the capacity of GIFMM’s members and local authorities on key issues, such as child protection, SGBV prevention and response, trafficking and smuggling, international protection of refugees, among others.
- The regional Support Spaces initiative implemented with 89 Support Spaces in 12 departments, thus contributing to the creation of articulated structures that provide key standardized services in strategic locations.
- Several joint needs assessments conducted, with an agreed joint methodology and in constant consultation with local authorities, to identify primary needs and risks to inform GIFMMs’ members and authorities response and actions.
- Formal participation of GIFMMs’ representatives in local governments coordination structures established.
- Contingency plans drafted at the interagency level in 5 departments.
Partners

ACTED | Action Against Hunger* | ADRA* | Aid for AIDS | Alliance for Solidarity | American Red Cross | Americas | Ayuda en Acción* | Bethany International | BLUMONT* | Caritas Germany* | Caritas Switzerland* | Colombian Red Cross* | Diakonie | Doctors of the World | DRC* | FAO* | Global Communities | Halú* | HIAS | Humanity & Inclusion* | ICRC | IFRC | ILO | iMMAP | IOM* | IRC* | JRS Colombia | JRS Latin America and the Caribbean* | Lutheran World Federation* | Malteser International* | Mercy Corps* | Norwegian Red Cross | NRC* | OCHA | OCR | OHCHR | OXFAM* | PADF* | Pastoral Social | Plan International* | Première Urgence | Profamilia | RET International | Save the Children* | SOS Children’s Villages | Tearfund | Terre des Hommes-Lausanne* | UN Habitat* | UN Women* | Un Techo Para Mi País | UNDP* | UNEP* | UNFPA* | UNHCR* | UNICEF* | UNODC | War Child* | WFP* | WHO* | World Vision*

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