

VENEZUELAN IN
COLOMBIA^a

1.80M

BENEFICIARIES WHO
RECEIVED ONE OR MORE
TYPES OF ASSISTANCE IN
MAY^b

373,703

FINANCIAL OVERVIEW – MAY^c
FUNDING REQUESTED: 782.3M

7.4%

FUNDING
RECEIVED: 57.6M

784,234

WITH REGULAR
MIGRATION STATUS

1,025,638

WITH IRREGULAR
MIGRATION STATUS

94

ORGANIZACIONES*

29

DEPARTAMENTOS

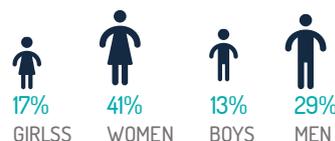
Situation

- During the month **President Iván Duque extended the national Mandatory Preventive Isolation on three times**. On 5 May the isolation was extended until 25 May through decree 636¹; later, on 22 May, through decree 689², until 31 May; and finally, on 28 May, an extension of the measure was issued under decree 749, from 1 June to 1 July³. Air, land and river borders with Brazil, Ecuador, Panamá, Perú and Venezuela remained closed. Restrictions on national and international air transport, inter-municipal transport and prohibition of crowds in public places also continued during May.
- On 26 May, the **Colombian Government participated in the International Donors Conference** in solidarity with Venezuelan Refugees and Migrants. During the closing remarks, President Iván Duque thanked donors for the announced aid and called for more agile disbursements⁴.
- On 15 May, **Brazilian and Colombian authorities agreed on four key measures in response to the critical situation at the Amazon border area**: strengthening the military presence, establishing a communication protocol for daily monitoring, integration of both Ministries of Health to establish joint protocols, and creation of a transitional *ad hoc* group conformed by several ministries and migration authorities to coordinate actions⁵.
- Colombia Migration announced that, as of 31 March, there were 1,809,872 Venezuelans in the country**, 1,025,638 in irregular situation and 784,234 regulars, indicating a 0.9% decrease in the number of Venezuelans living in Colombia⁶. Additionally, as of 28 May, around 68,000 Venezuelans have returned since the closure of the border.

KEY FIGURES^d

4.98M VENEZUELAN WITH BORDER
MOBILITY CARDS (TMF)66,075 VENEZUELAN IN TRANSIT DUE TO
UNFORESEEN CIRCUMSTANCES OR MAJOR
REASONS11,943 VENEZUELAN LEFT THE COUNTRY
THROUGH THE RUMICHACA BORDER CROSSING
IN 2020

DESAGGREGATION OF BENEFICIARIES



Response

- WASH:** >46,300 refugees and migrants received sanitation and hygiene kits and items and >35,800 people received water and sanitation services at both community and institutional level.
- Education:** >1,900 children and adolescent refugees and migrants benefitted from formal and non-formal education in emergencies services and 1,882 school-aged children and adolescents were enrolled in national educational institutions.
- Integration:** >7,600 people reached with activities promoting social cohesion and integration, and >1,600 refugees and migrants were supported to access employment opportunities.
- Multisector:** >16,200 refugees and migrants accessed household items, >7,200 were supported with individual and collective short-term accommodation services and >860 accessed telecommunication services.
- Protection:** >13,800 boys, girls and adolescents received specialized child protection services, >9,900 refugees and migrants received legal assistance, representation or advice and >7,600 accessed to other protection services.
- Health:** >39,500 primary physical, mental and emergency health care consultations took place, >6,400 people participated in health information, education and communication activities and >6,200 people received medical, integral and gynecological prenatal care.
- Food Security and Nutrition:** >200,500 people were reached with food assistance through transfers and in-kind distributions, food rations were delivered to >70,700 refugees and migrants and >13,500 people were supported in productive rapid response projects.
- Multipurpose CBI:** >69,900 people accessed multipurpose cash transfers.

¹ Presidency (2020, 6 May). Decree 636 of 2020: <https://bit.ly/2YcQBJy>² Presidency (2020, 23 May). Government issues decree on extension of Mandatory Preventive Isolation until 31 May. <https://bit.ly/30ovTJC>³ Presidency (2020, 27 May). National Government issues Decree 749, by means of which it orders Mandatory Preventive Isolation as of 1 June. <https://bit.ly/2BNAg6E>⁴ Presidency (2020, 26 May). President thanks donors for aid approved to address Venezuelan migration crisis but calls for speedy disbursement. <https://bit.ly/37hBcMm>⁵ Presidency (2020, 15 May). Colombia and Brazil reach four important agreements to confront the covid-19 pandemic on the Amazon border: <https://bit.ly/3dLVKpb>⁶ Colombia Migration (2020, 28 May). Number of Venezuelans living in Colombia falls for the first time in five years: <https://bit.ly/3h2LIRv>^aInfographic: Venezuelans in Colombia, Colombia Migration, as of 31 March 2020, ^bActivityInfo Report as of May 2020, ^cFTS Report, ^dMigration report of Venezuelans in Colombia, Colombia Migration as of 26 May 2020. *Including direct and implementing partners.



Water, Sanitation & Hygiene (WASH)

126,501
BENEFICIARIES
IN MAY
115,131
BY COVID-19
ACTIVITIES

16
DEPARTMENTS

During the month of May, more than **126,500** beneficiaries received one or more types of assistance in water, sanitation and hygiene from **38** RMRP direct and implementing partners, in **48** municipalities of **16** departments, mainly in border areas, as well as specific interventions in transit departments, such as Cesar, Cundinamarca, Nariño, Santander and Tolima.

The sector focused on the delivery of hygiene and disinfection kits, as a response to prevent the spread of COVID-19, as well as the installation of handwashing points in key places. Moreover, there is a reactivation of some regular programs to assist refugees and migrants, including delivery of elements in communities, to improve access and storage of water for human consumption.

The main actions of the sector included the distribution of kits and sanitation and hygiene items for more than **46,300** refugees and migrants, while considering the diverse needs of, among others, women, girls, boys, adolescents, and pregnant mothers. In addition, more than **35,800** people received water and sanitation services at the community and institutional level.

In addition, more than **31,900** people -including population from the host communities- accessed safe water and basic sanitation facilities and training in their communities. Over **12,300** people benefitted from daily access to water and sanitation services at service delivery points such as health centers, shelters, food distribution points, schools, including more than **3,400** children and adolescents who accessed these services in learning and child development spaces. Furthermore, more than **11,300** people -including the host community- accessed on safe water and basic sanitation in their communities.

ORGANIZATIONS*:

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Through its Mobile First Response Health Unit, ADRA benefits refugees and migrants in Bucaramanga, Santander, with services and guidance on handwashing. / ADRA



Education

3,428
BENEFICIARIES
IN MAY
2,063
BY COVID-19
ACTIVITIES

11
DEPARTMENTS

In May, over **3,400** beneficiaries received one or more services through **14** RMRP direct and implementing partners, in **16** municipalities of **11** departments, in border and transit areas, as well as areas where refugees and migrants have an intention to stay. The operation continued to be adapted in accordance with the guidelines issued by the Ministry of Education, particularly Ministerial Directive No. 11, which provides general guidelines for initiating the process of planning a gradual and

progressive return to educational institutions, on an alternating basis and in coordination with the Secretariats of Education. In this sense, the activities for the continuity of learning at home advanced and, in the other hand, assistance to the Ministry of Education and the Secretariats of Education began, in order to develop mapping activities and to advance in the design and implementation of protocols for the return to presential classes: in May, the Education sector / Education in Emergencies Cluster supported the Secretariats of Education at the local level, to develop the mapping of educational needs in Norte de Santander and Nariño.

During the month, more than **1,900** children and adolescent refugees, migrants, returnees and members of the host communities accessed non-formal and formal education in emergencies services. In addition, **1,882** school-age children from Venezuela received school kits and were enrolled in national educational institutions, where they were supported to continue their academic process, including the delivery of school kits.

ORGANIZATIONS*:

Caritas Switzerland (FAMIG) | CISP | IOM | IRC | IsraAID | NRC | NRC/Save the Children | Save the Children | SOS Children's Villages UNHCR | UNHCR (Bethany - SOS Children's Villages) UNICEF (PROINCO) | World Vision

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Integration

10,297
BENEFICIARIES
IN MAY
6,699
BY COVID-19
ACTIVITIES

12
DEPARTMENTS



Integration activity through the construction of a "chinchorro" (hammock) in the municipality of Arauca where refugees, migrants and members of the host community participated, in compliance with all biosecurity measures. / Corporación Minuto de Dios and ACDI-VOCA

In May, more than **10,200** beneficiaries received one or more types of assistance through **18** RMRP direct and implementing partners, in **17** municipalities of **12** departments, in border and transit areas, as well as areas where refugees and migrants have an intention to stay. During the month, surveys were carried out to monitor the situation and the impact on productive units, both in La Guajira, within the framework of the Socioeconomic Integration taskforce, and in Norte de Santander, as inputs to prepare proposals for fundraising. Another priority of the sector was the articulation of the actions of partners with the design of the Development Plan, particularly in Norte de Santander.

More than **7,600** people were reached with activities that promote social cohesion, including community integration days with the host population. Over **1,600** refugees and migrants received assistance in the form of self-employment or entrepreneurship initiatives, including capacity building activities and distribution of productive assets, among other actions. Additionally, more than **920** people were supported to access employment opportunities.

ORGANIZATIONS*:

Capellanía Ofica | Corporación Minuto de Dios/ACDI-VOCA | Cuso International | Corporación Minuto de Dios | FAO | GIZ (COSPAS - JRS Col) | ILO | IOM | PADF | Pastoral Social | UNDP | UNHCR | UNHCR (COSPAS - Corporación Ayuda Humanitaria - Opción Legal) | World Vision | World Vision/Alcaldía de Medellín

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Multisector

5,350

BENEFICIARIES
SHELTER
IN MAY

4,392

BY COVID-19 ACTIVITIES

15,432

BENEFICIARIES
NON-FOOD ITEMS
IN MAY

8,385

BY COVID-19 ACTIVITIES

216

BENEFICIARIES
TELECOMMUNICATIONS IN
MAY

209

BY COVID-19
ACTIVITIES

17

DEPARTMENTS



Delivery of mattresses and pillows to families in the El Escobal sector, in Norte de Santander. / Capellanía Oficia

In May, more than **21,000** beneficiaries received one or more types of support through **20** RMRP direct and implementing partners, in **34** municipalities of **17** departments, in border and transit areas, as well as areas where refugees and migrants have an intention to stay. The Multisector subgroup has focused its response to accompany and monitor the occupation, expansion and diversification of temporary and transitional shelters. During the month, the distribution of household items continued in a small scale, according to the COVID-19 preventive measures. Humanitarian transport remained suspended. The subgroup led, together with the Protection sector, the construction of tools for monitoring and responding to situations of forced evictions.

More than **16,200** people accessed household items, such as kitchen kits and household items. In addition, more than **7,200** accessed collective and individual accommodation and over **860** refugees and migrants accessed telecommunications services. Finally, **18** refugees and migrants received assistance for emergency humanitarian transport, and this assistance was delivered through cash transfers to support mobility for specialized medical examinations.

ORGANIZATIONS*:

Bethany | Capellanía Oficia/IOM | CISP | CISP/INTERSOS | Caritas Germany (Pastoral Social) | Colombian National Red Cross Society | HIAS | IOM | IRC | NRC | OXFAM/Fundación Mujer y Futuro | Pastoral Social | Samaritan's Purse | SOS Children's Villages | UNHCR | UNHCR (Colombian National Red Cross Society - CORPRODINCO - Corporación Scalabrini - DRC - Opción Legal - Pastoral Social)

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Feature story: Adda Williana and the syllable "wi"

Adda Williana is 3 years old and, like her four brothers, her name begins with the syllable "wi" in honor of her father, William. Adda and her family arrived in the city of Arauca in August 2019 from Aragua state in Venezuela, which is more than 16 hours away from the capital of the department of Arauca.

When they arrived in Colombia, their father started working selling lemons and recycling, to get resources and pay for the place where they lived. As he walked around Arauca every day, William came across a to a friendly space from UNICEF, a place that provides protection for refugee and migrant children and adolescents, where they receive psychosocial support through games and activities.



Adda loves to learn and play. / UNICEF

That's how his wife and children began attending this friendly space every day since September 2019, while William was out working. There, they played, learned and laughed as they shared in community. At noon, they would walk to the World Food Programme (WFP) canteen for lunch and, in the afternoon, they would return to the friendly space to continue sharing with their friends.

The first day Adda arrived at the friendly space, she was afraid and wouldn't let go of her mother's hand. There were many children, including some she had seen in the community canteen. Adda looked at the colors, the teachers and the games while, little by little, she got involved in that place where they were received with love and smiles.

Adda and her brothers had never been to a place like this before, and they liked it very much because they had fun playing, although they missed going back to school to learn. Thanks to the help of their teachers, her older siblings resumed their studies at the school in Santafé, which they attended every day before the presential classes were suspended due to the COVID-19.

Adda's favorite activity is having her dad read her stories, although she likes it better the way her teacher Merly used to, so her dad had to learn to change voices every time a new character appeared in the stories. For Adda, William is the most representative figure: he takes care of her, teaches her and gives her love. He makes her drawings on sheets of paper for her to color, improving her motor skills and exploring her creativity and imagination.

As part of the COVID-19 emergency, the friendly space team communicates with Adda, her brothers and her parents through calls or WhatsApp to share activities and homework. At the beginning of the quarantine, it was difficult for Adda to understand why the friendly space was closed and why they could not get out, but thanks to the support provided by the teachers, she now knows what COVID-19 is and how to properly wash her hands to prevent it. Additionally, she participates in all the games and her parents share videos of her dancing, painting and singing her name with the syllable "wi".

UNICEF is working with communities, institutions and partners to prevent the transmission of COVID-19. Moreover, the 114 Child Protection Spaces that the GIFMM partners have at the national level have adapted their response to the pandemic, according to the biosecurity measures stipulated by national authorities and in coordination with the Colombian Institute of Family Welfare (ICBF), so that children, adolescents and their families continue to have access to the adapted services provided by these spaces.



Protection

33,396
BENEFICIARIES
IN MAY
13,647
BY COVID-19
ACTIVITIES

26
DEPARTMENTS



In Cúcuta, Norte de Santander, IRC implements the "Strategy for the prevention of violence in the home", where refugee and migrant families participate in activities to discharge emotions and on how to avoid domestic violence. / IRC

In May, more than **33,300** beneficiaries received one or more types of protection assistance through **50** RMRP direct and implementing partners, in **76** municipalities of **26** departments, in border and transit areas, as well as areas where refugees and migrants have an intention to stay.

The protection sector continues to identify and activate referral pathways and to offer protection services through responses adapted to preventive isolation measures: hotlines, virtual media, social networks and the gradual opening of some services offered by the Support Spaces in border areas, in line with PAHO/WHO guidelines.

In coordination with the Shelter sector of the Multisector Subgroup, a toolkit for eviction situations was developed, with the aim of having elements to monitor, prevent and respond to

cases that arise. Along with the Regional Protection sector, progress was made in preparing key messages for populations who have the intention to return to Venezuela. Similarly, a tool for identifying cases of xenophobia is also being developed, and material is being prepared to respond to the needs of LGBT+ refugees and migrants. Gender-based violence, xenophobia, child protection and the increase in returns exacerbated by COVID-19 continued to be a priority for the sector.

Over **13,800** girls and boys received specialized child protection services, to prevent and respond to violations of rights during their migration process, including access to care and shelter spaces for unaccompanied children and/or adolescents often living on the street, in close coordination with the Colombian Institute of Family Welfare. Also, more than **9,900** refugees and migrants received legal assistance, representation or advice, including **83** children.

More than **6,400** people, including refugees, migrants and host communities received services in various Support Spaces, and over **7,600** people accessed protection services such as support and guidance on how to access rights and assistance.

In addition, more than **1,200** people were trained in the prevention of and response to GBV in the context of mixed migratory flows, and over **540** refugees and migrants received information services related to the prevention of and response to GBV, through community strengthening initiatives and guidance on protection routes. Finally, **53** persons at risk of trafficking participated in prevention activities related to the creation and dissemination of risk indicators, identification of warning signs, as well as assistance and reporting route, and **12** persons received assistance services to address trafficking situations.

ORGANIZACIONES*:

ACDI-VOCA | Action Against Hunger | Bethany | Capellanía Ofica | Caritas Germany (Pastoral Social) | Caritas Switzerland (Pastoral Social) | CESVI | CISP | CISP/INTERSOS | Colombian National Red Cross Society | Compassion | Corporación Minuto de Dios/ACDI-VOCA | Cuso International | DRC | Diakonie (CID - Fundación Tierra de Paz) | Fundación Mi Sangre | GIZ/Corporación Scalabrini | HIAS | IOM | IRC | IsraAID | NRC | NRC/Action Against Hunger | OXFAM/Fundación Mujer y Futuro | PADF | Samaritan's Purse | SOS Children's Villages | TdH Italy | UN Women | UNFPA | UNHCR | UNHCR (APOYAR - Bethany - COALICO - Colombian National Red Cross Society - CORPRODINCO - COSPAS - Corporación Ayuda Humanitaria - Corporación Scalabrini - DRC - Defensoría - FAMIG - HIAS - Opción Legal - Pastoral Social - SOS Children's Villages) / CID | UNICEF (Ayuda en Acción - Significarte - Colombian National Red Cross Society - Universidad Santo Tomas) | World Vision | World Vision (IRC - Mercy Corps) / Alcaldía de Medellín

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Health

60,491

BENEFICIARIES
IN MAY

45,586

BY COVID-19
ACTIVITIES

24

DEPARTMENTS



The "Breastfeeding Corner" space of the Sexual and Reproductive Health Unit provides health care for Venezuelan and Colombian pregnant and lactating women in Maicao, La Guajira. / Save the Children

In May, more than **60,400** beneficiaries received one or more types of health assistance through **36** RMRP direct and implementing partners, in **51** municipalities of **24** departments, in border and transit areas, as well as areas where refugees and migrants have an intention to stay. During the month, partners' work focused on the adequation of health services to sustain the humanitarian response through scheduled appointment strategies, home care and telephone assistance.

The sector's priorities in May included to promote access to personal protection and respiratory hygiene elements for the refugee and migrant population in transit and with a vocation to return; to facilitate access to information and education activities for risk prevention; the implementation of physical distancing measures, and finally to strengthen surveillance and diagnostic actions. Similarly, support was provided for the isolation of the refugee and migrant population without a support network in the country, and access was provided to priority health

services, including care for chronic diseases, communicable and non-communicable diseases.

More than **37,500** primary physical and mental health care consultations, and more than **1,900** emergency care consultations were carried out for refugees and migrants, including deliveries and neonatal care. Similarly, more than **6,400** people participated in health information, education and communication activities, and regarding sexual and reproductive health, more than **6,200** people received prenatal gynecological, comprehensive and medical care. Finally, more than **4,900** people received mental health care or psychosocial support, more than **3,000** refugee and migrant children under 5 years of age with acute malnutrition were assisted, and **337** people were vaccinated according to the national schedule.

ORGANIZATIONS*:

Action Against Hunger | ADRA | Aid for AIDS | AIDS Healthcare | Americares | Capellanía Ofica | Capellanía Ofica/IRC/Profamilia) | Caritas Switzerland (Pastoral Social) | CISP | Colombian National Red Cross Society | Compassion | Cuso International | GIZ | HIAS | Humanity & Inclusion | IOM | IRC | Malteser International | Médicins du Monde | MedGlobal | MedGlobal (CORPRODINCO - Hospital Erazmo Meoz) | PADF | Profamilia | Samaritan's Purse | Save the Children | UNFPA | UNHCR | UNHCR (CORPRODINCO - Corporación Ayuda Humanitaria - DRC - Humanity & Inclusion - Malteser International - Opción Legal - Pastoral Social - Profamilia) | UNICEF (E.S.E. Jaime Alvarado y Castilla - E.S.E. Jorge Cristo Sahium - E.S.E. Nuestra Señora del Perpetuo Socorro - MIREC IPS)

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Food Security & Nutrition

353,492*

BENEFICIARIES
IN MAY

120,020

BY COVID-19
ACTIVITIES

18

DEPARTMENTS

In May, more than **353,400** beneficiaries received one or more types of food and nutrition assistance through **56** RMRP direct and implementing partners, in **56** municipalities of **18** departments, in border and transit areas, as well as areas where refugees and migrants have an intention to stay. As the operation continues to be adapt according to the diverse response modalities, the increasing demand for assistance is being managed and prioritized according to the GIFMM partners' operational capacity, in order to respond to the demands for food assistance, prevention of nutritional deficiencies and support to communities for the recovery of their livelihoods.

More than **200,500** people were reached with food assistance, both via transfers, reaching more than **162,800** people (>**95,000** via electronic vouchers, >**11,100** via paper vouchers, >**41,000** with other mechanisms and >**15,600** in cash), as well as in kind, reaching more than **37,700** refugees and migrants. More than **34,900** children and adolescents received school feeding through modified delivery modalities, such as food baskets for home cooking. In addition, food rations were delivered to more than **70,700** people, hot meals served in community kitchens were provided to more than **24,300** people, and over than **860** people transiting by foot ("caminantes") received food kits.

Additionally, activities related to the promotion of food self-sufficiency were carried out, including more than **13,500** people who received agricultural tools, seeds and cultivation materials, including fertilizers and veterinary supplies, as well as over **4,600** people who received inputs to increase self-sufficiency, in order to help people grow their own food on small agricultural plots, thus reducing their dependence on assistance. Similarly, over **1,800** caregivers received counselling on child nutrition, and more than **1,700** children and adolescents, as well as more than **650** particularly vulnerable pregnant and lactating women, received specific nutrition interventions.

*This figure includes activities that, by nature, reflect multiple types of assistance to the same beneficiary. The food security and nutrition sector, with the support of the GIFMM, is continuously monitoring these calculations to avoid duplication. Therefore, the figures are subject to change.

ORGANIZATIONS**:

ACDI-VOCA | Action Against Hunger | Bethany | Capellanía Ofica/Action Against Hunger/IRC/UNHCR/World Central Kitchen | CISP | Caritas Germany (Pastoral Social) | Colombian National Red Cross Society | Compassion | Consortium PUI and SI | Cuso International (Mercy Corps) | Diakonie (CID) | FAO | FAO/OXFAM | Corporación Minuto de Dios | GIZ (CONSORNOC - Corporación Scalabrini - JRS Col) / Alcaldía de Puerto Santander | IOM | Malteser International (ABIUDEA) | MedGlobal (Action Against Hunger) | Mercy Corps (World Vision) | NRC | OXFAM/Fundación Mujer y Futuro | Pastoral Social |

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Multipurpose CBI

69,993

BENEFICIARIES
IN MAY

37,785

BY COVID-19
ACTIVITIES

14

DEPARTMENTS

During the month of May, more than **69,900** beneficiaries received one or more types of support through **18** RMRP direct and implementing partners, in **45** municipalities of **14** departments. The beneficiaries were supported through multipurpose cash transfers, mainly through prepaid cards or direct cash over the counter, but also through electronic transfers. Due to COVID-19, the response to identify potential beneficiaries was focused on people allegedly at risk of protection and/or eviction, as well as on the process of targeting by telephone.

ORGANIZATIONS*:

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Local Coordination

Local GIFMMs, the field level representation of the national platform, are spaces for strategic coordination of the operational response at the local level, working in close collaboration with the local authorities' coordination mechanisms.

- In **Antioquia**, the local GIFMM was in close coordination with the Mayor's Office, providing support in the delivery of more than 8,000 food packages in the 12 municipalities of Medellín. The response also included the implementation of temporary shelters with biosecurity measures and health days carried out in these shelters, as well as the delivery of multipurpose cash transfers to 2,900 families in Medellín and Apartadó to cover for food, rent and basic needs of the refugee and migrant population in these municipalities.
- In **Arauca**, support was provided for the installation of 879 handwashing facilities in settlements in the municipality of Arauca, and also on the border crossing at José Antonio Páez International Bridge. Similarly, during the month, the local GIFMM was in coordination with the authorities for the delivery of food, hygiene, cleaning and sleeping kits, cleaning and food supplies, and deliveries of seed capital and assistance to entrepreneurship activities, as well as support with cash transfers for rent payment. In coordination with the Ministry of Education, support was provided to children and adolescents in virtual classes and to teachers through dynamic learning strategies to guarantee that students keep enrolled and assisting to their classes.
- The local GIFMM in **Bogotá** was in articulation with the Mayor's Office to provide shelter to refugees and migrants in temporary shelters such as La Maloka, Volver, Normandy, and Ocobos. The assistance also continued in cash transfers and

water and sanitation. Also, progress was made with the delivery of hygiene kits in the municipality of Soacha, and a virtual meeting was held between the GIFMM and the Venezuelan population organizations present in Bogotá, Soacha, Chía, Tocancipá and Tunja, and finally 400 food supplies were delivered to the different organizations, in support of the health emergency in Bogotá.

- In **Cesar**, the local GIFMM continued guiding the population on issues of access to health, water and sanitation, shelter, and cash transfers for shelter and payment of rent, through the hotlines provided. In coordination with the national Government, more than 5,000 food supplies were delivered and, jointly with the Colombian Family Welfare Institute, sleeping, household, cooking and cleaning kits were provided to some Child Development Centers.
- In order to promote articulation and dialogue on the response to refugees and migrants, the local GIFMM on the **Caribbean Coast** held a meeting with Venezuelan population organizations in the departments of Atlántico, Bolívar, and Magdalena. Also, hygiene kits, money transfers, and legal advice were provided to the population in Puerto Colombia (**Atlántico**); six tents were delivered to Cartagena (**Bolívar**) for triage care of respiratory symptoms; and in Santa Marta (**Magdalena**), coordination was carried out with local authorities to address the risk of eviction and define the response in shelter for people living on the streets.
- In **La Guajira**, temporary shelters and the hotel network remained active to guarantee preventive isolation with protection, health, food and education measures, among others, in Riohacha and Maicao. The local GIFMM continued to provide support in the form of cash transfers, food vouchers, cash, and e-vouchers, and also worked with local authorities to provide food supplies for vulnerable populations in Maicao, Fonseca, Uribia, Manaure, San Juan and Barrancas. Additionally, health support and technical assistance were provided to the Ministry of Health, hospitals and local authorities; 27 Refugee Housing Units (RHU) were set up in two hospitals; 11 tents were delivered in Maicao, Riohacha, Uribia, and San Juan, and medical supplies and equipment were provided to the hospitals in Maicao, Riohacha, and San Juan.
- In **Nariño**, the local GIFMM and the Mayor's Office of Ipiales worked closely to install portable hand washing facilities and other infrastructure. Also, hygiene kits were delivered to strengthen the WASH response, and the parking area at the transport terminal was set up to increase accommodation capacity. Members of the GIFMM supported with hygiene kits, kitchen kits, and food assistance, as well as health screening in coordination with the Municipal Health Secretariat, the adaptation of the site with sanitary batteries, sinks and the installation of tents. An RHU was installed as a point to deliver hot food rations, and the local GIFMM brought continued support in 8 temporary shelters and 7 hotels.
- In **Norte de Santander**, the second day of food deliveries was held in the La Parada sector in the municipality of Villa del Rosario, in coordination with local authorities and the Border Management. Also, handwashing facilities were installed in the Villa del Rosario municipal market. Assistance was also given in food deliveries, first aid, access to sanitary batteries, hydration points, and screening for the population on the border crossing at Simon Bolivar International Bridge. The Centre for Transitional Assistance to Migrants (CATM) was opened as an isolation area for the refugee and migrant population referred by other partners or possible cases for isolation.
- In **Santander**, routes were carried out on the roads taken by people transiting by foot between Bucaramanga and the village of El Picacho (municipality of Tona), to identify cases of malnutrition and cases of health vulnerability for first aid. Characterization of the population in the Water Park was conducted to identify their needs and possible response in shelter. Finally, assistance continued in the areas of health, general medicine, food assistance, and cash transfers, and in coordination with the Mayor's Office of Bucaramanga, nutrition and health care were provided to refugees and migrants accommodated in six hotels and shelters in the city center.
- In **Cali**, priority primary health care, psychosocial care, COVID-19 awareness and prevention activities were carried out, and hygiene kits, face masks, medical supplies, and medicines were delivered from the Mobile Unit (State Social Enterprise) and to other health institutions. Moreover, potential beneficiaries of cash transfers and food vouchers were identified in the municipalities of Palmira and Jamundí, and the identification of potential beneficiaries of food vouchers continued in other municipalities of the department. Finally, the dialogue continued with organizations of the Venezuelan population to identify the needs in the communities and monitor people in transit and at risk of eviction went on.



Information Management

In May a total of **22** information products were elaborated at both national and local level, focused on documenting the response to COVID-19 and the coordinated adaptation of the operation due to the pandemic:

- **4** COVID-19 Flash Updates produced by the National GIFMM team ([5 May](#), [12 May](#), [19 May](#), [26 May](#)).
- **1** [coordination and response](#) general report from local GIFMMs, and **10** reports produced by local GIFMMs in: **Arauca** ([29 April](#)), **Bogotá** ([5 May](#)), **Cesar** ([28 May](#)), **La Guajira** ([7 May](#), [21 May](#)), **Nariño** ([4 May](#)), **Norte de Santander** ([April](#), [Villa del Rosario: March-April](#)), **Santander** ([30 April](#)), **Valle del Cauca** ([22 May](#)).
- **1** [national directory](#) (22 May) with a consolidation of all hotlines and other available services during COVID-19 contingency.
- **6** flyers with the consolidation of hotlines and other available services during COVID-19 at departmental level in: [Arauca](#), [Cesar](#), [La Guajira](#), [Antioquia](#), and [Valle del Cauca](#).



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