



REFUGEES AND MIGRANTS IN COUNTRY\*  
**22,000**



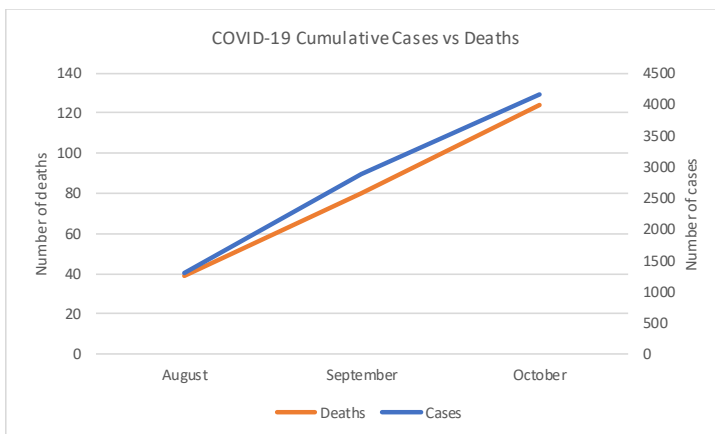
PEOPLE REACHED WITH SOME FORM OF ASSISTANCE\*\*  
**2291**




FUNDING SITUATION\*\*\*  
**FUNDED: \$8.03 MILLION**  
**REQUIREMENT: \$13 MILLION**

## Situation

- Guyana announced the re-opening [international air traffic](#) which had been closed in the country since March. Borders remain closed.
- By the end of October, there was an increase in COVID-19 confirmed cases to 416 while the death toll stood at 124.
- Guyana's Deputy Chief Elections Officer was arrested by police as they continue their [investigation into the disputed March 2 regional and general elections](#).
- Shelter remained a main need among Venezuelans as many remained unable to pay rent and were on threatened by the possibility of eviction.
- Grave job loss and inability to meet basic needs increased protection risks, the need for direct assistance and for Cash Based Interventions was raised as a major concern by Venezuelans.
- Brick and mortar education spaces remained closed, however classes continued via internet, radio and television, with teachers being trained to facilitate online teaching. Both host community and Venezuelan children are affected as refugees and migrants have access to public education systems in Guyana.
- The Government implemented "[operation covi-curb](#)", a joint effort by the Guyana Police and Defence Force to distribute masks and educate the public on the COVID-19 guidelines, promoting and enforcing adherence to safety protocols aimed at stemming the spread of the disease. A hotline has also been set up for persons to report breaches of the COVID-19 emergency measures.
- Guyana also signed up with the Global Vaccine Alliance (GAVI) to get COVID-19 vaccines. Venezuelans and host community will have access to these vaccines once they become available.
- Partners continue seeing the need to promote social cohesion between Venezuelan and host communities.



Source : <https://www.worldometers.info/coronavirus/country/guyana/>

 PEOPLE REACHED	 Education <b>72</b>	 Food Security <b>260</b>	 Health <b>6</b>	 NFI <b>176</b>	 Protection <b>586</b>	 Shelter <b>100</b>	 WASH <b>2291</b>
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## Response

- During October, approximately 100 refugees and migrants from Venezuela were supported with **emergency short-term shelter** solutions including collective/individual shelter in an effort to prevent homelessness among the most vulnerable. One hundred and seventy-six people were reached with **NFIs**, especially hygiene kits that included face masks, and kitchen items in Region 9. One partner provided **food assistance**, including food items and vouchers to approximately 260 individuals through the provision of food hampers, while another partner did food distributions in Regions 4 and 9 where 171 and 35 beneficiaries, respectively, benefitted from food assistance.
- General **protection services** reached 586 people where 553 Venezuelans were sensitized on access to services and other protection needs. Additionally, one partner center provided specialised support to 310 Venezuelan adults and host community members, related to

\* Estimated population at end of 2019 | \*\* From 01/10/2020, total calculated from sectoral maximum | \*\*\* Source: FTS website (fts.unocha.org). Contributions and commitments as of 11 Nov.; estimated from multi-country contributions.

prevention and response to violence, where law enforcement, protection, prosecution, mental health, medical, and victim advocacy teams work together to conduct interviews and make decisions about investigation, treatment, management and prosecution of cases. Further, 120 persons were accompanied to government service providers and assisted with interpretation and guidance in order to access services while 37 Venezuelan households received **case management services** which included assessment of needs, provision of information and guidance to access services and referral to external and internal services such as counselling and material assistance.

- Venezuelan refugees and migrants, particularly survivors and/or persons at risk of GBV, continued to benefit from **psychosocial support and psychological first aid** provided by a partner’s psychologist.
- Ninety-one individuals received **language classes** on adult literacy and conversational English Language classes while the provision of **special educational** support to school-aged migrant and refugee children from Venezuela enrolled in schools reached 29 beneficiaries in grades 6 and 10.
- Partners ensured the availability of safe drinking water and household sanitation services meeting the needs of Venezuelans and host community members by providing










Venezuelan refugees and migrants receive psychosocial support from R4V partners in Guyana

WASH services at community and institutional levels, reaching 2,291 beneficiaries from the refugee and migrant and host community. A water tanker boat has now been commissioned by [Guyana Water Inc \(GWI\)](#) through R4V partners to support the delivery of safe drinking water to host communities and refugees and migrants along the river from Kumaka, Region 1.

- To promote social cohesion, mental health and psychosocial well-being amongst migrants and host community members, partners have been working with the Symphonic Orchestra of Jesus (SOJE), a local orchestra school established by a Venezuelan-Guyanese professional musician, for youngsters.

## Partners by Sector\*

 EDUCATION	 FOOD SECURITY	 HEALTH	 PROTECTION	 NFI	 SHELTER	 WASH
UNHCR, PADF	IOM, UNHCR	IOM	Blossoms Inc, HIAS, UNHCR, UNICEF	IOM, UNHCR	IOM, UNHCR	Guyana Water Inc, UNICEF

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\* Based on activities reported in the current month | \*\* Source: FTS website (fts.unocha.org)