



POP. PROJECTION 2021

30.8 K



PEOPLE IN NEED

29.7 K



PEOPLE TARGETED

18.6 K



TOTAL REQUIREMENTS

\$15.7 M



RMRP PARTNERS

8

|                       |        |        |        |
|-----------------------|--------|--------|--------|
| VENEZ. IN DESTINATION | 30.8 K | 25.8 K | 16.4 K |
| HOST COMMUNITY        | -      | 3.9 K  | 2.2 K  |

## SITUATION

Since the start of the humanitarian crisis, thousands of Venezuelans have fled to neighbouring Trinidad and Tobago owing to the political, socio-economic, and human rights situation in Venezuela. In June 2019, the Government implemented visa requirements for Venezuelans, yet irregular entries via the porous maritime borders have continued regardless of border restrictions with Venezuelans arriving irregularly via boat, exposing themselves to protection risks including trafficking, smuggling, exploitation, detention and deportation. Estimates are that 24,000 Venezuelan refugees and migrants will be present in the country at the end of 2020, increasing to approximately 30,000 by December 2021.

In 2019, government-led registration exercises granted Venezuelans stay permits, allowing them to work for 6 months to 1 year. Stay permits were extended to December 2020 since borders remained closed throughout the year. Despite this, Venezuelans face obstacles to integration, including language

barriers and the lack of recognition of professional certificates from Venezuela. Access to specialized health care is limited, and Venezuelan children encounter administrative and linguistic barriers to the local education system. Labour and sexual exploitation, stigma and xenophobia remain challenges.

The pandemic considerably increased Venezuelans' vulnerability and impacted the country's economy, disrupting businesses and impacting access to livelihood opportunities, prompting evictions and preventing them from securing basic necessities. Venezuelans do not benefit from government social programs that provide income, food and rent support to nationals. Consequently, partners have reported increased requests for food and cash assistance amongst the Venezuelan community. Issues of domestic violence, child abuse and resorting to negative coping mechanisms were also noted, underscoring a need for psychological assistance for refugees and migrants to cope with the stress of this crisis.

## RESPONSE PRIORITIES

Advocate with authorities to continue the registration process, extend stay permits, and provide documentation while providing information and guidance on asylum processes, regularization, and documentation.

Improve capacity to provide and ensure legal remedies to refugees and migrants including counselling on access to justice and asylum procedures.

Advocate for the inclusion of refugees and migrants in the national protection system and social assistance programs.

Strengthen protection systems and capacity to identify and respond to vulnerable individuals, persons with specific needs and children in need of protection, such as unaccompanied minors, victims of trafficking, survivors of GBV and those not registered with the government.

Enhance social cohesion and local integration opportunities by promoting sensitivity awareness campaigns to combat xenophobia and discrimination

TRINIDAD  
AND  
TOBAGO

### Country Facts

Population: 1.3 M

Capital: Port of Spain

Official language: English

Trinidad and Tobago is a dual-island nation in the Southern Caribbean. At its closest point, it lies only 11 km from Venezuela.

and support access to formal employment opportunities and the development of remote bilingual programs.

Provide and improve safe and dignified access to essential goods and critical services such as food and non-food items, temporary accommodation and emergency shelter, specialized healthcare and education, in synergy with sustainable development assistance.

Promote engagement in web-based education programs for refugee and migrant children and youth with full online delivery.

Strengthen communication with migrant and refugee communities through remote public information campaigns to promote awareness and public safety regarding COVID-19.



## Appealing Partners

Humans Analytic, IOM, PAHO/WHO, UNICEF, UN Women, UNHCR, UNFPA, UN Habitat

### POPULATION IN NEED AND TARGET, FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS AND NUMBER OF PARTNERS BY SECTOR

|                                          | People in need | People targeted | Financial Requirements (USD) | Partners |
|------------------------------------------|----------------|-----------------|------------------------------|----------|
| <b>Education</b>                         | 6.4 K          | 4.9 K           | \$543 K                      | 3        |
| <b>Food Security</b>                     | 19.4 K         | 13.3 K          | \$864 K                      | 4        |
| <b>Health</b>                            | 19.4 K         | 4 K             | \$893 K                      | 4        |
| <b>Integration</b>                       | 1.2 K          | 1 K             | \$1.13 M                     | 5        |
| <b>Nutrition</b>                         | -              | -               | \$25 K                       | 1        |
| <b>Protection*</b>                       | 26.5 K         | 11.8 K          | \$5.64 M                     | 3        |
| <b>Child Protection</b>                  | 6.4 K          | 1 K             | \$157 K                      | 2        |
| <b>GBV</b>                               | 6.1 K          | -               | \$1.64 M                     | 6        |
| <b>Human Trafficking &amp; Smuggling</b> | 10.6 K         | 500             | \$1.35 M                     | 2        |
| <b>Shelter</b>                           | 6.3 K          | 2.2 K           | \$1.23 M                     | 1        |
| <b>WASH</b>                              | -              | -               | \$15 K                       | 1        |
| <b>Multipurpose Cash Assistance</b>      |                |                 | \$1.4 M                      | 2        |
| <b>Common services**</b>                 |                |                 | \$829 K                      | 5        |

\*This includes Support Spaces | \*\* This includes AAP, Communication, Coordination, CwC/C4D, Fundraising, Information Management, PSEA and Reporting.