

CURAÇAO



POP. PROJECTION 2021

22 K

PEOPLE IN NEED

24 K

PEOPLE TARGETED

4.4 K

TOTAL REQUIREMENTS

\$4.18 M

RMRP PARTNERS

10

VENEZ. IN DESTINATION	22 K	16 K	4 K
HOST COMMUNITY	-	8 K	438

SITUATION

Curaçao is one of the countries most impacted by displacement globally proportional to the local population, with 1 out of 10 people on the island estimated to be Venezuelan. Estimates are that 17,000 Venezuelan refugees and migrants will be present in Curaçao at the end of 2020, increasing to 22,000 by December 2021.

While most arrived in Curaçao through a formal visa or initial permit, many overstayed a visa or permit, and are consequently irregular in the country. Some arrive by boat through irregular migratory pathways, exposing themselves to dangerous sea journeys and serious protection risks. Many struggle to regularize their stay and risk abuse, sexual and other forms of exploitation and detention.

Ignorance of legislation and legal procedures often prevent Venezuelans from seeking protection. Lack of documentation and legal status hinder Venezuelans' access to basic services such as healthcare and prevent them from accessing formal employment and livelihood opportunities. They are excluded

from public social programmes except for COVID-19-specific food assistance. Other obstacles to education and other services include language barriers, xenophobia, lack of information, and associated costs, including for private insurance and transportation.

Curaçao has been heavily economically impacted by COVID-19, due to its economic reliance on tourism and the collapse of the oil refinery industry. Preventative pandemic measures continue affecting Venezuelans who rely on tourism for income and are vastly undocumented and thus excluded from government social support mechanisms. Venezuelans have become increasingly vulnerable, and basic needs such as food, NFIs, medicines and shelter are in higher demand, escalating protection risks. Long-lasting economic impacts on Venezuelan refugees and migrants are anticipated. Considering Curaçao's small size and limited absorption capacity, increased focus is placed on integration, prioritizing peaceful co-existence and self-reliance through social cohesion campaigns and livelihood opportunities for Venezuelans.

RESPONSE PRIORITIES

Provide information and guidance on asylum processes, regularization and documentation to refugees and migrants.

Strengthen advocacy with authorities for alternatives to detention and to facilitate registration and documentation of Venezuelans.

Provide legal assistance and counselling on access to justice and asylum procedures.

Prevent, mitigate and respond to protection risks of refugees and migrants from Venezuela, prioritizing

Country Facts

Population: 163 K

CURAÇAO

Capital: Willemstad

Official languages: Papiamentu, Dutch, English

Curaçao is an island in the Southern Caribbean, about 90 miles north of Venezuela. Since 2010, it is an autonomous country within the Kingdom of Netherlands.

VENEZUELA

those with specific needs. Strengthen community-based protection mechanisms for GBV.

Provide and improve safe and dignified access to essential goods and critical services, including emergency shelter facilities, education, health care, food assistance and non-food items in synergy with sustainable development assistance. This includes enhancing the provision of essential services to respond to the COVID-19 emergency

Support and facilitate increased resilience and integration opportunities and access of Venezuelans to livelihood opportunities and formal employment.

Enhance social cohesion through the organization of peaceful coexistence campaigns.

Strengthen the capacity of key actors to combat trafficking in persons, smuggling, and exploitation of refugees and migrants, providing comprehensive assistance to persons with specific needs.

Appealing Partners



Adventist Development and Relief Agency (ADRA), Famia Plania, Human Rights Defence Curaçao, IOM, Salú pa Tur Foundation, Stichting Slachtofferhulp Curaçao, Stima Foundation, UNHCR, VenEuropa, Venex Curacao Foundation

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

		People in need	People targeted	Financial Requirements (USD)	Partners
	Education	25 K	200	\$146 K	3
	Food Security	126 K	150	\$54 K	1
	Health	5 K	4 K	\$1.65 M	4
	Integration	24 K	1.2 K	\$347 K	6
	Protection*	16 K	1.2 K	\$828 K	3
	GBV	8.56 K	-	\$487 K	4
	Human Trafficking & Smuggling	29	21	\$170 K	2
	Shelter	11.4 K	300	\$167 K	2
	WASH	-	-	\$14.5 K	1
	Multipurpose Cash Assistance			\$195 K	2
	Common services**			\$122 K	4

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