



459 K REFUGEES & MIGRANTS
IN BRAZIL
384,418 RESIDENCE PERMITS
70,145 ASYLUM-SEEKERS
53,307 REFUGEES



PEOPLE REACHED IN 2023 WITH
SOME FORM OF ASSISTANCE*
46.2K



FUNDING SITUATION*

7%

FUNDED: USD 8,6 M
REQUIREMENT: 122 M

Situation

- In April, a total of 14,828 refugees and migrants from Venezuela entered Brazil through Pacaraima, in line with pre-pandemic levels. Although this represents a decrease compared to the previous two months, it is still an increase over the same period last year, and available services in Pacaraima are under pressure due to the high demand, especially for health services. As these arrivals strain the already limited health infrastructure in the municipality, partners stepped in to support the health units of Operation Welcome. Complex health cases are referred to Boa Vista, to ensure access to timely and appropriate healthcare support. During April, 60 people were transferred to Boa Vista due to health needs, accompanied by their family members, reaching almost 200 people supported overall. This brings the total of those supported with medical transfers facilitated by R4V partners in the first four months of the year to over 800 people, an increase of 73.9% when compared to the same period in 2022.
- Between 24 and 28 April, representatives of the new administration of the federal government conducted a mission to Boa Vista and Pacaraima to monitor the response to Venezuelan arrivals. The field visit included representatives from the Executive Office of the Presidency, which coordinates the Federal Committee for Emergency Assistance (CFAE) and strategically leads Operation Welcome. Coordinators of the three Federal Subcommittees also accompanied the mission: the Ministry of Social Assistance and Development, Family and Fight Against Hunger, which coordinates the Federal Subcommittee for Reception and Relocation of Migrants in a vulnerable situation; the Ministry of Justice and Public Security, which coordinates the Federal Subcommittee for the Reception, Identification and Screening of Migrants; and the Ministry of Health, which coordinates the Federal Subcommittee for Health Actions. Representatives from the Ministry of Human Rights and Citizenship and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs also participated in the mission.

Response

Education

- On 18 April, partners held the inaugural class of the TAMÍ'KAN Indigenous Education Course, with the participation of 150 indigenous teachers from the Macuxi, Ingarikó, Wai-wai, Wapichana and Taurepang ethnic groups in the state of Roraima. The course aims to improve multicultural approaches in classrooms. The launch took place at the State Center for Training of Education Professionals of Roraima (CEFRR).

Health

- The sector continues to support Operation Welcome's strategy of STI and HIV testing and prevention, alongside information sessions on Sexual and Reproductive Health with emphasis on family planning in Reception and Relocation Center (PITRIG) and Support and Reception Center (PRA) facilities in Pacaraima, Boa Vista and Manaus.

Integration / Interiorization / Humanitarian Transportation

- On 17 April, partners joined forces with Banco Pérola to provide an online information session about [CrediTodos](#) - a microcredit program aimed at refugees and migrants. Interested credit applicants received information on how to access the program, interest and payment rates

as well as the [detailed procedure](#) to formalize the credit request.

- On 26 April, partners launched the "Migrant-Friendly Company Seal" to engage companies in the inclusion of refugees and migrants in the labour market. The launch was accompanied by a [virtual workshop](#) with the participation of companies sharing their experiences and good practices.
- 2,179 refugees and migrants from Venezuela were internally relocated out of Roraima state through the Interiorization Strategy. 782 were supported through the Job Placement modality, making April 2023 the month with the highest number of Venezuelans benefitting from this type of assistance since the strategy started in 2018.

Nutrition

- R4V partners continued their nutritional surveillance program and screenings in shelters and local health facilities of Pacaraima and Boa Vista. In total, 1,057 people (including 404 children under the age of 5) were screened for malnutrition. Partners also monitored 390 pregnant or lactating women. In addition, counseling sessions on appropriate feeding were held for caregivers of infants and children aged 0-23 months.

Protection

- On 13 and 14 April, R4V partners and the Federal University of Roraima (UFRR) offered a training session on indigenous rights, with a special focus on Venezuelan

* Accumulated figures from 01/01/2023 up to 30/04/2023.

indigenous persons displaced in Brazil. The event targeted humanitarian workers and indigenous leaders living in Waraotuma a Tuaranoko and Jardim Floresta shelters.

- In the framework of National Indigenous Peoples Day, celebrated on 19 April, partners held roundtables and information sessions in Pacaraima and Boa Vista, focusing on child protection, xenophobia and psychosocial support for indigenous refugees and migrants.
- To celebrate the International “[Girls in ICT](#)” Day, sector partners screened the movie [Hidden Figures](#) for a group of refugee and migrant women and girls in Pacaraima, followed by a debate on gender roles, power relations, gender-based violence and reporting mechanisms.
- The Human Trafficking and Smuggling Sub-sector organized a meeting to discuss [Ordinance 87](#), which regulates the issuance of residence permits for foreign victims of trafficking and forced labour. The sub-sector invited a Federal Public Defender to present the main aspects of the ordinance and potential improvements that may be addressed in future changes.

Shelter/Food Security

- Partners’ assessments found that [400 refugees and migrants were living on the streets in Boa Vista](#), of whom around 200 people have highly vulnerable profiles. Based on that, partners organized a shelter allocation task force on 28 April, providing accommodation to 100 refugees and migrants previously staying in the area around Boa Vista’s bus station. Other mitigation measures are being considered to address this situation.












- Given the continuous arrivals of indigenous refugees and migrants in vulnerable situations, the Janokoida indigenous shelter in Pacaraima again surpassed its maximum capacity. Partners worked with residents to speed up the relocation of people to Waraotuma a Tuaranoko shelter in Boa Vista. Regular consultations with the community in Janokoida were held to exchange information and look for alternative solutions.
- Following the move of the PRA from the bus station to the former Manaus Transit Shelter (ATM) structure, which was handed over from Operation Welcome to the State of Manaus, partners provided reception and counselling sessions to 130 refugees and migrants. As a result, the population is able to access a safer and more adequate structure for overnight stays and assistance.

WASH

- Due to the increased presence of refugees and migrants in a situation of homelessness in Pacaraima, partners deployed WASH and health staff to promote hygiene and cleaning activities around the PITRIG, PRA and Pacaraima central square.
- Partners carried out a campaign about menstrual health and hygiene in Boa Vista. Supported by a network of adolescent refugees and migrants, this campaign was rolled out in shelters and spontaneous settlements, reaching over 600 people.
- Partners responded to the water quality concerns of around 7,600 refugees and migrants in shelters and spontaneous settlements in Boa Vista and Pacaraima by cleaning and disinfecting drinking water taps, testing for residual chlorine and providing cleaning materials.

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 PEOPLE REACHED**	 Education	 Food Security	 Health	 Hum. Transp.	 Integration	 CVA	 Nutrition	 Protection	 Shelter	 WASH
	3,330	26,060	6,188	4,998	10,574	7,265	1,163	24,879	5,375	14,872

* Partners submitting data to Activity Info in April 2023.

** New Beneficiaries consolidated as of April 2023.