VENEZUELA MIGRATION CRISIS
PERU: SECOND LARGEST DESTINATION FOR VENEZUELAN MIGRANTS

Peru now hosts over an estimated 1.29 million displaced Venezuelans, a massive increase from 7,000 in January 2016. The surge in migrants places Peru as the second-largest recipient of Venezuelans and the largest host of Venezuelan asylum seekers worldwide. Approximately 80 percent of the Venezuelans migrants and refugees have settled in Lima, the preferred destination due to employment opportunities and government services. Most Venezuelans reside in the city’s northern, working-class neighborhoods. Venezuelans are increasingly moving to smaller coastal cities outside Lima, including the regions of Arequipa, Lambayeque, and La Libertad. As of December 2021, the U.S. Government has provided almost over $1900 million in assistance to more than 20 partners to support response efforts in Peru. The United States announced an additional $90.47 million in humanitarian assistance for the crisis in Peru in FY2021. Previous partners include Action Against Hunger, the Pan American Health Organization, the International Labor Organization, Unión Venezolana en Perú, World Council of Credit Unions, RET International, and the International Federation of the Red Cross.
NGO PARTNERS

Partner: HIAS  
Project: Integrated Programming to Meet the Urgent Needs of Vulnerable Venezuelans in Peru  
Description: HIAS provides integrated protection and assistance services, including access to asylum, gender-based reduction and response, psychosocial support, and livelihood assistance, to vulnerable Venezuelans in Lima and Trujillo to increase opportunities for interim and durable solutions.  
Amount & Source: $4.9 million – Department of State/Bureau of Population, Refugees and Migration (PRM).

Partner: Save the Children  
Project: Multi-purpose Cash Assistance to Vulnerable Venezuelans in Peru  
Description: Provide emergency assistance to over 30,000 vulnerable and at-risk Venezuelan migrants in Peru. Assistance will cover minimum basic needs for Venezuelans.  
Amount & Source: $12 million - USAID/Bureau for Humanitarian Assistance (BHA); $3 million – PRM.

Partner: World Vision  
Project: Reducing the Vulnerability of Venezuelans through Improved Livelihoods, Food and Cash  
Description: This project distributes “multi-purpose” cash transfers to 49,000 beneficiaries to help meet their basic needs in Tumbes, Tacna, La Libertad and Lima. World Vision will also provide support to community soup kitchens. The activity also supports livelihoods programming, including entrepreneurship programs and vocational training, for approximately 720 people in Lima.  
Amount & Source: $12 million - USAID/BHA

Partner: World Vision  
Project: Professional and Technical Degrees  
Description: World Vision will support 230 Venezuelans to obtain local recognition of their professional and technical degrees — including 50 medical doctors. The activity will provide a mix of grants and credits to cover the cost of accreditation, support beneficiaries in navigating the process and assist with labor market insertion, like training in soft skills outreach to the private sector and engagement with the Ministry of Health and regional health authorities.  
Amount & Source: $440,000 – USAID

Partner: World Council of Credit Unions  
Project: Economic Integration Project  
Description: The Economic Inclusion Project will help Venezuelan migrants and vulnerable local residents in Peru and Ecuador achieve socioeconomic security by gaining greater access to financial products and services, as well as entrepreneurship and employment programs. As a result of this Economic Inclusion Project, at least: 100,000 Venezuelans and locals will obtain access to financial services (a credit, savings or insurance product); and, 10,000 will have an improved capacity to establish a sustainable livelihood.  
Amount & Source: $8 million ($14 million total for Peru and Ecuador) – USAID
Partners: LHHS Peru
Project: Health care for Venezuelan Migrants living with HIV
Description: The objectives of LHSS’s Peru Activity are to: Assess health system capacity to meet migrants’ needs for HIV services, Strengthen MOH capacity to ensure availability of HIV services, medicines and commodities for the Venezuelan migrant population, and Support planning for cross-border continuity of HIV care for migrants
Amount & Source: $2,147,000 million – USAID

Partner: Pan American Development Foundation
Project: Integrando Horizontes: Supporting & Protecting Venezuelans in Peru
Description: This program seeks to increase access to protection mechanisms for Venezuelans, with an emphasis on combating and preventing gender-based violence and trafficking in persons.
Amount & Source: $1.75 million – PRM.

Partner: CARE
Project: Integration of Vulnerable Venezuelans
Description: CARE’s program will improve integration of vulnerable Venezuelan refugees and displaced Venezuelans in Peru through increased access to protection, mental health services, and livelihoods support. The program will prioritize assistance to women, adolescents, and survivors of human trafficking and gender-based violence.
Amount and Source: $2.84 million – PRM

Partner: Norwegian Refugee Council
Project: Legal Services Project
Description: Provide legal assistance to Venezuelan migrants & refugees, particularly those who initiated services with NRC in Ecuador.
Amount and Source: $245,726 – PRM

Partner: World Vision
Project: Reducing the Vulnerability of Venezuelan Migrants in Peru
Description: World Vision assisted migrants in the departments of Tumbes, Piura, Lambayeque, La Libertad and Lima. Activities included distributing “multi-purpose” cash to the most vulnerable so they could meet their basic needs. World Vision also supported the provision of hot meals through assistance to community kitchens serving free or low-cost meals to Venezuelan migrants. This included the provision of kitchen equipment, donation of food, and upgrades to kitchens and dining areas.
Amount & Source: $6.2 million USAID/BHA.

Partner: Partners in Health
Description: Since April 2020, Partners in Health (Socios En Salud in Peru) has provided health support in Peru’s regions that are most heavily impacted by COVID-19. This includes Lima’s most impoverished neighborhoods, where there are deficient roads, sanitation and health infrastructure and where large numbers of extremely vulnerable Venezuelan migrants and other internally displaced populations reside, as well as the Amazon regions, and Peru’s northern coast.
Amount & Source: $1.35 million – PRM.
**Partner:** Centro de Información y Educación para la Prevención del Abuso de Drogas (CEDRO)

**Description:** The Improvement of Livelihoods for Venezuelans (SIL) is a two-year activity that aims to advance the socioeconomic integration of Venezuelan migrants and refugees in Peru. CEDRO: (1) will partner with educational institutions to train and / or certify the qualifications of Venezuelan skilled workers; (2) it will work with private companies and public institutions to match these skilled Venezuelans with the demand for skilled labor; and (3) provide in-depth training and support, as well as access to seed capital, to small and micro-enterprises.

**Amount & Source:** $2 million - USAID

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**MULTILATERAL PARTNERS**

**Partner:** World Food Program

**Project:** Food Assistance for Venezuelans in Lima and Callao

**Description:** This contribution to the World Food Program in Peru will provide food assistance to 45,000 Venezuelan migrants and refugees whose access to food has been strongly affected in the context of the crisis caused by COVID-19. These actions complement the efforts of the Government of Peru. The World Food Program and its partners will use their experience in humanitarian logistics to activate cash transfers of S / 380 (approximately USD 111) per household.

**Amount & Source:** $19 million - USAID/BHA

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**Partner:** International Organization for Migration (IOM)

**Project:** Funding is for IOM’s overall operations in Peru

**Description:** IOM is providing assistance to address a number of critical issues, including protection, shelter, and transportation for the most vulnerable migrants and training for government officials on humanitarian response. IOM is also supporting COVID-19 response efforts for refugees and host communities.

**Amount & Source:** $16.1 million – PRM

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**Partner:** UNICEF

**Project:** Humanitarian Action for Children: Latin American and the Caribbean

**Description:** This is a regional activity implemented in Peru, Ecuador, Colombia and Brazil. The project seeks to ensure protection of children by facilitating access to services including health and nutrition, social protection, education as well as safe water, sanitation and hygiene. UNICEF is also supporting COVID-19 response efforts for refugees and host communities.

**Amount & Source:** $880,000 – PRM

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**Partner:** United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)

**Project:** Funding is for UNHCR’s overall operations in Peru

**Description:** UNHCR established a country office in Lima and provides assistance to the Government of Peru with the processing of asylum applications. UNHCR also provides humanitarian assistance, protection assistance, legal orientation for arriving Venezuelan migrants and refugees, vaccinations, and support for livelihoods.

**Amount & Source:** $15.3 million - PRM
**Partner:** United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA)  
**Project:** Funding is for GBV and SRH programs  
**Description:** Assistance addresses the specific GBV prevention and sexual and reproductive health needs of migrant and refugee girls, adolescents, and adult women, in Lima’s San Juan de Lurigancho district, where a significant proportion of the migrant and refugee population is concentrated.  
**Amount & Source:** $1.1 million - PRM

**Partner:** International Labor Organization (ILO)  
**Project:** Economic Integration of Venezuelan Migrants in Peru and Ecuador Under Decent Work Conditions  
**Description:** This activity will engage and provide support to the public sector (ministries of labor and affiliated institutions), workers’ organizations and the private sector to contribute to improved conditions for migrants’ formal employment under decent work conditions. Includes support for structural reforms to facilitate migrants’ access to formal employment; technical assistance to improve the quality of government labor insertion programs; and interventions to protect workers’ rights and reduce workplace exploitation.  
**Amount & Source:** $2.4 million – USAID