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**DISPLACEMENT CONTEXT**

Poverty and inequality, together with the average human development indexes, translate into institutional, political, economic, and social challenges. The situation in the region limits access to essential services and the conditions which influence the climate of insecurity and continue to cause forced displacement and irregular migration.

**QUANTIFICATION PRIORITIZED AREAS**

Total requirement
$11,993,682

Total gap
$10,336,910

*Official data provided to UNHCR
**Data between 2006 and 2016

| **Salvadoran asylum seekers in the world*** | 136,292 |
| **Salvadoran refugees in the world*** | 41,850 |
| **Internally displaced persons in El Salvador** | 71,500 |
**EDUCATION**

**Improve the technical, inclusive, and operational capacity of the Salvadoran educational system to support the rights of the forcibly displaced population**

The education system in El Salvador faces significant challenges in ensuring the inclusion of forcibly displaced students. The immediate impacts of forced displacement undermine emotional or psychological well-being, which currently affect 70% of the population. This, combined with families having the change their residence following displacement, reduce educational enrollment and retention amongst children and adolescents from 4-17 years. The programme seeks to prevent, protect and restore the rights of children and adolescents who are victims of forced displacement or at risk in El Salvador, ensuring their dignity, human rights and inclusion, through the provision of specialized care and support. Advocacy and awareness raising mechanisms will be established to support a comprehensive approach within the national system to instances of forced displacement. In addition, the Ministry of Education, Science and Technology will establish programmes of psychosocial care, and implement activities that mitigate violence and social risk for children, partners and teachers.

**DURATION**

2021-2022

**BENEFICIARIES**

- 20,000 students (7 and 15 years old)
- 4,000 mothers, father, and/or care-takers
- 1,500 teachers in 475 education centers

**IMPLEMENTING ENTITIES**

Ministry of Education, Science, and Technology (MINEDUCYT, by its Spanish acronym)

**ESTIMATED BUDGET**

- Total Required Financing: $8,368,451
- National Financing: $1,513,561
- Financing Gap: $6,854,890

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**JOBS AND LIVELIHOODS**

**Expand opportunities of access to work and sources of livelihood to encourage self-reliance of people who have been forcibly displaced in El Salvador**

The COVID-19 pandemic has posed significant challenge to the Salvadorian economy, while in turn having a negative impact on an already vulnerable forcibly displaced persons, placing a particular strain on limited self-sufficiency, access to labour market opportunities and housing. As a consequence, with the support of a diverse range of actors, El Salvador seeks to provide a comprehensive response to mitigate a possible socio-economic crisis for the most vulnerable populations, through increased access to employment and livelihood programmes.

The objective of this programme is to stimulate the self-sufficiency of forcibly displaced persons in El Salvador to further the achievement of durable solutions in conditions of respect, dignity and the guarantee of rights. The related interventions will reinforce the role of forcibly displaced persons as actors of socio-economic development in the communities that host them. Likewise, it will improve care for forcibly displaced people, prioritizing their participation through the promotion decent employment and economic opportunities through job boards. Lastly, the programme will expand access to income generation opportunities, independence, and the capacities for the forcibly displaced population, by strengthening programmes and initiatives that support entrepreneurship.

**DURATION**

2021-2022

**BENEFICIARIES**

At least 400 victims of forced displacement

**IMPLEMENTING ENTITIES**

Ministry of Justice and Public Safety (MJSP);
Ministry of Labor and Social Welfare (MTPS);
Ministry of Local Development (MINDEL), in coordination with the Social Investment Fund for Local Development (FISDL)

**ESTIMATED BUDGET**

- Total Required Financing: $3,266,520
- National Financing: $0
- Financing Gap: $3,266,520

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**HEALTH**

**Strengthen the capacity of the National Health System to provide better health and psychosocial services to forcibly displaced people in El Salvador**

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**DURATION**

2021-2022

**BENEFICIARIES**

MINSAL seeks to benefit completely victims of forced displacement or in conditions of risk of, who require assistance from the national health system

**IMPLEMENTING ENTITIES**

Ministry of Health (MINSAL, by its Spanish acronym)

**ESTIMATED BUDGET**

- Total Required Financing: $358,711
- National Financing: $143,211
- Financing Gap: $215,500

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The expanded summaries of the aforementioned programmes can be accessed with the QR code

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