



TOWARDS THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE MIRPS IN GUATEMALA

Through the quantification process undertaken in 2020, each MIRPS State assessed the financial needs and activities required to implement their priority commitments, highlighting where they can meet their own needs, and where international cooperation is required.

As one of seven countries in who adopted the Comprehensive Regional Protection and Solutions Framework (MIRPS in Spanish), Guatemala is expanding its operational capacity to respond to forced displacement in the region through the adoption and implementation of the commitments in their National Action Plan.

Guatemala prioritized three commitments which were also pledged during the Global Refugee Forum: i) Strengthen support for jobs and livelihoods through associations between the public and private sectors, and the National Employment Service; ii) institutional capacity assessment for open shelters for people in need of international protection; iii) protection mechanisms of children and adolescents in border areas.

DISPLACEMENT CONTEXT

Refugees and people who seek refuge face limitations, especially single women and women with children, large families, children, members of the LGBTI community, and the elderly, who do not have an income to cover their basic needs.

Guatemala can be seen from three different perspectives: as the country of origin of migrants and refugees, as country of return; as a transit country, mainly for people from Central America, and as a country of refuge for a small, but growing number, of foreigners who seek international protection.

QUANTIFICATION PRIORITIZED AREAS

Total requirement
\$346,170

Total gap
\$333,442



JOBS AND LIVELIHOODS

Total Financing Required

\$3,896

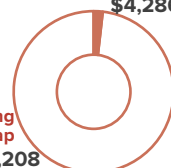
Financing Gap
\$61,299



CHILD PROTECTION

National Financing
\$4,286

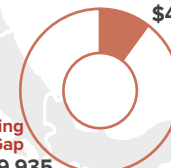
Financing Gap
\$232,208



PROTECTION

Total Financing Required
\$4,546

Financing Gap
\$39,935



Asylum
seekers in
Guatemala*

1,978

Refugees in
Guatemala*

471

*Official data provided to UNHCR by October 2020



JOBS AND LIVELIHOODS

Public-private sectors alliances for the inclusion of refugees and refugee applicants in Guatemala into the workforce

To achieve this objective, public-private partnerships will be established to further labor inclusion for refugees and asylum seekers. Specific activities include; awareness raising within the private sector concerning the obstacles the population faces in its search for employment and family support; sensitization amongst the general population through a digital campaign on non-discrimination towards refugees and asylum seekers, and their right to access the labor market; and the promotion of corporate social responsibility programmes within the private sector to support access to employment opportunities through the National Employment Service.

DURATION	BENEFICIARIES	IMPLEMENTING ENTITIES	ESTIMATED BUDGET
2021	Population in need of international protection, specifically refugee and refugee applicants.	Ministry of Labor and Social Planning	Total Required Financing: \$65,195 National Financing: \$3,896 Financing Gap: \$61,299



PROTECTION

Creation of specialized, differentiated, safe and decent reception conditions

Over recent years in Guatemala, there has been large movements of people, including migrants in transit and refugees. This initiative will seek to create the necessary conditions to ensure the provision of specialized, differentiated, safe and dignified reception through open shelters. Specific activities will include the identification of international cooperation for the provision of technical assistance that facilitate a diagnosis for the creation of open shelters; though an assessment of the capacities (technical, infrastructure, financial, regulations) required for the opening of open shelters, and establish a roadmap for institutional strengthening.

DURATION	BENEFICIARIES	IMPLEMENTING ENTITIES	ESTIMATED BUDGET
2021-2022	Population in need of international protection specifically refugee, refugee applicants and migrants.	Guatemalan Migration Institute	Total Required Financing: \$44,481 National Financing: \$4,546 Financing Gap: \$39,935



CHILD PROTECTION

Strengthening institutions that govern the protection of children and adolescents in border areas

An increase in the levels of violence in neighboring countries of the region, has forced many children and adolescents (both alone or accompanied) to be forced to leave their countries of origin, particularly both originating from Honduras and El Salvador. They are often victims of physical, psychological, sexual violence and exploitation following their original displacement. As a result, it is necessary to strengthen institutional support for this group along the migrant route.

This initiative will seek to create within a year, the necessary conditions to strengthen the specialized, differentiated, safe and dignified reception through open shelters. To achieve this goal, the objective of this initiative is to strengthen governing institutions for the protection of children and adolescents, especially in border areas.

DURATION	BENEFICIARIES	IMPLEMENTING ENTITIES	ESTIMATED BUDGET
2021	20 refugee children and adolescents 30 refugee applicants who are children and adolescents 25 returned children and adolescents in need of special protection 1,500 returned children and adolescents in need of social protection	Secretariat of Social Welfare of the Presidency of the Republic	Total Required Financing: \$236,494 National Financing: \$4,286 Financing Gap: \$232,208



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

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