

GENDER BASED VIOLENCE WORKING GROUP

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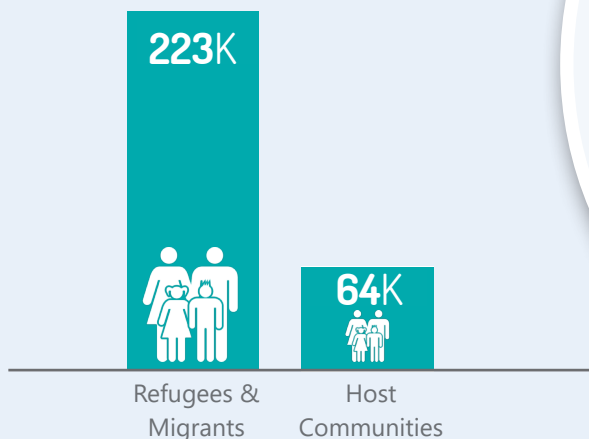
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The ongoing political, socio-economic and human rights events in Venezuela have led to the outflow of almost 4 million refugees and migrants, the biggest population movement in the history of Latin America and the Caribbean. The Gender-Based Violence (GBV) working group of the Regional Coordination Platform supports national stakeholders to prevent and respond to GBV using a multi-sectoral, survivor-centered approach based on international humanitarian principles. In line with the 2019 Regional Response Plan for Refugees and Migrants from Venezuela (RMRP), the GBV working group prioritizes prevention, mitigation and response to GBV, with special emphasis on addressing sexual violence and trafficking in persons for the purpose of sexual exploitation.

ESTIMATED BENEFICIARIES OF GBV RESPONSE

In 2019 RMRP partners submitted estimated target beneficiaries of GBV-related activities.

Approximately **223,697** refugees and migrants and **64,644** members of host communities would benefit from these activities.



*Approximate figures: the figures for the RMRP do not include division by sectors. GBV figures may overlap with other sectors.

RMRP REGIONAL OVERVIEW

3.6 M
Refugees and Migrants in Need

2.2 M
Refugees and Migrants Targeted

USD 738 M
Financial Requirements

95
RMRP Partners

Along the migratory route, refugees and migrants from Venezuela, especially women and girls, face high risks of exploitation, human trafficking, sexual violence and other forms of GBV.

MAIN GBV CHALLENGES

GBV UNREPORTED

Underreporting of GBV cases, largely due to fear (heightened for those travelling without official documents) and lack of information about rights and services

LACK OF QUALITY GBV DATA

Insufficient sex and age disaggregated GBV data for refugees, migrants and local populations to inform needed policy and service protocols

INSUFFICIENT GBV SERVICES AND FACILITIES

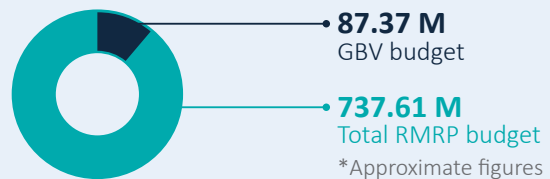
GBV specialist capacity is lacking. Services and facilities (health, psychosocial, legal/justice and safe/security) are currently insufficient and lack integration across sectors

LACK OF ADOLESCENT FRIENDLY SERVICES

Limited age-appropriate training, materials and services for adolescent girls and boys

RMRP BUDGET

Approximately 11% of the RMRP budget is dedicated to GBV prevention and response.



GBV PRIORITY ACTIONS

Ensure availability and accessibility of age and culturally-appropriate, quality services for GBV survivors, including through development of GBV referral pathways.

Provide clear and accessible information on where to access life-saving services to women and girls along transit.

Strengthen cross-border coordination to ensure coherent and systematic GBV prevention and response measures.

Support the creation of safe and effective livelihood programs that help to prevent and mitigate GBV in humanitarian settings.

Strengthen capacities of government institutions to address GBV.

Strengthen collaboration with civil society and local organizations with the relevant expertise.



REGIONAL GBV GROUP MEMBERS

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