The Dangers of Forced Displacement: Chronic and Emerging Health Needs of Venezuelans in the Americas Region

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VENEZUELAN REFUGEES & MIGRANTS IN THE REGION

APPROX. VENEZUELAN REFUGEES AND MIGRANTS IN LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN

TOTAL APPROX. VENEZUELAN REFUGEES AND MIGRANTS IN THE WORLD

8.04M

4.99M

POPULATION PER COUNTRY

1.86 M
1.29 M
0.553 M
0.441 M
0.264 M
0.25 M
0.16 M
0.239 M
0.239 M
0.198 M
0.05 M
0.082 M
0.057 M
0.053 M
0.024 M
0.017 M
0.014 M
0.01 M
0.005 M

Colombia
Peru
Ecuador
Chile
Brazil
Central America & Mexico
Panama
Mexico
Costa Rica
Argentina
Uruguay
Bolivia
Paraguay
Dominican Republic
Trinidad & Tobago
Guyana
Aruba
Barbados
Grenada

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Émigré population is not flattening. An anticipated 8 million to have left Venezuela by the close of 2022.

Top five host countries, in descending order of displaced population, are Colombia, Peru, Ecuador, Chile and Brazil.
Underserved Populations

- Women and Girls
- Indigenous Peoples (particularly female Indigenous peoples)
- People with Disabilities
- Elderly
- Members of the LGBTQI Community
- Children (particularly unaccompanied and separated minors)
Chronic Non-Communicable Conditions

- Diabetes
- Cardiovascular diseases
- Respiratory conditions
- Cancer
- Sexual and gender-based violence
Infectious Diseases

- Tuberculosis
- HIV
- Hepatitis
- COVID-19
Psycho-Social Disorders

- Post-traumatic stress syndrome (PTSD)
- Depression
- Anxiety
Key Factors to Consider

- Legal status is the lynchpin to all services (healthcare, social supports, integration)
- Urban systems are more functional and accessible than in rural areas.
Recommendations for Funders

Support local and national NGOs by:

- Investing in healthcare prevention measures and increased, specialized medical care.
- Focusing on health and wellbeing of women and girls.
- Focusing on children.
- Focusing on both communicable and non-communicable diseases.
- Focusing on mental health and domestic violence.

Support the entire sector by:

- Investing in more research that provides evidence for funding.
- Investing in systems strengthening.
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