



Comprehensive
Regional
Protection and
Solutions
Framework

A close-up photograph of a hand pulling a dark, patterned curtain to the right. The curtain has a subtle floral or leaf pattern in shades of brown and gold. Through the opening, a bright outdoor scene is visible, showing a dirt path and a green building in the background.

ADDRESSING FORCED DISPLACEMENT: **MIRPS IN EL SALVADOR**



NATIONAL PLANS **OBJECTIVES**

- Improve **mechanisms for reception and admission**
- Respond to immediate and persistent **humanitarian and protection needs**
 - Support **host countries and communities**
 - Enhance **opportunities for durable solutions**

FOCUS AREAS:



PROTECTION



**JOBS AND
LIVELIHOODS**



**SOCIAL
PROTECTION**



EDUCATION



HEALTH

COMMITMENTS BY COUNTRY

**BELIZE • COSTA RICA • EL SALVADOR • GUATEMALA •
HONDURAS • MEXICO • PANAMA**

MIRPS NATIONAL ACTION PLAN IN EL SALVADOR

49 TOTAL COMMITMENTS

FOCUS AREAS:



PROTECTION
27 COMMITMENTS



**JOBS AND
LIVELIHOODS**
10 COMMITMENTS



EDUCATION
5 COMMITMENTS



HEALTH
7 COMMITMENTS

Since joining the MIRPS, El Salvador is highly committed to address forced displacement, defining a comprehensive National Action Plan that involves 7 line-ministries. Despite challenges posed by Covid-19, during 2020 the country managed to advance more than 15 commitments, particularly in the areas of protection and education, including the IDP Law approval, hiring and specialized training of staff, adequation of a shelter, enhancement of asylum capacity, definition of a roadmap for the protection of displaced children and adolescents in the education system, among others. During 2021, efforts will be focused in the areas of education, health, and livelihoods / jobs, as priorities to reduce greater vulnerability of POC, as well partnership-building with relevant cooperation actors to cover gaps and reach goals.

PROTECTION

- Creation and installation of shelters and shelters to serve internally displaced persons and deported persons in need of protection (with a focus on the family unit); that have adequate protocols for their management.
- Training of personnel in specialized legal assistance (economic, social and cultural rights), and on the protection of property and assets for populations of interest.
- Review and update of existing protocols and roadmaps in the GAMI to include specialized care for vulnerable populations (children and adolescents, women, families, LGBTI population, persons with disabilities, elderly).
- Implementation of the single migratory registry by all institutions in the GAMI; design and implementation of a module on protection, to strengthen the identification and management of cases of deportees with protection needs (children and adolescents, women, families, LGBTI population, people with disabilities, elderly).
- Establishment of a training plan for the GAMI personnel, which fills the identified needs with the involvement of competent institutions according to their expertise.
- Creation, printing and dissemination of informative material on the services available in the GAMI.
- Training processes on the identification of people with protection needs, for the consular networks in Mexico, the United States and Guatemala.
- Design of a protocol for the identification and assistance of people with protection needs outside the country, including roadmaps for the direct linkages with national services.
- Conduct training on international protection and Refugee Status Determination for DGME officers and child protection institutions at the borders and in other institutions involved.
- Strengthen the CODER Secretariat and Subcommittee, and increase their capacities for the analysis and resolution of applications.
- Design and disseminate educational materials on Refugee Status Determination in El Salvador.
- Establish a document that certifies that a person has started the Refugee Status Determination and is awaiting for a resolution.
- Review and update the protocol for the assistance for internally displaced persons, establishing roadmaps according to specific profiles and their needs, for monitoring cases and mapping existing services.
- Establish a specialized unit for displaced populations with technical teams trained to attend to those with different profiles within the DAV.
- Creation of the Single Registration of displaced populations and people at risk of forced displacement, carrying out annual statistical analyses.
- Update the study on internal displacement profiling.
- Develop studies and analyses on the types of dispossession of property and housing; analyse the legal, regulatory and institutional framework to propose possible protection actions.
- Identify spaces for the installation of shelters for asylum-seekers.
- Design and implement a strategy with a community approach, for monitoring protection services at local offices.
- Design and implement contingency plans at the municipal level to generate early alerts and responses to forced displacement.
- Strengthen the community approach of local offices through interinstitutional and intersectoral coordination.
- Present the project for the creation of a Special Law for the Attention of Populations At-Risk of Forced Displacement and other regulatory frameworks that provide greater protection for internally displaced persons.
- Coordinate with COMURES for the elaboration of guidelines and principles related to the implementation of policies and roadmaps for the attention on forced displacement at the local level, to boost the participation of local governments in the response.
- Promote the development of a policy for the attention, protection and solutions for internally displaced persons at the national and local levels.
- Present the Law initiative for the granting of “International Protection and Statelessness”. Integration of the refugee population in El Salvador.
- Encourage the creation of spaces for dialogue, participation and consultation between the central and local government and the forcibly displaced population to promote their participation in the design of local, municipal or departmental plans or policies for comprehensive care.
- Promote, together with the municipalities, the creation or adjustment of mechanisms, programs, plans or local, municipal or departmental policies for humanitarian assistance and reception for internally displaced persons in prioritized municipalities that have a greater number of displaced population or at risk of being displaced.



EDUCATION

- Develop and implement an internal roadmap for the protection of displaced children and adolescents, and for at-risk teachers.
- Inclusion of variable on school dropout due to displacement in the SIGES NID SYSTEM, to get reliable information on the magnitude of the impact on the educational community.
- Include courses on forced displacement caused by violence, and on primary psychological attention, in the training programmes for teachers.
- Implement psychosocial care programs to mitigate the impact of violence, with children and adolescents in contexts of social violence and at risk of dropping out of school.
- Design and implement an educational strategy in schools, to raise awareness on the inclusion of displaced children and adolescents.



JOBS AND LIVELIHOODS

- Design campaigns to inform and raise awareness on the rights of displaced populations and existing services.
- Disseminate information to raise awareness in governmental institutions and the private sector about the rights and issuance of identity documents for asylum-seekers and refugees.
- Prioritize displaced and at-risk women and youth in employment rosters.
- Strengthen and coordinate the Roundtable for Labour Insertion, and coordinate with different LGBTI associations and INSAFORP for the technical training of populations of interest.
- Awareness campaign with the private sector to promote the recruitment of LGBTI population.
- Expand and strengthen the entrepreneurship programme to support and sponsor displaced persons, asylum-seekers and deportees with protection needs.
- Create a Specialized Centre that promotes technical and vocational programs, access to tertiary education, livelihoods, and labour insertion (in coordination with the private sector) for displaced populations.
- Promote a programme for skills training for displaced populations.
- Design of a local integration model for refugees and asylum-seekers that includes legal, economic and social actions.
- Dissemination of the new Migration and Foreigners Law for the population nationwide.



HEALTH

- Design and implement information and awareness campaigns on the right of access to health for displaced persons, deportees in need of protection, refugees and asylum seekers.
- Preparation of a specialized protocol for comprehensive health care (medical and psychosocial) for displaced persons, deportees in need of protection, refugees and asylum seekers.
- Provide specialized training to health system officials on psychological, psychiatric and psychosocial care for people affected by forced displacement (internally displaced people, deportees in need of protection, refugees and asylum seekers).
- Coordinate comprehensive mobile care (Medical and psychosocial) for health services in shelters and reception areas to care for displaced people, deported people in need of protection, refugees and asylum seekers.
- Design a model of psychological / psychosocial care for people affected by violence (internally displaced people, deportees in need of protection, refugees and asylum seekers).
- Design indicators of internal forced displacement for inclusion in the MINSAL Information System for the analysis of the impact on health of internally displaced persons, as an input for the design of programs and interventions.
- Include within its policies and protocols of comprehensive health care (direct medical care, psychosocial care, care for chronic diseases, special health conditions) to guarantee the continuity of care and access to specific medicines for displaced people, deported people in need of protection, refugees and asylum seekers, without discrimination.