



**MIRPS**

Comprehensive  
Regional  
Protection and  
Solutions  
Framework



# ADDRESSING FORCED DISPLACEMENT: **MIRPS IN MEXICO**



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# 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

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# MIRPS NATIONAL ACTION PLAN IN MEXICO

## 38 TOTAL COMMITMENTS

### FOCUS AREAS:



**PROTECTION**  
19 COMMITMENTS



**JOBS AND  
LIVELIHOODS**  
5 COMMITMENTS



**SOCIAL  
PROTECTION**  
9 COMMITMENTS



**EDUCATION**  
1 COMMITMENT



**HEALTH**  
4 COMMITMENTS

Mexico promotes the integration of asylum seekers and refugees in national systems, with full access to employment, public health services, and education at all levels. The MIRPS framework has been key to achieve a more efficient registration of asylum seekers, and to achieve progress in the protection of the best interests of children in migratory contexts, including those in need of international protection. A policy to internal displacement is currently being developed by the Mexican government. Simplified asylum procedures, financial inclusion and the strengthening of public services in host communities in the south, also remain priorities of the 2021 action plan.



## PROTECTION

- Increase COMAR's presence in INM Immigration Stations for a greater number of applicants for refugee status.
- COMAR will train INM personnel in airports, where there is greater flow of people requesting refugee status.
- Promote permanent information campaigns that inform about rights and the process for the recognition of refugee status, in a simple and understandable way.
- Provide training to public servants who assist or work directly with refugee applicants, refugees and beneficiaries of complementary protection, to ensure decent attention; institutions that make up the Interinstitutional Roundtable on Refugee and Complementary Protection will be prioritized.
- COMAR and UNHCR will promote the "Jaguar" information and awareness campaign on the rights of applicants and refugees in the areas of greatest transit and destination.
- SE-SIPINNA, the DIF and the PFPNNA will strengthen alternative care centres for temporary housing, preventing the use of Migration Stations for shelter.
- INM, COMAR, SE-SIPINNA and UNHCR will seek for alternatives for shelters to lower the use of the Migration Stations, particularly for family groups with children.
- Improve coordination mechanisms between the authorities that assist children (COMAR, INM, PFPNNA, SIPINNA) to facilitate the identification of international protection needs and access to Refugee Status Determination.
- The INM and the Procurator's Office for the Protection of the Rights of Children and Adolescents (federal, state and municipal) will apply the specialized protocol for the care of children developed by COMAR, UNICEF and UNHCR; also for interview techniques to identify needs of international protection and for the referral of cases to the COMAR or to the competent authority.
- Increase the operational capacity of the federal, state and municipal Child Protection Offices, principally in the states with the largest migrant and asylum-seeker population, (Chiapas, Tabasco and Veracruz).
- The PFPNNA, through SIPINNA, will generate coordination mechanisms with state and municipal protection offices to standardize criteria that regulate the determination, coordination, monitoring and restitution plans for child protection.
- The SIPINNA, from the Protection Commission for migrant children and asylum-seekers, will promote the harmonization of the General Law on the Rights of Children and Adolescents with the Law on Refugees, the Migration Law and the Complementary Protection and Political Asylum regulations.
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- CONAVIM will promote access to services for female asylum-seekers or refugees in the Justice Centres for Women (CJM), by coordinating with the 3 governmental levels. CONAVIM and COMAR will carry out actions aimed at preventing and eradicating gender-based violence against girls and women.
- COMAR, UNHCR and UNICEF will review and standardize the interview format for children seeking asylum for quality assurance during the interviews; a guide for the use of appropriate language with children will be developed and used in all interviews and questionnaires.
- COMAR, UNHCR and UNICEF will develop and share support materials with appropriate language for children, to be used during eligibility interviews and other questionnaires addressed to this population of interest.
- Disseminate a handbook of available shelters (public and private) by federation, for asylum-seekers, refugees and beneficiaries of complementary protection.
- Review and accelerate current procedures for the issuance of documents for asylum-seekers, refugees and beneficiaries of complementary protection.
- Guarantee the right to the identity to asylum-seekers, refugees and beneficiaries of complementary protection, through the issuance of the temporary and/or permanent CURP, and establish coordination mechanisms between RENAPO, INM and COMAR to strengthen management, implementation and training; also, review and make regulatory changes, for the assignation of CURPs in a more efficient and simple way.
- INM, COMAR and UNHCR will promote measures to accelerate the signing process at the COMAR and INM offices, in accordance with the obligations of people requesting refugee status.



## EDUCATION

- SEP, INEA and COMAR will promote actions that allow the formal inclusion of children seeking asylum, refugees and beneficiaries of complementary protection to mandatory school education (preschool, primary, secondary and preparatory), as well as access to educational programs nationwide through the INEA.



## JOBS AND LIVELIHOODS

- Within the scope of their competencies, the agencies will promote the incorporation of asylum-seekers, refugees and beneficiaries of complementary protection, to public and private institutions for job training and certification processes.
- UNHCR will carry out projects aimed at peaceful coexistence in the main host communities, and will foster spaces for cultural and learning exchange, which will favour the integration of the population of interest.
- Promote the recruitment of asylum-seekers, refugees and beneficiaries of complementary protection for job vacancies available in the National Employment Service; disseminate the calendar of job fairs organized nationwide.
- Promote actions to include asylum-seekers, refugees and beneficiaries of complementary protection to housing programs.
- CNBV will promote access to financial services for asylum-seekers, refugees and beneficiaries of complementary protection with the Association of Banks of Mexico.



## SOCIAL PROTECTION

- Together with COMAR and UNHCR, the participating institutions of the Interinstitutional Roundtable on Refugee and Complementary Protection will develop materials that describe and explain how to access the programs and services available to the populations of interest.
- COMAR, together with the participating agencies in the Interinstitutional Roundtable on Refugee and Complementary Protection, will promote access to public services and programs at the federal and state levels, through the revision of guidelines and the creation of integration modules.
- Development and dissemination of awareness mass campaigns, through television, radio and social networks to counteract xenophobic manifestations against migrants and refugees, including information on the mechanisms to file complaints with CONAPRED for discriminatory acts committed by public or private servants.
- CONAPRED will provide courses and workshops to public officers and media to avoid prejudiced.
- and stigmatizing news coverage and communication for asylum-seekers, refugees and beneficiaries of complementary protection.
- INDESOL will promote asylum-seekers, refugees and beneficiaries of complementary protection, in the activities organized by civil society organizations, and will review social joint venture programs for the inclusion of this population.
- Promote actions for the inclusion and issuance of credentials for elder asylum-seekers, refugees and beneficiaries of complementary protection, to assure their access to services offered by INAPAM at the national and state levels.
- COMAR, in coordination with UPM, will generate and publish statistical information including data disaggregated by sex, age, place of origin, and other variables, with the objective of analysing the characteristics of the populations of interest for its inclusion to programs and services.
- UPM, in coordination with COMAR, will promote collaboration and joint efforts between governmental institutions, academia and civil society organizations for the generation of studies and information linked to the design and evaluation of public policy related to populations of interest.
- The Welfare Secretariat will promote actions for the inclusion of asylum-seekers, refugees and beneficiaries of complementary protection in all social programs, especially in “Sembrando Vida” and “Emergencia Social”.



## HEALTH

- The Ministry of Health and COMAR will carry out actions aimed at risk prevention and access to health services for asylum-seekers, refugees and beneficiaries of complementary protection; the CNPSS will promote strategies for Primary Health Care, Childbirth, puerperium and new born care, prevention of gender-based violence and addiction, by training public officers on the specific needs of this population.
- Perform actions aimed at ensuring access to mental health services for asylum-seekers, refugees and beneficiaries of complementary protection.
- Promote the inclusion of asylum-seekers, refugees and beneficiaries of complementary protection, in all reforms to the General Health Law, secondary laws and administrative provisions, in terms of access to health services and medicines, and consideration of the documentation issued by the COMAR and the INM, instead of social security, for the populations of interest.
- UNDP, UNHCR and PAHO will conduct studies of the capacities of public health services in the host communities in southern Mexico (mainly Chiapas and Tabasco), identifying opportunities to strengthen them and meet the needs of the host communities and populations of interest.