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VENEZUELA

MONTHLY BULLETIN

OPERATIONAL HIGHLIGHTS

- **UNHCR and the National Commission for Refugees (CONARE) co-organised a two-day training on International Refugee Law for 32 officials from CONARE Caracas - including registrars, legal analysts, and Adjudicating Commissioners. The event was the first time where registrars, legal analysts and Adjudicating Commissioners sat together in a study session setting to jointly analyse gaps in the current Refugee Status Determination regime. The training focused on strengthening capacities related to registration and asylum claim analysis, including thorough analysis of inclusion and exclusion clauses, as well as the applicable legal reasoning in line with national law and international standards through case studies.**
- **UNHCR provided technical and logistical support to the Civil Registry of the Atures municipality, in the southwestern state of Amazonas, where 57 children from the Piaroa people accessed the civil birth registry. The Government of Amazonas joined in the activity providing other services in nutrition and health, while the Office of the Ombudsman and the Red Cross provided assistance on access to rights.**

MAY IN FIGURES



68,457

BENEFICIARIES



40,519

WASH



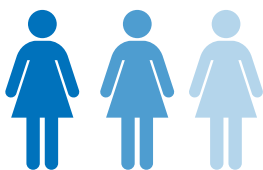
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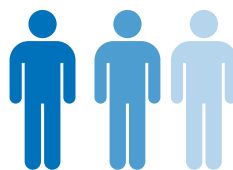


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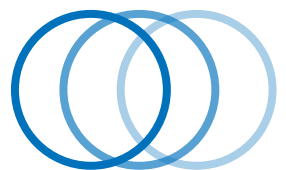
PROTECTION



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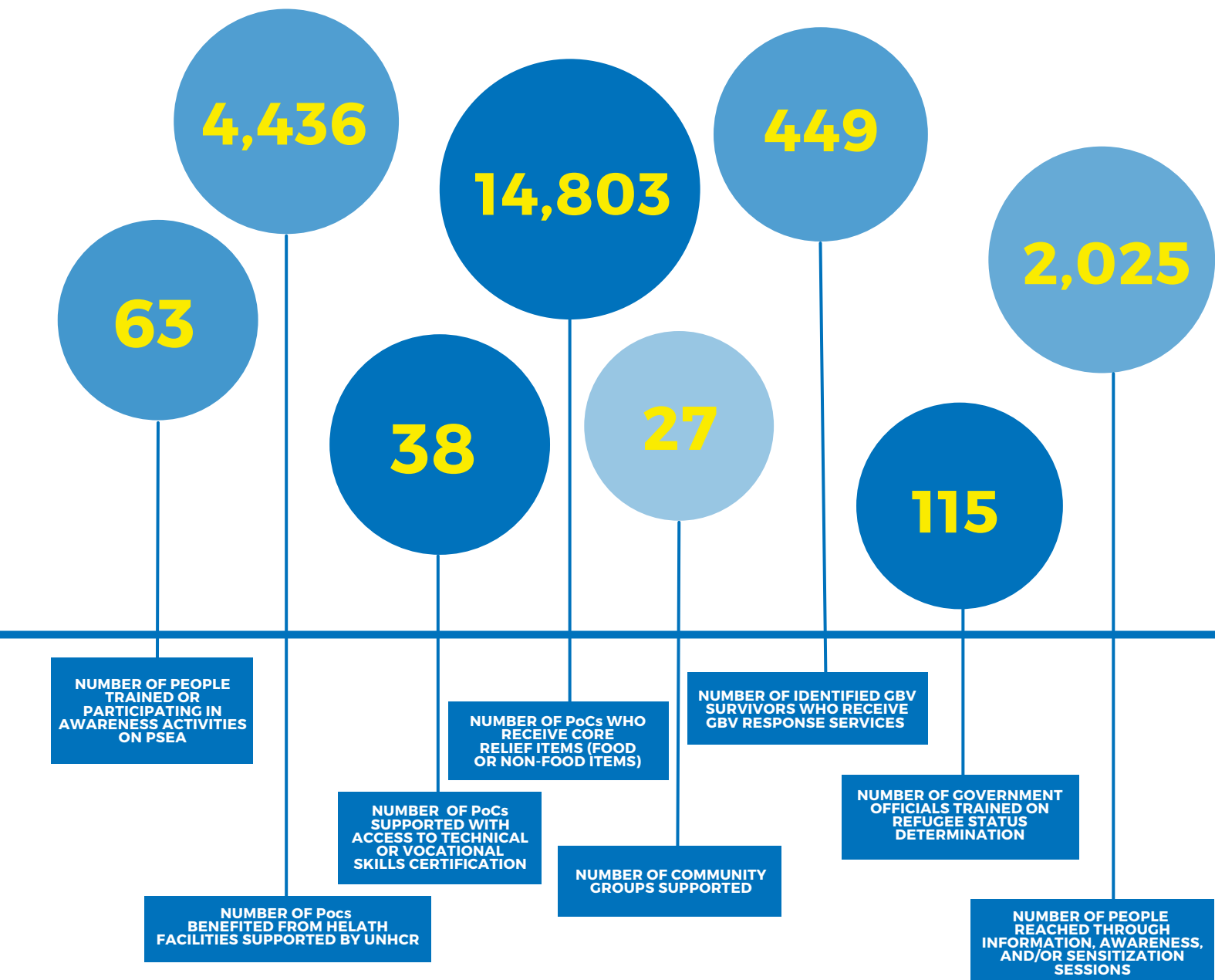


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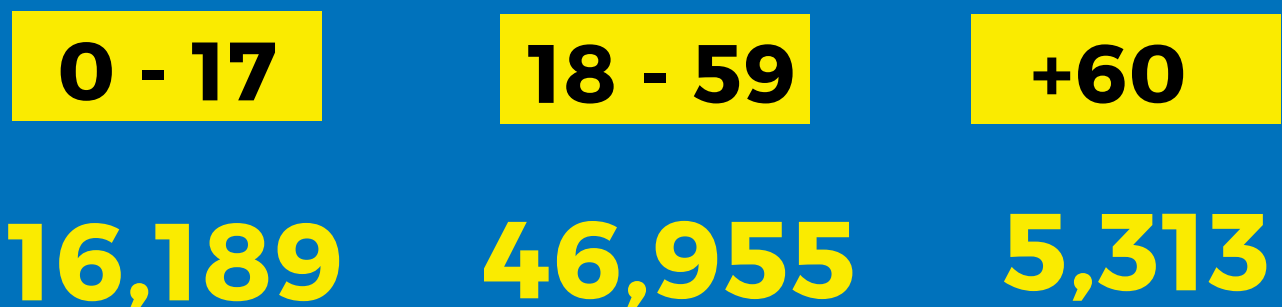


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UNHCR INDICATORS



AGE GROUPS



PROTECTION HIGHLIGHTS

- Hosted by the Bar Association of Caracas, UNHCR co-organised the graduation ceremony of the post-graduate course on International Refugee Law and Statelessness together with the Bar Association and partner HIAS. The event was co-chaired by the President of the Bar, the UNHCR Country Representative and the HIAS Country Director's delegate. In his speech, UNHCR Country Representative gave recognition to the commitment of the 11 graduating Lawyers and encouraged them to promote refugee protection and to engage in refugee solutions in their legal practice. The Country Rep also took the graduating lawyers' oath of commitment.
- UNHCR HQ is currently working on the roll-out of the UNHCR sport strategy that seeks to promote sports interventions that favour the protection of people we serve and the communities they live in. Sport related activities to promote peaceful coexistence and inclusion for people of concern have historically been part of the Venezuela Operation. To contribute to the rollout of the strategy, UNHCR Venezuela participated in a Bureau for the Americas' survey to showcase our current sport-related activities to advance protection in areas of inclusion, GBV and child recruitment mitigation, and funding needs.

HRP CLUSTERS LED BY UNHCR

SHELTER ENERGY & NFI CLUSTER

By the end of June, the Shelter, Energy and NFI Cluster **reached 25,715 direct beneficiaries** through partner organizations and **76,725 indirect beneficiaries** through interventions in institutions and community spaces providing essential services to the population. **Activities covered 16 states and the Capital District.** Key figures of the response: 34 spaces providing essential services to communities were built and rehabilitated, and 86 received Non Food Items; 4 Refugee Housing Units (RHUs), 36 street solar lamps and 24 energy generating systems were installed to improve basic service assistance with for the most vulnerable population; 4,083 portable solar lamps and 1,786 habitat kits were delivered to people of concern, including people affected by natural disasters, 2,282 individual kits were provided to people on the move, and 7,424 people made use of temporary collective shelters.

PROTECTION CLUSTER

Through to the end of June, the Protection Cluster, including both the Child Protection and Gender-based Violence Areas of Responsibility, benefitted 428,573 people with specific protection needs in over 180 municipalities. The specialised protection services provided reached more than 5,100 individuals with disabilities and over 36,200 individuals from indigenous communities. On 30 June, the Protection Cluster organised a monthly meeting, with the participation of 67 staff members from partner organisations, which included an update on monthly activity monitoring and the Táchira and Falcón human trafficking context analysis. In June, the Cluster also organised the monthly meeting of the Working Group on the prevention of and response to Trafficking in Persons (GTTdP), a training session on trafficking in persons for health personnel as part of the current capacity-building exercise of the Health Cluster and a UNHCR-led workshop on returns and reintegration for members of the Protection Cluster.