The Humanitarian Country Team (HCT) is committed to work for communities with humanitarian needs that require an immediate response which compliments the actions of the government.

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Rainbow

People in Need

5.1M

People in Need

Target Population by Department

Risk and impact of the COVID-19 pandemic

After the World Health Organization declared the Coronavirus (COVID-19) a global pandemic in March 2020, Colombia extended its measures by replacing the announced “Health Emergency throughout the country until 30 May 2020”, with the declaration of a “State of Emergency”. While these measures have been implemented to contain the spread of the virus, they also have a significant impact on humanitarian assistance. The adoption of these mitigation measures, with varying effects in different sectors, could in the short term increase the number of people with identified needs (8.5 million people, as indicated in HNO 2020), who will require some form of humanitarian assistance.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, figures and priority areas identified in the HRP are subject to change during the year as the implications of the crisis on people and humanitarian operations become clearer. Humanitarian actors in Colombia are analyzing the potential impact of emerging needs that could exacerbate existing ones, and updating financial requirements based on new information.

Strategic Objectives

1. Contribute to protecting and saving lives through humanitarian assistance to meet urgent needs

2. Strengthen sustainable and durable solutions to meet basic needs and provide access to livelihoods

Response Plan Overview

1.1M

TARGET POPULATION

32%

CHILDREN

209.7M

REQUIREMENTS (US$)

54%

WOMEN

46%

MEN

44

IMPLEMENTING PARTNERS

4.7%

PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES
**Focus of the Humanitarian Response**

The humanitarian action of this HRP promotes complementarity with the State’s response through intersectoral operations that respond to the multiple needs of affected people. The HCT continues to focus its actions on prevention, timely response, risk management, as well as supporting and strengthening both community and institutional capacities. By doing so, the approach allows the Clusters to not only maximize the impact of their activities, but also to maximize the resources available to them. The activities defined in this HRP reflect the efforts of the HCT to complement the State’s response to events caused by armed conflict and natural disasters.

As the COVID-19 crisis develops, impacting also some of the most vulnerable segments of the population, humanitarian actors will aim to provide humanitarian assistance to those directly impacted by the crisis and mitigate the impact of measures taken to contain the spread of the disease.

**Humanitarian Response by Cluster**

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<td>526k</td>
<td>The Cluster will work on the implementation of specific measures aimed at the prevention and early identification of risks, as well as mitigation and response measures for people affected by armed and/or widespread violence. The Cluster will also work on strengthening community and institutional capacities in order to effectively implement protection actions and to guarantee and restore the human rights of victims and/or affected persons.</td>
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<td>EARLY RECOVERY</td>
<td>195k</td>
<td>The Cluster will promote strategies for the prevention and management of risks due to natural or anthropogenic disasters, as well as socio-environmental conflicts, which require attention, management and mediation. In addition, the Cluster will support the victims of armed violence in the process of restoring their rights and stabilizing their communities. This will include the strengthening of both organizational and institutional capacities, the return or relocation of people, the local integration, promotion and participation of victims in the Comprehensive System of Truth, Justice, Reparation and Non-Repetition, and actions of collective reparation and community reconciliation.</td>
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<td>FOOD SECURITY AND NUTRITION</td>
<td>262k</td>
<td>The Cluster’s response is framed as food assistance to save lives and reduce suffering by ensuring immediate access to food, prevention and management programmes for acute malnutrition. Likewise, actions towards the strengthening of capacities to rehabilitate, maintain and/or protect the livelihoods and productive assets of people affected by armed violence and/or natural disasters (especially people in situations of displacement, confinement, attacks against the civilian population, victims of APM/UXO, gender-based violence and host communities).</td>
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<td>HEALTH</td>
<td>226k</td>
<td>The Cluster’s main objective is to facilitate a rapid and effective humanitarian response, in line with minimum humanitarian health standards, to protect and save lives. The priority services for the response are mental health, psychosocial support, sexual and reproductive health, maternal and perinatal health as well as public health, which will be addressed through direct actions in communities with limited access to these services and by strengthening and/or supporting the development of local capacities among health authorities and institutions.</td>
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<td>EDUCATION</td>
<td>150k</td>
<td>The objectives of the Cluster will be to safeguard the physical and mental well-being of those affected by armed violence and natural disasters, and to strengthen institutional capacities to guarantee continued access of children and adolescents to protective educational environments. The Cluster aims to implement a comprehensive response by capitalizing on intersectoral and complementary linkages with the actions of the public education system.</td>
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<td>WATER, SANITATION AND HYGIENE</td>
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<td>The Cluster seeks to increase and improve access to safe drinking water and basic sanitation services through the restoration of water quality, sanitation and hygiene systems; and to strengthen and complement public policy in the regions prioritized by the Cluster (Cauca, Norte de Santander, Chocó, Córdoba, Valle del Cauca, Antioquia, among others) by generating institutional and community capacities to improve the quality, coverage and sustainability of WASH services.</td>
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<td>TEMPORARY SHELTER</td>
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<td>For this Cluster, the response will be framed within the Do No Harm framework, prioritizing health, privacy, safety and dignity, as well as ensuring the participation of the population in the response and incorporating mechanisms for accountability and prevention of sexual exploitation and abuse. In addition, the Cluster will work towards ensuring the physical safety and rights of people affected by armed violence and natural disasters through access to adequate and dignified shelter and settlement solutions, especially for people in situations of displacement, confinement, restricted mobility and for host communities as well.</td>
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<td>COORDINATION</td>
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<td>Through the coordination provided by OCHA, the humanitarian architecture will strengthen the national and regional efforts in order to provide a more efficient and effective response to communities in need of humanitarian assistance. This entails strong coordination and information management between the Humanitarian Country Team, the Inter-Cluster Group, and the local coordination and humanitarian teams.</td>
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