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Fact Sheet

Annual Results

HONDURAS
2024



Key Results >>



+239,000
individuals

received **protection and information** on access to asylum in Honduras, a **74% increase** compared to 2023.



+2,000
public officials

were **trained on international protection principles**, including non-refoulement, non-penalisation for irregular entry, and the right to seek asylum. **In 2024, no cases of refoulement were reported.**



1,114
individuals

—including refugees, internally displaced people, and persons at risk of displacement—benefited from livelihood and financial inclusion programmes, **enhancing self-reliance and access to sustainable opportunities.**



+16,000

refugees, asylum-seekers, host community members, and other people of concern received core relief items, **helping them meet immediate basic needs and improve living conditions.**



1,298
individuals

received **direct support to cover their basic needs**. Preferred by 99% of recipients for its flexibility, this modality reinforced **UNHCR's commitment to dignified, person-centred assistance.**



775
community leaders

886
public officials

were trained to prevent and respond to violence against women and girls, **contributing to safer environments and stronger local protection networks.**



173
new asylum applications

registered in 2024 by the Government, a **62% increase from 2023**. Honduras also hosted **201 refugees**, reflecting improved access to asylum procedures.



UNHCR and its partners' work in preventing and responding to violence against women and girls has strengthened local protection networks, resulting in safer environments for women and children across the country.

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Overview in 2024

UNHCR continued its efforts to protect and assist internally displaced people (IDPs), refugees, asylum-seekers, returnees, and individuals entering the country irregularly who are in need of international protection. Through strategic partnerships with 22 government institutions and NGOs, UNHCR provided technical assistance for policy development and operational support for protection and assistance programmes.

UNHCR led the Protection Sector in collaboration with 40 organizations, including UN agencies, NGOs, and the Honduran Red Cross, supported by three Local Response Teams. UNHCR contributed to the Comprehensive Regional Framework for Protection and Solutions (MIRPS) and the Regional Refugee and Migrant Response Plan to strengthen national protection systems, in collaboration with other countries in the region.

In 2024, a key MIRPS milestone was the inclusion of displaced people in the national Honduran planning and budget cycle under the leadership of the Planning Secretariat, ensuring that displaced people are included in government programmes. This progress aligns with the Global Compact on Refugees and the Sustainable Development Goals.

UNHCR also supported the UN Sustainable Development Cooperation Framework, co-led the interagency working groups on gender and protection, and partnered with financial institutions such as the World Bank integrate displacement into development agendas.

In collaboration with The Hague Institute for Innovation in Law (HiiL), UNHCR promoted a study on access to justice for internally displaced people, informing people-centred justice policies. Additionally, UNHCR expanded engagement with the private sector and academia to foster sustainable inclusion of displaced people in society, through economic inclusion and access to professional training opportunities offered by private companies during internships.

UNHCR, in partnership with the Secretariat of Social Development, CGIAR, and the International Organization for Migration, co-hosted a national forum on extreme weather and displacement. Key stakeholders identified legal gaps and social protection needs, promoting land management, early warning systems, and food security initiatives, with a strong focus on community-led disaster response.

Results

Prevention and Response on Violence against Women and Girls

UNHCR collaborated with the Secretariat of Women's Affairs and civil society to strengthen institutional responses to violence against women and girls, train over 1,600 stakeholders, and reach more than 2,000 individuals through community-based prevention activities. The CONECTA platform—a digital service for survivors or people at risk of violence—assisted 275 women and girls.

Child Protection

Over 600 officials, caregivers, and community leaders were trained on child protection and rights. More than 2,500 children received direct assistance, and 2,200 referrals were made to child protection services from border points. In 2024, UNHCR and partners identified over 4,100 children at risk of forced recruitment or displacement in high-risk communities in the Central District and San Pedro Sula.

These cases were managed through referral pathway and coordinated response with the Secretariat of Childhood, Adolescence and Family.

Community-Based Protection and Resilience

UNHCR supported **43 communities** in urban areas affected by violence. This contributed to protection plans benefiting over **17,000 individuals**, including women, youth, LGBTQI+ individuals, and people with disabilities. Awareness sessions on prevention of violence and internal displacement reached over **6,600 individuals**, enhancing their ability to identify protection risks and to understand their rights.

Capacity Building and Legal Protection

Over **1,000 national and local officials** were trained on international protection standards. UNHCR strengthened the technical capacity of the National System of Response to Internal Displacement on case management and supported the Ombudsperson's Office in developing a guide to address complaints from Indigenous and Afro-Honduran human rights defenders at risk of displacement.

Livelihoods

Collaborating with **133 private sector actors and 42 technical and vocational training institutions**, UNHCR expanded access to education, employment, and entrepreneurship opportunities. A total of 4,500 individuals were reached, including 1,114 individuals who benefited from self-reliance support.

Humanitarian Coordination and Emergency Response

UNHCR's leadership in the Protection Sector and local response structures ensured coordinated responses during **Tropical Storm Sara** and throughout the year. Over **220,000 individuals** were reached through protection and case management services.

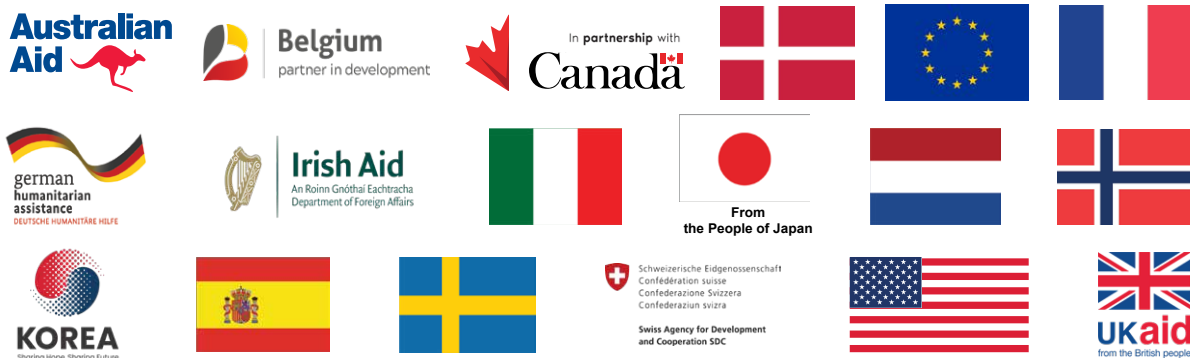
Housing, Land, and Property Rights

The campaign "**Your Registered Home, Your Secured Right**" reached **212 people in four cities**, promoting HLP regularisation and legal counselling.

Regulation of the Law for the prevention, assistance and protection of internally displaced people

In 2024, UNHCR supported the Secretariat of Human Rights in finalizing the draft Regulations of the 2022 Law for the prevention, assistance and protection of internally displaced people. The process included consultations with **170 people internally displaced and at-risk**, and **14 civil society organizations**. Once adopted, the Regulations will strengthen protection measures and improve access to rights for affected populations. This marks a step towards establishing **coordinated, effective, and sustainable protection mechanisms**.

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