



GUATEMALA

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IN SUPPORT OF THE GUATEMALAN RED CROSS



21

National Society branches



240

National Society staff



1,600

National Society volunteers

PEOPLE REACHED

Ongoing emergency operations



12,000

FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

in Swiss francs (CHF)

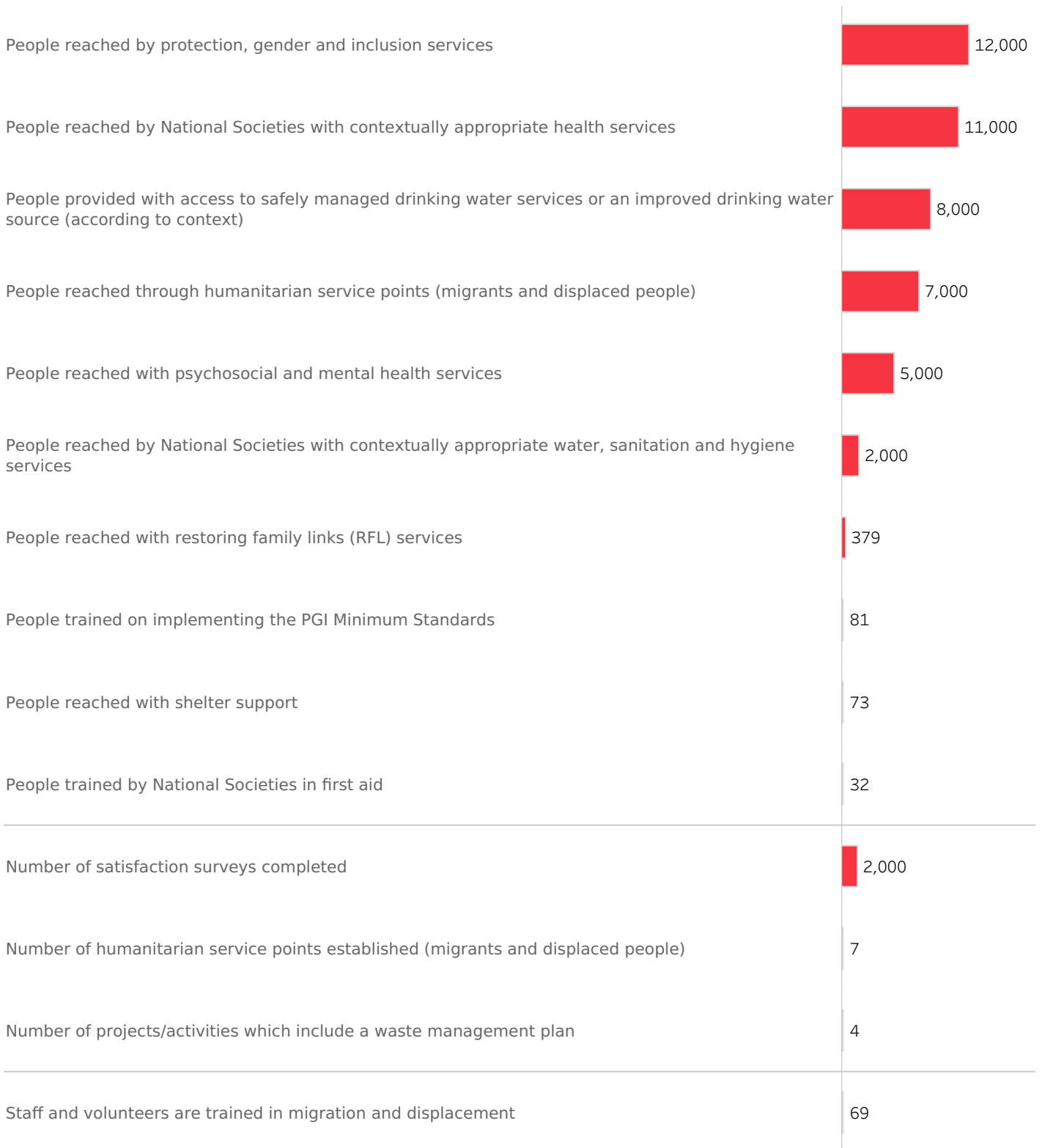
Total	Funding requirements		11.2M
IFRC	Emergency Operations	Funding requirements	1.6M
		Income	207,000
	Longer-term	Funding requirements	734,000
		Income	3.2M
Participating National Societies	Funding requirements	1.8M	
	Income	1.6M	
Host National Society other funding sources	Funding requirements	6M	

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Appeal numbers **MAAGT003, MDR43008**

ONGOING EMERGENCY INDICATORS

MDR43008 / Central America & Mexico / Migration Crisis



IFRC NETWORK SUPPORTED ACTIVITIES

National Society	Multilateral Support	Bilateral Support					
		Climate	Migration and displacement	Values, power and inclusion	Enabling Functions	Disasters and crises	Health and wellbeing
American Red Cross	●	●				●	
British Red Cross	●						
German Red Cross		●			●	●	
Italian Red Cross	●						
Japanese Red Cross Society	●						
Netherlands Red Cross	●						
Norwegian Red Cross	●						
Swedish Red Cross	●						

● Planned

● Supported

OVERALL PROGRESS

Context

According to the [2023 Humanitarian Needs Overview](#) (HNO) report, the context in Guatemala has undergone some changes in the political, legal, institutional, security, and governance landscape, as well as in the occurrence of new extreme climate events.

The report also highlights that, during 2022, the humanitarian needs of vulnerable people in Guatemala were presented in a context influenced by the aftermath of the COVID-19 pandemic and the economic impacts of the war between Russia and Ukraine. Both exogenous factors have had a substantial impact on the country's life dynamics, as the increase in prices of food, fuel and fertilizers have been hindering full recovery even in 2023.

In addition, during the first half of 2023, the first round of general elections was held to elect the president, vice president, Congress deputies and the Central American Parliament, mayors, and municipal corporations. A second round was held for the top two presidential candidates in August.

During the first half of 2023, violence continues to impact the population, disproportionately affecting women, girls and adolescents. According to data from the National Civil Police (PNC) and the National Forensic Institute (INACIF), homicidal violence in the country is related to gangs and drug trafficking.

During the first half of 2023, the most relevant issues generating humanitarian needs have been food and nutrition insecurity, human mobility, and disasters derived from hydrometeorological events.

Food and nutritional assistance needs are at their highest historical levels, according to the HNO. About 4.6 million people are experiencing food insecurity and are in need of immediate attention, mainly subsistence and below-subsistence level farming families, and families with minimal or no income. Around 1.9 million people have humanitarian needs related to acute malnutrition, including children under five years of age, women of childbearing age and pregnant women, the elderly, and people with disabilities.

According to the Epidemiological department of the [Ministry of Public Health and Social Assistance](#) (MSPAS), during the first half of 2023, 98% of the registered cases of malnutrition were identified by anthropometry. The reporting of cases of acute malnutrition has shown an increase of 34% compared to those identified the previous year.

On the other hand, Guatemala is a country of origin, transit, destination, and return of people on the move, including refugees and asylum seekers, returnees, and people in transit, many of whom have specific protection needs. According to the [International Organization for Migration](#) (IOM) website, the number of Guatemalan returnees during the first half of 2023 is 37,149. This figure, as a whole, increases the risks and needs for protection and humanitarian response.

Key achievements

In the first half of 2023, **the Guatemalan Red Cross** has achieved significant milestones in various areas of its humanitarian mission. It has consolidated its role as a National Society Climate Champion, actively participating in climate and environment initiatives, which has allowed it to position itself as a reference organization at the national and regional level in this area. In addition, it has strengthened its collaboration with the National Institute of Seismology, Volcanology, Meteorology and Hydrology (INSIVUMEH) and the Inter U network, thus improving its access to crucial information and its capacity to address meteorological events and tropical storms.

The training and updating of staff and volunteers in nature-based solutions and climate-smart programming has been a fundamental aspect, strengthening their daily work in the communities. Additionally, the National Society has made progress in formulating a climate change policy and strategy, providing strategic guidance to address the challenges of climate change.

In the area of disasters and crises, the Guatemalan Red Cross has improved its collaboration with the National Coordinator for Disaster Reduction (CONRED), which has contributed to better preparedness and response to risks and disasters at the national level. It has also promoted cash assistance and needs assessments for more accurate planning. Planning has been initiated for two Early Action Protocols (EAP) to address challenges related to migration and drought.

In health and well-being, the Guatemalan Red Cross has conducted medical sessions, blood donation campaigns and training in health care and psychosocial support, especially focused on communities with limited access to health services. The promotion of maternal and child health in indigenous communities and care for women victims of gender-based violence have been priorities. Training has been provided in disease prevention, along with the distribution of hygiene kits and other resources.

The Guatemalan Red Cross has maintained a focus on effective coordination with the Ministry of Health and other relevant actors. It has closely worked with the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) on a Restoring Family Links strategy and has undertaken advocacy actions with members of Congress to ensure state financial support.

In the area of migration and displacement, the National Society has provided a wide range of assistance to the migrant population, including medical care, psychosocial support, food distribution and protection services. It has focused on coordination with other organizations and authorities to provide a comprehensive response. Institutional strengthening and training actions have been carried out on themes related to human mobility.

In terms of values, power and inclusion, the Guatemalan Red Cross has updated its gender and inclusion policies and is moving forward in the formulation of policies against exploitation, abuse and sexual harassment. This will enable its programs and operations to incorporate protection, gender and inclusion standards. The National Society has also worked closely with the Ministry of Health and the Congress of the Republic, ensuring effective follow-up and coordination.

As part of its Resource Mobilization Strategy, it has planned the development of a project portfolio to generate its own income and has evaluated its internal capacities. It has promoted attention to essential services and formulated the Community Engagement and Accountability (CEA) Policy to include community consultations in all its actions.

The Guatemalan Red Cross implements the Pilot Programmatic Partnership (PPP) funded by the Directorate-General for European Civil Protection and Humanitarian Aid Operations (ECHO). The ECHO PPP is implemented in consortium with the Spanish Red Cross as the lead EU National Society, the German Red Cross, and the IFRC Country Cluster Delegation Central America, Honduras. The ECHO PPP applies a multi-sector approach to prepare communities to face emergencies that arise by increasing their resilience, awareness of risks, and response capacity. The Guatemalan Red Cross has carried out training in nature-based solutions, formed Local Coordinators for Disaster Reduction (COLRED) in target communities, and has assisted migrants through humanitarian service points (HSP).

Changes and amendments

The Unified Plan of the Guatemalan Red Cross has remained stable without significant changes during the first semester of its implementation. This achievement is due to the collaborative work between the National Society and its cooperators, partners and strategic allies. This collaboration has allowed the unification of strategic efforts to optimize resources and coordinate, unify or complement actions to avoid duplication of actions and provide comprehensive, relevant and high-quality assistance to people affected by disasters and crises in the country.

However, the National Society anticipates the probability of making some adjustments in response to the expected changes during the country's general election process, which will culminate with the inauguration of the new authorities on January 14, 2024. If these adjustments are made, they will be duly documented in the annual report.

IFRC NETWORK ACTION

ONGOING EMERGENCY RESPONSE

Emergency Appeal name	Mexico & Central America: Migration Crisis
Appeal code	MDR43008
Operation timeframe	17 months (29 July 2022 to 31 December 2023)
Financial requirements	Through IFRC Emergency Appeal: CHF 18 million Federation-wide: CHF 28 million
Emergency Appeal link	Mexico and Central America migration crisis Emergency Appeal
Operational Strategy for Guatemala	Guatemala Operational Strategy
Latest Operations Update	Mexico and Central America migration crisis Appeal 12 month Operations Update

SECTORS OF INTERVENTION



Shelter, housing and settlements

Communities in areas affected by disasters and crises restore and strengthen their safety, well-being, and long-term recovery through shelter and settlement solutions

The Guatemalan Red Cross has provided support to temporary shelters through organizations that provide this service directly. This support has been mainly through the supply of basic necessities for people who require the service. It has also directly supported institutions that provide temporary collective housing to people in mobility, tailoring the assistance according to the needs of the moment.

As of May 2023, the Guatemalan Red Cross has assisted a total of 4,460 people through collective temporary housing and has provided essential supplies, especially for personal hygiene, to 2,321 people staying in temporary shelters. Moreover, it has collaborated with 20 temporary shelters by supplying them with both personal hygiene and prehospital care supplies. Also, 115 people, including staff and volunteers, have participated in training and updating processes focused on improving the quality of service provided at Humanitarian Service Points (HSP). These processes have addressed topics such as route orientation, psychosocial support, livelihoods, and others, with the aim of strengthening the quality of the service provided.



Livelihoods

Communities, especially in areas affected by disasters and crises, restore and strengthen their livelihoods

In February 2023, the Guatemalan Red Cross gathered information to begin developing a feasibility study for the distribution of seed capital to entrepreneurs in community in the department of Izabal. However, as of the conclusion of this report, this action was paused due to lack of funds and the need to prioritize attention based on recent increases in migration flows and the constantly changing context.



Multi-purpose Cash

Households receive unconditional/multipurpose cash transfer to meet their basic needs

After conducting a prior needs assessment, the Guatemalan Red Cross concluded that this was not a priority need. This decision was also based on consideration of the characteristics of current migration flows in Guatemala, which led the National Society to initially not include it in its operational strategy.



Health & Care

(Mental health and psychosocial support / Community health / Medical services)

Strengthening the comprehensive and community health of affected population through community-level interventions and strengthening the health system

As of May 2023, the Guatemalan Red Cross has provided a total of 21,885 health services, including first aid care. In addition, it has distributed 5,839 supplies, such as masks and hand sanitizer, to ensure the personal protection of migrants. It also raised awareness about health issues among migrants and host communities, reaching a total of 12,536 people. Furthermore, it provided mental health care and psychosocial support to 7,826 people, and distributed 421 differentiated psychosocial support kits.

At the same time, as part of the National Society's strengthening initiatives, a total of 36 people, including staff and volunteers, received training on topics related to first aid.



Water, Sanitation and Hygiene

Ensure drinking water, adequate sanitation, and proper hygiene awareness in communities during the response and recovery phases of the Emergency Operation, through community and organizational interventions

As of May 2023, the Guatemalan Red Cross has distributed a total of 1,927 items for personal hygiene, including toothbrushes, toothpaste, soap bars, shampoo, among others. In addition, it has provided access to safe water for a total of 22,717 people and 1,859 hygiene kits have been distributed to meet the essential needs of the migrant population.



Protection, Gender and Inclusion

Communities identify the needs of the most at-risk and particularly disadvantaged and marginalized groups due to inequality, discrimination, and other cases of non-compliance with their human rights, and address their specific needs

As of May 2023, the Guatemalan Red Cross has provided Protection, Gender and Inclusion (PGI) services to a total of 21,106 people. In addition, it has assisted 1,090 people through Restoring Family Links (RFL) services. As part of the process of strengthening the National Society, a total of 58 people, including staff and volunteers, have been trained and updated on PGI minimum standards.



Community Engagement and Accountability

The diverse needs, priorities, and preferences of affected people guide the response through a person-centered approach and meaningful community involvement

As of May 2023, the Guatemalan Red Cross has conducted 2 consultation meetings with host communities to identify their needs and explore avenues for joint collaboration. In addition, it has conducted 1,032 satisfaction interviews with migrants. According to the results, 91% of the surveyed people reported having received valuable and relevant information for their migratory journey. They also highlighted that the humanitarian aid provided has been of high quality and tailored to their immediate needs.



Migration

Communities support the needs of migrants and their families, and those who assist migrants at all stages of migration (origin, transit, and destination)

As of May 2023, the Guatemalan Red Cross has strengthened 6 Humanitarian Service Points (HSP) and has served 21,612 people through these HSPs, offering a variety of humanitarian services. In addition, it has reached 51,524 people by disseminating key messages related to protection during the migratory route. It has also trained and updated 61 people, including staff and volunteers, on issues related to human mobility.



Risk reduction, climate adaptation and recovery

Host communities in high-risk areas are prepared and able to respond to disasters

The Guatemalan Red Cross had begun collecting information to identify the needs of host communities in relation to risk reduction, climate change adaptation and recovery. However, these actions have been halted due to increased migration flows in recent months and the need to prioritize resources due to the lack of available funds.

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES



Climate and environment

As one of the National Society Climate Champions, the Guatemalan Red Cross has actively participated in various instances related to climate and environment, consolidating its actions and establishing itself as a national and regional reference organization in this area.

In addition, it has strengthened its collaboration in national spaces, such as the climate services table led by the National Institute of Seismology, Volcanology, Meteorology, Meteorology and Hydrology (INSIVUMEH). This cooperation has allowed the execution of joint actions and access to crucial information for monitoring of meteorological events, as well as the formulation of evidence-based proposals.

Simultaneously, the Guatemalan Red Cross has closely collaborated with the Inter U network, which brings together public and private universities in the country. In this context, it has developed training proposals and shared knowledge and lessons learned in relation to tropical storms. In this space, the National Society has played an important role as an advisory organization.

Furthermore, with the support of ECHO PPP, the National Society has carried out training and updating on nature-based solutions and climate-smart programming. This initiative has allowed staff and volunteers to stay updated in this field, strengthening daily actions in the communities.

Finally, the Guatemalan Red Cross has formulated the proposal for a climate change policy and strategy. These documents are currently under review and will subsequently be presented to the National Society's council for validation. This initiative will provide clear guidance and strategic direction to address the challenges of climate change, enabling it to make informed decisions and coordinate efforts effectively.



Disasters and crises

During the first half of 2023, the Guatemalan Red Cross has significantly strengthened its collaboration with the National Coordinator for Disaster Reduction (CONRED), the entity responsible for coordinating disaster risk management in conjunction with various institutions, both public and private, at the national and international level. This collaboration has improved preparedness and response to risks and disasters at the national level.

Simultaneously, the National Society has actively participated in various spaces of context analysis, planning and development of joint actions with governmental and non-governmental institutions on various issues related to disasters and crises at the local, community and national levels. This interaction has facilitated coordination with national authorities and the National Society's strategic partners to better understand the needs of the most at-risk communities and to establish early warning systems in collaboration with these communities. The ECHO PPP is supporting the process to develop early warning systems in target communities, as well as the formation of Local Coordinators for Disaster Reduction (COLRED).

It has also promoted cash assistance as a priority sector within anticipatory and response actions, mainly considering that this type of intervention allows people to prepare, prioritize and care for their families according to their own preferences and decisions. In parallel, the National Society has led needs assessments. These assessments have provided valuable information that has allowed for more accurate and efficient planning of interventions at all levels. The ECHO PPP has supported the capacity development of the National Society in the area of cash and voucher assistance, carrying out feasibility and market studies to determine the optimal modality, mechanisms, and procedures for cash transfers.

Furthermore, the Guatemalan Red Cross has started planning of two specific Early Action Protocols (EAPs): one aimed at addressing challenges related to migration and the other focused on drought.



Health and wellbeing

During the first half of 2023, the Guatemalan Red Cross has carried out a series of outstanding initiatives and activities in the field of medical care in response to emergencies, disasters and crises, with a special focus on vulnerable communities with difficulties in accessing health services.

The Guatemalan Red Cross has organized medical days in communities with limited access to health services and carried out voluntary blood donation campaigns in various locations across the country. In addition, it has provided training to representatives of public institutions and civil society organizations, focused on equitable and effective access to care services and mechanisms for the restitution of health and economic rights of women victims of gender-based violence.

To ensure effective access to health services for women victims of violence, it has promoted the coordination and development of psychosocial support workshops. It has also distributed menstrual hygiene kits and conducted workshops on topics related to protection, gender and inclusion.

In the area of maternal and child health in indigenous communities, it has carried out various activities, including food demonstration sessions, the development of family emergency plans, the distribution of silos, workshops on comprehensive management of orchards, training and accreditation of health commissions, distribution of food kits, and the development of market studies for the formulation of micro-projects.

The National Society's commitment to prevention has been reflected in the development of educational sessions and home visits, covering a wide range of topics, from the prevention of Dengue, Zika, Chikungunya, and COVID-19, proper hand washing, menstrual hygiene and the promotion of sexual and reproductive health. These sessions are complemented by the distribution of family hygiene kits, menstrual hygiene kits, and kits for the elimination of mosquito breeding sites. The ECHO PPP has supported these actions to prevent the spread of disease at community level and strengthening the capacity to prepare and respond to epidemics at the local and national levels.

The National Society's commitment to effective coordination has remained strong. It has worked closely with the Ministry of Health, the Municipal Development Councils (COMUDE) and the Municipal Councils for Food Security and Nutritional (COMUSAN) to review and adjust plans and strategies for the prevention of COVID-19 and other endemic diseases.

In addition, the National Society's health area supported the implementation of the IFRC-DREF operation in response to tropical storm Julia, through educational sessions on psychosocial support, distribution of psychosocial support kits, household water treatment kits, water filters, and family and differentiated hygiene kits.

Finally, as part of its commitment to institutional strengthening, the National Society has coordinated and developed a series of training and updating courses, including National Intervention Teams (NIT) specializing in psychosocial support, pedagogical mediation, preparedness, anticipation and early response to epidemics, and others. The participation of staff and volunteers at the national level in these courses has strengthened capacities to provide relevant and quality assistance. Significant actions have also been carried out, such as the development of the mental health and psychosocial support strategy and the preparation of guidelines in this area.



Migration and displacement

The Guatemalan Red Cross has focused its efforts on a wide range of humanitarian interventions to address the needs of the migrant population. These actions have included pre-hospital care, distribution of safe water, psychosocial support, delivery of refreshments, protection services, safe referrals in close coordination with other organizations operating in the field of migration, and relevant authorities. In addition, it has provided differentiated hygiene kits, child-specific assistance, distribution of orientation maps, Restoring Family Links (RFL) services, and activities related to Community Engagement and Accountability (CEA). It has also socialized key messages on protection and services available along the migratory route, among other key activities.

These interventions have been carried out both directly with the migrant population and with host communities, ensuring a comprehensive approach in addressing humanitarian needs in this area. In parallel, it has implemented actions aimed at institutional strengthening, including training and updating staff and volunteers on a variety of topics related to human mobility to ensure the delivery of high-quality and relevant humanitarian assistance.

The Guatemalan Red Cross has played an active role in various spaces of context analysis and coordination, highlighting its participation in the migration roundtables at the national level. The main objective of this is to strengthen the humanitarian response in the area of migration in a coordinated manner and to establish strategic alliances to avoid duplication of efforts.

Assistance to the migrant population has been provided mostly through Humanitarian Service Points (HSP) established in various locations, which have been adjusted according to migratory flows, the routes used and the changing needs that have arisen. The ECHO PPP is supporting the assistance at the HSP, providing pre-hospital care, psychosocial support, restoring family links, medical care and hygiene kits. Awareness activities are also being carried out in host communities to address stigma and discrimination against migrants.



Values, power and inclusion

During the first half of 2023, the Guatemalan Red Cross has carried out important actions related to updating policies and the formulation of new key policies. In this period, it updated the Protection, Gender and Inclusion (PGI) policy and has established a specific committee responsible for creating the Policy on Prevention of Sexual Exploitation, Abuse and Harassment (PSEAH). In addition, it has made significant progress in developing the PSEAH policy and the elaboration of a working proposal in collaboration with UNHCR.

At the end of the first semester of 2023, the PSEAH Policy has been submitted and socialized to the Guatemalan Red Cross-National Council for its review and subsequent approval. The implementation of these policies is fundamental for the National Society, as it allows it to incorporate minimum standards of protection, gender and inclusion in programs and projects as well as in emergency operations.

The existence of a specific PGI policy has ensured that humanitarian assistance is provided in an inclusive and equitable manner, reaching all people in need. It is also planned to achieve the same positive results once the PSEAH policy is approved. These policies demonstrate the National Society's commitment to quality and ethics in the provision of humanitarian assistance, ensuring that no one is excluded and promoting a safe environment free of exploitation, abuse and sexual harassment in all actions.

ENABLING LOCAL ACTORS



Strategic and operational coordination

The Guatemalan Red Cross has maintained constant communication with representatives of the Ministry of Health to monitor the funds allocated by the State to the National Society. In addition, it has carried out various advocacy actions to facilitate meetings with members of the Congress of the Republic and request their support in the continuation of the state contribution. Meetings with the assigned working commissions have been planned for the second half of 2023, with the purpose of strengthening the link with the corresponding authorities.

The ECHO PPP is contributing to enhanced coordination. It is implemented with support from the Spanish Red Cross, German Red Cross, and the IFRC with regular meetings to review progress. There is also greater coordination with national and local authorities, such as the National Coordinator for Risk Reduction (CONRED), the Ministry of Public Health and Social Assistance (MSPAS), and Department and Municipal Development Councils.

Within the framework of strategic cooperation with the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC), several meetings have been held to develop a specific strategy for restoring family links (RFL). This strategy is not limited only to migration issues but seeks to integrate RFL into other programs and projects carried out by the Guatemalan Red Cross in the country. In this way, RFL becomes a cross-cutting action.



National Society development

The Guatemalan Red Cross has been implementing a series of actions in the context of its Resource Mobilization Strategy. Among these initiatives, the start of planning for the prioritization and development of a project portfolio, with the aim of increasing the generation of its own income. In parallel, internal assessments have been carried out to evaluate the current capacity, considering both staff and volunteers and ongoing responsibilities, in order to have an overview to serve as a basis for planning.

Likewise, the Guatemalan Red Cross has promoted attention to essential services, such as health care and business training, as these are considered the main areas for the expansion of the National Society's unrestricted funds.

With the support of ECHO PPP, the Community Engagement and Accountability (CEA) Policy has been formulated. This policy will allow the inclusion of consultations through various means in all actions undertaken by the National Society, which will facilitate obtaining suggestions, recommendations, complaints and other direct feedback from the community, thus contributing to the strengthening of the work in the country.

Planning has been initiated to conduct the self-assessment of phase one of the Organizational Capability Assessment and Certification (OCAC) as part of the National Society's preparation for an effective response. This action is projected to be carried out at the beginning of the second semester of 2023.



Humanitarian diplomacy

Within the framework of the ECHO PPP, during the first half of 2023, the Guatemalan Red Cross has begun holding meetings with the purpose of addressing aspects of humanitarian diplomacy in the Guatemalan context, with the aim of developing a national plan on this subject. The meetings are ongoing, and it is anticipated that by the end of 2023, a draft document will be available.



Accountability and agility (cross-cutting)

In compliance with the commitment of the Guatemalan Red Cross to ensure the safety and well-being of all its staff and volunteers, it has conducted various training through the Safety Committee. These sessions have addressed a variety of topics, such as fire extinguisher handling, first aid and psychological first aid, among others. The training sessions have been implemented on a monthly schedule and have targeted all staff and volunteers nationwide.

In addition, processes have been carried out to review the requirements and procedures for the recruitment and follow-up of volunteers. These efforts have enabled the updating and adjustment of these aspects to adapt them to national, local and community needs. Furthermore, the implementation of calls for volunteers has been planned with the aim of attracting more people who wish to join volunteering, in accordance with the National Society's statutes and the fundamental principles of the International Red Cross Movement.

In this sense, the planning has contemplated the diverse profiles and representativeness in the communities where the Guatemalan Red Cross is present. This will contribute to the sustainability of the actions led by the Delegations and their local resource management. At the same time, the evaluation of effective systems for registering active volunteers has begun, which will be continuously updated by the volunteer and youth focal points. This will ensure motivation, recognition and the provision of the necessary resources to carry out volunteer actions.

The Guatemalan Red Cross has updated administrative manuals related to fixed assets, risk matrices for administrative control and procedures for staff hiring. In addition, meetings have been held with IFRC focal points to evaluate and discuss possible actions to strengthen the National Society's financial and accounting system. This is particularly relevant, considering that the current system does not meet the needs generated by the growth of the National Society and the management of various projects and emergency operations.

In relation to the above, the National Society has been reviewing its Activities and Services Management System (SIGGA). This process aims to incorporate two additional modules: one for the registration and follow-up of volunteers, and the other related to the registration of projects and emergency operations. Currently, the system is mainly focused on the registration and follow-up of actions related to pre-hospital and medical care, training and transfers. These changes are being promoted as part of the strengthening of the transparency and accountability system promoted by the National Society at all levels.



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DATA SCOPE AND LIMITATIONS

- **Timeframe and alignment:** The reporting timeframe for this overview is covering the period from 1 January to 30 June 2023. However, due to the diversity of the IFRC and differences in fiscal years, this coverage may not fully align for some National Societies. Mid-year reporting data may have been based on estimations, with plans to submit more robust numbers at the annual reporting stage.
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- **Reporting bias:** The data informing this Federation-wide overview is self-reported by each National Society (or its designated support entity) and which is the owner and gatekeeper, and responsible for accuracy and updating. IFRC tries to triangulate the data provided by the National Societies with previous data and other data in the public domain.

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