

EARLY ACTION PROTOCOL ANNUAL REPORT

Honduras | Population Movement

April 2025



A group of people migrating through Honduras wait in line to receive support from Honduran Red Cross volunteers at a Humanitarian Service Point (HSP) in the western part of the country in late 2023. Source: HRC.

EAP №: EAP2023HN04	Operation №: MDRHN021	Period covered by this annual report: 19/12/2023 to 31/12/2024
EAP approved: 18/12/2023	EAP timeframe: 5 Years	

Annual Budget: 286,882 CHF

EAP Budget: 549,995 CHF

SUMMARY OF THE EARLY ACTION PROTOCOL



A Honduran Red Cross volunteer provides a migrant with information about the available services along the migration route. December 2023. Danlí, El Paraíso, Honduras. Source: HRC.

The IFRC's Disaster Response Emergency Fund (DREF) has allocated CHF 549,995 to support anticipatory actions aimed at reducing and mitigating the impact of population movement in Honduras. This allocation is divided into: CHF 358,980 for annual readiness activities and prepositioning supplies, and CHF 191,016 for early actions that will be implemented only if the triggers established are met. The early actions to be conducted have been pre-agreed with the National Society and are described in the Early Action Protocol summary.

This report summarizes the annual readiness and preposition activities implemented in year 1, covering the period 19/12/2023 to 31/12/2024. The report also includes any changes or updates made to the initially agreed plan.

SUMMARY OF ANNUAL PROGRESS BY PLANNED OPERATION

	CHF preposition budget:	CHF preposition actual:
\$	91,903	78,854
\$	CHF readiness budget:	CHF readiness actual:
Health & Care	G	

Narrative description of plan vs achievements

In 2024, the Honduran Red Cross acquired 4,000 first aid kits, which include essential items such as disposable masks, wet wipes, hydrogen peroxide, bandages, sterile gauze, among others. The procurement process was carried out in accordance with IFRC guidelines, using the sealed envelope procedure managed by the IFRC Logistics Unit, ensuring both transparency and traceability. The kits were pre-positioned at the National Society's central warehouse; however, the payment to the supplier was made after the issuance of this report, which is why the expenditure is not yet reflected in the corresponding budget line for pre-positioning.

Additionally, during the same period, the procurement of 1,000 psychosocial support kits was successfully completed. These kits include materials such as emotional self-care brochures, stress balls, crayons, notebooks, and other related items. This purchase was carried out without delay, and the kits are already prepositioned in the central warehouse, ready for distribution in accordance with the trigger activation protocols.



CHF preposition budget:	CHF preposition actual:
111,512	18,237
CHF readiness budget:	CHF readiness actual:

Narrative description of plan vs achievements

The Honduran Red Cross procured a total of 10,000 hygiene kits tailored for women, men, boys, and girls between the ages of 4 and 11. Each kit included essential items such as body soap, shampoo, wet wipes, razors, sanitary pads, toilet paper, toothpaste and toothbrush, diapers, among others. The procurement was carried out at a cost below market value, due to the consolidation of the purchasing process, resulting in a positive budget balance. This surplus will be reallocated in 2025 to purchase additional supplies to support inventory rotation or to enable potential distribution to people in transit, in case a response activation is required.

	CHF preposition budget:	CHF preposition actual:
%	1,981	0
ノ) Migration	CHF readiness budget:	CHF readiness actual:
•	2,377	0

Narrative description of plan vs achievements

In May 2024, the Honduran Red Cross conducted a training session on Protection, Gender and Inclusion (PGI) with a focus on the context of human mobility in the country, which also included an introductory session on anticipatory actions. A total of 6 volunteers from the El Paraíso and Danlí branches participated in the activity.

Additionally, the National Society carried out an operational capacity analysis of the Humanitarian Service Points (HSPs) along the migration route through the implementation of two field-based simulations/pilots, which enabled the assessment of established protocols in real conditions.

Concurrently, field teams from the Honduran Red Cross in Danlí and Ocotepeque consistently monitored migration flows, visiting four key points (El Amatillo, Trojes, Alauca, and Las Manos) throughout 2024. These efforts, complemented by focus groups with local volunteers, led to the updated mapping of migration routes in August 2024.

However, starting in late November 2024, a significant decrease in the flow of migrants in transit was observed—a trend that persisted through the end of the year. As a result, the National Society plans to review the migration route maps in 2025, considering evolving migration patterns and in conjunction with scenario planning exercises under the framework of the Migration Program.

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Community
Engagement and
Accountability

CHF preposition budget:	CHF preposition actual:
0	0
CHF readiness budget:	CHF readiness actual:

Narrative description of plan vs achievements

In mid-August 2024, the Honduran Red Cross successfully concluded the awareness-raising sessions on the Early Action Protocol (EAP) for Human Mobility, targeting humanitarian actors operating at key service points. Participating organizations included Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society (HIAS), Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF), International Organization for Migration (IOM), Action Against Hunger, Caritas Honduras, and the National Migration Institute.

The EAP was also presented to community leaders in the communities of El Zarzal and Los Almendros, with additional sessions held for local actors, including health committees and local emergency committees.

Enabling approaches

Coordination and Partnerships

CHF preposition budget:	CHF preposition actual:
0	0
CUT readiness budgets	
CHF readiness budget:	CHF readiness actual:

Narrative description of plan vs achievements

As part of the Technical Migration Working Group, the Honduran Red Cross presented the Early Action Protocol (EAP) for Human Mobility to Red Cross Movement partners in March 2024, with the support of IFRC staff. During the session, key tools were shared, including the anticipatory pillar guidelines of the DREF, the field capacity analysis tool, and other operational preparedness instruments.

	CHF preposition budget:	CHF preposition actual:
	0	0
Secretariat Services	CHF readiness budget:	CHF readiness actual:
	47,160	23,436

Narrative description of plan vs achievements

The IFRC has held monthly follow-up meetings with the Honduran Red Cross team, specifically with the Social Inclusion Management Unit and the Disaster Risk Management Department, as well as with representatives from the German Red Cross. These meetings are aimed to facilitate technical and operational coordination and provide ongoing support to the National Society in the implementation of the Early Action Protocol (EAP).

In addition, part of the budget was used to partially cover the salaries of the Finance Officer, Migration Officer, and Planning, Monitoring, Evaluation and Reporting (PMER) Officer of the Central America Cluster. These staff members have provided technical assistance from the planning phase through to the monitoring and follow-up of EAP activities.

	CHF preposition budget:	CHF preposition actual:
FC .	5,229	0
National Society Strengthening	CHF readiness budget:	CHF readiness actual:

Narrative description of plan vs achievements

The Honduran Red Cross completed the procurement of visibility items in 2024, including shirts, caps, protective sleeves, etc. for staff and volunteers. These materials have been pre-positioned in the National Society warehouses and are ready for distribution in the event of activation.

Additionally, pocket-sized copies of the Human Mobility Early Action Protocol (EAP) were printed and distributed during socialization sessions with communities, local actors, and other National Societies interested in implementing similar EAP.

Racks were also acquired to improve storage conditions in the National Society warehouses and ensure proper safeguarding of the pre-positioned kits.

CHALLENGES, LESSONS LEARNED, PROPOSED AJUSTMENTS

- The procurement of first aid kits experienced significant delays due to the need to register the selected supplier in the National Society's database, as required by IFRC regulations. This highlighted a limitation in the Honduran market, where few suppliers meet the administrative and technical requirements established by IFRC, impacting procurement timelines.
- Upon delivery of the first aid kits, quality deficiencies were identified in the items compared to the specifications outlined in the terms of reference. The inclusion of specific contractual clauses related to quality standards was crucial in facilitating the replacement of non-compliant items, ensuring that the kits met the required conditions.
- Although the EAP initially proposed the purchase of pre-packaged hygiene kits, recent experience from the national society has shown that procuring hygiene items in bulk is a more effective strategy. This approach not only allows for better unit pricing but also increases flexibility by adapting the contents to the real needs of migrants, thereby reducing the waste of unnecessary items.
- It is important to highlight that, in response to the significant changes in migration flows observed at the

end of 2024, the National Society has planned to carry out a scenario-based migration planning exercise, with technical support from the IFRC, in May 2025. This exercise will help assess whether adjustments are needed to the triggers established in this Early Action Protocol (EAP).

FINANCIAL REPORT

A total of CHF 549,995 was allocated by the DREF for the implementation of this Early Action Protocol. During the reporting period (Year 1), a total of CHF 258,122 has been spent.

Out of the remaining balance of CHF 291,873, the following is considered in the approved budget:

- CHF 27,768 reserved for readiness activities in Year 2
- CHF 13,011 reserved for readiness activities in Year 3
- CHF 11,889 reserved for readiness activities in Year 4
- CHF 19,429 reserved for readiness activities in Year 5
- CHF 191,016 reserved for early actions, to be implemented only if the trigger is met.

Find the financial report below.

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Reporting Timeframe 2023/12-202 Budget Timeframe 2023/12-202

2023/12-2024/1 Operation PHN055 2023/12-2028/1 Budget APPROVED

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Early Actions Timeframe: 19 dic 2023 to 31 dic 2028

I. Summary

Opening Balance	0
Funds & Other Income	549.995
DREF Anticipatory Pillar	549.995
Expenditure	-258.122
Closing Balance	291.873

II. Expenditure by area of focus / strategies for implementation

Description	Budget	Expenditure	Variance
AOF1 - Disaster risk reduction	29.900	172	29.729
AOF2 - Shelter			0
AOF3 - Livelihoods and basic needs			0
AOF4 - Health	127.133	93.488	33.645
AOF5 - Water, sanitation and hygiene	187.081	112.850	74.232
AOF6 - Protection, Gender & Inclusion	2.232	1.188	1.043
AOF7 - Migration	58.842	2.575	56.267
Area of focus Total	405.188	210.272	194.916
SFI1 - Strenghten National Societies	92.101	27.400	64.701
SFI2 - Effective international disaster management	5.797	1.188	4.609
SFI3 - Influence others as leading strategic partners			0
SFI4 - Ensure a strong IFRC	46.909	19.261	27.648
Strategy for implementation Total	144.807	47.849	96.957
Grand Total	549.995	258.122	291.873



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III. Expenditure by budget category & group

Description	Budget	Expenditure	Variance
Relief items, Construction, Supplies	224.573		224.573
Construction - Housing	1.860		1.860
Water, Sanitation & Hygiene	151.745		151.745
Medical & First Aid	51.997		51.997
Teaching Materials	18.971		18.971
Other Supplies & Services	0		C
Logistics, Transport & Storage	15.622		15.622
Storage	7.439		7.439
Transport & Vehicles Costs	8.183		8.183
Personnel	227.292	11.657	215.635
National Staff	37.382	11.657	25.725
National Society Staff	45.537		45.537
Volunteers	144.373		144.373
Workshops & Training	7.067	603	6.464
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General Expenditure	28.935	6.590	22.345
Travel	7.067		7.067
Information & Public Relations	13.837		13.837
Office Costs	3.720		3.720
Communications	2.659	189	2.471
Financial Charges	1.652	278	1.374
Shared Office and Services Costs		6.123	-6.123
Contributions & Transfers	12.961	223.518	-210.556
National Society Expenses	12.961	223.518	-210.556
Indirect Costs	33.545	15.754	17.791
Programme & Services Support Recover	33.545	15.754	17.791
Grand Total	549.995	258.122	291.873

