Integrated Responses Migration from Central America





Prioritized municipalities with program activities

- 1 Jiquilísco, Usulután
- San Pablo Tacachico, La Libertad
- Nueva Concepción, Chalatenango
- 🚹 **La Unión,** La Unión
- San Salvador, San Salvador
- Santa Ana, Santa Ana
- Quezaltepeque, La Libertad
- Ilopango, San Salvador

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Antiguo Cuscatlán, La Libertad

Contribute to safe, orderly, and regular migration in Central America towards addressing gaps in fundamental aspects of sustainable reintegration and

Reneficiaries

Migrants, returned migrants, their families, and communities.

integration needs of migrants.

Geographical coverage

Belize, Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Panama.

Program duration

2020 - 2026

MAIN RESULTS



OUTCOME 1

Enhanced mechanisms to ensure sustainability of post-arrival, emergency assistance, and effective referral systems for people on the move.



OUTCOME 2

Sustainable (re)integration is facilitated at the individual, community, and structural levels.



OUTCOME 3

Stronger data management and analysis capabilities help national and local governments and key stakeholders adopt evidence-based policies on human mobility



OUTCOME 4

National and regional dialogues on human mobility to share experiences and good practices.



More than 53,600 people supported with humanitarian assistance and reception services in FI Salvador.



More than 17,000 returned migrants, community members and internally displaced persons supported with reintegration services, including psychosocial assistance, job skills, vocational training, job guidance, entrepreneurship, among others.



2 reception centers improved their facilities and operational capacities (CIPI and GAMI) and more than 60 shelters supported in response to natural disasters and emergencies: COVID-19, tropical storms Amanda and Cristóbal, Nejapa emergency, hurricanes ETA and IOTA and tropical storm Bonnie.



8 prioritized municipalities focus reintegration processes for returned migrants and work to prevent irregular migration: Jiquilisco, San Pablo Tacachico, Nueva Concepción, La Unión, San Salvador, Santa Ana, Quezaltepeque and Ilopango.



More than 1,300 representatives of government, municipalities and civil society organizations trained on migration, (re)integration, data protection and gender.



1 national plan for reintegration: "Brazos Abiertos", comprehensive assistance, and protection plan for returned migrant children and their families.



7 working groups have been created or strengthened to coordinate reintegration services.



7 Municipal Offices for Assistance to Migrants created and/or strengthened or in the process of being strengthened.



1 migration information management system developed in El Salvador: Single Form System.



1 study on Salvadorans living in the United States to inform relevant stakeholders.



1 communication campaign "The Adventures of Paco and Clari" to inform children and their families on the risks of irregular migration.

HIGHLIGHTS



Animated series on risks of irregular migration wins IOM Innovation Award 2023 in Communication

The animated series: "A million meters away: The adventures of Paco and Clari" from El Salvador produced by USAID and IOM wins the 2023 IOM Innovation Award in the Communication category.

The IOM Innovation Awards recognize the diversity and scope of innovative and creative initiatives around the world. The awards highlight the importance of addressing vital issues and achieving transformative change.

The animated series is part of the activities of the program Integrated Responses on Migration from Central America (IRM), a joint initiative of USAID and IOM.



USAID, IOM and CAMARASAL promote job fairs in El Salvador

More than 1,200 people participated in job fairs organized by USAID, IOM and the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of El Salvador (CAMARASAL) in San Salvador, Santa Ana, and San Miguel.

The activities showcased job opportunities offered by Salvadoran companies throughout the country to returned migrants and community members. The initiative aims to support the sustainable reintegration of returned migrants and contribute to the prevention of irregular migration.

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USAID, IOM and Ayuda en Acción support community members with capacity building in mental health

USAID, IOM and civil society organization Ayuda en Acción trained 110 facilitators from eight prioritized municipalities in El Salvador in mental health.

The objective of the capacity building process is to strengthen communities and promote access to mental health and psychosocial support.

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SUCCESS STORY



"I have become more stable and maintained a good income to sustain ourselves and I believe that this is already a success"

Daniela Vichez, an entrepreneur dedicated to food packaging, returned to the country approximately 11 years ago. Since her return, she has been involved in a reintegration process, actively seeking opportunities for economic reintegration.

Daniela is part of an initiative of economic empowerment aimed at returned migrant women and community members carried out by the International Organization for Migration (IOM), the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) and the organization Voces Vitales in the framework of the program Integrated Responses on Migration from Central America.

In the framework of this initiative, Daniela obtained seed funding to strengthen her entrepreneurship. Additionally, she acquired key business management skills to manage her business effectively.

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