

# Venezuelan Refugees in Peru



## **HHRD Programs**



Skills Development and Livelihood
16 trainees

#### **Seasonal Food:**



Ramadan Food
1,135 beneficiaries



Udhiya/Qurbaani 3,450 beneficiaries

#### **HHRD for Venezuelan Refugees in Peru**

HHRD works globally, focusing on countries where most of the population lives below the poverty line. HHRD is in Peru assisting Venezuelan refugees with necessities. Nourishing food is purchased locally to support small businesses and distributed to those in need. HHRD continues to provide educational support for orphaned children through its Orphan Support program. HHRD has successful relief and development programs in Peru, including seasonal Ramadan activities, poverty alleviation, orphan support, and medical care. Its Skills Development and Livelihood program for students teaches self-sufficiency, and Ramadan food boxes provide nourishment to families during the month of fasting.

#### **HHRD Status**

Helping Hand USA has launched its fund for the "Venezuela Relief Fund" to provide emergency relief items such as food, water, and shelter to families in need in Latin America and the Caribbean (LAC). With the assistance of local contacts, its reconnaissance team is in Peru conducting needs assessments.









### **Country Context**

An estimated 5.4 million people have fled Venezuela to escape violence and lack essential services such as food security, protection, and healthcare. The hyperinflation rate is both a symptom and a cause of the economic collapse. The majority of refugees and migrants are women, children, the elderly, and people with disabilities. Though other hosting nations have sought shelter in Peru, many individuals include Brazil, Argentina, Chile, and Columbia. In addition, millions of asylum seekers from Venezuela have found their way to Peru, fleeing poverty and civil unrest. Migrants walk for days to reach safe countries, often without food or shelter. Peru hosts the second-largest number of Venezuelan refugees and migrants after Colombia and receives the most significant number of asylum applications from Venezuelans. Refugees are not housed in camps but are allowed to integrate with native Peruvians, especially in the capital city of Lima. Combined with one of the world's highest homicide rates, food and medicine shortages have led to the most significant exodus in recent Latin American history.

## **Key Figures**



## Over 7 million

people in need of humanitarian assistance



31.4% live in poverty and malnourishment



9 million are food



**442,000**Covid-19 cases

# Over 5.6 million Venezuelans have left their country since 2014

