

Emergency Food Security & Nutrition



Welcome the stranger.
Protect the refugee.

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Our Organization

For over 120 years, HIAS has provided lifesaving assistance and protection services during crises. HIAS responds to emergencies with critical assistance, including Food Security and Nutrition (FSN) in several key areas: Prevention, Mitigation, and Response to Gender-Based Violence (GBV); Mental Health and Psychosocial Support (MHPSS); Economic Inclusion (including cash assistance); and Legal Protection and Resettlement.

Emergency Food Security and Nutrition

HIAS emergency FSN programs help refugees, asylum seekers, forcibly displaced persons, and host communities by meeting their basic food needs and providing targeted preventive and curative nutrition services for people at high nutritional risk who are unable to access social safety net programs.

HIAS Impact



120+ years
serving displaced populations

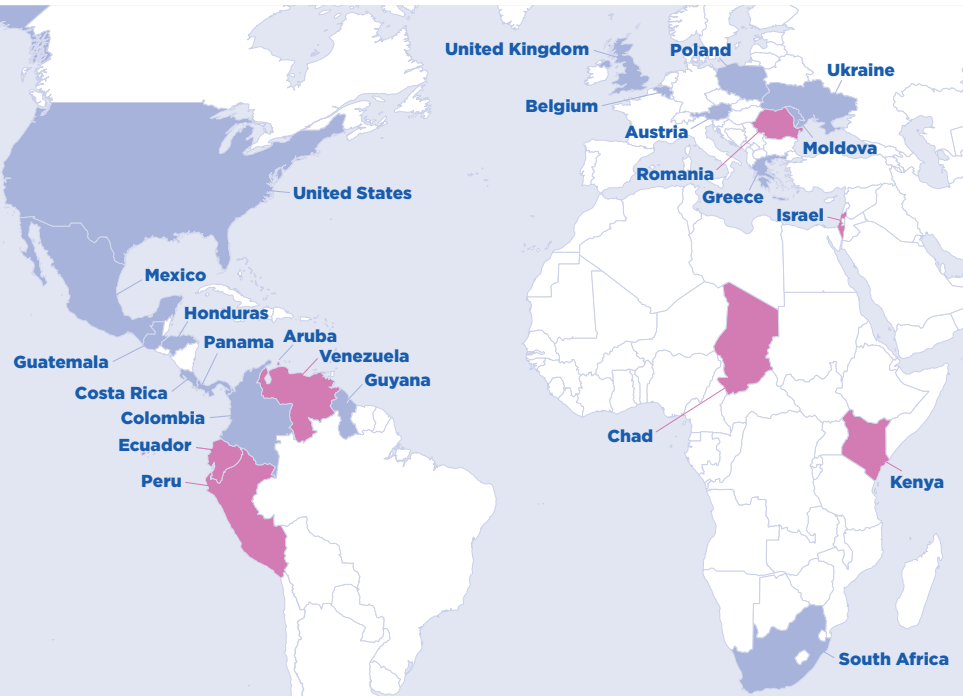


Presence in
24 countries



2.2+ million men,
women, and children
assisted in 2023

■ HIAS Location ■ HIAS Food Security & Nutrition Programming



Our FSN Team

The HIAS FSN Team is comprised of technical experts with broad global, regional, and country-specific experience. The team sets and guides HIAS' strategy for FSN and provides technical support, including capacity strengthening and knowledge building, to ensure our programming aligns with international standards, founding principles, and best practices.



Nutrition screening for migrant children in Peru.

Our 2023 Food Security and Nutrition Impact



354,180+

People received food assistance.



7,811+

Hot meals were distributed to forcibly displaced people.



4,622+

Households received nutrition counseling.



51,194+

Metric tons of food were delivered to children under 5 to prevent malnutrition.



417+

Children under 5 received RUTFs to prevent and treat acute malnutrition.

Food Security Highlights



Venezuela Humanitarian Crisis

In Ecuador, HIAS partnered with the World Food Programme (WFP) to deliver food vouchers to **27,943** displaced people from Venezuela in permanence and **51,152** people in transit, who also received food kits.



Venezuelan Refugees in Peru

In Peru, HIAS partnered with the WFP to reach **10,095** vulnerable households from Venezuela with a cash-based intervention for food. Nutrition services were also provided to **948** children under 5 years old.



Sudanese Refugees in Chad

As a WFP and UNHCR partner, HIAS distributed food rations to **85,382** Sudanese refugees. **108,795** households also received cash-based transfers to purchase food according to their needs and preferences.

Food Security and Nutrition Approach

HIAS Food Security and Nutrition emergency programming prioritizes a two-pillar approach:

Food assistance: HIAS distributes life-saving food that is both culturally and nutritionally suitable to those who are most at risk due to poverty, protracted conflict, or natural disasters. HIAS supplies food through different resource transfers, e.g. in-kind, cash, and vouchers.

Nutrition: HIAS implements an integrated community case management (ICCM) approach to prevent or recover from wasting among children under five years old. HIAS refers severe cases to the local health system for appropriate care. HIAS provides RUTFs (Ready-to-Use Nutritional Food) to improve targeted beneficiaries' nutritional status in collaboration with local authorities and other stakeholders.

Coordination

HIAS holds its responsibility to coordinate assistance in emergencies as critical. HIAS engages with communities and civil, national, and global stakeholders to ensure an effective response. HIAS is an active member of the Food Security Cluster at country levels, an active member of the Cash Learning Partnership, and participates in global dialogues led by the WFP and other stakeholders.

Donors and Partners



World Food Programme



The UN Refugee Agency



Population, Refugees, and Migration
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Why HIAS?

Long-Standing Experience: HIAS was founded over 120 years ago to support Jews fleeing persecution and poverty in Eastern Europe. Today, HIAS is a global organization which serves refugees, asylum seekers, and other forcibly displaced and stateless persons around the world, and advocates for their fundamental rights so they can rebuild their lives.

Balanced Localization: HIAS partners with key local institutions, civil society organizations, and leaders in disaster planning, budgeting, training, and risk sharing, enhancing the speed and quality of our services and building community capacity.

Technical Leadership: HIAS is a trusted partner for the UN's World Food Programme in emergency food security and nutrition intervention. HIAS contributes to country-level technical working groups on food security and data reporting and coordination of emergency food aid delivery.

Committed Across Displacement: HIAS programs often begin during an emergency and continue to serve throughout each displaced person's journey. HIAS' geographic presence and range of programs allows for life-saving assistance, the rebuilding of families and communities, and the promotion of sustainable social and economic empowerment.

Trusted Partnerships: HIAS works with a variety of public, private, and individual donors including the U.S. Government (PRM and BHA), UN agencies (UNHCR, WFP), local NGOs, corporations, private foundations, and Jewish communities around the globe.

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