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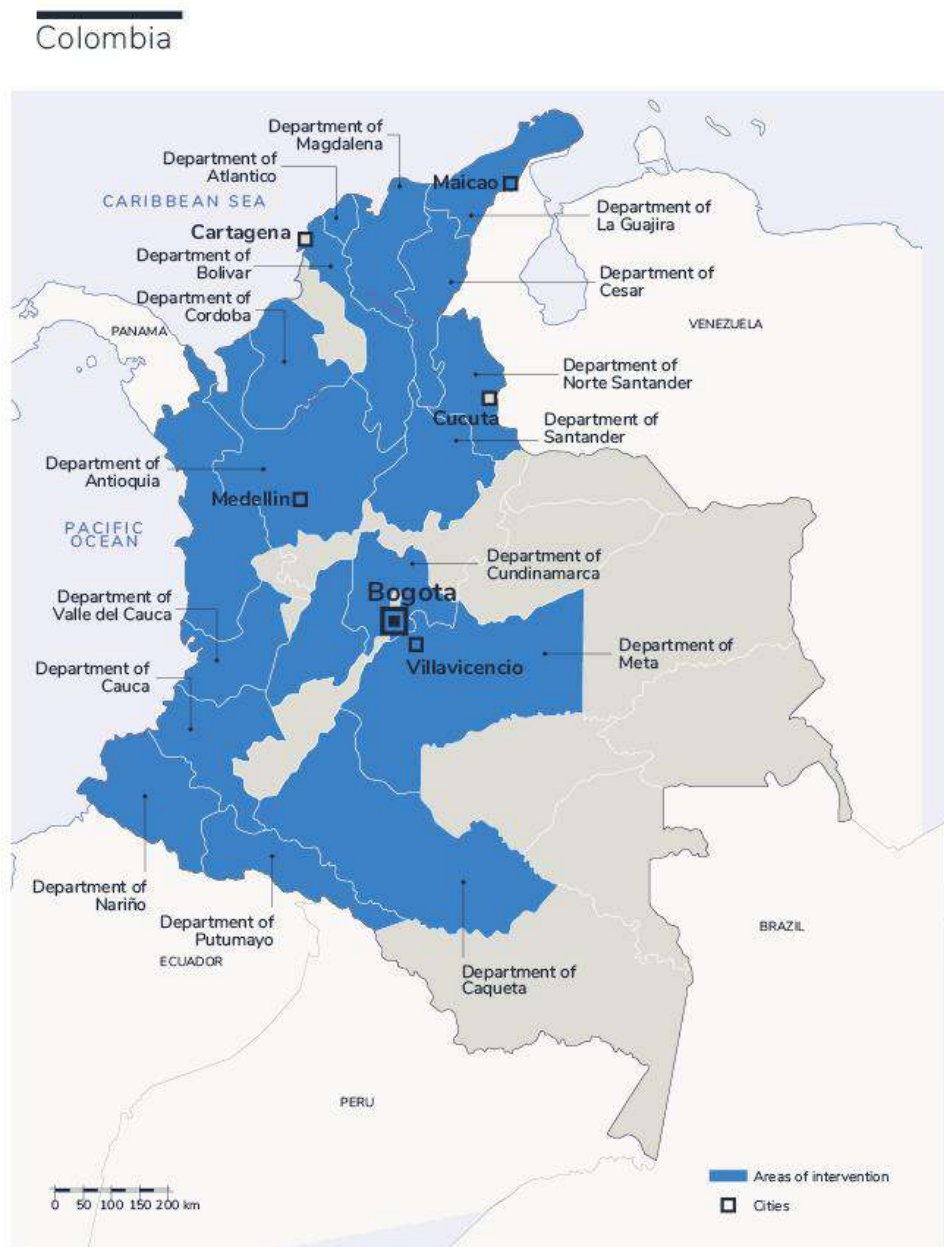
Colombia





HI Team and intervention areas

HI Colombia, in the Latin America Regional Program has 314 staff members.





General data of the country

a) General data

DATA	Colombia	Venezuela	Belgium
Population	51.8	28.3	11.7
IHDI	0.589	0.592	0.874
Gender-related Development Index	0.984	0.983	0.978
Maternal mortality	75	259	5
GINI Index	51.5	44.8	26
Population within UNHCR mandate	10.937.528	3.236.963	195.883
INFORM RISK	5.4	5.1	1.7
Fragile State Index	78.1	90.5	31.4
Population covered by at least one social protection benefit (%)	49.7	54.2	100
Net official development assistance received	1914.8	273.1	0

b) Humanitarian law instruments ratified by the country

Humanitarian law instruments	Status
Mine Ban Treaty	Ratified 06/09/2000
Convention on Cluster Munitions	Signed 03/12/2008
UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities	Ratified 10/05/2011



c) Geopolitical analysis

For decades, Colombia has been affected by a protracted conflict between the national government, the insurgent groups Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia (FARC), National Liberation Army (ELN) and several criminal organizations. In 2016, after more than 50 years of conflict, the Government of Colombia signed a peace agreement with the country's largest guerrilla group, the FARC. However, several other armed groups remain active across the country, causing deterioration of the security conditions in the country's most remote areas, and civilians continue to suffer the humanitarian consequences of the ongoing violence.

In 2023, Colombia also shelters more than 1.8 million Venezuelans, who have left their country. Colombia continues to be the country which has hosted the most of Venezuelan migrants in Latin America in the past years. There are 2.5 million people in need, 84.8% Venezuelan in transit, 69.6% affected host communities, 63.8% pendular and 52.4% Colombian returners.



Summary of HI presence in the country

HI has been working in Colombia since 1998, with an emergency response to the Armero landslide, and has had a permanent presence in the country since 2004, marking its 25th anniversary in 2023. In Colombia, HI promotes respect for the rights of people with disabilities with a special focus on improvised landmine and explosive remnants of war victims and their families. HI also responds to the rehabilitation and mental health needs in the context of the Venezuelan migrant crisis.

HI Colombia currently focuses on the following areas of intervention: physical and functional rehabilitation, community-based rehabilitation, mental health and psychosocial support, economic inclusion, community protection mechanisms, land release, risk education, victim assistance, access to health service for migrants (in particular sexual and reproductive health/maternal and child health. Moreover, the organization strives to empower people with disabilities in the design and implementation of public policies (advocacy and capacity-building for inclusive governance).

Over the past 25 years, HI has collaborated with more than 13 local partners and grassroots organisations in over 10 departments within the country, thereby gaining first-hand understanding of the needs of the most vulnerable whilst consolidating acceptance from all parties.

The implementation of these actions helps create favourable conditions for the participation of beneficiaries in socioeconomic development of their communities and a safer territory prone to sustainable development.



Overview on ongoing projects

Sectors of services where HI conducts projects and focus on beneficiaries and operational partnerships

Project title and main sector(s) of intervention	Main activities	Beneficiaries	Partner(s)	Location	Project start and end date	Donors who finance the project
<p>Bridging the Gap: Financial Inclusion for All in Colombia</p> <p>Economic inclusion, social development and social protection</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The strengthening of financial and economic capacities and access to financial services for migrants • The improvement of risk awareness and migrant-friendly service provision by targeted financial service providers • Engaging key actors of the financial inclusion ecosystem in a learning dynamic, fed by the project experience 	Venezuelan migrants	Fundación Capital	Bogotá D.C., and Antioquia and Atlántico departments.	2021.12 – 2024.12	<p>Agence Française du développement (AFD) - FISONG</p> <p>Banca de oportunidades</p>
<p>ACTIVA - Integral Action for the Reduction of Armed Violence and Protection of Affected Communities in the Departments</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Capacity-building of local risk management (Explosive Ordnance Risk Education, armed violence and disasters) • Conflict Transformation • Community livelihood micro-projects 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community leaders • Civil servants • Indigenous community guards 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pastoral Social Sur Oriente y Pasto • Asociación de víctimas del Caquetá 	Cauca, Nariño, Meta, Caquetá, Antioquia and Tolima Departments	2021.04 – 2024.12	<p>Medicor Foundation, Swiss Agency for Development</p>



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<p>of Antioquia, Cauca and Nariño, Colombia - Phase II</p> <p>Risk education, conflict transformation, Mental Health & Psychosocial support, economic inclusion, physical and functional rehabilitation, inclusive governance.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strengthening of Community Protection Mechanisms • Capacity-building on Community Based Rehabilitation • Accompaniment for access to rehabilitation and psychosocial services • Legal assistance • Capacity-building of civil society representatives 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local partners staff • Victim associations and Organization of persons with disability staff 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fundación Tierra de Paz • Fundación Nauta • Fundisca 			<p>and Cooperation (SDC), Ministry of Foreign Affairs Norway, UN Multi-Partner Trust Fund Office, Institut Français</p>
<p>Weaving ways: A comprehensive protection and health response with an integrated gender and inclusion approach to the migration crisis and armed conflict in Colombia</p> <p>Mental Health & Psychosocial Support, physical and functional rehabilitation, Inclusive Humanitarian Action</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Physical and functional rehabilitation. • Mental health and psychosocial support. • Inclusive humanitarian action 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Migrants and host communities • People affected by conflict and/or disasters 	<p>CARE (Lead)</p>	<p>Cauca, Nariño, Antioquia, Norte de Santander</p>	<p>2023.06 – 2024.06</p>	<p>ECHO (European Civil Protection and Humanitarian Aid Operations)</p>



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<p>Protection-Building Peace with Colombian Indigenous Communities, especially Women & girls Phase II</p> <p>Protection Against Violence and abuse, Mental Health & Psychosocial Support, Conflict transformation</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Individual support • Community protection plans design and implementation • Trainings on rights and services 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community leaders • Indigenous communities • Women • Civil servants 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Asociacion Colombiana de Infectologia • Institute Sur Alexander Von Humboldt • Indigenous Organization of Antioquia 	Cauca, Antioquia, Nariño	2023.03 – 2025.02	Peace and Stabilization Operations Programme (PSOP) (Global Affairs Canada - GAC)
<p>Strengthen the resilience of vulnerable women and girls in La Guajira in the face of violence and health risks</p> <p>Sexual & Reproductive Health & Rights, Infectious diseases, Mental Health & Psychosocial Support, Disaster Risk Reduction and Climate Change Action</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inclusive sexual and reproductive health and rights and hygiene information and services • Infectious diseases prevention and sexual and reproductive health and rights awareness-raising workshops and campaigns • Training of trainers on health/hygiene promotion for community focal points • Training of community mid-wives on risk prevention for giving birth • Training of focal points on disaster risk reduction 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vulnerable populations, in particular women and girls (79%) 	NA	Guajira	2023.06 - 2024.06	CDCS (French Mofa)



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pre-identification of vulnerable people as preparedness measure • Capacity-building of first responders 					
Access to health services for migrants Social development and social protection	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Social work/ case management • Awareness-raising on rights 	Venezuelan migrants	NA	28 municipalities in 14 departments	2023.02 – 2023.12	UNHCR
Land release in Chaparral - Zone 5, Department of Tolima, Colombia Land Release, Risk education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Liaison • Non-Technical Surveys Risk Education • Manual clearance • Explosive Ordnance Disposal 	All individuals living in the task assignment	NA	Chaparral Municipality Tolima department.	2021.10 – 2025.06	PM/ WRA (US State Department), UN MultiPartner Trust Fund Office (MPTF)
Land release in Acandi, Choco Department, Colombia Land Release, Risk education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Liaison • Non-Technical Surveys • Risk Education • Manual clearance • Explosive Ordnance Disposal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All individuals living in the task assignment • Indigenous communities 	NA	Acandi Municipality, Choco Department.	2021.10 - 2025.06	PM/WRA (US State Department)



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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Afrocolombian communities 				
Land Release in Paez, Inza and Santander de Quilichao Municipalities, Department of Cauca, Colombia Land Release, Risk education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Community Liaison Non-Technical Surveys Risk Education Manual clearance Explosive Ordnance Disposal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All individuals living in the task assignment Indigenous communities Afrocolombian communities 	NA	Paez, Inza and Santander de Quilichao Municipalities, Cauca department	2019.09 - 2023.12	PM/WRA (US State Department), Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC)
Land Release in Remedios, Segovia, Yali, and Vegachí Municipalities, Department of Antioquia, Colombia Land Release, Risk education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Non-Technical Surveys Community liaison Risk Education Manual clearance Mechanical ground-preparation Explosive Ordnance Disposal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All individuals living in the task assignment Indigenous communities Afrocolombian communities 	NA	Remedios, Segovia, Yali, and Vegachí Municipalities, Antioquia department	2022.08 – 2024.08	PM/ WRA (US State Department), Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC)



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<p>Land Release in Carepa Municipality, Department of Antioquia, Colombia.</p> <p>Land Release, Risk education</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Liaison • Non-Technical Surveys • Risk Education • Manual clearance • Explosive Ordnance Disposal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All individuals living in the task assignment • Indigenous communities • Afrocolombian communities 	<p>NA</p>	<p>Carepa Municipality, Antioquia department</p>	<p>2022.08 - 2024.08</p>	<p>PM/WRA (US State Department), Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC)</p>
<p>Land Release Puerto Concordia Municipality, Department of Meta, Colombia</p> <p>Land Release, Risk education</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Liaison • Non-Technical Surveys • Risk Education • Manual clearance • Explosive Ordnance Disposal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All individual living in the task assignment • Indigenous communities. 	<p>NA</p>	<p>Puerto Concordia Municipality, Meta department</p>	<p>2022.08 - 2024.08</p>	<p>PM/ WRA (US State Department)</p>



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<p>IF</p> 	<p>GAC</p> 	<p>Banca de las oportunidades</p> 