

THE MIRE+ CONSORTIUM

The **MIRE+** ("Intersectoral Emergency Response Mechanism") is a strategic alliance of three leading humanitarian organizations in Colombia dedicated to providing protection and humanitarian assistance at the national level.

In **emergency response**, once an alert is received, the team deploys to affected areas to provide protection and humanitarian assistance (safe, accessible, accountable and participatory) to recently displaced populations and confined communities or communities in complex humanitarian situations. In **early recovery**, the work with prioritized communities seeks to improve resilience capacities through access to services, community strengthening and institutional promotion to initiate their development process.



COORDINATION WITH KEY ACTORS:

With Local institutions: Governors' Offices, Local Mayors' Offices, Unit for the Attention and Integral Reparation of Victims (UARIV), Ombudsman's Office and the National Unit for Disaster Risk Management (UNGRD).

With Humanitarian architecture: close collaboration with the Local Coordination Teams (ELC), Clusters and Local Humanitarian Teams (EHL).

Community leaders and grassroots organizations: Leaders of indigenous territories, teachers, members of Community Action Boards, among others, are involved in the triangulation of information.

RAPID EMERGENCY RESPONSE

As part of the response to emergencies arising from the internal armed conflict, between September 2023 and January 2025, the MIRE+ consortium reached a total of **5,975 individuals** through its WASH sector interventions. This assistance was **provided in 8 municipalities across 5 departments** where incidents of confinement, restricted mobility, and mass displacement directly affected communities' access to water and sanitation.

Table of Conventions

 # of trainings/ quantities delivered in kits	 Men	 Afrodescendant	 without ethnic self-recognition
 Beneficiaries/participants	 Women	 Indigenous	 Disability

Cáceres

Restriction of movement

Activity or product								
Hygiene kit (individual/family or community)	622 family kit	1668	908	760	2		1666	2
Hygiene education and promotion activities	8 sessions	518	348	170	2		526	

Solano

Restriction of movement

Activity or product								
Hygiene kit (individual/family or community)	250	982	504	478		982		136
Hygiene education and promotion activities	3	238	144	94		238		62

Valdivia

Restriction of movement

Activity or product								
Hygiene kit (individual/family or community)	307 family kits	737	389	348			737	25
Hygiene education and promotion activities	3 sessions	313	154	159			313	21

Juradó

Confinement

Activity or product								
Hygiene kit (individual/family or community)	286 family kit	968	517	451	1	967		
Hygiene education and promotion activities	3 sessions	219	143	76	1	218		
Community hygiene kit	2	171	76	95			171	139

Tadó

Multiple impacts: confinement/restriction of movement

Activity or product								
Hygiene kit (individual/family or community)	102 family kits	322	175	147		322		
Hygiene education and promotion activities	2 sessions	77	60	17		77		

Tame

Confinement

Activity or product								
Hygiene kit (individual/family or community)	270 family kits	876	441	435	3	2	871	152
Hygiene education and promotion activities	5 sessions	270	139	131	1		269	79

San Vicente del Caguán

Restriction of movement

Activity or product								
Community hygiene kit	3	201	101	100			201	17
Hygiene education and promotion activities	2	110	47	63			110	40

Policarpa

Mass displacement

Activity or product								
Community hygiene kit	2	171	76	95			171	139
Hygiene education and promotion activities	2	79	29	50			79	70

TOTAL  847  5.975

IMPACT OF ACTIONS:

▲ **Increased knowledge of hygiene, solid waste management, and efficient use of water resources:** 60% of people surveyed can identify at least three of the five key moments of hand washing, which contributes to reducing disease risks and improving quality of life.

▲ **Increased community cohesion.** The activities implemented have fostered cohesion among the different community actors improving collaboration in solving common problems.

▲ **Consolidation of the MIRE+ consortium in key regions:** La Guajira, Caquetá, Arauca, Putumayo, Antioquia and Nariño stand out as areas where the consortium has managed to establish a solid and coordinated presence, gaining recognition within Local Coordination Teams (LCTs) and local government institutions.

▲ **Expansion of the scope of community services.** Thanks to the consortium's interventions, other organizations have been able to enter the intervened communities, increasing the coverage of their services and satisfying a greater number of needs.

Elaborado por:

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EARLY RECOVERY

WASH actions in early recovery strengthen the capacities of communities to continue with their activities after any impact or emergency and contribute positively to their adaptation and transformation. For this purpose, actions are implemented from the family and individual level, community and institutional articulation.

Ricaurte								
Activity or product								
Training in water resource management	3	104	23	81	0	104	0	2
Hygiene education and promotion activities	4	206	55	151	0	206	0	18
Roberto Payan								
Activity or product								
Training in water resource management	3	70	12	58	70	0	0	4
Hygiene education and promotion activities	4	105	11	94	105	0	0	2
TOTAL	485	101	384	175	310	0	26	

ARTICULATION AND COORDINATION WITH KEY STAKEHOLDERS:

Roberto Payan
Meetings with local public institutions: Municipal Mayor's Office, the Roberto Payan utility company and the consultant for the municipality's aqueduct master plan.

- Results:**
- Alignment of the consortium's actions with municipal plans and the current system.
 - Construction of technical supervision agreements by the Mayor's Office during the structuring of the work project.
 - Connection approval
 - Labor contribution agreement for the installation of the main network for Virgen del Carmen by the water, sewage and sanitation utility company.
 - Water pumping to Virgen del Carmen.

Ricaurte
Meetings and technical visits with the Barbacoas Municipal Mayor's Office and the Junta del Agua (community committee in charge of operating the aqueduct system).

- Results:**
- Authorization for execution of the works: The Mayor's Office accepted the proposal for the rehabilitation of the aqueduct that will benefit the neighborhoods San Luis, Primavera and the head of Altaquer.
 - Technical and logistical support: The Mayor's Office committed to provide technical supervision and logistical support during the execution of the work, facilitating the obtaining of permits and inter-institutional coordination.
 - Monitoring and evaluation: They will be responsible for monitoring, follow-up and evaluation of the project, ensuring that the objectives are met and quality standards are maintained.
 - Taking into account the criteria of technical, environmental and social sustainability, there has been coordination with the community in all phases of the project, who have committed to support the project from planning to execution and maintenance once the rehabilitated system is in operation.

COMMUNITY IMPACT

Strengthening of social cohesion
The socialization of planned and projected activities has generated community participation, promoting collaboration and collective commitment to work and contribute their knowledge for the improvement of the system (contributions in unskilled labor and the transfer of land areas for the construction of storage tanks).

Strengthening community resilience
Having a functional and reliable water supply system prepares the community to face future climatic challenges or emergencies by having an essential resource available at all times.

Articulation between the community and institutions
The different articulation meetings have allowed for the strengthening of citizen participation, the building of mutual trust and social innovation resulting from the interaction between technical knowledge (institutions) and empirical knowledge (community).



IMPLEMENTATION OF ACTIONS

