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Migration Police in Costa Rica improve their Conflict Mitigation skills in Migration Centers

IOM, the UN Migration Agency, through the Mesoamerica Program, trained for the first time the Costa Rican Migration Police on “Conflict Resolution in Migration Management”, with the objective of strengthening capacities for peaceful conflict resolution.

Twenty officials from national Centers of Temporary Assistance to Migrants and Centers of Temporary Apprehension for Irregular Migrants attended the event.

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Nicaraguan Municipal Committees against Trafficking in Persons Prepare 2018 Action Plan

The 13 Municipal Committees that comprise the Departmental Coalition against Trafficking in Persons of Chinandega, Nicaragua, have been working on the preparation of a 2018 action plan, aimed at preventing the crime of trafficking in persons.

The Departmental Delegation of the Ministry of the Interior,

in coordination with the International Organization for Migration of the United Nations (IOM), provided technical support in order to establish actions for this year based on good practices, challenges and lessons learned from last year.

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The General Directorate of Migration (DGME) and IOM Contribute to the Fulfillment of the Rights of Children in El Salvador

IOM, the UN Migration Agency, and the General Directorate of Migration (DGME) of El Salvador presented the Protocol of Action and Coordination for the Care and Protection of Foreign Migrant Children and Adolescents. The protocol will allow the Salvadoran government to advance in the guarantee and fulfilment of the fundamental rights of this population present on Salvadoran territory.

The protocol was designed within the framework of the Principle of Best Interest, which establishes that in all decisions that affect children and adolescents, including those who are migrants, their physical, spiritual, psychological, moral and social development is prioritized so as to achieve the full and harmonious development of their personality (established in the Convention on the Rights of the Child and the Law on the Comprehensive Protection of Children and Adolescents – LEPINA).

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Testimony: Young Voices on Migration.

Shelters and information hubs for migrants in Guatemala use the MigrantApp

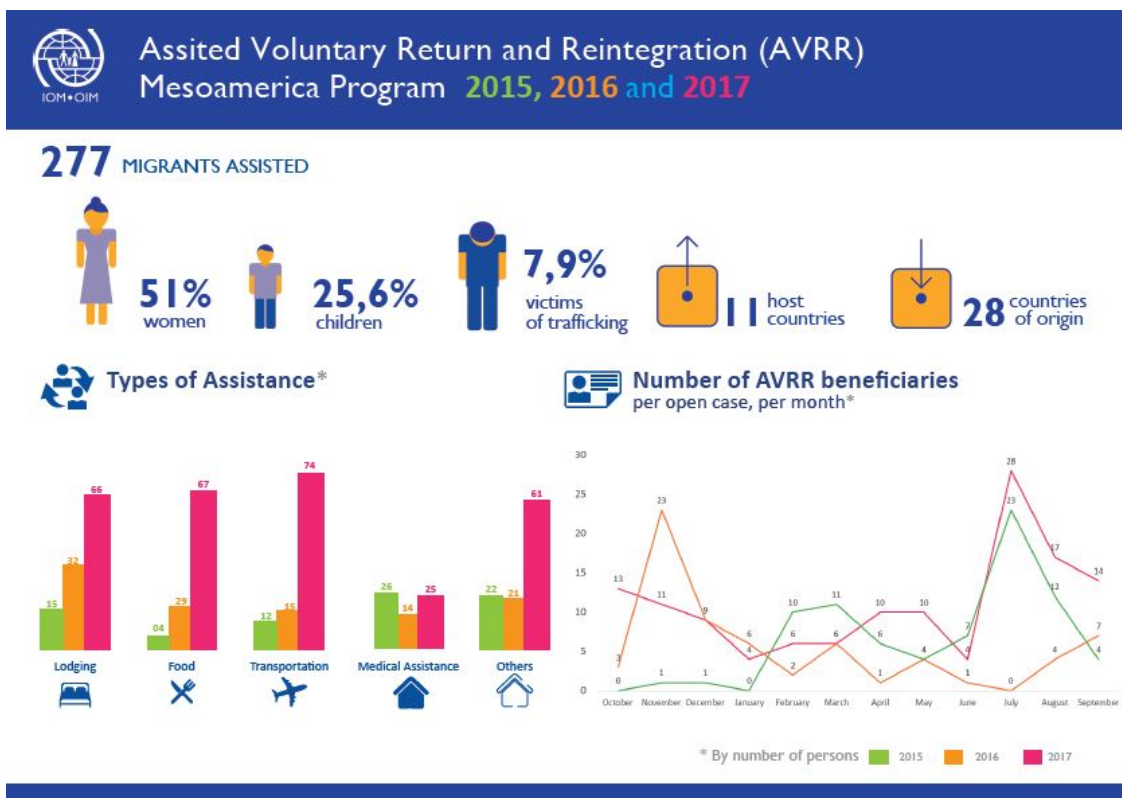
In Guatemala, representatives of the Community of Municipalities "Metrópoli de los Altos" and staff from information hubs and shelters for migrants from Izabal, Petén, Tecún Umán and San Marcos are using [MigrantApp](#) an application developed by IOM to provide information to migrants about regular migration options – as a tool to strengthen their capacities to assist migrants across the country.

The United Nations International Organization for Migration (IOM) delivered informative materials about MigrantApp to key actors from the above-mentioned Departments, which have been the most impacted by migration in the country.

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