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Operational Context

The General Elections in Bolivia were held on August 17, 2025, with a second round scheduled for October 19, 2025.

On August 28, the National Institute of Statistics (INE) officially presented the results of the 2024 Population and Housing Census. The censused population of Bolivia is 11,365,333 inhabitants, of which 50% are men and 50% are women.

The 2024 Census has identified that poverty due to Unsatisfied Basic Needs (NBI) affects 3,251,613 people, with 1,194,542 people in urban areas and 2,057,071 people in rural areas.

The National Institute of Statistics (INE) has reported that the monthly variation of the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for August is 1.01%. The CPI for the food and non-alcoholic beverages component for the month of August was 1.38%. The food products with the highest increase were quinoa, rice, natural milk, fresh pork and sheep meat (lamb), chicken meat, and cooking oil. The food products that decreased in price were wheat flour, corn, and potatoes.



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In Numbers

63,189 USD/month (own funds PMA August 2025), beneficiary population 1,050 families in the municipalities of Reyes and San Borja (approximately 5,250 people, with an average of 5 people per household). 165,555 USD/month (CERF August 2025), beneficiary population 2,751 families in the municipalities of Reyes, Loreto, San Ignacio de Moxos, San Javier, and the TIOC-TIM (approximately 13,755 people, with an average of 5 people per household).

Operational Updates

- CERF funds, coordination with OCR, FAO, UNICEF and VIDECI is maintained.
- Institutional articulation, meetings were held with municipal governments of Beni and actors of the UN System to plan complementary actions within the framework of the CERF project.
- In the Innovation BOOTCAMP, we had the support and guidance of colleagues from the Innovation Accelerator in Germany as well as from our regional office, where it was an important experience for the teams and for the country office, as topics were addressed regarding:
 - User-centered design.
 - Sustainable implementation and impact.
 - Sustainability and Scalability Process.



Country Strategic Plan (2023-2027)			
Founds	Total Requirement (in USD) July- August 2025	Assigned Contribution (in USD) August 2025	Difference in USD compared to the planned
FF	110,000	63,189	Execution of the plan July and August
CERF	310,000	165,555	Execution of the plan July and August

Strategic Result 1: Everyone has access to food. SDG 2.1

Country Strategic Outcome 1: Food insecure and vulnerable households affected by shocks in Bolivia benefit from anticipatory action, prevention, emergency preparedness, coordination, and response support to meet their diverse emergency food and nutrition needs and quickly recover.

Focus area: Crisis Response.

Activities:

During the month of August, the Country Office (CO) of Bolivia implemented activities under Activity 1 of the CSP 2023–2027, corresponding to Outcome 1: Crisis Response, through the modality of Cash-Based Transfers (CBT). According to the funding, we differentiate the interventions into two:

1) Flexible Funds, during August, follow-up has been conducted on the assistance provided in July in the municipalities of Reyes and San Borja. The month of August marks the end of the intervention, with a record of 1,050 families assisted (5,250 people) through 1 cycle of cash transfers, having distributed a total of 63,189 USD. 2) CERF funds, during the month of August, the implementation that began in July of the multi-agency project funded by the CERF has continued, providing cash transfers of 100 USD per family in the municipalities of Reyes, Loreto, San Ignacio de Moxos, San Javier, and the TIOC-TI. A total of 2,751 HH (13,755 people) assisted has been reached.

Strategic Result 3: Smallholders have improved food security and nutrition through improved productivity and incomes. SDG 2.3

Country Strategic Outcome 2: Food insecure smallholder farmers, indigenous communities, and particularly rural women in Bolivia are more resilient to climatic and other shocks and stresses, including through sustainable livelihoods, consistent incomes, improved productivity, and market access and demand. **Focus area:** Resilience Building.

Activities:

The BOOTCAMP took place on the 22nd and 23rd of this month, with the Selected Innovations from the First I-NOVA BOLIVIA Contest. The first innovation refers to the "Energy valuation of waste generated in the production process of Asaí seeds in the Amazon. The second innovation refers to Atmospheric water harvesting and smart irrigation to strengthen food security in the Altiplano.

Strategic Result 5: Countries strengthened capacities to implement the SDGs. SDG 17.9

Country Strategic Outcome 3: Local, regional, and national level institutions have improved capacity, coordination, programme, and policy coherence related to supporting most vulnerable groups in Bolivia by 2027.

Focus area: Root Causes.

Activities

Launch of the EPCI tool in Oruro, in coordination with the departmental UGR of Oruro, the EPCI tool has been launched, which allows for the identification of the emergency preparedness index at the level of responsible institutions.

Monitoring

- Preparation of Decentralized Evaluation Agenda with the field Evaluation Team to take place from September 22 to October 3.
- Post-distribution monitoring (PDM) of CBT assistance with CERF funds and flexible funds has begun.

Partnerships

 The Government of Oruro will grant recognition to WFP Bolivia for its constant support in emergency response and the development of resilience projects in Uru communities, which will take place in September.

Challenges

- Work plan created with all unit heads regarding the gaps identified in the supervision of execution.
- SO2 Validation and Lessons Learned in the field.

Donors

With funding from the CERF, a multisectoral intervention was launched in response to the floods in the department of Beni.