

HONDURAS

Honduras remains one of the poorest countries in the region, with over 60% poverty rates. There are high levels of inequality and social exclusion, plus high levels of violence, corruption and impunity. These factors make Hondurans—and especially women, youth and other minorities—highly vulnerable to poverty, crime and human rights violations. The lack of economic opportunities, violence and internal displacement have led to significant levels of irregular migration toward North America.

Canada's development program in Honduras now focuses on growth that works for everyone, environment and climate action, human dignity and inclusive governance. It works to reduce poverty by targeting communities and beneficiaries in the vulnerable and remote Dry Corridor in southern Honduras. In addition, the program works to address human rights issues, including corruption and impunity, faced by the poorest and most vulnerable in Honduras.



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Key results

Through the Municipal Services for Adolescent Health and HIV/AIDS project, Canada's support, via UNICEF, helped to strengthen 272 youth organizations and 64 municipal youth programs. These efforts reached 6,000 urban and rural education centres and about 475,000 adolescents. Outreach spoke to topics such as sexual reproductive rights, gender equality, and the prevention of peer and community-based violence. In municipalities where the project is active, HIV rates decreased by 34% between 2009 and 2014.