Costa Rica has heavily invested in social services, but a quarter of its people are still poor. Social inequalities have increased, especially among women, youth, indigenous people, people of African descent and migrants in general. Despite declining birth rates, a large number of women still have unwanted pregnancies. UNFPA has provided assistance since 1984. Support is geared towards achieving universal access to sexual and reproductive health care, orienting reproductive health policy to young people, implementing the national gender equality policy, and bolstering measures to prevent and respond to gender-based violence.

KEY RESULTS ACHIEVED IN 2018

MINIMUM INITIAL SERVICES PACKAGE
22 Health service providers and managers were trained on the minimum initial service package

ADVOCACY PLATFORMS AGAINST HARMFUL SOCIAL NORMS
Communities developed advocacy platforms to eliminate discriminatory gender and sociocultural norms which affect women and girls

CHILD, EARLY AND FORCED MARRIAGE
121,031 Girls received, with support from UNFPA, prevention, protection services, and/or care related to child, early, and forced marriage

COMMUNITY DECLARATIONS ON HARMFUL PRACTICES
Communities made public declarations to eliminate harmful practices, with support from UNFPA, including child, early and forced marriage and female genital mutilation

NATIONAL PLAN FOR SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH
National Development and Public Investment Plan (2018-2022) has included the goal to reduce adolescent pregnancy
Integrated sexual and reproductive health services
$286,917 (67.0%)
Every woman, adolescent and youth everywhere, especially those furthest behind, has utilized integrated sexual and reproductive health services and exercised reproductive rights, free of coercion, discrimination and violence.

Gender equality
$73,440 (17.2%)
Gender equality, the empowerment of all women and girls, and reproductive rights are advanced in development and humanitarian settings.

Organizational effectiveness
$0 (0.0%)
Organizational effectiveness and efficiency, with improved programming for results and partnership coordination.

Analysis on population dynamics
$67,794 (15.8%)
Everyone, everywhere, is counted, and accounted for, in the pursuit of sustainable development.

Adolescents and youth
$0 (0.0%)
Every adolescent and youth, in particular adolescent girls, is empowered to have access to sexual and reproductive health and reproductive rights, in all contexts, with consideration for their active participation and leadership.

TECHNICAL NOTES AND SOURCES

Key Achievements Results as of December 2018. Emergency Key Results for 2018 as of May 2019. Data for the Emergency Key Results will be updated on the UNFPA website on a rolling basis as it becomes available from reporting countries. For most up to date data access the online results portal.