

Kenya

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2,182 new arrivals were registered in December; **1,281** in Nairobi, **899** in Kakuma and **2** in Dadaab.

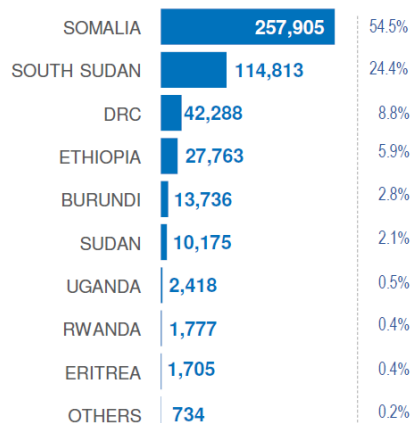
83,248 Somalis have been assisted to return to Somalia under the voluntary repatriation programme since 2014. Since the beginning of 2019, **323** were assisted to return to Somalia

By end of March 2019, there were **210,556** (44.5%) refugees in Dadaab, **187,057**(39.5%) and in Kakuma & Kalobeyei Settlement, **75,701** (16%) in urban areas.

POPULATION OF CONCERN

473,314 refugees and asylum-seekers as of 28 February 2018.

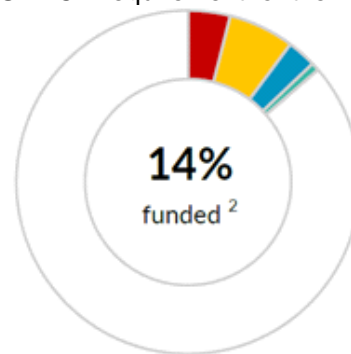
COUNTRIES OF ORIGIN



FUNDING (AS OF 2 APRIL 2019)

USD \$170.1 million

UNHCR requirement for the Kenya operation for 2019



■ Tightly earmarked
■ Earmarked
■ Softly earmarked (indicative allocation)
■ Unearmarked (indicative allocation)
■ Funding gap (indicative)

UNHCR PRESENCE

Staff:

297 National Staff

79 International Staff

Offices:

1 Branch Office in Nairobi

1 Field Offices in Alinjogur

2 Sub Office in Dadaab and Kakuma



Khadija Hassan commonly known as 'Mama Khadija' fights for the education of young girls and boys in Dadaab refugee camps where she monitors the education of 2,209 refugee children, daily. She believes that every refugee child should be educated. ©UNHCR/Mohamed Maalim

Working with Partners

- The Dadaab refugee operations are coordinated by UNHCR Sub-Office Dadaab, which also serves the three camps in Dadaab Sub-County. UNHCR Field Office Alinjugur is part of the larger Dadaab operation and covers Hagadera camp in Fafi Sub-County. Both UNHCR offices cooperate closely with NGOs and other international organizations including WFP, UNICEF and IOM. The main government counterparts are the Deputy County Commissioner (DCC) Office and Refugee Affairs Secretariat (RAS).
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- UNHCR continues to work closely with the Government of Kenya, the Turkana County Government through the Office of the Deputy County Commissioner (DCC), the Refugee Affairs Secretariat (RAS) and partners to ensure support to refugees and asylum seekers. Monthly Inter-Agency meetings chaired by UNHCR and RAS continue to be held including monthly meetings with refugee representatives in the camp.
- UNHCR continued to hold a joint protection desk with Kenya Refugee Affairs Secretariat (RAS) at the refugee-processing centre in Shauri Moyo, Nairobi.

Main Activities

Operational Highlights

- Public participation discussions with refugee and host community members on the Refugee Bill was carried out in Kakuma and Kalobeyei to get views that will be incorporated in the proposed Refugee Bill and policy. The process is led by the Government of Kenya and comprised Taskforce members from Nairobi, including Refugee Affairs Secretariat (RAS), Refugee Consortium of Kenya (RCK), and the International Rescue Committee (IRC).
- UNHCR participated in the East African Community Refugee Policy Workshop in February whose purpose was to garner views from stakeholders in the region on the developing EAC policy on refugees. EAC states intend to have a common policy on refugee matters and harmonize their laws on the same.
- UNHCR participated in the Intergovernmental Authority on Development (IGAD) conference in Kampala, Uganda. The focus of the conference was to develop a plan of action on jobs, livelihoods and self-reliance for refugees, returnees and host communities in the IGAD region. The participants supported a resolution which committed regional stakeholders to advance policy and provide a legislative framework for livelihoods and self-reliance.
- The Turkana County Government, UNHCR, and partners came together for the launch of the Kalobeyei Integrated Socio-Economic Development Programme (KISEDIP) in Kakuma on 1 April 2019. This is a 15 year socio-economic development plan that will benefit both refugees and host communities in Kalobeyei.
- Internet installation has been completed in six police locations in Dadaab town and in the camps. It is envisaged that the installation of the internet will enhance communication not only among the police units but also help in relaying key protection information. Key in this process is the networking of the Police Online Computer Training Laboratory within the precincts of police offices located in Dadaab police station where police personnel are able to access uninterrupted connectivity useful for their learning. This initiative is funded under the ECHO project.
- UNHCR Goodwill ambassador and Japanese Guitarist Tamasa Ishihara, also known as Miyavi, undertook a three on three-day visit to Kakuma Refugee Camp and Kalobeyei Integrated Settlement.

Protection

Protection Delivery

- Kituo Cha Sheria attended court for 40 persons of concern (“PoCs”) that were arrested for camping near the office. They were charged with Depositing Refuse on Land Not Approved as a Dumping Site. 12 of the PoCs were released after pleading guilty to the charges. UNHCR posted Kes 5,000 bail for each 14 of the PoCs who pleaded not guilty and preferred to go to trial.
- The helpline received a total of 6486 calls during the month. Of these, 4278 were answered in the first instance representing 65.95%. The largest call driver was resettlement followed by protection and RSD.
- A total of 86 Persons of Concern were assisted to relocate to the camps. 83 of them were relocated to Kakuma and three to Dadaab.

Registration

- The e-filing project that began in Nairobi in February 2018 to digitize asylum seekers’ and refugees’ files is still ongoing. 118, 677 files have been scanned and digitized. Of these, 49,374 were digitally separated and ready to be uploaded in the Electronic Document Management System (EDMS) platform.
- 653 unregistered / new arrivals were jointly profiled by UNHCR and the Refugee Affairs Secretariat (RAS) in Dadaab bringing the number of unregistered persons to 13,934, across the three camps.

Refugee Status Determination

- 696 individuals in Nairobi were approved as refugees by the Commissioner for Refugee Affairs in the month of March.

Education

- Two professors from the International University of Africa (IUA) based in Khartoum, Sudan, visited Dadaab and Kakuma in March to discuss the possibility of granting 1,000 scholarship opportunities to refugees and host communities in Kenya.
- Registration of students on National Education Management Information System (NEMIS) has started in Secondary schools in Dadaab and 1,939 students have been registered on the national portal. The process had not yet started for primary schools by the end of March. However, all Primary schools have their NEMIS codes, used for accessing the portal.
- A Dadaab book drive was launched in Ifo Secondary School by the Ambassador of Qatar, His Excellency Jabr Bin Ali Al-Dosari and the UNHCR Head of Sub-Office, Dadaab. The book drive was organized by the Refugee Youth Education Hub where a total of 5,000 textbooks were donated courtesy of Qatar Charity.

Food Security and Nutrition

- Cash transfers were made to 346 individuals affected by scurvy in the framework of CBI for nutrition. This is part of a pilot by UNHCR to use unrestricted cash to allow refugees diversify their diet.
- Food assistance remains far from meeting Recommended Daily Intake of the population and leads to deteriorating nutrition status especially among young children and women.

Water and Sanitation

- During the reporting period, UNHCR supplied on average 31.6 litres of water per day per capita from 22 boreholes to the entire refugee population in the three Dadaab camps. Nineteen (19) of these boreholes operate on Solar PV- Diesel hybrid system. The water supply schemes convey water to 38 tanks with a total storage capacity of 4,550 m³, distributed through a pipeline network of 235 km and relayed to 668 tap stands with a with 2,784 taps scattered around the three camps.

Shelter and NFIs

- Discussions to identify host community households that will benefit from the shelter programme in line with the vision of KISEDPA are ongoing with the County Government of Turkana.

Community Empowerment and Self-Reliance

- UNHCR implemented a project supported by JICA, JKUAT and UNHCR on labour based technology. The project imparted marketable skills and knowledge on road construction which could be utilized in both Dadaab and Somalia upon return to either self-employ or get employment in infrastructure building leading for self-reliance.
- 1,876 refugees and host community in Kakuma and Kalobeyei participated in athletics trial competitions under the 'WeRun' project with the hope of competing in 2020 Tokyo Olympic Games. 161 winners in various races advanced to the next level.

Community Services

- UNHCR attended a 2-day workshop to provide UN contributions to the 2017 youth policy framework.
- A training session was held with refugee-led Community Based Organizations ("CBOs"). A mapping of the CBOs was conducted as well as sessions on leadership and integrity. This is in line with the objective to enhance community based protection.

Capacity Building

- UNHCR, RAS and IRC conducted two training sessions for senior government officers at the county level in Isiolo and Marsabit counties on Refugee Protection. The training was organized by RAS with IRC funding. A total of 29 officers in Isiolo and 30 in Marsabit, including the county commissioners, were trained.
- UNHCR organized a training with Kenya Red Cross Society on Family Tracing and Reunification (FTR) and the referral process for Child Protection Working Group members. Information on types, tools used, services offered and criteria for Restoring Family Links (RFL) was shared and discussion held on the use of the tools and the referral process.

Durable Solutions

Voluntary Repatriation

- The Protection Unit facilitated two teleconferences as part of its preparations for the voluntary repatriation of a number of South Sudanese and Ethiopian refugees to their countries of origin. The teleconferences addressed technical aspects of facilitating safe and dignified returns of the persons of
- Facilitation of road movement remain suspended due to military operations en route to Kismayu, Baidoa and other major return areas.

Resettlement

- 146 Cases/270 individuals were submitted from Nairobi to Australia, U.S.A and UK for resettlement consideration. Of those, 121 cases/137 individuals were LGBTI or dependants.
- 46 cases comprising of 188 individuals submitted from Kakuma for resettlement consideration in Canada, Sweden and United Kingdom. Another 8 cases of 34 individuals facilitated for resettlement through complementary pathways in 2019. Complementary pathways include family reunification, private sponsorships, educational scholarships and labour mobility.
- Resettlement in Dadaab remains a durable solution available for a very limited number of refugees due to the extremely limited number of countries showing interest in Somali refugee population (Accounting for 96% of total Dadaab population). Planning figure for 2019 submission has been revised to 750

refugees. Confirmed resettlement countries for 2019 who will offer quota for Dadaab refugee population are: Sweden, UK, Canada and USA.

Statelessness

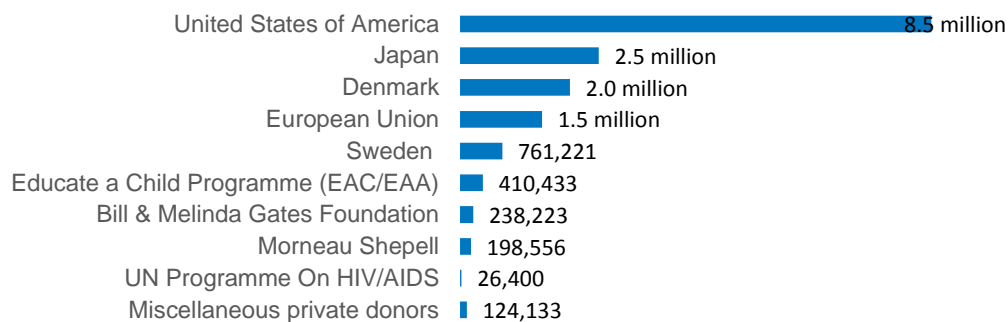
- UNHCR Kenya and Copenhagen, together with the Shona community, the Kenya National Bureau of Statistics and Statistics Norway jointly conducted a pilot exercise to test a survey tool and methodology. The pilot report is underway and is expected to inform the final tool to be used for the main survey.

Financial Information

Total recorded contributions for the operation amount to some **US\$ 104.3 million**.

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Web portal on Somali Displacement <http://data.unhcr.org/horn-of-africa/regional.php>

Web portal on South Sudan Displacement <http://data.unhcr.org/SouthSudan/regional.php>

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