

Kenya

1 - 31 July 2021

525,671

Registered refugees and asylum-seekers

227,429

Refugees and asylum-seekers registered in Dadaab.

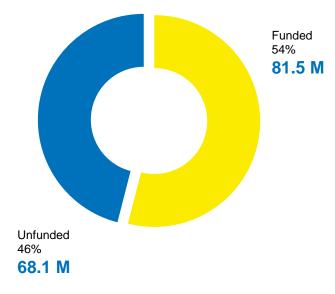
215,810

Refugees and asylum-seekers registered in Kakuma

FUNDING (AS OF 27 JULY 2021)

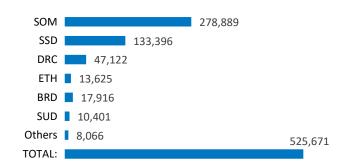
USD 149.6 M

Requested for the Kenya Operation



POPULATION OF CONCERN (31 JULY 2021)

Country of origin



SSD - South Sudan

SOM – Somalia

DRC – Democratic Republic of Congo

BRD - Burundi

ETH – Ethiopia

SUD - Sudan

VOLUNTARY REPATRIATION AND RESETTLEMENT

1,159

persons assisted to return to their places of origin voluntarily since January 2021.

239

refugees departed to various resettlement countries since January 2021.



A toddler receives a shot of vaccine at the locher Ang'amor health facility in Kakuma camp. The Government of Kenya launched a measles vaccination campaign targeting children aged 9-59 months in Kakuma and Kalobeyei. UNHCR/Samuel Otieno



Update on Achievements



Achievements and Impact

Kakuma

- In July 2021, 83 Best Interest Assessments (BIAs) were received, of which 72 cases were reviewed and feedback provided to the UNHCR's Child Protection partner Danish Refugee Council (DRC) for action. An Inter-Agency Best Interest Determination panel was conducted virtually, in which 11 child protection cases were discussed.
- In July 2021, 50 children, including 37 girls, attended self-awareness sessions at various Child-Friendly Spaces across the camp and settlement.
- A total of 308 girls, aged 11-17 years, in five schools in Kakuma and Kalobeyei settlement, were sensitized on menstrual hygiene management.
- In Kakuma and Kalobeyei settlement, 278 girls took part in peer-to-peer meetings, in which menstrual health management, hygiene, peer influence, teenage pregnancies and how to overcome them among other issues were discussed, while 216 girls participated in a mentorship session and held discussions on gender, self-esteem, self-confidence, Gender-Based Violence (GBV), etc.
- At Youth Centre 2 in Kakuma refugee camp, 50 youth participated in digital literacy sessions.
- As part of the preparations for the annual 'Kakuma's Got Talent' competition, 1,440 youth participated in various performing art activities.
- UNHCR and partners trained 208 security guards from a private security company (G4S) working
 in Kakuma camp and Kalobeyei settlement on the Prevention of Sexual Exploitation and Abuse
 (PSEA).
- In July 2021, 20 individuals accessed legal assistance while 15 Persons of Concern (PoC) received legal representation in court.
- The legal team conducted 52 police station visits reaching 59 individuals across Kakuma, Kalobeyei, and the western flight corridor.
- The Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) sat in July, from which 380 Individual Refugee Status Determination (RSD) cases were presented to the Commissioner of Refugee Affairs for consideration.

Dadaab

- In July 2021, 475 Refugee ID cards were distributed. 74 individuals were processed through the Live Capture Unit (LCU). 11,874 Refugee cards are pending collection.
- Legal Aid clinics were operational across the three camps in Dadaab with camp-based protection monitors and community-based counsellors who identify and refer individuals for support. A total of 76 PoC were reached through various interventions such as legal and individual psychosocial



- counselling, psychoeducation, follow up on reported cases at the police stations and court stations, and case referrals to relevant agencies for further intervention and assistance.
- Terres des Hommes (TdH) identified and supported 64 children (31 girls, 33 boys) through age and gender-appropriate interventions. Out of this, three girls and four boys were children living with disability. The children were identified through existing community structures and assessments conducted which informed the development of case plans.
- A total of 100 adolescents (48 girls, 52 boys) participated in two radio sessions and one community-led information and feedback session during which, dissemination of life saving information at the sectional child friendly help desks and one public information campaign were conducted. The partner further conducted Best Interest Assessment for 32 children (17 girls, 15 boys) with various protection concerns. Furthermore, TdH in collaboration with other protection partners organized and attended a virtual Best Interest Determination (BID) panel where six BID cases were presented. The cases presented were for unaccompanied and separated children seeking durable solutions.
- Three Focus Group Discussions to engage the youth and religious leaders to work together in sensitizing the community on the use of social media were held across the three camps and attended by 74 youths including five with disability.
- In July 2021, 12 home visits were conducted to encourage parents to monitor their children's school attendance and performance.
- Three community forums were conducted in the three camps to address and engage refugees of diverse age groups on the effects of drugs addiction and to encourage them to participate in sports activities to help them withdraw from the use of drugs.
- DRC conducted psycho-education sessions in Ifo and Dagahaley camps reaching 98 (45 women, 43 men) participants on the health, social and psychological effects of GBV in the community and on anger management.
- Three GBV health talk sessions were held at health posts 1&7 in Ifo camp, reaching 91 (50 women, 41 men) individuals with key protection messages on caring for sexual assault survivors, focusing on the critical first 72 hours and the "do no harm" principle.
- An inception meeting was held with 75 male GBV champions in Ifo and Dagahaley camps, majority of whom had previously, undertaken a behavioural transformational curriculum (Engaging Men through Accountable Practice) that had prepared them for this role. They will be involved in awareness creation and sensitization of the community on prevention and response to SGBV as well as effective referral of at-risk cases/vulnerable families for support.
- A four-day mentorship training was held in Ifo camp with 59 (34 women, 25 men) mentors. The
 concept of mentorship and realities as well as challenges of the mentoring experience were
 explored.
- In the three camps in Dadaab, 757 elderly refugees (324 men, 433 men) received services related to case documentation, home visits and follow-ups such as referrals to other agencies for health, WASH, rehabilitation, and registration services. Furthermore, 100 elderly persons (55 men, 45 women) at Hagadera camp were supported with dignity and hygiene kits. Additionally, 42 elderly persons (26 men, 16 women) and those with disabilities received home based therapy and counselling services.
- A total of 1,849 (948 men, 901 women) persons with disability received various services through partnership between the Lutheran World Federation (LWF) and Humanity and Inclusion (HI).



Urban

- In July 2021, 51 vulnerability assessments were conducted and 27 individual counselling were conducted.
- 24 child protection cases (10 BIAs, 14 social assessments) were received from UNHCR's partner HIAS. Follow up was made internally and with partners to render interventions such as alternative care, expedited Refugee Status Determination (RSD), data transfer, exemption, medical follow ups, voluntary repatriation, and resettlement consideration.
- In July 2021, Refugee Affairs Secretariat (RAS) registered 391 individuals, bringing the active urban population to 82,432 individuals (54,616 refugees and 27,816 asylum seekers) as of 31 July, while 375 individuals of age five and above were enrolled into the Biometric Identity Management System (BIMS).
- 13 Refugee ID Cards were issued and updated in proGres during the reporting period.
- A total of 190 asylum-seekers were issued with 'Asylum Seeker Pass' documents during the reporting period.



Achievements and Impact

Kakuma

- In July, UNHCR and education partners facilitated the registration of 2,530 (545 girls) and 7,001 (2,544 girls) for the Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education and Kenya Certificate of Primary Education national examination respectively.
- Education partners in coordination with WASH partners trained 54 Board of Management members on the Ministry of Education COVID-19 guidelines for schools.
- 10,000 learner's school kits, grade 5 learners' textbooks and over 1,805 teachers' guides distributed to schools in Kakuma camp and Kalobeyei settlement.
- 1,802 youths received Digital literacy trainings in the month of July, the trainings are meant to equip youths with computer proficiency skills towards self-reliance.

Dadaab

- The average school attendance rate for the month was recorded at 77.3 per cent for primary, 50.5 per cent for secondary and 43.03 per cent for Technical and Vocational Education and Training institutions. A total of 2,933 learners (1,769 boys, 1,164 girls) were registered for the Kenya Certificate of Primary Education (KCPE). Out of this, 28 learners (21 boys, 7 girls) were children with disabilities. A total of 1,167 (764 boys, 403 girls) candidates were registered for the Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education (KCSE).
- Through the Education Assessment and Resource Centre's (EARC), services such as psychosocial debrief sessions and rehabilitation services were provided to 269 individuals (145 men, 124 women) cross the three camps.
- In July, 90 children with disabilities benefited from transport cash-based intervention across the three Dadaab camps.
- Windle International Kenya (WIK) conducted the unpacking Competency Based Curriculum (CBC) training for 55 secondary schoolteachers and project officers through Strathmore University. The training was aimed at preparing secondary schools' transition to CBC once it is rolled out.



Lutheran World Federation (LWF) conducted inclusive education training for 275 (240 men, 35 women) education stakeholders comprising of incentive teachers, classroom assistance teachers, community school counsellors, Assistant Education Officers and Board of Management representatives and Special Needs Education committee representatives from Ifo and Dagahaley refugee camps.



CASH BASED INTERVENTIONS (CBI)

Achievements and Impact

Kakuma

- In July, 113 households in Kalobeyei settlement converted their temporary shelters to concrete
 houses through UNHCR's Cash for Shelter cash-based interventions (CBI) project. A total of 186
 concrete houses and 113 family latrines were constructed under the CBI programme.
- KES 181,500 was disbursed to 33 ICT coaches to facilitate a two-week training on Digital Literacy through UNHCR's Cash for Work programme.
- In 2021, KES 138 million meant for Shelter, Core Relief Items (CRIs), Energy, and cash for work was distributed to PoC in Kalobeyei settlement, and KES 173 million for CRIs and Energy disbursed to persons of concern in Kakuma.
- Since the inception of CBI in 2018, UNHCR has disbursed over USD 12 million into the local economy through cash assistance (60% of this cash was for shelter; 30% was core relief items (soap, pants, and sanitary pads); 5% for latrines; and 4% for energy).
- In July, UNHCR's Head of Sub-Office met with the Chief Executive Officer and the Managing Director of Kenya Commercial Bank. The bank is one of the two financial partners in Kakuma facilitating the implementation of UNHCR's CBI programme in Kakuma camp and Kalobeyei settlement.



Achievements and Impact

Kakuma

- In July, 398 skilled deliveries were conducted within the various health facilities in Kakuma camp and Kalobeyei settlement.
- The number of mental health consultations conducted increased significantly from 412 in June to 562 in July.
- A total of 14 (non-COVID-19) patients were referred from health facilities in Kakuma and Kalobeyei to Lodwar (8), Eldoret (4), and Nairobi (2). These were mainly emergency cases in need of specialized care not available in Kakuma and diagnostic imaging services such as CT scan to assist in managing various health conditions. Three of the referrals facilitated were from the host community.
- In July, 15 new cases of COVID-19 were recorded. Cumulatively, Kakuma has recorded 1,034 positive cases from 12,719 samples collected since May 2020.



- As of 31 July, there were 3,343 individuals admitted to the two quarantine facilities in Kakuma and Kalobeyei.
- A government-led ten-day measles campaign from 26 June to 5 July is targeting children aged 9-59 months in Kakuma and Kalobeyei.

Dadaab

- The Cholera outbreak in Dagahaley camp that was confirmed on 28 May persisted and control
 was achieved as at the end of the reporting period. A total of 36 cases were line listed and managed
 and no fatalities reported.
- Access to essential health services provided with 43,053 consultations conducted during the reporting period at a rate of 75 consultations per clinician and day.
- The Polio round 2 campaign was successfully conducted from 17 to 22 July.
- Management of acute malnutrition Management of moderate acute malnutrition (MAM) and severe acute malnutrition (SAM) was maintained.

Identified Needs and Remaining Gaps

- In Dadaab, reduced community health workforce from 323 in 2020 to 245 in 2021 for risk communication and community engagement has resulted in inadequate community surveillance, household health education sessions and quarantine admissions.
- Inadequate blood and blood products especially affecting maternal health outcomes. Post-partum haemorrhage is responsible for over 90 per cent of maternal mortalities in the camps. Health partners rely on blood donations from relatives and other members of the community.



Achievements and Impact

Kakuma

- In July, 285 children with severe malnutrition were admitted into the Outpatient Therapeutic Program (OTP).
- The Supplementary Feeding Program (SFP), which targets children with moderate malnutrition, reached 940 children across the health facilities in Kakuma camp and Kalobeyei settlement.
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- In July, the targeted supplementary feeding program (TSFP) reached 33 pregnant and lactating women, while the Blanket Supplementary Feeding Program (BSFP) reached 1,897 pregnant and breastfeeding mothers.
- The Stabilization Centre admitted 19 severely malnourished children during the reporting period. Cure rates were maintained above 90 per cent for both OTP and SFP. Eight orphans and vulnerable Children (OVCs) continued to be supported with breast milk substitutes.
- During nutrition distribution activities, 14,974 pregnant and breastfeeding mothers were reached with nutrition messages.



A total of 59 support groups (56 mother-to-mother support groups and three father-to-father support groups) continued to facilitate meetings, which reached 957 individuals (94 of them attending for the first time). The support group members continued screening and referring malnourished and children at risk of malnutrition to nutrition clinics. Out of the 54 Family midupper arms circumference (MUAC) referrals, 12 enrolled to OTP, 27 to SFP, and 15 children did not meet the admission criteria to the nutrition programs.

Identified Needs and Remaining Gaps

- An observed increase in admissions and mortalities at the stabilization centre is attributed to the rise in watery diarrhoea, respiratory illnesses, and malaria cases. UNHCR and partners are working together to improve the inter-agency referral time and staffing at the stabilization centre. Nutritional screening activities have been intensified in the camp using family MUAC screening to identify children at risk of malnutrition. More suggestions are being reviewed and adopted by the nutrition technical working group.
- The ongoing food rationing, with the current food basket at 60 per cent of the recommended quantity of 2100 Kcal/person/day, will have a direct effect on food security both Kakuma and Dadaab refugee camps. Hence, there need for increased surveillance to ensure all new cases of malnutrition are detected early and linked to care and follow-up.



Achievements and Impact

Kakuma

- 80.92 metric tonnes (MT) of firewood were distributed to Kakuma refugee camp and Kalobeyei settlement. 42.44 MT's of the firewood was distributed to primary and secondary schools, while a total of 38.48 MT of firewood was issued to the Reception Centre and new arrivals in Kakuma and Kalobeyei.
- In Kakuma, 24,800 tree seedlings were produced and propagated in all the tree nurseries, and 14,399 of the tree seedlings were distributed to the refugee community, institutions, green belts, and host community for planting.
- In July, 480 individuals (210 men, 270 women) were reached through forest conservation and management awareness.

Identified Needs and Remaining Gaps

- Phase-out diesel generators in the long term and introduce solar energy systems for community and facilities such as boreholes, field posts, schools, hospitals, and offices.
- Introduction of affordable, reliable, sustainable, cleaner, and energy-efficient cooking energy solutions (i.e., use of improved cookstoves, briquettes, liquefied petroleum gas (LPG), pellets, bioethanol, etc.) to lower the energy bill is essential. At the same time, UNHCR requires significant funds to increase the CBI for the energy component.





Achievements and Impact

Kakuma

- UNHCR, through the National Council of Churches of Kenya (NCCK), embarked on securing flood zones in Kakuma camp with the delivery of 7,140 tonnes of boulders spread along the bank of the lagga (riverbank) near Don Bosco Vocational Training Centre, in Kakuma 1.
- In July, UNHCR, through shelter partner the NCCK, constructed 269 transitional shelters for 1,007 individuals (219 families). Cumulatively, 1,298 transitional shelters have been constructed since the beginning of the year.



Achievements and Impact

Kakuma

- As of 31 July, the per capita consumption was recorded at 20.64 litres and 21.35 litres per person per day in Kakuma and Kalobeyei, respectively.
- A new 10 Km water pipeline has been connected to two newly solarized boreholes to enhance the
 water supply in the Kalobeyei settlement. Japan Platform funded the installation through
 UNHCR's partner Peace Winds Japan (PWJ).
- Three new boreholes were drilled and equipped with solar pumping systems and four 108m3 elevated steel tanks installed in Kalobeyei settlement through funding from the Water Sector Trust Fund (WSTF).
- All the 45 elevated steel tanks in Kakuma and Kalobeyei have been equipped with real-time water monitoring systems.
- Currently, latrine coverage stands at 42 per cent in Kakuma and 78 per cent in Kalobeyei. High latrine coverage in Kalobeyei is attributed to the implementation of cash-based intervention to construct family latrines.

Dadaab

- On average, the daily water production in July from 22 operational boreholes was 9,466 m³, where about 5,083 m³ supplied to the refugee population in the three Dadaab camps. This translated to an average daily per capita water allocation of 21 litres per person per day. About 4,383 m³ (46.3 %) was apportioned to other users including agencies, markets, institutions, hospitals, livestock, leakages, and other losses.
- There were 39,471 functioning household latrines and 250 communal latrines during the reporting period, translating to a coverage of 85.2 per cent. CARE is currently incorporating community structures in camp cleaning. A total of 90 sanitation cleaners were hired for a period of six months to support cleaning of solid waste in the camps.
- CARE engaged 126 hygiene promoters to conduct campaigns and incorporating community structures in hygiene promotion across the camps. Hygiene promotion ratio to PoC stands at



1:1,920, against the UNHCR standard of 1:1,000 PoC in protracted refugee situations such as Dadaab.



DURABLE SOLUTIONS

Achievements and Impact

Kakuma

 UNHCR, through Voluntary Repatriation (VolRep), has facilitated the return of 502 individuals (149 households) to Burundi through UNHCR's VolRep Programme. 171 individuals were facilitated in July alone.

Dadaab

- Since March, 659 individuals have received complementary pathways assistance: 339 for private sponsorship; 183 for labour mobility; 132 for scholarships; and five for family re-unification.
- A total of 76 Ethiopian returnees were assisted to voluntarily return home, bringing the total departures from Dadaab in 2021 to 565.

Identified Needs and Remaining Gaps

 There is a need to increase and strengthen awareness on complementary pathways amongst the refugee community.



Achievements and Impact

Kakuma

- A total of 1,315 individuals, including 413 women, were enrolled for courses in English literacy, agriculture, secretarial, computer, certificate in accounting management and skills, accountant's technician diploma, credit management, and certified public accountants. (of the 50 youth from the host community, 20 are individuals with various disabilities, and 18 are employed, with the rest being 2020 secondary school graduates.
- Two vocational training graduates received "MAKIGA" brick-making machines as a start-up kit to support self-reliance. The device will enable them to produce high-quality bricks for sale.
- 11 business ideas were selected for incubation from retail, manufacturing-plastic recycling, and agribusiness.
- UNIQLO placed a 4,000 contemporary bracelets order with the refugee and host community women in the MADE51 programme in Kalobeyei settlement (2,400 bracelets have so far been shipped to Hong Kong, out of the 3,300 bracelets that were delivered to Bawa Hope for quality control).
- A total of 401 individuals, including 113 women, gained knowledge in Digital Literacy through the Microsoft Digital Literacy training modules, which cover work with computers, communicating online, creating digital content, and participating responsibly online.



Working in partnership

UNHCR continues to work closely with the Government of Kenya through the office of the Deputy County Commissioner (DCC), Turkana County Government, 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 virtually using Microsoft Teams platform.

Financial Information

Total recorded contributions for the **Kenya Operation** amounts to USD 81.5 million (as of 27 July 2021).

UNHCR is grateful for the critical support provided by donors who have contributed directly to the Kenya operation, as well as those who have contributed to UNHCR programmes with unearmarked and broadly earmarked funds.

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