

Kenya

1 – 31 October 2021

539,084

Refugees and asylum seekers in Kenya as of 31 October 2021

479,872

Refugees registered in October 2021.

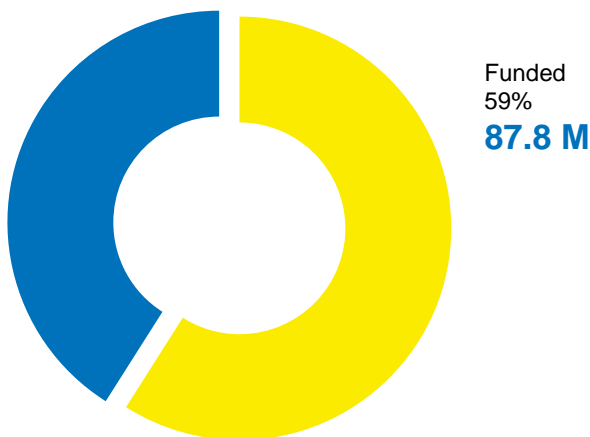
59,212

Asylum seekers registered in October 2021

FUNDING (AS OF 31 OCTOBER 2021)

USD 149.6

Requested for the Kenya Operation



Unfunded 41%
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THE POPULATION OF CONCERN (OCTOBER 2021)

COUNTRIES OF ORIGIN

SOMALIA	285,686	53.0%
SOUTH SUDAN	136,690	25.4%
DRC	48,262	9.0%
ETHIOPIA	30,317	5.6%
BURUNDI	19,203	3.6%
SUDAN	10,493	1.9%
UGANDA	3,194	0.6%
ERITREA	2,179	0.4%
RWANDA	2,040	0.4%
OTHERS	1,020	0.2%

Others* Uganda, Rwanda, Congo, Eritrea, United Republic of Tanzania, Yemen, Afghanistan, Zimbabwe, Pakistan, Egypt, Nigeria, Saudi Arabia, Central African Republic, Comoros, Chad, Burkina Faso, Angola, Mauritania, Guinea.

POPULATION INCREASE

1,922

Individuals registered during the reporting period

23,507

Cumulative number of registered people since January.



A Refugee mother from Congo at the Locher Angamor Antenatal Clinic in Kakuma Refugee Camp. In October 468, skilled deliveries were recorded within various health facilities in Kakuma and Kalobeyei UNHCR/ Pauline Kwamboka

Update on Achievements

Highlights

- The Turkana West Education Hub launched in October 2021. UNHCR has ongoing discussions with higher education providers to sign agreements to provide access to higher education through online, on-site, and blended learning approaches.
- In October, UNHCR facilitated the voluntary return of 80 Burundian refugees (14 families) to their country from Kakuma refugee camps in Kenya.
- Kakuma Chess Project training was rolled out in Angelina Jolie Primary school, with a total of 40 pupils being trained online with The International Chess Federation (FIDE) team.



Burundian refugees board a plane to take them home from Kakuma Refugee Camp.

UNHCR/Pauline Kwamboka

**PROTECTION****Achievements and Impact****Kakuma**

- Since January 2021, UNHCR Kakuma has registered 13,528 arrivals, 6,848 including new-borns. Most of the new arrivals came from South Sudan, Burundi, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, and Somalia.
- 58 child protection cases and 61 Best Interest Assessments (BIAs) were received for review in October 2021.
- A total of 3,382 children were engaged through child-to-child activities conducted at the child-friendly spaces across the Kakuma refugee camp and the Kalobeyei settlement.
- Monthly peer-to-peer support network sessions for 172 children living with disabilities (CWDs) were held during the reporting period.
- 172 children with physical, psychosocial, intellectual, and cognitive disabilities were taken through monthly peer-to-peer sessions.
- 153 adolescents were reached through a 2-day training on life skills of empathy, positive communications, creative thinking, interpersonal relationships, decision making, and problem-solving.
- 231 learners (including 182 girls from Kakuma camp and 49 from Kalobeyei settlement) participated in various sessions of peer-to-peer meetings which focused on menstrual health management, hygiene, peer influence, and teenage pregnancies.
- One Mentorship session on Social and Life Skills was conducted for Divas Female Football Team, comprised of 17 players. The objective of the sessions was to empower them with skills on how to analyse situations affecting them in the community to enable them to make informed decisions.
- Basic Digital Literacy training was conducted for 97 women at the Youth Centres.
- In October 2021, UNHCR and partners identified 75 new Sexual and Gender based Violence (SGBV) cases. All survivors received psychosocial support and are following a case plan.
- Seven group therapy sessions were conducted using the Group Problem Management Plus (GPM+) approach, a psychological intervention used in assisting people who have gone through adversaries.
- 492 children received birth certificates during the reporting period. UNHCR is working with the County Civil Register to ensure that refugee children have access to civil documentation.

Dadaab

- The Community-Based Protection desks across the three camps in Dadaab followed up with 41 cases ranging from card reactivation, profiling for new arrivals, Refugee Status Determination (RSD) requests, of the vetting of double registration, medical concerns, and shelter support.
- 178 children were identified with various protection concerns such as foster care arrangements, and durable solutions. Best Interest Assessment (BIA) was conducted to offer appropriate intervention and support. Further follow-up was done for 201 children's cases referred to relevant partners for further support.
- UNHCR and partner Terres des Hommes (TDH) supported 121 children through cash assistance for food and non-food items. They will receive support for six months after which a post-distribution

monitoring will be done to ascertain the extent to which the children's concerns will have been addressed.

- 15 (10 refugees from Dagahaley camp and 5 from host community) adolescent girls and boys were supported with dignity kits for use during puberty.
- UNHCR and partner Save the Children International (SCI) supported 97 children with non-food items including mattresses, sleeping mats, mosquito nets, kitchen sets and bedsheets.
- Individual and group counselling sessions were conducted for 331 children with various protection needs.
- TDH conducted training on positive parental discipline for 116 caregivers. 35 foster parents and 20 adolescents in Hagadera camp were enrolled for various livelihood programmes - they will undergo a 3-month livelihood training on dressmaking and tie and dye.
- COVID-19 community sensitization campaigns were conducted across the three camps, targeting 395 (including 15 people with disabilities) community members.
- 146 individuals (including 14 people with disabilities) participated in the Mental Health awareness sessions conducted as part of build-up activities to celebrate *World Mental Health Day* on 10 October.
- 76 SGBV cases were reported and attended to across the camps. All survivors were provided psychosocial counselling and referred to relevant service providers.
- Community sensitization forums were conducted at the Kenya Red Cross Society (KRCS) health facilities in Ifo refugee camp, reaching 83 individuals with key protection messages on gender equality.
- Five GBV 'Health Talk' sessions were conducted in health facilities in Ifo and Dagahaley camps and in the community reaching 152 individuals with key protection messages on Protection from Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (PSEA), domestic violence, physical assault, rape, defilement, child/forced marriage, negative cultural influences, and violence.
- 75 male champions against GBV from Ifo and Dagahaley camps were engaged on "taking responsibility"; to identify how men think, feel, handle their emotions, and explore accountability to women and girls.
- A discussion forum on child/forced marriage was conducted with 15 mentors and 45 mentees in Dagahaley camp. Emotional/ psychological consequences of child/forced marriage were explored with participants reporting that the mentorship program has built self-esteem and confidence among the young girls who are mostly at risk of harmful cultural practices thereby enabling them to stand up against cultures and empowering them to seek assistance with authorities. GBV reporting hotlines and the inter-agency referral pathway were shared also for confidential reporting of cases.
- At the Rehabilitation Centres and in the blocks, a total of 566 PwDs were provided with specific services. They covered 221 who received physiotherapy and occupational therapy services, 32 counselling services, 79 supported with repairs of their assistive and mobility devices and 183 received home-based therapy.

Urban

- General Mathenge Joint Service Center resumed operation of services with PoCs being received on appointment basis. They attended to PoCs on various matters including in person protection counselling on various issues insecurity, GBV, exemption requests, documentation, and RST queries.
- Persons with Special Needs (PSNs) continue to be assessed for various services, 19 vulnerability assessments were conducted during the reporting period.

- 22 women and girls received dignity kits containing sanitary pads, a torch, and a pair of batteries.
- Monycadow, a refugee/women-led CBO was selected to carry out capacity building for women in leadership roles.
- UNHCR Child Protection received 39 (21 best interest assessments, 16 social assessments and 2 BIDs). Assessments recommended various follow-up actions which included alternative care, placement in safe shelters, expedited RSD, data transfer, exemption, and medical follow-up
- 19 children joined and participated in a child-dialogue meeting through Child Protection Monitors (CPM) android tablets which HIAS issued to facilitate communication. They discussed various issues among them being low school enrolment and lack of National Hospital Insurance Fund (NHIF) cards.
- UNHCR operational partner refuSHE admitted 7 new girls in their safehouse, assisted 31 girls with medical, 124 with financial assistance, 251 with food baskets, 50 child mothers with diapers, and 263 with sanitary pads.
- In October 2021, Refugee Affairs Secretariat (RAS) registered 265 individuals, bringing the active urban population to 83,791, including 55,192 refugees and 28,599 asylum seekers.
- 223 individuals of age five and above were enrolled into BIMS during the reporting period; these include those registered earlier but were not enrolled at the time.



EDUCATION

Achievements and Impact

Kakuma

- Enrolment and attendance figures for October: 12,760 (6,300 girls) learners at pre-primary level, 59,756 (25,208 girls) at primary level, and 17,173 (5,063 girls) at secondary level.
- 6,993 (2,572 girls) and 2454 (5,77 girls) students registered for the 2021 primary (KCPE) and secondary (KCSE) levels national examinations, respectively.
- 1,068 girls received cash grants to cushion families from effects of pandemic and retain them in schools.
- 60 teachers started an in-service Diploma in Primary Teacher Education Course with Masinde Muliro University of Science and Technology at Turkana West Education Hub's Teacher Resource Center.
- 68 teachers trained on alternative discipline measures, child protection, and safeguarding policies.
- Assessment of 3 learners with disabilities done in Kakuma and 20 other learners were supported with assistive devices like Hearing Aids.
- UNHCR and partners distributed 450 new desks to Palotaka, Malakal, and Fashoda primary schools in Kakuma camp to support decongestion and reduce the number of learners sharing desks.
- 580 girls at the boarding schools in the camp supported with dignity kits that include soap, sanitary wear, panties, buckets, and mosquito nets.

Dadaab

- The average school attendance rate for the month was recorded at 98% for primary, 70% for secondary and 42 % for Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) institutions.

- Renovations and repair works of 20 classrooms and 7 ICT labs in the primary schools completed and facilities were successfully handed over to the schools for use by an estimated 1,600 students and their teachers.
- Inclusive education induction workshop on digital learning activities including use of e-books programmes were conducted for 30 students in Unity and Juba Primary schools in Dagahaley and Ifo camps, respectively. The workshop was supported and facilitated by HI.
- Distribution of assorted learning and sports items was done across the 22 primary schools to enhance teaching and learning activities.
- LWF conducted PSEA awareness training for 40 teachers, 10 parents, 10 Board of Management (BoM) members, 7 head teachers and 1 Assistant Education Officer for two days in Dagahaley.

Urban

- Sixty additional scholarships were allocated for DAFI students in Kenya – 120 new enrolments in total in 2021.

Identified Needs and Remaining Gaps

- Congestion and overcrowding in schools due to shortage of classrooms, shortage of school furniture and insufficient teaching and learning materials, textbooks, WASH facilities.
- Roll out of the Competency-Based Curriculum in Kenya requires additional resources and evolving adaptation.



CASH-BASED INTERVENTIONS (CBI)

Achievements and Impact

Kakuma

- 47 households (301 individuals) in Kalobeyei received cash support for the first stage of construction of 86 permanent houses and 45 household latrines.
- Cash assistance was disbursed to 14 families of 80 refugees and asylum seekers for return to country of origin-Burundi. The cash provided as a pre-departure package would cover basic needs on arrival.
- Secondary Education scholarships were disbursed to 161 students (16 from the host community), for the second term of 2021-2022 academic year. The money covered tuition fees, transport allowance, school supplies and pocket money.
- 2 community awareness sessions were done in Kakuma and Kalobeyei on the different CBI programmes; cash delivery mechanisms and distribution modalities, transfer values, distribution frequency and other CBI-related information.



HEALTH

Achievements and Impact

Kakuma

- 468 deliveries were recorded and 510 mental health consultations were done within the various health facilities across the Kakuma refugee camps during the reporting period.
- 10 medical cases were referred from Kakuma and Kalobeyei health facilities to Lodwar (5), Nairobi (1), and Eldoret
- 2,380 individuals (929 staff, 2,601 POCs) in Kakuma and Kalobeyei have received their first dose of COVID-19 vaccine at the Ammusait General Hospital. Out of these, 2,096 (661 staff, 134 POCs) are fully vaccinated.
- General distribution of long-lasting insecticide-treated nets (LLITNs) was done in Kakuma and Kalobeyei, reaching 91 percent of the target populations.

Dadaab

- Although anticipated, there was no cholera outbreak and the overall cases of acute watery diarrhoea dropped by 32%.
- A total of 35,943 consultations were conducted with consultations per clinician per day at 71.
- A total of 5,836 girls and women accessed sexual reproductive health and HIV services. The complete antenatal coverage was at 70.2% while 95.6% of women delivered at a caesarean section rate of 5.7%.

Identified Needs and Remaining Gaps

- **COVID-19:** Intermittent stockouts of vaccines resulting in POCs lacking vaccines.
- **HDU and Oxygen:** There's a need to establish a High Dependency Unit (HDU) and an oxygen plant that will significantly increase the life-saving capacity of health facilities.
- **Diagnostic Equipment:** To improve capacity to diagnose diseases early, there is a need to provide additional diagnostic laboratory and radiology equipment.
- **Human resource:** The current ratio of consultations per clinician per day stands at 78, above the UNHCR and WHO recommendation of 50. There is a need to recruit additional qualified health workers to improve health services and reduce reliance on auxiliary staff for medical care.



FOOD SECURITY AND NUTRITION

Achievements and Impact

Kakuma

- 218 children with severe malnutrition were admitted into the Outpatient Therapeutic Program (OTP)
- 938 children with moderate malnutrition were reached through the Supplementary Feeding Programme (SFP).
- 30 pregnant and breast-feeding mothers benefited from the targeted supplementary feeding program (TSFP).
- The Stabilization Centre admitted 13 severely malnourished children, during which cure rates were maintained above 90% for both OTP and SFP.
- 14,290 pregnant and breast-feeding mothers and parents of children were reached with health education and nutrition messages in August during nutrition distribution exercises.

- 54 support groups with a total of 1,068 members graduated after completing their 2-year support group course. The support group members continued screening and referred malnourished and children at risk of malnutrition to nutrition clinics.
- Four cooking demonstrations were conducted in several OTP sites reaching 231 caregivers.

Dadaab

- The SAM and MAM admissions were 284 and 847 compared to 304 and 941 respectively in the previous month. A total of 4,239.2 Kgs of plumpy nut, 134 kgs of F100 and 86.4 kgs of F100 were provided to vulnerable refugees and asylum-seekers.
- A total of 13 new babies under 6 months were admitted into the breastmilk substitute (BMS) program which currently has a total of 38 infants as at 31 October.
- Six community dialogue sessions were held targeting 57 pregnant, 64 breast-feeding mothers and 19 caregivers. 5 family bazaars were also held reaching 30 couples in Hagadera and Ifo camps.

Identified Needs and Remaining Gaps

- The ongoing food rationing with the current food basket at 60% of the recommended quantity of 2100Kcal/person/day continues to affect the food security in refugee camps. Hence, there is a need for increased surveillance to ensure all new cases of malnutrition are detected early and linked to care and follow-up.



SHELTER AND NFIS

Achievement and Impact

Kakuma

- 540 Transitional shelters were constructed during the reporting period to accommodate newly arrived refugee households. Cumulatively, 2,556 shelters have been constructed since the beginning of the year.
- In Kalobeyei, 240 households are currently converting their temporary shelters to concrete houses through UNHCR's Cash for Shelter programme (CBI).

Identified Needs/Challenges and Remaining Gaps

- Poor drainage system and inaccessible road network within the camp remains a challenge in accessing some of the areas, this affects mobility and timely delivery of shelter materials to site.
- Lack of adequate shelter materials affected timely relocation of the refugees from communal areas to the community.

**WATER AND SANITATION (WASH)****Achievement and Impact****Kakuma**

- A total of 102,635,000 liters of water was delivered for use during the reporting period in Kakuma. This translates to a per capita of 18.96 liters/person/day.
- In Kalobeyei, the per capita water access was 18.775l/p/d. A total of 39,273,000 liters of water was pumped during the month of October. 771,000 liters of water was supplied to the Host community through water trucking.
- To rid the camp of vectors, IRS (indoor residual spraying) commenced. The spraying has been completed in Kalobeyei.
- 4 boreholes were solarised to reduce the running hours of the pumping of the generator and fuel consumption.
- 6 Boreholes were rehabilitated to improve sanitary hygiene around them and prevent water contamination at the source.

Dadaab

- The daily water production in October from 22 operational boreholes was 10,631 m³, with 6,574 m³ supplied to refugees in the three Dadaab camps. This translated to an average daily per capita water allocation of 26.6 litres per person per day.
- There were 39,504 functioning household latrines and 250 communal latrines during the reporting period, translating to a coverage of 85%. UNHCR's WASH partner, CARE, is currently incorporating community structures in camp cleaning.
- UNHCR and partner CARE International engaged 126 hygiene promoters to conduct campaigns and incorporate community structures in hygiene promotion across the camps. Hygiene promotion ratio to persons of concern stands at 1:1,920, against the UNHCR standard of 1:1,000 PoCs

Identified Needs/Challenges and Remaining Gaps

- Per capita water consumption has dropped significantly over the last few months to less than recommended SPHERE/UNHCR standards of 20l/person/day. The next phase will start in Kakuma. This factor is attributed among many causes to nozzles theft that leads to high water losses in the camp, pipeline vandalism, dilapidated infrastructure that need constant maintenance like the Elevated steel tanks and replacement of old PVC pipes.
- Additional boreholes need to be drilled to reduce the pumping hours of existing boreholes that are running for more than 16 hours daily with solar pumping accounting for only 6-7 hours daily.
- Additional boreholes are required to be drilled & solarized to minimized water challenges across Kakuma camp & Kalobeyei settlement.
- Solid waste management remains a challenge across Kakuma camp and Kalobeyei settlement.



COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT AND SELF RELIANCE

Achievement and Impact

Kakuma

- 46 farmers from the refugee and host communities in Kalobeyei are producing kales, spinach and tomatoes for the local market. The project is a synergy between UNHCR's partners WFP, FAO, Miramar and GIZ.
- 30 host community farmers planted cowpeas through a shade net process.
- UNHCR partners trained 42(14 women) individuals on business development
- 212 individuals aged 17-35 were trained on digital literacy program comprising ICDL (International Computer Driving License), and Microsoft for Philanthropy.
- 35 artisans from MADE 51 participated in a PSEA sensitization session conducted by UNHCR' Partners.
- 1,433 individuals benefited from business advisory and consulting services.
- KES 330,000 was approved and disbursed to 1 host community and 8 refugee members as loans.

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.

UNHCR Partners in Kakuma

Government of Kenya | Refugee Affairs Secretariat (RAS) | UNICEF | WFP | International Organization for Migration (IOM) | The Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) | The United Nations Human Settlement | Programme (UN-Habitat) | The United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) | Lutheran World Federation (LWF) | International Rescue Committee (IRC) | National Council of Churches of Kenya (NCCK) | Windle International Kenya (WIK) | Jesuit Refugee Services (JRS) | Don Bosco Kenya (DBK) | FilmAid International | Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC) | Lotus Kenya Action for Development Organization (LOKADO) | iamtheCODE | Waldorf Kakuma | Action Africa Help International (AAHI) | Refugee Consortium of Kenya (RCK) | Danish Refugee Council (DRC) | Peace Wind Japan (PWJ) | Kenyan Red Cross Society (KRCS) | African Inland Church (AIC) | Finn Church Aid (FCA) | Futbol Mas Kenya | Jesuit Worldwide Learning (JWL) | World Vision International (WVI) | Association for Aid and Relief, Japan (AAR Japan) | African Entrepreneur Collective (AEC) Kenya | DanChurchAid (DCA) | Humanity & Inclusion (HI) | Church World Service (CWS) | IsraAID Kenya | Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit GmbH (GIZ) | Team&Team International | Swisscontact | Kakuma Mission Hospital (KMH) | Center for Victims of Torture (CVT) | SNV Netherlands Development Organisation (Stichting Nederlandse Vrijwilligers)

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