

Kenya

1 – 31 December 2021

540,068

Refugees and asylum seekers in Kenya as of 31 December 2021.

86,607

Refugees living in Urban set up.

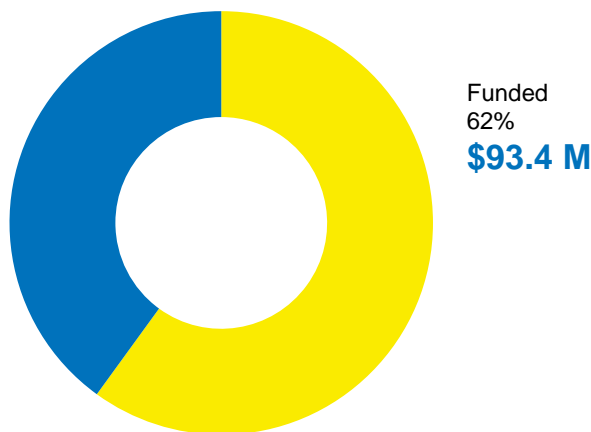
453,461

Refugees and asylum seekers in refugee camps as of 31 December 2021.

FUNDING (AS OF 29 DECEMBER 2021)

USD 149.6

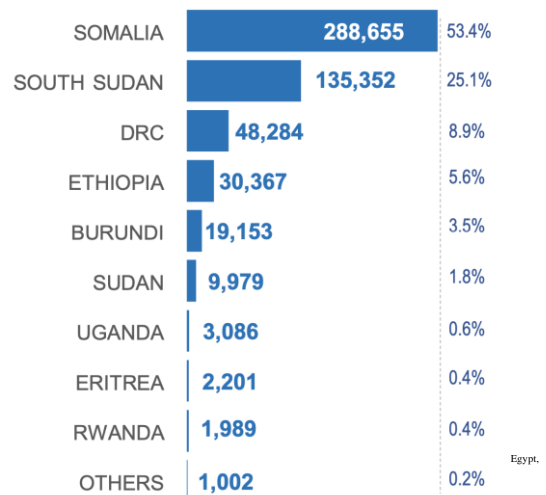
Requested for the Kenya Operation



Unfunded 38%
\$56.2M

POPULATION OF CONCERN (DECEMBER 2021)

Country of origin



POPULATION INCREASE

New registration

1,363

A total of 1,363 individuals were registered during the reporting period.

Other increases

575

Number of individuals reactivated after re-establishing contact with Refugee Affairs Secretariat offices during continuous registration activities.



Two young girls share a textbook. Working with partners, UNHCR supports post-Covid-19 education recovery efforts, focusing on ensuring safe school operations and compensating for missed study time. © UNHCR/Pauline Omagwa

Update on Achievements



Burundian dancers perform during the sixth edition of Turkana's Tourism and Cultural Festival – Tobong'u Lore.
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PROTECTION

Achievements and Impact

Kakuma

- In 2021, 24,185 individuals (including 7,830 newborns) have been registered in Kakuma. Most new arrivals are from South Sudan, Burundi, the DRC and Somalia.
- 75 child protection cases were received in December 2021, while 40 best interest assessments were conducted in line with the best interest procedures and shared for review.
- In December 2021, 248 children (84 boys, 164 girls) between the ages of 11-17 years were taken through self-awareness sessions to build their coping skills and resilience, while 50 with specific needs and at-risk children (22 boys, 28 girls) were supported with assorted dry food and basic items.
- 156 children living with disability (100 boys, 56 girls) participated in play and art therapy.
- About 76 dignity kits were distributed to children with specific needs identified during case management in Kakuma and Kalobeyei.
- 38 girls from Kakuma and Kalobeyei participated in peer-to-peer meetings focused on menstrual health management, hygiene, peer influence, and teenage pregnancies.

- In December 2021, 24 individuals received legal aid and advice on child protection, SGBV, and insecurity.

Dadaab

- In December 2021, 130 children were supported to deal with various protection concerns.
- Follow-up and protection monitoring was conducted for 1,364 children (653 girls, 711 boys). As a result, 94 children and their parents/caregivers were referred to other partners for further assistance.
- UNHCR and partner Terres des Hommes (TDH) supported 18 children with specific needs with emergency social support to access food and basic items. Fifteen children received unconditional cash vouchers, five gender-based violence (GBV) survivors, and six foster parents received dignity kits.
- Child-friendly messages on child protection, child rights and COVID-19 prevention and response were disseminated through the help desks in the camps and host community villages, reaching 1,130 parents/caregivers and 909 children.
- 60 sexual and gender-based violence (SGBV) cases across the camps were reported and attended to. All survivors received psychosocial counselling, and referrals were made to the police and hospitals as appropriate.
- Four community forums on ending violence against women and girls were conducted in Dagahaley camp, reaching nearly 400 community members.
- Two peer-to-peer school club activities on types of GBV and child/forced marriage were conducted in Bahati and Wadajir Primary schools in Dagahaley, reaching 64 learners.
- 61 households with specific needs received multi-purpose cash grants to meet basic needs.
- Over 1,150 older people received various services across the three camps in Dadaab - 321 were assessed and their cases documented, 172 received psychosocial counselling, 330 were reached through home visits and follow-ups, and 69 were referred to other partners. Eighty-one were reached through follow-ups, three farmers were given a variety of seeds for their gardens.
- 34 older people with specific needs were supported in Hagadera camp with walking sticks for improved mobility.
- In Hagadera, 594 people living with disabilities received various physiotherapy and occupational therapy services.

Urban

- UNHCR and partner Refugee Consortium of Kenya (RCK) conducted detention and border monitoring interventions at the Moyale border.
- Monyqadow, a Refugee-led Community-based organisation (CBO), completed capacity-building sessions on women and leadership in Kawangware, Kayole and Githurai as part of 16 Days of Activism activities.
- One virtual meeting was held where four Best Interests Determination cases were discussed (3 men, 1 woman) and approved for resettlement processing.
- Seven children with stress-related issues received counselling during the reporting period, while the protection monitors conducted one physical home visit.
- Two urgent virtual panels were conducted for two children with specific needs and approved to receive financial assistance.

**EDUCATION****Achievements and Impact****Kakuma**

- A total of 85,381 learners, including 36,541 girls, attended schools during the reporting period at pre-primary, primary, and secondary school levels.
- 86 secondary school teachers trained on ICT integration in schools using the Kolibri platform (Edtech) to support teaching and learning in schools.
- 68 teachers received training on data management and the use of digital devices in teaching and learning, while 100 teachers were trained on Competency-Based Curriculum management.
- 101 members of schools Board of Management and community leaders were trained on roles and responsibilities, focusing on strengthening their financial management skills to utilise school improvement grants effectively.
- 1,264 teenage girls and mothers were trained on life skills and physiological well-being during the reporting period.
- In December 2021, a mass return to school campaign for all children was conducted in the host community, Kalobeyei settlement and Kakuma refugee camp.

Identified Needs and Remaining Gaps

- Support schools with education technology solutions and equipment (computers, laptops, tablets, Multi-Touch Display, etc.) to provide curriculum supplementation and increase student motivation and experiences.
- Need for increased efforts to expand higher education access through the Turkana West University campus's operationalisation and increased partnership for the online, onsite and blended provision.

**CASH-BASED INTERVENTIONS (CBI)****Achievements and Impact****Kakuma**

- 48 households comprising 356 individuals in Kalobeyei Settlement, Village 3 received 2nd and 3rd instalments cash for the second and third stages of construction of permanent houses and latrines.
- Supplementary bi-monthly allowance for Core Relief Items (CRIs), constituting soap and sanitary materials, was disbursed for October and November to 1,096 families' bank accounts. The cash grant directly benefited 3,467 individuals in December 2021.
- In Kalobeyei, three months (October, November, and December) cash entitlement was disbursed to 120 households of 656 individuals. One hundred seventy-three women within the reproductive age bracket received cash assistance for hygiene and sanitary items.
- In December 2021, bi-monthly cash allowance for Energy provision for October and November was disbursed to 1,096 families of 3,467 individuals in Kakuma refugee camp, and three-month cash

entitlement was distributed to 210 households of 656 in Kalobeyei Settlement for new arrivals, child-headed households, and those whose bank accounts have just been activated.

- In December 2021, 22 families of 89 refugees and asylum seekers were facilitated to return to Burundi. The cash assistance is provided as a pre-departure package to cover basic needs on arrival.



HEALTH

Achievements and Impact

Kakuma

- In December 2021, 476 skilled deliveries were recorded within the various health facilities across Kakuma refugee camps and the Kalobeyei settlement.
- A total of 671 mental health consultations were made in December 2021.
- Six emergency cases were referred from Kakuma to Lodwar and Nairobi. Additionally, 27 cases were referred to Kakuma Mission Hospital for imaging services.
- As of 31 December 2021, 10,944 vaccines were administered in the Kakuma camp and Kalobeyei settlement. 6,523 were first doses while 3,313 were second doses, and 1,108 doses of the Johnson and Johnson (J&J) vaccine were administered as a single dose vaccine.
- 13,920 refugees and asylum-seekers were successfully enrolled into National Hospital Insurance Fund (NHIF) and issued NHIF numbers. In collaboration with various partners, UNHCR participated in two community dialogue sessions on the introduction and rollout of NHIF in Kalobeyei. The sessions brought together about 40 youth and women.

Dadaab

- The Crude and under-five mortality rates for the period under review were 0.16 and 0.3, respectively.
- A total of 50,618 consultations were conducted. The consultations per clinician per day were 84.
- 10 healthcare workers in Hagadera were trained on comprehensive emergency maternal and newborn care.
- All HIV patients were provided with antiretroviral therapy (ART). 124 individuals were on ARTs and follow-up at the comprehensive care centres.
- Referral mechanism was established for cases to tertiary facilities in Garissa and Nairobi according to the 2020 referral guidelines. The total referrals out of Dadaab were 43, 40 were managed in Garissa. The emergency obstetrics cases constitute 13.9% (6) of the total referrals.

Identified Needs and Remaining Gaps

Kakuma

- An electronic medical records system has been initiated in five of the eight facilities, improving health record-keeping and reporting efficiency. There is a need to include the three remaining facilities.
- There is a need for enhanced medical infrastructure to enhance the capacity for life-saving interventions. There is also a need for medical oxygen plant as currently, all medical oxygen is sought

over 120km from the main facility. There is also a need for a 10-bed High dependency unit to stabilise severely sick patients and provide critical care.

Dadaab

- Shortage of HIV test kits due to a countrywide shortage causing a reduction in antenatal HIV testing.



FOOD SECURITY AND NUTRITION

Achievements and Impact

Kakuma

- In 2021, 3,130 (2,932 refugees and 198 Kenyans) admissions in the Outpatient Therapeutic Program (OTP) and 11,061 admissions (10,792 refugees and 269 Kenyans) in the Supplementary Feeding Program (SFP) were recorded. The Stabilization Centre admitted 217 severely malnourished children with medical complications; 77 were local Kenyans.
- The second round of Malezi Bora Campaign was completed in December 2021, reaching 38,597 (28,188 Kakuma, 10,409 Kalobeyei) children 6-59 months with vitamin A supplementation and 40,304 (27,417 Kakuma, 12,887 Kalobeyei) children in the age group of 12-59 months received deworming tablets. Mass Mid-upper arm circumference (MUAC) screening was also done where 53 new Severe Acute Malnutrition (SAM) cases and 44 Moderate Acute Malnutrition (MAM) cases who were not in the Integrated Management of Acute Malnutrition (IMAM) program were identified and referred to the health facility for further management.
- 66 Orphans and Vulnerable Children (OVC) were supported with breastmilk substitutes in 2021.
- 12,831 individuals were reached in December with key messages on optimal maternal and childcare.
- 1,459 caregivers were reached through the support group throughout the year. The support group members continued screening and referred malnourished and children at risk of malnutrition to nutrition clinics. Out of the 97 Family MUAC referrals made on December, 30 were enrolled to OTP, 48 to Supplementary Feeding Programme (SFP), and 19 children did not meet the admission criteria to the nutrition programs in December.
- Ten cooking demonstrations were conducted in several OTP sites targeting caregivers with children under two years to promote complementary feeding.

Dadaab

- In December 2021, the SAM and MAM admissions in the program were 503 and 1,250.
- A total of 13 new babies under six months were admitted into the breastmilk substitute (BMS) program; the program had 44 infants.
- Six community dialogue sessions were held targeting 57 pregnant, 64 breast-feeding and 19 caregivers.

Identified Needs and Remaining Gaps - Kakuma

- There is a need for continued communication activities aimed at behaviour change to ensure refugees and asylum-seekers can choose and utilise locally available nutrient-dense foods in the

market that provide maximum nutrients to them and their children and strengthen monitoring of essential uptake services, including antenatal care for pregnant women.



ACCESS TO ENERGY

Achievement and Impact

Kakuma

- In December, 103.25 Metric Tones (MTs) of firewood were distributed to new arrivals, Child Headed Households, and various institutions in Kakuma Camp and Kalobeyei Settlement
- 30 MTs firewood were procured and delivered to firewood distribution centre 4.
- 41,600 tree seedlings were produced & propagated in December cumulatively in all the tree nurseries, and 14,716 of the tree seedlings were distributed to the refugee community, institutions, green belts, and host community for planting.
- A total of 957 (629 female) individuals were reached on environmental and forest conservation and management awareness.

Identified Needs and Remaining Gaps

- Kakuma Camps and Kalobeyei settlement remain entirely off-grid. Most refugees and asylum-seekers lack access to high-tier electricity and rely on electricity from independently operated companies.
- Need for Introduction affordable, reliable, sustainable, cleaner and energy-efficient cooking energy solutions through subsidies and blended finances is required to lower the energy bill. At the same time, UNHCR requires major funds to increase the CBI for the energy component.



SHELTER AND NFIS

Achievement and Impact

Kakuma

- 187 Transitional shelters were constructed for new arrivals during the reporting period.
- 10 improved shelters were constructed for new arrivals with special needs, five new shelters were constructed for protection referral cases, and one improved shelter brought the cumulative shelter construction for this year to a total of 3,000 new T-shelters built.
- A total of 845 individuals in 247 families benefitted from T-shelters during the reporting period, while cumulatively, in 2021, 9,983 individuals in 3,009 households have benefitted from the provision of T-shelters.
- In Kalobeyei, 45 households converted their transitional shelters into permanent concrete houses through Cash-Based Intervention (CBI).
- In 2021, 289 households constructed permanent concrete houses through CBI in Kalobeyei.



WATER AND SANITATION

Achievement and Impact

Kakuma

- A total of 108,346,000 litres of water was delivered for use during the reporting period in Kakuma. This translates to a per capita of 20.02 litres/person/day.
- In Kalobeyei, the per capita water access was 23.28l/p/d. A total of 31,566,000 litres of water was pumped during December. 771,000 litres of water were supplied to the Host community through water trucking.
- The current latrine coverage for Kakuma camp is 50.95%, representing a 12% increase compared to 2020.
- 59 Community meetings on Menstrual Hygiene Management (MHM) was conducted, reaching 1,180 people.
- In December 2021, 3,836 households were reached with sanitation and hygiene messages on latrine construction, use and maintenance, handwashing with soap, COVID-19 transmission prevention and vaccination and solid waste management.
- 640 communal latrines have been utilised by new arrivals relocated to the community in Kakuma camp and Kalobeyei settlement out of targeted 680 in 2021. 53 of these were utilised in December 2021.

Dadaab

- On average, the daily water production in December from 22 operational boreholes was 10,209 m³, where about 6,314 m³ was supplied to the refugee population in the three Dadaab camps. This translated to an average daily per capita water allocation of 25 litres.
- There were 39,524 functioning household latrines and 250 communal latrines during the reporting period, translating to a coverage of 86%.
- 126 hygiene promoters conducted campaigns to incorporate community structures in hygiene promotion activities across the camps. The hygiene promotion ratio to persons of concern stands at 1:1,920.

Identified Needs/Challenges and Remaining Gaps

- Additional boreholes need to be drilled & solarised to minimise water challenges & Increase water supply across Kakuma camp and Kalobeyei settlement.



COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT AND SELF-RELIANCE

Achievement and Impact

Kakuma

- 90 individuals were undertaking an Information communication technology course in December 2021.
- ICDL (International Computer Driving License) in Kalobeyei reached eight individuals with ICDL Online Essentials Module training.
- 9 Individuals were engaged through Ball Design Competition Connecting for Good by UNHCR in partnership with Vodafone Foundation.

Dadaab

- Routine camp clean-up campaigns reached 520 participants, including 39 persons living with disabilities. Further, the youth conducted community sensitisation campaigns on COVID-19, reaching 1,313 persons, including 67 persons living with disabilities.
- 125 participants, including four persons living with disabilities, were reached through Focus Group Discussions facilitated by the youth executives across the three camps on the early marriage of teenage girls, rights of youth, peaceful coexistence and minimising conflict, girl child education, forms of sexual and gender-based violence, drug/substance abuse and early marriage of school-going teenagers. 125 participants were reached, including four persons living with disabilities.
- 12 tailorings were trained on business entrepreneurship in Dagahaley, and financial literacy training was conducted for 5 Village Savings and Loans Association groups in Hagadera.
- The alive and kicking ball-making project has trained 19 learners from all camps (6 from Dagahaley, six from Dadaab, six from Ifo, and one from Hagadera). The team made 300 balls. In addition, three teams were formed based on their location: One group from Ifo, one group from Dagahaley and one group from the Dadaab host community. After completing the training, they were given start-up kits to start their own business.



DURABLE SOLUTIONS

Achievement and Impact

Dadaab

- Preliminary resettlement interviews for 28 cases of 187 individuals were conducted for possible resettlement to the US. 11 additional referrals for 63 individuals were interviewed. 25 cases for 170 individuals were submitted for the US and Canada.
- 36 data collection interviews consisting of 175 individuals for the Resettlement Support Centre (RSC) Circuit Ride in Dadaab were conducted as part of resettlement processing for the USA.

Identified Needs and Remaining Gaps

- There is a need to increase and strengthen awareness on complementary pathways amongst the refugee community so that UNHCR can facilitate access to opportunities

Financial Information

Total recorded contributions for the **Kenya Operation** amounts to 81.5 million US dollars. UNHCR is grateful for the critical support provided by donors who have contributed to the Kenya operation and those who have contributed to UNHCR programmes with unearmarked and broadly earmarked funds.

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