

Kakuma Camp & Kalobeyei Settlement, Kenya

1 – 31 August 2020

197,133

Refugees and asylum seekers registered in Kakuma camp and Kalobeyei settlement as of 31 August 2020.

3,287

New arrivals refugees and asylum seekers registered in 2020.

20

Nationalities hosted in Kakuma camp and Kalobeyei settlement

FUNDING (AS OF 25 AUGUST 2020)

USD 164.6 M

Requested for the Kenya Operation

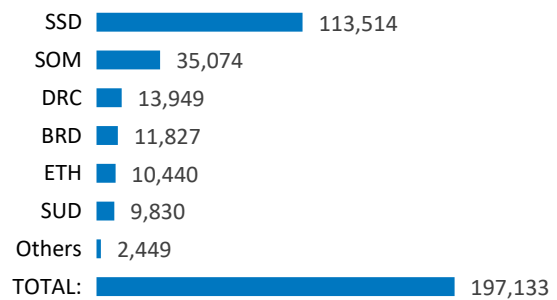


Unfunded 54%
88.4 M

Funded
46%
76.2 M

POPULATION OF CONCERN (31 AUGUST 2020)

Country of origin



SSD – South Sudan
SOM – Somalia
DRC – Democratic Republic of Congo
BRD – Burundi
ETH – Ethiopia
SUD – Sudan

KEY INDICATORS

81

COVID-19 positive cases recorded in Kakuma as of 31 August 2020

50

Cumulative COVID-19 recoveries recorded as of 31 August 2020



Medical staff put on (don) PPE at the COVID-19 Isolation and Treatment facility at the Nalemsokon Health facility. UNCHR/Samuel Otieno

Update on Achievements

Highlights

- The World Food Programme (WFP) and UNHCR conducted general distribution of food and Core Relief Item (soap and sanitary items) for the refugee population in Kakuma camp. The distribution ended on 21 of August and conducted under strict observance of Ministry of Health regulations on the prevention of the spread of COVID-19. This included COVID-19 testing for all distribution personnel prior to the exercise. A total of 189,429 individuals were served out of the total population of 197,154 individuals.
- As of 31 August, there were 28 active COVID-19 cases among the persons of concern in Kakuma: 12 were admitted at the Ammusait General Hospital in Kakuma and 6 at the Nalemsekon Health centre in Kalobeyei. 5 active cases were under home-based care. Cumulatively, Kakuma has recorded 81 COVID-19 positive cases since the first case was reported in May 2020.
- Cumulatively, 50 recoveries have been recorded in Kakuma, 10 among humanitarian workers and 40 among PoCs.
- The quarantine centres have had 433 cases cumulatively since the first case was confirmed. 309 have been discharged from quarantine. 20 more are due for discharge and will be discharged on Monday 1st September.
- One COVID-19 related mortality occurred on 22 August 2020 and Preventive measures to curb community transmission are being put in place.
- Cumulatively, 1,854 persons have been tested for COVID-19 in Kakuma. This includes persons of concern and humanitarian workers.

Achievements



PROTECTION

Achievements and Impact

- **Registration:** 31 new arrivals (8 Female, 23 Male) and 8 newborn babies were registered during the period under review. Out of the total new arrivals registered, 30 are Asylum Seekers pending Refugee Status Determination while 1 individual was recognized on a Prima facie basis as Refugee. Most of the new arrivals came from Burundi, the Democratic Republic of Congo, and Somalia specifically from Mutaho, Sud-Kivu, Banadir provinces respectively.
- Cumulatively, since the beginning of 2020, UNHCR has registered a total of 3,287 refugees and asylum seekers 54.6% of whom are refugees from South Sudan.

- 62 persons of concern (30 Female, 32 Male) who were subjected to 14 days quarantine and later declared negative of COVID-19 by the medical team were assisted by the registration team including data processing. This figure includes the 22 individuals who relocated from Nairobi/Dadaab and data transferred to Kakuma Business Unit.
- **Sexual and Gender Based Violence (SGBV):** In August 2020, 79 new SGBV cases were identified and 44 referred for assessment, including 8 new cases involving LGBTI Individuals. All survivors received psychosocial support and are following a case plan under UNHCR supervision.
- The Unit is closely monitoring all the calls received through the Helplines of UNHCR (46 cases) and Danish Refugee Council (DRC) (9 cases) to provide comprehensive feedback.
- SGBV Unit continues to monitor Safe from the Start artisans who, during the month of August, produced 5,842 face masks, following the governmental directives.
- The UNHCR partner for SGBV, DRC, intensified GBV awareness raising during food distribution. Besides, a Radio Talk Show that discussed forms of SGBV, consequences, and referral pathways together with CP actors was conducted during the month.
- **Resettlement:** A total of 235 cases comprising of 938 individuals have been cumulatively submitted in 2020 for resettlement consideration to various countries including Germany, France, Finland, Australia, Canada and the United Kingdom. The cumulative resettlement departure for 2020 stands at 7 cases of 30 individuals.
- **Voluntary Repatriation (VolRep):** In 2020, 79 individuals repatriated to Ethiopia through UNHCR's VolRep programme.
- **Complimentary Pathways:** Cumulatively, a total number of 127 cases of 176 individuals have been assisted through complementary pathways activities.
- **Child Protection:** The UNHCR Child Protection partners in Kakuma and Kalobeyei reviewed a total of 41 Best Interest Assessments (BIAs). The BIAs comprised of assessments on Alternate Care Arrangements, potential child abduction, SGBV, teenage pregnancies, psychosocial support, alternate food collector allocation, and UASC requiring support.
- During the reporting period, two inter-agency Best Interest Determination (BID) panel meetings were held in which 2 BIDs were discussed. The two BIDs were forwarded to the legal unit at UNHCR for purposes of custody filing.
- UNHCR Child Protection Unit and Shelter Unit ensured provision of 17 shelters for 9 children identified with need for shelter and 14 children discharged from the Safe Haven.
- 24 adolescent girls identified with behavioural problems and low self-esteem – of ages: 5 (12yrs), 1 (13yrs), 2 (14yrs), 3 (15yrs), 7 (16 yrs.) and 6 (17yrs)- were reached through group counselling session. During the session they were empowered with social life skills such as self-awareness, positive ways of coping with stress and emotions, decision making and problem-solving strategies among others. Sessions were held in two small groups of 12 participants at DRC field offices. COVID-19 child friendly messages were shared. During the session, government directives on COVID-19 were observed such social distancing, washing of hands and sanitizing as well use of face masks for all participants who attended the session.

- A total of 137 (72M, 65F) children in Kalobeyei settlement participated in child to child activities meant to express their thoughts, emotions and perceptions through sports and games, including football, molding, building blocks, hula hoops, singing, dancing and storytelling among others. These activities seek to improve their wellbeing and reduce vulnerability of adolescent girls and boys to gender-based violence through strengthening their resilience by engaging them in meaningful activities. The activities were also used as an avenue to inform the children about their rights, and risk avoidance behaviours as well as information on COVID-19.



EDUCATION

Achievements and Impact

- UNHCR supported daily 5-hour lessons broadcast through Radio Biblia Husema to support learning continuity in Primary, Secondary and Accelerated Education Programme learners continue. The current arrangement will end in Mid-September and an extension to 31 December 20 will be made with December focusing mainly on back to school campaigns and sensitization.
- Meeting with Education Working Group Members and the Head teachers coordinated by UNHCR to brainstorm and plan on the implementation Community Based Learning, a Ministry of Education initiative as schools remain closed. A taskforce was set up to finalize preparation for the roll out of the initiative once current hold is lifted.
- UNHCR delivered 14,608 revision textbooks for primary (8,028pcs) and secondary (6,580pcs) education implementing partners for primary and secondary education (LWF, FCA and WIK) to benefit grade 8 and Form 4 candidates in support of home learning during COVID-19 period.
- UNICEF completed construction of 48 classrooms, latrines for boys and girls, kitchens and fences for schools in Kakuma, Kalobeyei and host community. These new facilities will greatly improve preparation for re-opening given the reduced class sizes anticipated due to COVID-19. A 1-hour WASH sensitization radio talk-back show with MoH Public Health Office-Turkana Sub-county aimed at sensitizing parents and learners on MoH COVID-19 protocols was hosted by FCA at radio Atanayeche FM.
- In the month of August, 1,575 secondary school candidates accessed learning materials in audio, video and print format shared through WhatsApp trees.
- 1,159 secondary school Students (561 form three, 598 form four) from Kalobeyei Settlement and Kakuma Refugee Camp accessed live and pre-recorded radio lessons through Radio Biblia Husema in Kakuma. 107 teachers are engaged in monitoring the student participation in radio lessons across Kakuma and Kalobeyei Settlement
- Windle International Kenya (WIK) procured 803 revision books, through with funding from Book Aid, for distribution to KCSE candidates. An additional 1,720 Assorted textbooks were procured through funding from barefoot to boots for distribution to learners.

- Kenya Equity in Education Project (KEEP) through WIK carried out community sensitization on girls' education targeting parents (both host and refugees) through Radio Atana Yeche and Radio Biblia Husema twice a week.
- Kenya Equity (KEEP) and DFID supported radio lessons in Lokichoggio through Radio Biblia Husema stationed in Lokichoggio to target host community learners who cannot access the ongoing radio programme in Kakuma.
- In preparations for schools reopening in January, WIK through funding from In Touch Global Foundation installed 37 tanks in 7 secondary schools in Kakuma and Kalobeyei.
- 624 (198 female) learners with disabilities supported by inclusive education teachers through home-based learning interventions by teachers, community mobilizers and curriculum support officers, including support with assistive devices, provision of psychosocial support by checking on the well-being of learners, raising awareness on COVID-19 and educating parents/ caregivers on prevention strategies.
- 23 (21 female) parents reached by LWF through 1 day sensitization forum for parents from the host community to enlighten them on the role played by Education Assessment and Resource Centre (EARC) in the identification, placement and intervention support for access of education for children with disabilities.
- During the month, UNHCR supplied 250 solar lamps to LWF for distribution to all the learners of Angelina Jolie Girls school to support learning while at home.
- 175 (125F, 50M) Early Childhood Development Education parents from Kalobeyei settlement were trained by the Finnish Church Aid (FCA) on positive parenting. The training focused on positive parenting, sensitization on disability inclusion, WASH stimulation, play, and health and hygiene promotion in supporting holistic child development. This is to strengthen the support of children including CWD and ensure the sustainability of the community-based learning.
- One psychosocial support radio session organized by FCA for pupils, parents, and teachers aimed to improve mental health, community-based learning outcomes, and general child protection during COVID-19 pandemic especially girls' right to education and community-based learning during COVID-19 pandemic.
- 233 solarized radios donated by 'Barefoot to boots' were distributed by WIK to learners across Kakuma and Kalobeyei Settlement. Out of this, 15 were distributed to students from the host community.
- 2,000 locally made face masks were distributed to learners across 7 secondary schools to ensure that as they continue to participate in radio lessons in groups of not more than 10 while adhering to health guidelines on COVID-19 prevention. The face masks were a donation of In-Touch Global Foundation through WIK.
- School re-opening WASH Readiness Assessment was conducted for 28 schools in Kakuma and Kalobeyei. The data collected was submitted to UNHCR for analysis and the exercise is expected to cover the rest of the schools by September.
- FCA also distributed 350 sanitary pads and 100 re-usable face masks to the girls from host community.
- 44 (39 female) parents/ caregivers were engaged in community dialogue sessions by LWF across Kakuma camp. Key adults in the lives of children with disabilities have and

the role they play to empower them to help children to gain the most content out of the distance learning support. Parents were also educated on the rights of children and corrective behavior for children with special needs.

- FCA donated 200 pieces of sanitary pads to KICOBO (Kitenikinae Community Based Organization) to support Menstrual Health Hygiene for teenage schoolgirls in the local host community during COVID-19 pandemic. This support resulted from a multi-agency team meeting chaired by DCC to address teenage pregnancies in Turkana West. 69 girls from Kakuma, 60 girls from Letea, and 30 girls from Nadapal benefited from the distribution.
- FCA handed over one solar powered radio to 10 girls in Letea ward to support them with radio lessons broadcasts that are ongoing on Biblia Husema FM radio.
- 1,500 radio sets and 859 textbooks were distributed by the Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC) to households with children enrolled in Accelerated Education Programme (AEP) in Kakuma, Kalobeyi and host community.



HEALTH

Achievements and Impact

- Biweekly COVID-19 preparedness and response coordination meetings are currently ongoing.
- CWC among various partners-CWC coordination also held biweekly. Current emphasis on encouraging all new entrants into Kakuma from Nairobi to self-admit in our quarantine facilities. Also, ongoing activities to inform the public on importance of quarantine and how it functions.
- Ongoing community-based surveillance-This has led to identification of any PoCs coming into the Camp/Settlement by Community health workers and general community with subsequent assessment if need for quarantine and testing. This is key especially after lifting of previous lockdown instructions.
- Laboratory Based Surveillance-Patients treated at the hospital and meeting SARI and ILI case definition also tested for COVID-19.
- Process of activation of additional COVID-19 treatment centres and quarantine facilities to accommodate increased number of PoCs in need of quarantine and treatment.
- Mental health and psychosocial support is ongoing for all patients currently in COVID-19 treatment centres as well as those in quarantine.

Identified Needs and Remaining Gaps

- Influx of spontaneous returnees into Kakuma in large numbers from urban centres. There is a risk of overwhelming current quarantine facilities in Kakuma and importation of COVID-19.
- Shortage of some components of Personal Protective Equipment especially the N95 masks and face shields.

- Misinformation among persons of concern on quarantine and COVID-19 treatment centres leading to resistance.



FOOD SECURITY AND NUTRITION

Achievements and Impact

- New admissions of severely malnourished children of age category 6 to 59 months to Outpatient Therapeutic program increased slightly in August to 169 new admissions compared to 149 new admissions in July.
- Admissions of Moderately malnourished children of similar age group to Supplementary feeding program reduced in August to 506 new admissions in comparison to July when new admissions were 605.

Identified Needs and Remaining Gaps

- Food assistance remains far from meeting Recommended Daily Intake of the population and leads to deteriorating nutrition status especially among young children and women.



SHELTER AND CBI

Achievements and Impact

- Cumulatively, 8,461 bank accounts have been opened for refugees living in Kalobeyei settlement since June 2018 to facilitate the implementation of Cash Based Intervention by UNHCR.
- A total of KES 772,112,150 distributed to beneficiaries as of end of August 2020 through UNHCR's CBI modalities of Cash for Shelter and Cash for Core Relief Items.
- The final cycle of construction for 2019 has been finalised with the current cumulative total of 2,650 households in Kalobeyei settlement living in permanent shelters. 2,650 households (13,573 individuals) have cumulatively benefitted from the project.
- Cycle 9 of Shelter and Latrine construction begun in mid-august with a target of 1,440 shelter units. So far, 445 households have begun the shelter construction process, with 310 shelter units having so far been constructed. A total of KES 594,586,500 has so far been distributed in the framework of Shelter construction.
- In 2020, A total of 1,164 Household Latrines have been constructed in Kalobeyei Village 1. Hence the cumulative total of household latrines constructed is 3,304 latrine units built to-date.
- The 2020 plans involve the construction of 1,440 Household latrines through CBI, alongside the shelter construction process which is expected to be covered under Cycle 9. A total of KES 53,747,500 has so far been distributed in the framework of Latrines construction.

- UNHCR supports beneficiaries in Kalobeyei through cash transfers to cater to the beneficiaries' need for Core Relief Items (soap and sanitary items) on a monthly basis. In August 2020, UNHCR paid out CBI for CRI instalments to a total of 7,198 households (38,112 individuals) who received cash assistance of KES 9,430,300. This amount of money was distributed to cater to the costs of 21MT of soap, 10,610 underwear and 106,100 sanitary napkins.



WATER AND SANITATION

Achievements and Impact

- During the month, 3 Neighbourhoods (KV3 N11, 12 and 35) and 3 host community villages in Lopur and Kalobeyei respectively were verified as Open Defecation Free (ODF) by the Sub County team of verifiers. These villages are Atirae in Lopur and Lokola and Dikilikimat in Kalobeyei host.
- To promote community initiative for the construction of own latrines in line with CLTS, UNHCR WASH partner, Peace Winds Japan (PWJ), supplied 895 prosopis poles for the construction of 179 latrines in Kalobeyei village 2 and 3.
- During the month PWJ, through refugee artisans at the Jitegemee Centre, completed production of 4,000 re-usable sanitary pads and 2,000 carry pouches.
- 4,651 households (23,255 individuals) were visited by PWJ facilitators for follow up on latrine construction, use and maintenance across Kalobeyei settlement. These households constructing latrines through UNHCR's Cash Based Intervention and those constructing temporary household latrines.
- A total of 4,487 household demonstrations on hand washing practice were conducted reaching out to 22,435 individuals in Kalobeyei by CLTS facilitators.
- PWJ conducted 2 interactive Radio talkback shows, through the Radio Atana Yece, on COVID-19 prevention strategies and current WASH interventions among the refugees and host communities in Kakuma and Kalobeyei.
- Additionally, PWJ distributed a total of 2,706 copies of comic book for school going children on COVID-19 in Kalobeyei settlement. Besides, 8,000 additional copies have been received and will be distributed to the host community in Kalobeyei and Lopur ward.
- To enhance prevention of the spread of COVID-19 through handwashing practices, clean water was delivered to food distribution centres in Kakuma camp and Kalobeyei settlement.
- Community engagement was heightened in the month of August. Members of the community in Kakuma were sensitized on proper handwashing and environmental hygiene. Besides, hygiene promotion was heightened at household level with emphasis on installation of simple handing devices at household level. Through the

initiative, 5,028 simple hand washing facilities were installed at household level in response to COVID-19.

- UNHCR partner for WASH, NRC, visited 1,183 households (5,915 individuals) to promote safe water collection, storage and handling among the household members.
- 848 copies of comic books for children on COVID-19 were distributed in KV1 via house to house visits by the CLTS facilitators during the week. The aim is to empower the children and their parents with knowledge and facts on COVID-19 and promote discussions at family level and community at large on best community can prevent the spread of the virus.
- 76 new refuse pits were constructed by the community at household level during the week to enhance safe disposal and management of solid waste at household level
- Conducted 1,470 demonstrations on effective hand washing practices across 46 Neighborhoods in Kalobeyei settlement villages 1, 2 and 3. These demonstrations are to promote increased handwashing among the beneficiaries to prevent spread of diarrhea diseases and COVID-19 infection.
- 1,183 demonstrations on installation of tippy tap/Leaky tins were conducted for the households as part of building their capacity to build locally appropriate technology to enhance access to and use of handwashing facilities.

Identified Needs and Remaining Gaps

- Double outbreak of COVID-19 and Cholera is straining implementation of projects as attention is focused in prevention and control of the two diseases.

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.

To implement different sectors, since beginning of the year UNHCR signed Partner Project Agreement (PPAs) with 18 implementing Partners, (8 NNGOs and 9 INGOs) as well as a Bipartite Agreement with RAS. In addition, another 14 operational partners also implement activities with their own financial resources to complement UNHCR efforts in ensuring support to refugees and asylum seekers.

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Total recorded contributions for the **Kenya Operation** amounts to **76.2 million** US dollars.

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