


ARMENIA

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Key figures:

101,848
refugees registered in Armenia as of 20 October 2023

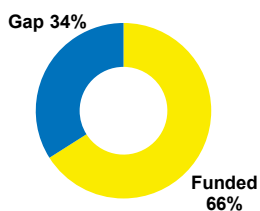


UNHCR distribution of non-food items (NFIs) as of 29 November 2023:

-  **15,951** Bed linen
-  **14,896** Blankets
-  **15,170** Pillows
-  **5,104** Mattresses
-  **4,229** Folding beds
-  **1,399** kitchen sets
-  **4,728** Hygiene kits

Funding situation:

USD 14.6 million required in 2023-2024, including to respond to the emergency.



USD 9.5 million received as of 29 November 2023

Situation Update

As part of the ongoing support to the Migration and Citizenship Service, UNHCR has provided the Government of Armenia with 50,000 refugee cards for distribution among refugees benefitting from temporary protection in Armenia, introduced on 26 October 2023.

UNHCR Response

Since 1 November 2023, UNHCR has carried out protection monitoring for **7,041** refugees (**1,526 households**) in Yerevan and ten provinces.

UNHCR's hotline has received over 2,315 calls from refugees from Karabakh, inquiring about accommodation, financial support, hygiene kits, household items, bedding sets and clothes. Refugees are referred to UNHCR partners for non-food items (NFIs) provision.

UNHCR facilitated a **field visit for delegates from the Embassy of Japan** to Vayots Dzor region, southeast Armenia to observe the situation of refugees and host communities, as well as the overall humanitarian response. During the visit, the delegates had the opportunity to meet with refugees benefitting from non-food items (NFIs), including folding beds and mattresses, through a generous contribution from the People of Japan. Refugee beneficiaries expressed their appreciation for the timely assistance which is helping them prepare for the winter season.



Vayots Dzor province – Delegates from the Embassy of Japan in Armenia and UNHCR met with a refugee family in Areni community to learn about their well-being and urgent needs. ©UNHCR

As part of awareness-raising for **#16 Days of Activism**, UNHCR as co-lead of the **Gender Based Violence (GBV) sub-working group** held capacity-building activities for 20 GBV service providers on establishing safe spaces for women and girls, and providing GBV services through mobile teams. So far this year, over 30,000 women and girls in all regions of Armenia have been reached with GBV services and other types of assistance, including the provision of dignity kits.

Renovation works of a **computer room for refugee children and youth** in Verishen village of Goris region, southern Armenia were recently completed. The project was implemented by UNHCR in partnership with UNDP to offer computer literacy classes to refugees and host community members, to foster social inclusion and enhance participation within the wider community.



#16 Days of Activism: On 29 November, 21 residents of the Reception Center for asylum-seekers in Abovyan City attended an awareness-raising session organized by UNHCR and partner Women Support Center. The session aimed to raise awareness about different forms of gender-based violence, inform about rights and available services, as well as strengthen risk reduction strategies.

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