Urban Refugee Programme, Kenya
1-31 August

Achievements

PROTECTION
Achievements and Impact

- In August, **35 cases** were virtually counselled on Protection issues. Cases reported include insecurity, cash assistance support and GBV related issues. Cases were counselled accordingly.
- HIAS distributed sanitary pads and dignity kits to **207 women** to ensure that they have dignified menstrual hygiene amidst reduced income and loss of livelihoods as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic that has rendered many women and families with girls unable to meet their basic need as well as purchase the menstrual hygiene items.
- UNHCR helpline received **8 GBV cases**. All survivors received services including counselling and financial assistance.
- 21 (13 Best Interest Assessments 8 social assessments) were received and reviewed. Follow ups were made internally, RAS and with partners to render interventions. Four Best interest determination assessments were also conducted in August.
- Refugee Affairs Secretariat (RAS) registered 734 individuals during the reporting period, albeit with strict adherence to the COVID-19 safety guidelines, bringing the active urban population stood at 83,166 individuals (54,935 refugees and 28,231 asylum seekers) as of 31 August 2021.
- A total of **605 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

- 42 refugees and asylum-seekers were supported to join public boarding and day secondary schools across the country with the start of the new year. A new operational partnership with Refugees in Schools Everywhere enabled an additional 3 urban refugees to enroll while 1 student joined Mpesa Foundation Academy.
448 primary school learners including 39 children with disabilities and 190 secondary school learners were supported to transition to the next grade. Support included payment of fees and levies, as well as provision of uniform and other materials support for the most vulnerable.

60 refugees and asylum-seekers have been selected to receive the DAFI scholarship for university education. 448 (102 girls) have been supported to continue their studies.