

Kenya monthly operational updates

1 – 30 September 2021

534,622

Refugees and asylum seekers registered in Kenya as of 30 September 2021

475,865

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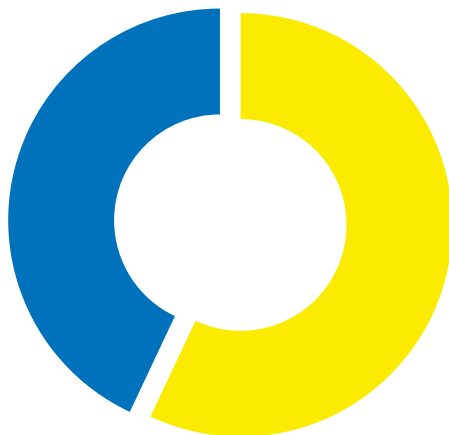
58,757

Asylum seekers registered in Kenya as of 30 September 2021

FUNDING (AS OF 24 SEPTEMBER 2021)

USD 149.6

Requested for the Kenya Operation



Unfunded 44%
64.0 M

Funded
56%
85.6 M

POPULATION OF CONCERN (30 SEPTEMBER 2021)

Country of origin

SOMALIA	282,568	52.9%
SOUTH SUDAN	135,869	25.4%
DRC	48,150	9.0%
ETHIOPIA	30,240	5.7%
BURUNDI	18,921	3.5%
SUDAN	10,483	2.0%
UGANDA	3,172	0.6%
ERITREA	2,177	0.4%
RWANDA	2,028	0.4%
OTHERS	1,014	0.2%

VOLUNTARY REPATRIATION

1,689

Returned to their places of origin voluntarily in 2021.

NEW REGISTRATION

3,079

Cumulative number of newly registered individuals mainly additions of newly born babies



UNHCR staff during a continuous registration activity. In September, UNHCR partnered with the Civil Register for Turkana West to offer 278 birth certificates to refugee children in Kakuma. UNHCR/Samuel Otieno

Update on Achievements

Highlights

- UNHCR, in collaboration with various implementing partners, participated in a community dialogue session on the introduction and rollout of the National Hospital Insurance Fund (NHIF) in Kalobyei, reaching over 40,000 individuals.
- In August and September, UNHCR disbursed cash to 35,144 households in Kalobyei settlement to purchase Core Relief Items (CRIs), covering households needs for two months. A total of 47,167 women received additional cash for hygiene and sanitary items.
- Four host and refugee solar technicians benefitted from extensive hands-on and theoretical capacity building training on Solar PV systems design, installation, commissioning, maintenance, and operation.



In September and August, UNHCR disbursed cash to 35,144 (52% female-headed households) households in Kalobyei settlement to purchase Core Relief items. UNHCR/Samuel Otieno

Achievements



PROTECTION

Achievements and Impact

Kakuma

- Since January, UNHCR has registered 2,643 individuals, including newborns. Most of new arrivals came from South Sudan, Burundi, the Democratic Republic of Congo, and Somalia.
- During the reporting period, there were 172 peer-to-peer support network sessions for children living with disabilities (CWDs).
- In September 2021, UNHCR reached 153 adolescents through a two-day training on life skills.
- 231 girls in Kakuma refugee camps and Kalobeyei settlement participated in various peer-to-peer meetings focusing on menstrual health management, hygiene, peer influence, and teenage pregnancies in September 2021.
- In September 2021, Kakuma chess project training was rolled out in Angelina Jolie Primary school, with 40 students being trained online with the International Chess Federation team.
- Basic digital literacy training was conducted for 97 young women at the Youth Centres during the reporting period.
- UNHCR is working with the County Civil Registrar to ensure that refugee children have civil documentation, where 278 children received birth certificates.

Dadaab

- Legal aid clinics were conducted across the camps where 236 (162 women, 56 men, 15 girls, 3 boys) were reached during the month.
- With the support of UNHCR, partner Lutheran World Federation (LWF) conducted trainings on the Prevention of Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (PSEA) targeting 3,910 persons, including students, security personnel, police officers, religious leaders, leaders from host and refugee communities and youth committees.
- Case follow-up and monitoring were conducted for 157 vulnerable children (62 boys, 95 girls) to assess their wellbeing and coping mechanisms and offer necessary interventions on various protection concerns. Following the monitoring 74 children and their parents/caregivers were referred for further assistance.
- UNHCR's partner Terres des Hommes (Tdh) supported 38 children (19 boys, 19 girls) through cash assistance.

- 43 children (20 boys, 23 girls) and their families were supported with emergency social support to supplement the food rations received in the camps by purchasing nutritious foods and other non-food items during the reporting period.
- Ten adolescent boys out of school and 11 young mothers from Hagadera camp were enrolled for livelihood program after successfully attending the life skills training on tailoring and dressmaking while 50 out-of-school adolescents were offered life skill sessions aimed at equipping them with communication skills and self-awareness.
- UNHCR's partner Save the Children International (SCI) conducted a psychosocial forum for 100 caregivers (77 women and 26 men) in Ifo and Dagahaley camps.
- UNHCR partners, Tdh and SCI conducted training for 42 (31 men, 11 women) teachers, 150 (45 men, 105 women) School Board of Management and Adult-Based Education teachers from the three camps on child protection, children's rights, and their safeguarding, accountability, basic psychosocial support skills, and inclusive education.
- Three radio sessions were conducted through radio Gargar on nurturing parent children's relationships across different ages to improve the capacity of parents to build relationships with their children.
- Girls' mentorship follow-up sessions were conducted with 37 female mentors and 111 mentees in Ifo and Dagahaley camps. Peer pressure, the importance of education, child/forced marriage, teenage pregnancies were discussed
- Ten sexual and gender-based violence health talks were conducted in Ifo and Dagahaley camps' health facilities and in the community, reaching 269 individuals while two peer-to-peer sessions on gender-based violence were conducted in Ifo and Dagahaley camps reaching 24 men.
- The Lutheran World Federation (LWF) supported 564 elderly (191 men, 373 women) across the three camps in Dadaab with various services to address their specific needs and improve their wellbeing.
- A total of 496 persons living with disabilities (260 men, 236 women) were provided with specific services at the LWF Rehabilitation Centre and in the blocks.
- Routine psychosocial activities were conducted reaching 127 individuals while centre-based rehabilitation services were provided for 257 individuals through provision of physiotherapy and occupational services.

Urban

- During the reporting period, Kenya's Refugee Affairs Secretariat (RAS) registered 415 individuals, bringing the active urban population to 83,572 individuals (55,095 refugees and 28,477 asylum seekers) as of 30 September 2021.
- A total of 333 children of five years and above were enrolled into Biometric Identity Management System (BIMS) during the reporting period.

- 298 asylum seekers were issued with 'Asylum Seeker Pass' documents during the reporting period.



EDUCATION

Achievements and Impact

Kakuma

- In September 2021, 42 headteachers, deputy teachers, and curriculum support officers were trained on data management and curriculum support.
- During the reporting period, 34 teachers were trained on Kenya Sign Language.
- 1,049 learners received psychosocial support at their schools in Kakuma and Kalobeyei during the reporting period.
- During the month, Humanity and Inclusion (HI) trained 30 teachers on Mental Health & Psychosocial Support Network (MHPSS) and early Identification of children living with disabilities.
- UNHCR's partner Windle Kenya, through the Kenya Institute for Curriculum Development (KICD) and the Ministry of Education (MOE), facilitated a Competency-Based Curriculum (CBC) overview training for 156 secondary school teachers.
- 1,057 youth (703 women, 354 men) benefited from a series of training in Digital literacy to equip them with computer proficiency skills towards self-reliance during the reporting period.

Dadaab

- Teaching and learning activities in all primary and secondary schools in the camps continued throughout the month of September, with average school attendance rate recorded at 90.4% for primary, 64.7% for secondary and 43.03% for Technical and Vocational Education and Training institutions.
- An awareness training on the prevention of Sexual Exploitation and Abuse was conducted by the LWF, reaching 40 teachers, 10 parents, 10 School Management Committee members, 7 head teachers and 1 Assistant Education Officer.
- End of term two examinations were completed in all primary and secondary schools in the camps and teachers are marking and results to be shared with students when schools re-open in October 2021.
- Renovations and repair work for 20 classrooms and 7 ICT labs in Dadaab refugee schools is ongoing.

**HEALTH****Achievements and Impact****Kakuma**

- In September, 460 skilled child deliveries were recorded within the various health facilities compared to 417 in August.
- Seven cases were referred from Kakuma and Kalobeyei health facilities to Lodwar, Nairobi, and Eldoret. These were mainly emergency cases in need of specialized care not available in Kakuma and diagnostic imaging services such as CT scan to assist in managing various health conditions.
- As of 30 September, 3,897 individuals were admitted at the two quarantine facilities in Kakuma and Kalobeyei.
- 2,389 individuals in Kakuma camp and Kalobeyei settlement have received their first dose of COVID-19 vaccine at the Ammusait General Hospital in Kakuma, of whom 1,547 are considered fully vaccinated having received their second COVID-19 dose.

Dadaab

- UNHCR and partners have maintained two isolation facilities and one quarantine centre for case management and reduction of COVID-19 transmission.
- A total of 40,696 consultations were conducted at a rate of 80 consultations per clinician per day.

A total of 6,078 women and girls accessed various health services. The antenatal coverage was at 83% while 96% of women were delivered by skilled personnel at caesarean section rate of 5.3%.

Identified Needs and Remaining Gaps

- There is a need to establish a High Dependency Unit (HDU) and an oxygen plant in Kakuma that will significantly increase the life-saving capacity of the health facilities.
- 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 to provide medical care.
- Most of the health facilities need major renovation and reconstruction.
- Inadequate blood and blood products especially in maternal health matters. Post-partum haemorrhage is responsible for over 90% of maternal mortalities in the camps. Health partners rely on blood donations from relatives and other members of the community.



FOOD SECURITY AND NUTRITION

Achievements and Impact

Kakuma

- 218 children with severe malnutrition were admitted into the Outpatient Therapeutic Program (OTP) program in September 2021.
- 938 children with moderate malnutrition in Kakuma camp and Kalobeyei settlement were reached through the Supplementary Feeding Programme (SFP).
- 30 pregnant and breastfeeding mothers benefited from the targeted supplementary feeding program (TSFP) during the month.
- The Stabilization Centre admitted 13 severely malnourished children, during which cure rates were maintained above 90% for both OTP and SFP.
- 44 support groups with 1,068 members graduated after completing their two-year support group course. The support group members continued screening and referring malnourished and children at risk of malnutrition to nutrition clinics.

Dadaab

- Food distribution was conducted during the month of August to cater for the following two months (August and September). The next distribution cycle starts on 1 October 2021.
- Severe acute malnutrition admissions were 304 while moderate acute malnutrition admissions were 941. There were no pipeline ruptures of nutrition commodities during the reporting period. A total of 4,239.2 Kgs of plumpy nut, 134 kgs of F100 and 86.4 kgs of F100 were consumed.

Identified Needs and Remaining Gaps

- UNHCR and partners have continued to upscale communication activities aimed at behaviour change to ensure people of concern can choose and utilize locally available foods in the market that provide maximum nutrients to them and their children. There is a need for increased community dialogue sessions, activities in schools such as food/agriculture clubs and youth influencers.



ACCESS TO ENERGY

Energy & Environment Unit Updates

Kakuma

- In September, 101.32 metric tons (MT) of firewood was distributed to various institutions in Kakuma camp and Kalobeyei settlement; 51.27MT to schools, 37.22MT to reception centres, and 12.83MT to Child-Headed Households.
- A 14KWp Solar PV system was installed at Kalobeyei Girls Boarding School.
- Four solar technicians benefitted from extensive hands-on and theoretical capacity building training on Solar PV systems design, installation, commissioning, maintenance, operation.
- 34,700 tree seedlings were produced and propagated in September cumulatively in all the tree nurseries, and 23,846 of the tree seedlings were distributed to the refugee community, institutions, green belts, and host community for planting.
- A total of 1,400 individuals were reached on forest conservation and management awareness.

Identified Needs and Remaining Gaps

- Expanding existing mini-grids and develop new mini-grids to connect more refugees, institutions, and businesses.
- Introduction of affordable, reliable, sustainable, cleaner, and energy-efficient cooking energy solutions to lower the energy bill is essential. At the same time, UNHCR requires significant funds to increase the cash-based intervention for the energy component.



SHELTER AND NFIS

Kakuma

- 449 transitional shelters were constructed during the reporting period to accommodate 1,266 (403 families) newly arrived refugee households.
- In Kalobeyei, 240 households are currently converting their temporary shelters to concrete houses through UNHCR's Cash for Shelter programme.



WATER AND SANITATION

Kakuma

- 60 KVA new generator was handed over to Turkana west sub-county water services providers through Deputy Governor during the commissioning of new boreholes for the host community to increase water supply Kakuma ward residence population.
- During the implementation period, the storm drainage system at Kalobeyei reception centre was completed. Six blocks of semi-permanent latrines were constructed to address issues of sanitation challenges in Kalobeyei reception centre.

- A 10,000-liter water tank was installed in four clinics across Kakuma camp. The tanks will increase water storage capacity & water supply in each clinic.
- Latrine coverage for Kalobeyei settlement currently stands at 98% as compared to 71% of last year.

Dadaab

- On average, the daily water production in September from 22 operational boreholes was 10,272 m³, where about 6,219 m³ was supplied to the refugee population in the three Dadaab camps. This translated to an average daily per capita water allocation of 25.5 litres per person per day.
- There were 39,471 functioning household latrines and 250 communal latrines during the reporting period, translating to a coverage of 85.3%. UNHCR's WASH partner, CARE, is currently incorporating community structures in camp cleaning.
- CARE engaged 126 hygiene promoters to conduct campaigns and incorporating community structures in hygiene promotion across the camps.

Identified Needs/Challenges and Remaining Gaps

- Additional boreholes need to be drilled and solarized to minimized water challenges across Kakuma camp & Kalobeyei settlement.



COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT AND SELF RELIANCE

Kakuma

- 84 individuals (68 men and 16 women) were trained on financial education and business development
- UNHCR's in collaboration with its partner (AAH-I), initiated business clubs for 57 individuals from the refugee and host community in Turkana West Sub County.

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.

Financial Information

Total recorded contributions for the **Kenya Operation** amounts to **85.6 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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