Kenya Operational Updates

JULY 2022

559,282
Refugees and asylum seekers in Kenya

233,736
Refugees and asylum seekers in Dadaab

237,081
Refugees and asylum seekers in Kakuma camp and Kalobeyei settlement

FUNDING (AS OF 31 JULY 2022)

USD 145.5M
Requested for the Kenya Operation

32% Funded
47M

68% Unfunded
98.5M

POPULATION OF CONCERN (AS OF 31 JULY 2022)

Country of origin

- SOMALIA: 287,913
- SOUTH SUDAN: 147,046
- DRC: 51,938
- ETHIOPIA: 31,743
- BURUNDI: 21,200
- SUDAN: 10,278
- UGANDA: 3,534
- ERITREA: 2,468
- RWANDA: 2,136
- OTHERS: 1,026
- TOTAL: 559,282

1,106
People assisted to return to their place of origin voluntarily between 1 January and 31 July 2022

663
Refugees departed to various resettlement countries between 1 January to 31 July 2022

In Kakuma, UNHCR works with partners to support continued screening and refers children at malnutrition risk to nutrition clinics. ©UNHCR/Pauline Omagwa
PROTECTION
Achievements and Impact

Kakuma
- In July 2022, 85 youth and community leaders (59 men, 26 women) attended conflict Management Education training.
- 11 secondary schools conducted school-based peace-building activities for 78 learners (41 boys, 37 girls) to promote peaceful coexistence among learners.
- 31 child protection issues were resolved and referred to relevant partners for follow-up, while 85 protection issues affecting 55 boys and 25 girls were identified and provided with the necessary support.
- 21 Best Interest Determinations (BIDs) for 11 boys and ten girls were conducted. Safe-haven admission and exit panel meetings were held to deliberate admission and exit strategies.
- Quarterly feedback sessions with child protection committees across Kakuma camps were held where committees called for increased community advocacy efforts to change harmful practices and continuous training in child protection.
- In July 2022, 21 Child Right Clubs (CRC) feedback meetings were conducted in 21 schools in Kakuma and Kalobeyei, reaching 630 children (420 boys, 210 girls). Children were taken through some of the common protection issues facing children in the community.
- 1,786 youth from the refugee and host community were engaged in sports and creative arts, including chess, basketball, volleyball, and football.
- 16 children (9 boys, 7 girls) from Child Headed Households (CHH) attended quarterly feedback meetings and drug abuse prevention awareness sessions during the reporting period.

Dadaab
- There has been a notable increase in the number of people crossing through Kulan, Abdisugow, Degelema, Damajale, and Diff in search of humanitarian assistance, mainly food, because of the ongoing drought in the Gedo region in Somalia. 39 individuals (22 men, 17 women) crossed from Ethiopia to Kenya through El-Wak, Wajir, and Mandera.
- Child-friendly messages on the prevention of child labour and drug/substance abuse were disseminated at the sectional help desks across the camps, reaching 446 parents/caregivers and children.
- In July 2022, UNHCR, through Communication with Communities (CwC) partners, distributed 46,500 “No Excuse” cards across the three camps in Dadaab as a prevention measure against Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (SEA). The cards were printed in Somali, English, Swahili, and Braille and distributed to each household during the monthly food distribution.
- UNHCR, Save the Children International (SCI), Refugee Consortium of Kenya (RCK), and Terre Des Hommes (TDH) conducted a BID panel meeting to discuss 11 cases under resettlement and voluntary repatriation consideration.
- Best Interest Assessment (BIA) was conducted for 149 children (74 boys, 75 girls) to address their protection needs and improve their wellbeing. Cases of 70 children (36 boys, 34 girls) under foster care, 3 with disabilities, were followed-up to assess their care, living arrangements and wellbeing.
- 109 children (57 boys, 52 girls), including three children with disabilities, received psychosocial support. Trauma counselling was conducted for all cases to assist them in developing healthy ways of coping.
Three-day training on positive parenting and awareness of HIV prevention and care was conducted in Ifo and Dagahaley camps for 128 foster parents (41 men, 87 women).

13 children (7 boys, 6 girls - 5 refugees and 8 from the host community) received emergency social assistance to enable them to meet their immediate needs.

Two-day positive parenting and mentorship training session was conducted for 97 parents and caregivers (40 men, 57 women) across the camps in Dadaab during the reporting period.

677 older persons (326 men, 351 women) were supported through case assessment and documentation, home-based therapy for clients with long-term illness, follow-up for bedridden persons and persons with chronic illnesses, and referrals to specialised agencies for support.

In July 2022, 299 Persons with Disabilities (148 men, 151 women) were supported across the camps to restore lost, improve functional abilities, and enhance participation in daily activities.

In July 2022, sanitary kit distribution reached 56,181 women and girls of reproductive age.

66 individuals (28 men, 38 women) participated in the Start, Awareness, Support, and Action (SASA) weekly sessions in Dagahaley and Ifo camps. The sessions involved understanding the referral pathway and how joining survivors seek justice.

Three mentorship sessions were conducted in Ifo, reaching 31 students (16 girls, 15 boys). They discussed prevention and response to GBV and SEA in the community through awareness activities.

During the month, four group therapy sessions reached 120 GBV survivors.

Urban

UNHCR, in collaboration with partner Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society (HIAS) and Kenya’s Department of Refugee Services (DRS), facilitated three movements to Kakuma for 28 registered refugees and asylum-seekers.

703 refugees and asylum-seekers aged five and above were enrolled on Biometric Identity Management System (BIMS) during the reporting period.

531 asylum seekers were issued with ‘Asylum Seeker Pass’ documents and recorded, while 19 children were issued with Minors’ Passes documents and recorded in proGres during the reporting period.

14 Birth Certificates were issued and recorded in proGres during the reporting period.

EDUCATION

Achievements and Impact

Kakuma

73,666 students, including 31,191 girls and 2,174 children with disabilities, were supported accessing pre-primary and primary education during the month in Kakuma and Kalobeyei.

17,118, including 5,059 girls, attended nine secondary schools and two satellite centres in Kakuma during the reporting period.
57,302 students, including 24,730 girls, were supported to sit school-based assessments and end-of-term examinations for 2021.
6,495 learners, including 2,108 girls, received their national examination (Kenya Certificate of Primary Education – KCPE 2021) results in July 2022. Two students scored above 400 out of possible 500 marks making them in the top 1% nationally.
2,376 candidates, including 561 girls, supported sitting for the Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education (KCSE) 2021.

Dadaab
- The average school attendance rate was 85% for primary and 78% for secondary schools in July 2022 across three camps in Dadaab. Schools closed for the end of Term One from 1 July 2022 and reopened on Tuesday, 12 July 2022.
- Two psychosocial support sessions were conducted in Hagadera and Ifo camps, reaching 97 parents and caregivers. They formed a support group to coordinate the needs and concerns of children with disabilities.
- A total of 52,050 textbooks were distributed to 22 primary schools in the Kakuma camps and Kalobeyei settlement.
- Ten children with disabilities received occupational therapy services in Ifo and Dagahaley camps to improve their fine and gross motor skills and prevent contractures.
- Games and sports activities for children with disabilities were conducted at Central Primary School in Hagadera camp, where 150 learners (87 boys, 63 girls) participated with the support of the Inclusive Club. This increased social interaction, reduced stigmatisation, and improved interpersonal skills among children with disabilities and regular learners.

CASH-BASED INTERVENTION (CBI)

Achievements and Impact

Kakuma
- In July 2022, 44,968 individuals (22,922 men, 22,046 women) received cash through CBI.
- 44,660 individuals from 7,595 families received cash for Core Relief Items (CRIs) and cash for cooking Energy in the Kalobeyei settlement during the reporting period.
- 308 learners, including 118 girls, in Kakuma and Kalobeyei assisted with cash for the Secondary Education Scholarship.
- In July 2022, 66 individuals were assisted with cash for voluntary repatriation.
HEALTH
Achievements and Impact

Kakuma
- In July 2022, 447 skilled deliveries were recorded within the various health facilities across the Kakuma camps and Kalobeyei settlement.
- A total of 794 mental health consultations were made in the month.
- 30 cases were referred from Kakuma to Lodwar, Eldoret and Nairobi. These were mainly emergency cases in need of specialised care not available in Kakuma and diagnostic imaging services such as CT scan to assist in managing various health conditions. Additionally, 286 cases were referred to Kakuma Mission Hospital for imaging services.
- 8 new cases of COVID-19 were reported. Cumulatively, 1,325 COVID-19 positive cases have been identified from a sample size of 20,879 during the reporting period.
- As of July 2022, 26,204 out of a target of 96,539 refugees and asylum-seekers had been fully vaccinated against COVID-19. Additionally, 1,327 refugees and asylum-seekers had received the third COVID-19 vaccine doses.
- There were 1,266 individuals on follow-up for various non-communicable diseases.

Dadaab
- In July 2022, the overall reduction in consultations and cases of acute watery diarrhoeas was noted.
- Consultations per clinician per day dropped to 69 from 74 in the previous month.
- 84 COVID-19 cases were reported during the month. No mortality has been recorded since 30 May 2022.
- 41 Dengue fever cases were confirmed, raising the total to 155.
- Immunization coverage remained above 90% throughout the reporting period.
- A reduction in admissions of both Moderate Acute Malnutrition (MAM) and Severe Acute Malnutrition (SAM) and Stabilization Center (SC) mortalities was noted.
- In July 2022, blanket and larvicide spraying in the camps was done to prevent and control dengue fever.
- Comprehensive emergency obstetric and neonatal care (CeMONC) training to enhance maternal and neonatal health outcomes was conducted for 32 health care workers from the three camps in Dadaab.

FOOD SECURITY AND NUTRITION
Achievements and Impact

Kakuma
- 492 individuals, including 37 from the host community, were admitted into the Outpatient Therapeutical Program (OTP) and 2,583 admissions into the Supplementary Feeding Program (SFP) for children under five years. 43 malnourished pregnant and breastfeeding mothers were
also admitted into the SFP programme. There was a 33% reduction in admissions in outpatient clinics in July 2022.

- In July 2022, 119 severely malnourished children with medical complications were admitted to the Stabilization Center. A reduction of cases presenting with severe acute malnutrition was observed at both outpatient and inpatient clinics due to the reduction of acute watery diarrhoea.
- Eight deaths were reported in the SC, a slight reduction from the previous month. Partners are working closely with the county Ministry of Health for timely follow-up of referred cases from the host community for continuity of care to minimise the risk of death.

- The performance indicators for children under five years with acute malnutrition remained within the recommended SPHERE standards, where the recovery rates were >75% for both OTP and SFP.
- UNHCR and partners continued to provide health and nutrition education to pregnant and breastfeeding mothers and parents during the monthly nutrition distribution sessions reaching 15,296 caregivers during the reporting period.
- There were 90 sessions to promote optimal Maternal Infant and Young Child Nutrition (MIYCN), reaching 667 caregivers with key maternal, infant, and childcare messages.
- 100 children were presented at the facilities following Mid-Upper Arm Circumference (MUAC) referrals. Out of these children, 20 were enrolled on OTP, 46 on SFP, and 44 did not meet the admission criteria to the treatment programs.
- Nine community dialogue sessions and five family bazaars were conducted to discuss optimal infant and young child feeding, reaching 160 caregivers in Kakuma.

**Dadaab**

- Family mid-upper arm circumference (MUAC) screening to improve case findings was conducted for 2,087 children under 5, out of which 14 and 10 were referred for MAM and SAM management, respectively.
- The six health posts providing outpatient therapeutic care and supplementary feeding and three stabilisation centres remained operational for managing MAM and SAM across the three camps in Dadaab.

**ACCESS TO ENERGY & ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION**

**Achievement and Impact**

**Kakuma**

- In July 2022, solar module installation was completed at eight schools in Kakuma camps.
- 163.66 Metric tonnes (MTs) of firewood received and stored at Firewood Centre 4.
- In total, 248.09 MTs of firewood were distributed to learning institutions, reception centres, new arrivals, child-headed households and vulnerable families in Kakuma camps and Kalobeyei settlement.
- 525 hybrid dual-purpose cookstoves were produced in July; 34 cookstoves were distributed to newly relocated refugees and asylum-seekers.
- 27,500 tree seedlings were propagated in July in all six tree nurseries.
- 21,377 seedlings were distributed to families in Kakuma camp, Kalobeyei settlement and the host community.
SHELTER AND NFIS
Achievement and Impact

Kakuma
- 366 individuals from 72 families benefitted from the provision of T-shelters during the reporting period. Cumulatively 6,475 individuals in 1,941 households have benefitted from the provision of T-shelters in 2022.
- In July 2022, a clinic with four rooms and a pharmacy was constructed in Kalobeyei Reception Center Extension Area.
- As of July 2022, the total number of plots demarcated is 1,619 family plots in Kakuma and Kalobeyei.

WATER AND SANITATION
Achievement and Impact

Kakuma
- Out of 444 communal latrines constructed this year, 384 latrines have been utilised for the relocation of new arrivals.
- 120,000 litres of water (80,000L for Kakuma & 40,000L for Kalobeyei) were trucked to promote hand hygiene during the general food distribution. 100,000 litres are trucked weekly to support the host community in neighbouring villages within the Kalobeyei settlement.

Dadaab
- On average, the daily water production in July from 22 operational boreholes was 9,453m3, out of which 5,943m3 was allocated to refugees in the three Dadaab camps. The average daily per capita water allocation was 20.3 litres. About 3,511m3 (37%) was dispensed to markets, institutions, hospitals, and livestock.
- 42 Hygiene Promoters (HP) were engaged by WASH partner Peace Winds Japan, or hygiene promotion campaigns in Hagadera. Partner CARE engaged 84 HPs in Ifo (42) and Dagahaley (42) camps. PWJ has incorporated community structures in hygiene promotion across camps.

COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT
Achievement and Impact

Kakuma
- 249 youth from the host and the refugee community graduated from the Technical and Vocational education and training (TVET) programme supported by Swiss Contact in partnership
with National Industrial Training Authority (NITA).

- 26 youths (18 men, 8 women) from Kakuma enrolled in digital literacy classes to enhance their skills in the productive and safe use of information and communication technologies (ICTs).

**Dadaab**

- 30 youth (25 men, 5 women) in Dagahaley camp were trained by UNHCR, DRC and LWF on supervision, monitoring, and business skills after induction on financial management, customer targeting and retention, business objectives, setting market strategies and savings plan.
- 22 youth (11 women, 11 men) participated in a community awareness forum in Hagadera camp on immigration laws, mainly on smuggling and human trafficking. The participants were guided (through the Refugee Act, 2021) on the rights and responsibilities of refugees under the Kenyan Constitution.
- Area-Based Livelihood Interventions-Garissa (ABLI-G) partners DRC and NRC started to disburse emergency multi-purpose cash transfers to 310 families from the host community. The program will support vulnerable families affected by the severe drought.
- UNHCR partner DRC provided tie and dye materials for 20 women Safe Places graduates. The start-up kits will enhance their livelihood opportunities and provide income for their households.

**DURABLE SOLUTIONS**

**Achievement and Impact**

**Dadaab**

- 38 individuals departed during the month. In 2022, 296 individuals from 86 families departed for resettlement and complementary pathways.
- 48 movement passes were processed by Kenya’s Department Refugee Services for candidates engaged in the Economic Mobility Pathways Pilot Project (EMPP) to attend the International English Language Testing System (IELTS) exams in Nairobi for complementary pathways.

**Financial Information**

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