

Djibouti

July 2023

Since the resumption of the **US Resettlement Program** for refugees living in the Republic of Djibouti, missions of resettlement teams have continued. From July 02 to 05, 2023, the Senior Resettlement and Complementary Paths Officer from the UNHCR Regional Office in Nairobi carried out a mission to Djibouti. The aim of his mission was to update the lists and develop a strategy for these cases.

A **resettlement expert from the Africa Regional Deployment Unit** - the entity that supports resettlement activities in sub-Saharan Africa for the **United States of America** - has been deployed to support the update of those resettlement cases previously submitted to the USA and whose processing was interrupted in 2020 due to the suspension of resettlement activities. The review of cases will run until September 2023.

KEY INDICATORS

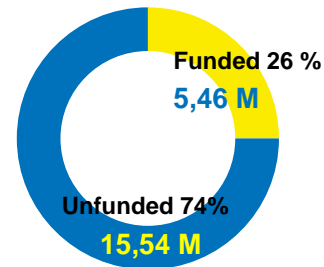


21,739 refugees
9,243 asylum seekers

CONCERNED POPULATION BY COUNTRY OF ORIGIN

Somalie	13 391
Ethiopie	12 813
Yemen	3 288
Érythrée	1 422
Autres	68
TOTAL:	30 982

FUNDINGS (20 July 2023) 21,0 M USD



From July 19 to 23, 2023, a cultural orientation workshop for resettlement was held in Djibouti city for refugees eligible for the resettlement program. In collaboration with the Resettlement Support Center, the workshop aimed to facilitate the departure preparation and integration of households approved for resettlement to the United States of America and Canada.

In addition, the UNHCR Ali-Sabieh field office held an information session for refugee community leaders in the village of Ali-Addeh on Sunday, July 30, 2023. The aim of the session was to inform refugees about the re-submission of cases to the United States of America and Canada, as well as to raise their awareness once again against any type of fraud. The aim of this re-submission is to ensure the re-examination of cases previously shortlisted for resettlement to third countries as part of durable solutions.



Information meeting with refugee leaders on resettlement activities
Ali-Addeh refugee village, ©UNHCR/ M. Abdallah

Achievements



Registration

- As part of ongoing registration, 19 newborns (15 at the Markazi site and 4 in urban areas) were recorded. In Holl-Holl, a total of 78 households with 136 individuals were also registered and integrated into the proGres database.
- In the period under review, three (3) Sudanese were intercepted by the national army in Moulhouley (Obock region), a locality on the border with Eritrea. Fleeing their country of origin (Sudan) because of the prevailing war, they were taken into the care of UNHCR Djibouti. Following their transfer by ferry from Obock to Djibouti City, the Sudanese asylum seekers were welcomed at the Ali-Addeh refugee village.

Monitoring Protection

- UNHCR facilitated the release of 30 individuals (17 women and 11 men, including 4 children) under its mandate, who had been detained by the national police in their round-up operations. Having in their possession their refugee documents at the time of the roundups, further sensitization discussions will take place between UNHCR and the Director General of the national police to address this issue in a sustainable manner. It should be noted that pleas and reminders have been made on several occasions to the police concerning the freedom of movement of refugees throughout the country, as advocated by the Law and its two implementing decrees, relating to the status of refugees, promulgated by H.E. the President of the Republic of Djibouti. This Law and its Decrees had already been the subject of several workshops held by UNHCR in the country and in the region.

Protection Reception and Follow-up / Advice on Individual Cases

- A total of 59 individual cases, including 54 cases in Djibouti city, and 5 cases in Markazi, were received, appropriately advised, and directed to the relevant services. The claims mainly concerned requests for resettlement in a third country, newborn additions, assistance with basic needs, medical assistance, and correction of biometric data on documents.

Gender-based violence (GBV)

- During the period under review, UNFD, UNHCR's implementing partner in GBV prevention and response, carried out its usual prevention and response activities in the various refugee sites. In terms of prevention, the partner organized GBV information campaigns for a total of 415 people (180 in Ali-Addeh, 136 in Holl-Holl and 98 in Markazi). These people were made aware of the risks of GBV and how to avoid them, through various educational sessions and community activities.
- In terms of response, UNFD received and addressed 11 cases, including 6 in Ali-Addeh, 3 in Holl-Holl and 2 in Djibouti-ville. These cases involved, among other things, denial of resource sharing, psychological and physical violence, and sexual assault.
- During the period under review, UNFD field staff benefited from a refresher and capacity-building session about GBV. This session, facilitated by the Deputy Protection Officer from the UNHCR field office in Ali-Sabieh, aimed to train UNFD's new recruits on the basics of GBV.



FOOD SECURITY

- The monthly distribution of food and cash was conducted in the various refugee sites of Ali-Addeh and Holl-Holl, benefiting a total of 19,418 individuals.
- As one of UNHCR's priorities is to ensure appropriate levels of nutrition for refugee populations, regular nutritional surveys are carried out among households. The survey, which aims to ensure that appropriate care is taken to address the nutrition and health problems of the refugee population, was launched in June 2023. Following a capacity-building workshop for 40 interviewers, nutrition data collection began on July 16 in Ali-Addeh and ended on July 27 in Holl-Holl. The survey, scheduled for completion by the end of August, is currently underway in Markazi, in close collaboration with the Ministry of Health, UNICEF and WFP.



HEALTH

- UNHCR continuously supports access to health services for all refugees living in the Republic of Djibouti. In July 2023, 1,573 consultations were carried out in all health facilities at refugee sites. The health centers at these sites also supported the delivery of 37 newborns via births assisted by qualified health workers. UNHCR also continued to refer refugees in need of vital emergency care to district hospitals and to the capital. A total of 90 health cases (51 transferred from Ali-Addeh to Ali-Sabieh, and 39 from Holl-Holl to Ali-Sabieh) were referred to the secondary level for care and management.
- More than 170 cases are admitted to the Nutrition Program in the 3 refugee sites namely Ali-Addeh, Holl-Holl and Markazi as follows: 94 ANC (75 in Ali-Addeh, 16 in Holl-Holl, and 3 in Markazi), 10 SAM (6 in Ali-Addeh and 4 in Holl-Holl), 26 MAM (including 21 in Holl-Holl), 24 lactating women (22 in Ali-Addeh and 2 in Holl-Holl), 16 pregnant women (13 in Ali-Addeh and 3 in Holl-Holl).
- As part of USAID's FHI program in collaboration with the Ministry of Health, the UNHCR field office in Obock relaunched the COVID-19 pandemic vaccination campaign in the Markazi refugee site on Sunday. This COVID-19 vaccination exercise targets the two communities (Yemeni refugees and Eritrean asylum seekers) living in the Markazi village.



LIVELIHOODS

- In collaboration with UNHCR's implementing partner (ADDS) and the NGO CartONG, UNHCR has finalized data collection for the initial Baseline survey among beneficiaries of Livelihoods projects in 2022, enabling the impact of interventions to be measured among these same beneficiaries. A total of 255 beneficiaries were surveyed in the various refugee sites.



WATER AND SANITATION

- UNHCR's implementing partner for water and sanitation issues [Direction Hydraulique Rurale (DHR)] continues the necessary supply of drinking water in refugee sites.
- Following the proposal made by the international NGO NRC to the UNHCR, to finance the work to replace the water pipes in the refugee village of Holl-Holl, the UNHCR has received and opened proposals following the invitation to tender issued for the installation of new borehole pipes and the new route. The new route will avoid crossing the wadi at 4 points, provide long-term protection for the water pipes and thus improve the drinking water system in the

refugee village of Holl-Holl.

- In Ali-Addeh, the water distribution pipes serving the health Center, the distribution site, the home of the Village Administrator, the administrative block and the Wadajir elementary school have benefited from appropriate maintenance.

Funding Information

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CONTRIBUTIONS ³ | USD

	Unearmarked	Softly earmarked	Earmarked	Tightly earmarked	Total
USA	-	-	2,500,000	-	2,500,000
European Union			-	511,898	511,898
Germany	-	243,843	-	-	243,843
IGAD	-	-	26,995	-	26,995
Sub-total	-	243,843	2,526,995	511,898	3,282,736
Indicative allocation of funds and adjustments	1,899,290	384,872	(152,230)	(31,185)	2,098,747
Total	1,899,290	628,715	2,372,765	480,710	5,381,483

Methodology: Unrestricted funds are allocated and reallocated several times during the year to enable UNHCR to fund priority activities. This funding update includes an indicative allocation of funds to accurately represent the resources available for the country. The earmarked contributions for Djibouti shown above are combined with an indicative allocation of the slightly earmarked and non-earmarked contributions listed below. This allocation respects different levels of earmarking. Adjustments concern program support costs and carry-overs.

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