

Djibouti

August 2023


In line with the **resumption of resettlement program activities** for refugees living in the Republic of Djibouti, the resettlement team conducted a total of **41 interviews** during August 2023, of which 29 were resubmitted to **the United States** and 12 to **Canada**.

After the refugee village of Ali-Addeh, the **resettlement team** met community leaders from the refugee village of Holl-Holl to raise awareness and provide information on the latest resettlement developments.







In addition, the Resettlement team **reassured** leaders that the **decision to reconsider and resubmit cases to the USA and Canada** also applies to the Holl-Holl refugee village.

At the end of the meeting, refugee community leaders **were reminded** that all **services** related to resettlement are provided **free of charge** and that **any request for monetary consideration is fraudulent and must be immediately communicated** via [+253 77 11 23 23](tel:+25377112323) and/or djibdj@unhcr.org.

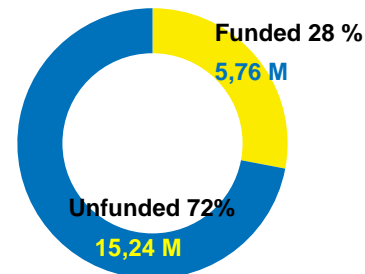
KEY INDICATORS

 **22,031** refugees
9,038 asylum seekers

CONCERNED POPULATION BY COUNTRY OF ORIGIN

Somalie		13 412
Ethiopie		12 859
Yemen		3 292
Érythrée		1 438
Autres		68
TOTAL:		31 069

FUNDINGS (31 August 2023) 21,0 M USD



As part of the 2023 mid-term performance review exercise, the Multi-Functional Team (MFT) visited refugee sites from August 7 to 17, 2023. The purpose of the exercise was to assess and take stock of the performance of our implementing partners working with people under UNHCR's mandate in the Republic of Djibouti. Based on the planning of activities set out in each partner's 2023 PPAs, the team assessed the performance of partners working in the fields of health, child protection and community mobilization, GBV prevention and response, livelihoods and subsistence, water, hygiene and sanitation, and the environment.



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The assessments and interviews with partners were based on the activities agreed between UNHCR and each partner (PPA), their mid-term performance reports, the refugees' perception of the added value of the implementation of these same activities by the partners, and direct observations made by the MFT. All the data collected and observed are currently being analyzed and consolidated for the Desk Review.

Achievements



Registration

- As part of ongoing registration, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees [UNHCR], in conjunction with ONARS, prescreened 13 new Eritrean asylum seekers. The asylum seekers were transferred to the Holl-Holl camp after being assisted with food and cash.
- Three (3) newborns were registered during the period under review.

Protection Reception and Follow-up / Advice on Individual Cases

- A total of 116 individual cases, including 80 cases in Djibouti City, 30 in Holl-Holl and 6 in Markazi, were received, appropriately advised, and referred to other relevant services. Grievances mainly concerned requests for resettlement in a third country, new-born additions, assistance with basic needs, medical assistance, and correction of biometric data.

Refugee Status Determination (RSD)

- During the period under review, the National Eligibility Commission (CNE) held eight (8) sessions and processed a total of 405 individual cases, of which 210 were accepted, 37 rejected, 94 absent and 64 adjourned.

Gender-Based Violence (GBV)

- During the period under review, UNHCR's implementing partner in the response to gender-based violence, the Union Nationale des Femmes Djiboutiennes (UNFD) carried out the usual prevention and response activities in the various refugee sites. In terms of prevention, the partner organized information and anti-GBV campaigns for 520 individuals (257 in Markazi, 159 in Holl-Holl and 104 in Ali-Addeh)
- In terms of response, UNFD received and dealt with 22 cases, including 9 in Ali-Addeh, 6 in Holl-Holl, 3 in Markazi and 4 in Djibouti-ville. These cases mainly concerned denial of resource sharing, psychological and physical violence, and sexual assault. The partner noted that, except for cases of rape, the alleged perpetrators of GBV were often the victims' close spouses. The partner also followed up on old cases. Since January 2023, of the 93 cases received, 54 have been processed and closed by the partner. The remaining 39 are being assessed and resolved.
- As part of the learning activities at the partner's center in Markazi, during August 2023, 128 women were trained in handbag and necklace making, as well as palmistry. This activity is part of the empowerment of refugee girls and women at the various sites.
- From August 2 to 10, 2023, UNHCR accompanied UNFD for the official launch of the activities of the Young Activists against GBV, in Holl-Holl and Ali-Addeh respectively. Over 115 individuals (60 in Holl-Holl and 55 in Ali-Addeh) were sensitized on "verbal violence", the theme chosen by the Young Activists for the month of August 2023. The Young Activists against GBV also carried out door-to-door awareness-raising sessions on the same theme in the various sections of the refugee villages (Ali-Addeh and Holl-Holl) for people with special needs who were unable to travel to the awareness-raising sites. These door-to-door awareness campaigns reached 148 people (99 in Holl-Holl and 49 in Ali-Addeh).

CASH SUPPORT FOR BASIC NEEDS

- As part of its assistance to the most vulnerable, UNHCR's partner for community mobilization, child protection and care for people with special needs (CIAUD Canada) distributed financial assistance to 10 people in Markazi, who had been identified by UNHCR. Each of these people received the sum of 30,000 fdj (170 USD).

CHILD AND COMMUNITY PROTECTION

- As part of capacity building for UNHCR partner staff, we organized a training workshop for 13 partner employees on the implementation of community mobilization, child protection and care for people with special needs. The aim of the workshop was to build capacity in the best interests of the child procedure. At the end of the workshop, field staff will be able to differentiate between Best Interest Assessment [BIA] and Best Interest Determination [BID].

FOOD SECURITY

- The monthly distribution of food and cash was conducted in the various refugee sites and a total of 21,653 individuals were served in the refugee sites, including 13,748 in Ali-Addeh, 6,111 in Holl-Holl and 1,794 in Markazi.
- The SENS health and nutrition survey was completed as planned, and the results shared.

EDUCATION

- The month of August 2023 was marked by the administrative return to school of the refugee sites. Parents mobilized before the start of the school year in September 2023, to clean up the schools in Markazi.
- The results of the baccalaureate (session 2023) for Markazi high school students, whose papers are being sent to Yemen for correction, have been promulgated by the Yemeni Ministry of Education. Out of 8 student-candidates for the baccalaureate, 5 passed. This figure is in addition to the 52 students who passed the baccalaureate at the Ali-Addeh and Holl-Holl high schools. Of the 67 students applying for the baccalaureate for the 2022-2023 school year, a total of 57 were admitted, representing a success rate of 85%, compared with 54% last year. Unlike the Markazi students, who follow the Yemeni curriculum, the Ali-Addeh and Holl-Holl students follow the Djiboutian curriculum.

HEALTH

- UNHCR continuously supports access to health services for all refugees in the Republic of Djibouti.
- In August 2023, 2,131 consultations were carried out at all health facilities in the refugee sites. Health centers in these sites also supported the delivery of 52 newborns via births assisted by skilled health workers (34 in Ali-Addeh, 16 in Holl-Holl, and 2 in Markazi). UNHCR also continued to refer refugees in need of vital emergency care to district hospitals and to the capital. A total of 129 health cases were referred for care and management at secondary levels (88 transferred from Ali-Addeh to Ali-Sabieh, 39 from Holl-Holl to Ali-Sabieh and 2 to Djibouti-ville).

WATER AND SANITATION

- UNHCR's implementing partner for water and sanitation issues (DHR) continues to supply drinking water to refugee sites. In collaboration with the UNHCR, the contractor, who will be carrying out work on the new pipe route to avoid crossings with the Oued at the Holl-Holl refugee village, presented the methodology and duration of the work. The presentation took place in the presence of the refugees.


ENERGY

- As part of the kerosene distribution, UNHCR's energy partner [ONARS] carried out the quarterly kerosene distribution at the Markazi site. A total of 11,736 liters of kerosene were distributed, serving 321 refugee families and 978 individuals. The distribution was carried out using biometrics.
- UNHCR's partner in charge of firewood distribution, the Ministry of the Environment in collaboration with UNHCR, has proceeded with the distribution of firewood for the months of June and July 2023. A total of 5,039 households were served in the villages of Ali-Addeh and Holl-Holl.

Fundings Information

UNHCR is grateful for the essential support provided by the donors who supported the Operation as well as those who contributed to UNHCR programs with unrestricted and largely restricted funds.

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	2,161,643	504,153	(152,230)	(30,944)	2,480,623
Total	2,161,643	747,996	2,372,765	480,954	5,763,359

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.

OTHER SOFTLY EARMARKED CONTRIBUTIONS

United States of America 35.6 million | Italy 8.8 million | Private donors Australia 6.9 million | Australia 3.9 million | Canada 3.9 million | Private donors USA 3.2 million | Finland 3.1 million | Private donors Germany 3.1 million | Private donors United Kingdom 2.4 million | Isle of Man | Luxembourg | Private donors

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Sweden 69 million | Norway 63.1 million | Private donors Spain 43.2 million | Netherlands 36.3 million | Denmark 35.6 million | Private donors Japan 30 million | United Kingdom 28.9 million | France 26.7 million | Private donors Republic of Korea 23.5 million | Germany 23.1 million | Switzerland 18.9 million | Private donors Italy 13.7 million | Belgium 11.9 million | Ireland 11.9 million | Algeria | Australia | Bulgaria | Canada | Costa Rica | Estonia | Finland | Iceland | Indonesia | Kuwait | Luxembourg | Malta | Monaco | Montenegro | New Zealand | Peru | Philippines | Portugal | Republic of Korea | Russian Federation | Saudi Arabia | Serbia | Singapore | Thailand | Türkiye | Uruguay | Private donors

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