



# **Child Protection Dashboard**

# Uganda Refugee Response Plan (RRP) 2022-2023

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#### Overview



### **Overall objective of the Child Protection sector**

The Child Protection (CP) sector aims to develop effective and safe child protection systems. These prevent and respond to child protection concerns in refugee settlements, including urban Kampala and host communities. The Uganda Country Refugee Response Plan (UCRRP) for child protection is a collaborative effort between OPM, UNHCR, UN agencies, international, and national partners to ensure children are protected from abuse, neglect, exploitation, and violence while ensuring non-discriminatory access to quality child protection services.

### **Achievements and Focus:**

In Q3 of 2023, children in Uganda continued to face various protection risks, including separation from family members, neglect, abuse, violence, child labor, and Gender-Based Violence (GBV), including child marriage and teenage pregnancy. The Child Protection sector made substantial progress in Q3, particularly in supporting children at heightened risk, including unaccompanied and separated children. The sector's primary focus during Q3 was on providing child protection services, such as case management and alternative care, and empowering communities to identify and respond to child protection issues.

By the end of Q3, 32,603 children (16,611 girls and 15,922 boys) were receiving child protection case management services. This included conducting Best Interests Assessments (BIAs) for 7,544 children at heightened risk and Best Interests Determination (BID) for 253 children. The case management process involved assessment, planning, implementation, follow-up and review, and case closure. For unaccompanied and separated children, a total of 3,961 (2,071 boys and 1,890 girls) were placed in safe interim or long-term care arrangements following a comprehensive assessment. In support of alternative care, 18,306 biological and foster parents (12,500 females and 5,806 males) received parenting training to promote effective and positive parenting. Furthermore, children's meaningful participation in community-based activities was ensured, with a total of 189,760 children (97,718 boys and 90,043 qirls) participating in child-friendly spaces and other community-based interventions, including outreach activities. Additionally, 26,080 adolescents (12,826 girls and 13,227 boys) received support through targeted programs, which included peer-to-peer support, life skills training, sexual and reproductive health education, and other services.

#### **Challenges and gaps**

Key challenges include a high caseworker-to-children ratio, with one case worker managing 154 cases (Compared to the standard of) or, significantly affecting response capacity. Furthermore, a recent survey conducted by the Child Protection Sub-Working Group (CPSWG) on the impact of food prioritization revealed a surge in child protection cases related to child labor, child marriage, reluctance of foster parents to continue care, increased school dropouts, and higher rates of absenteeism. While child protection partners are making efforts with the available resources, the CPSWG is closely monitoring the situation and emphasizing the urgent need for additional resources within the sector.

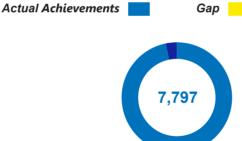
#### **Upcoming priorities Q4 2023**

In Q4 of 2023, the Child Protection sector's key priorities will remain focused on strengthening the national child protection system, providing child protection (Do we need to be more specific) services, including case management and support for children at heightened risk, and empowering children, families, and communities to prevent and respond to child abuse, neglect, violence, and exploitation.

### **Key Indicators**



No of Children at Heightened Risks who Received Quality Case Management Services, Target: 38,087



Best Interests Procedure(BIP) Best Interests Assessments (BIAs): 7,544 Best Interests Determinations (BIDs): 253



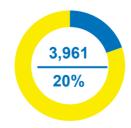
Children Participating in Communitybased Support Activities

Target: 173,376



Adolescents Participating in Community-**Based Activities** 

Target: 60,659



Unaccompanied Children who are Placed in Appropriate Interim or Long-Term Alternative Care

Target:20,179



Biological/ Foster Parents Participating in Positive Parenting Sessions

Target: 29,872

Achievements data: ActivityInfo

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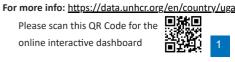
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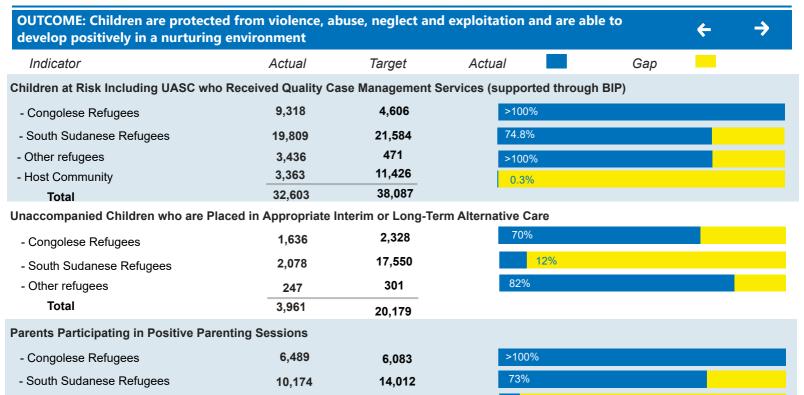
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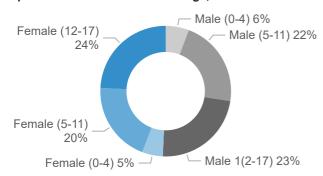
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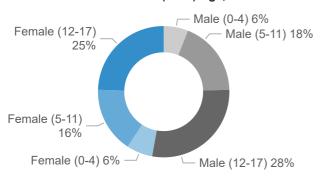
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1,540

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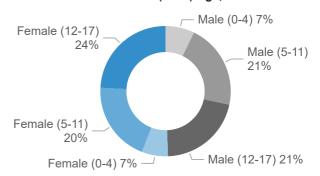


### Best Interests Determinations (BIDs) Age, Gender Breakdown

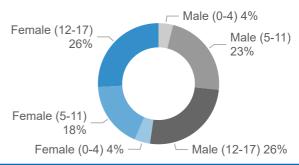


### Best Interests Assessments (BIAs) Age, Gender Breakdown

19%



### **UASC Placed in Adequate Alternative Care By Age and Gender** Breakdown



Parents Participating in Positive Parenting Sessions By Gender **Breakdown** 



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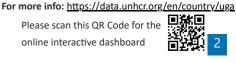
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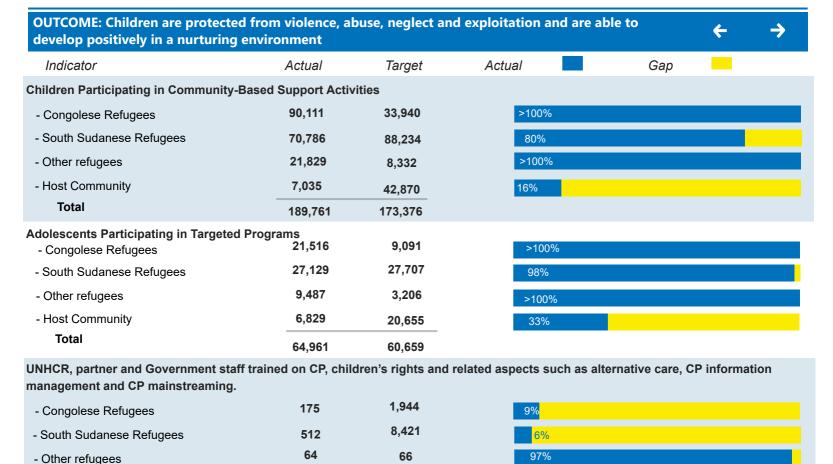


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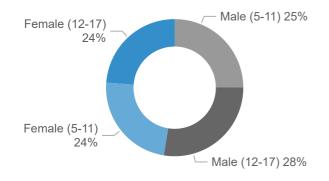
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10,701

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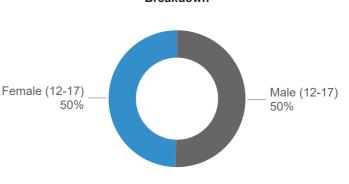
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### **Children Participating in Community-Based Support Activities** Age, Gender Breakdown



#### Adolescents Participating in Targeted Programs By Gender **Breakdown**

>100%



Staff trained on CP, children's rights and related aspects such as alternative care, CP information management and CP mainstreaming by Gender Breakdown



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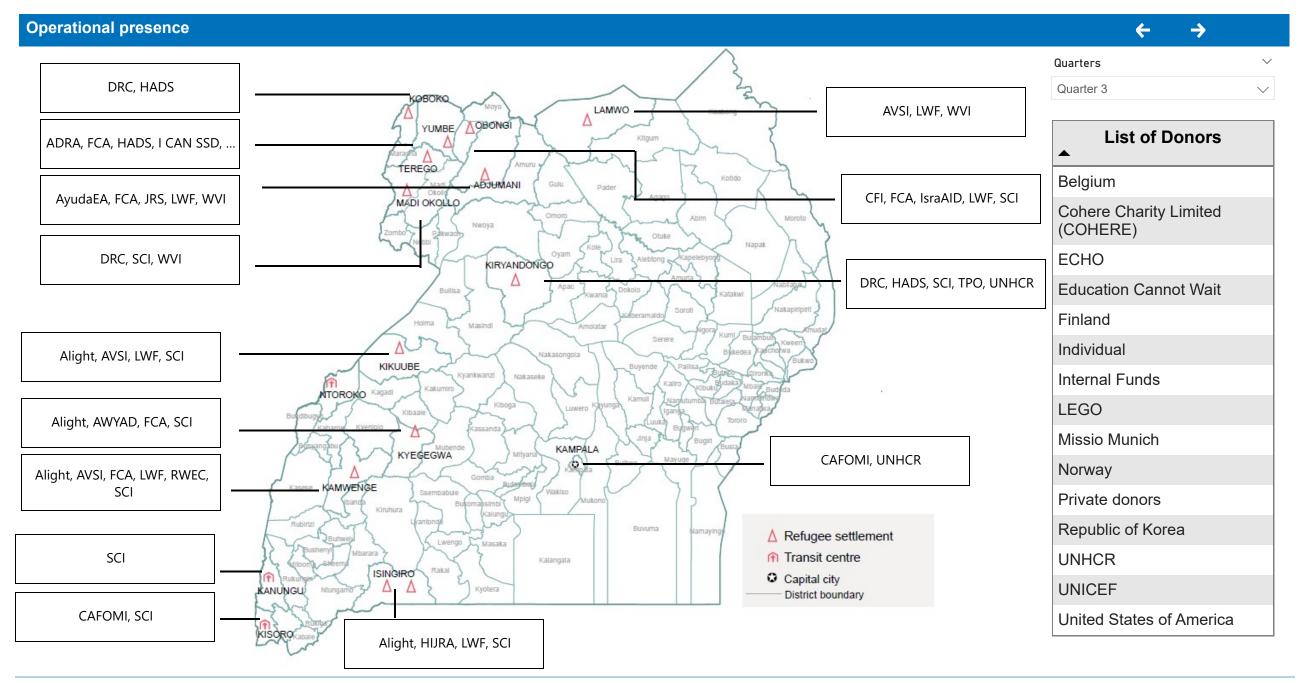
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