

South Sudan

16-31 January 2018

37,806

Refugees received non-food items during the reporting period.

1,016

Refugee new arrivals registered in Unity during the reporting period

2,966

Refugees reached with human rights awareness campaign during the reporting period

KEY FIGURES

INSIDE SOUTH SUDAN

286,256

Refugees in South Sudan as of 31 January 2018.

1.9 million

IDPs in South Sudan including 204,247 in UNMISS Protection of Civilians sites as of 25 January 2018

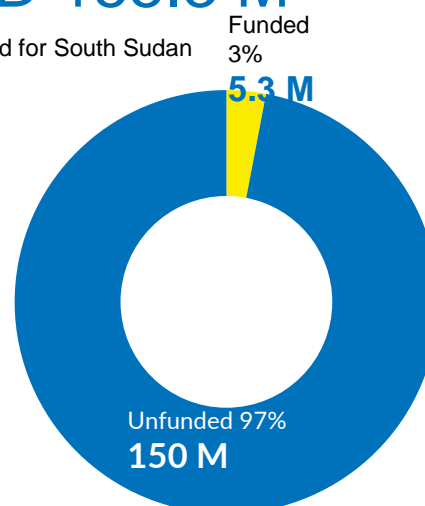
US \$809.4 million

Funding requested by UNHCR for the South Sudan Situation in 2018.

FUNDING AS OF 29 JANUARY 2018

USD 155.3 M

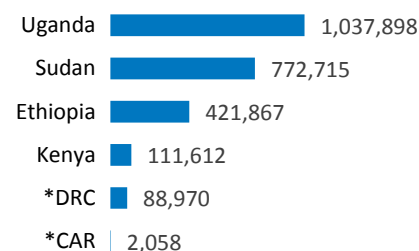
requested for South Sudan



POPULATION OF CONCERN

South Sudanese refugees in neighbouring countries as of 31 December 2017.

Host Countries



TOTAL: 2,435,120

*DRC – Democratic Republic of Congo

*CAR – Central Africa Republic



New arrivals waiting for registration in Yida Reception Centre. Photo Credit:

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Update on Achievements

Operational Context



PROTECTION

Achievements and Impact

Unity

- In Yida, UNHCR registered 1,016 new arrivals (487F, 529M) against 973 during the same period in 2017 which represents 121% increase. The new arrivals cited lack of food due to drought and increase of school fees in Sudan's South Kordofan as their main reason for fleeing.
- During the reporting period, UNHCR relocated 1,514 refugees to Jamjang refugee camps, including 343 to Ajuong Thok and 1,171 to Pamir. This includes 54 refugees who were previously settled in Yida and 1,460 new arrivals. As of 31 January 2018, the refugee population in Jamjang camps was as follows: Ajuong Thok refugee camp - 40,502, Pamir refugee camp - 19,742, Yida refugee settlement - 55,306.
- In Ajuong Thok refugee camp, UNHCR partner International Rescue Committee (IRC) reached 1,176 (400M, 776 F) advocacy activities to improve knowledge of the refugee population on Sexual Gender-Based Violence (SGBV).
- In Yida Refugee Settlement, UNHCR recorded three new reported SGBV cases; rape (1) and physical assault (2) cases. Victims were provided with psychosocial support through individual counselling and comprehensive case management based on their specific needs.
- Across Jamjang refugee camps, UNHCR provided additional food to persons with special needs (PSNs) identified by the Community Outreach Volunteers. UNHCR conducted a vulnerability assessment to determine the recommended additional food needs.

Central Equatoria

- In Yei, UNHCR and its partner UMCOR in collaboration with United Nations Mission in South Sudan (UNMISS) and Ceasefire and Transitional Security Arrangements Monitoring Mechanism (CTSAMM) conducted a joint mission to Lasu refugee settlement. The mission assessed the situation around Lasu Refugee camp and the damages since UNHCR's last visit to Lasu in June before the outbreak of violence in July 2016. As a result of interviews, some refugees confirmed their colleagues are in dire situations in five locations and require urgent material support. UNHCR supported some of the vulnerable refugees with sugar, salt, rice, soap, and assorted vegetable seeds for 100 households.
- During the mission to Lasu, refugees reported five SGBV cases including two domestic violence and three rape cases of women aged between 16-40 years). The 03 survivors of rape did not receive Post Exposure Prophylaxis and emergency contraceptives due to lack of health services in Lasu but received psychosocial counselling from UMCOR. Also, new SGBV cases (01 early marriage aged 16 years, 02 cases of domestic violence) in Kukuyi and Jabara. All survivors received psychosocial support. The counsellors also followed up 02 old SGBV cases earlier reported in Yago and Jabara.

Upper Nile

- In Maban, UNHCR and South Sudan Police Service (SSPS) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) aligned with countrywide policy guidelines on engagement with SSPS. UNHCR distributed 20 bicycles to the camp-based police posts to facilitate their transportation. This effort will ensure police patrol and security across the four refugee camps.
- In Maban refugee camps, UNHCR identified 209 persons with special needs (PSNs). UNHCR partner the Danish Refugee Council (DRC) assessed their needs for possible assistance. PSNs include elderly at risk (135), women at risk (50), persons with disabilities (20) and children at risk (4).
- In Doro and Yusuf Batil refugee camps, DRC conducted nine awareness sessions on human rights and SGBV to 2,966 individuals.
- In Maban refugee camps, UNHCR partner Save the Children International (SCI) conducted awareness raising in Child Activity Centers (CAC) with Child Rights Club (CRC) and Child Rights Network (CRN) to encourage children to come to play in CAC centres. During the reporting period, the average attendance of children and adolescents who accessed play and recreational activities (ball games, chess, ludo, skipping ropes, songs and dance) included 1,006 (573M, 433F) in Doro and 1,163 (587M, 576F) in Gendrassa. SCI distributed sports jerseys, wool to skilled builders, football pumps and soaps to the innovation groups.
- In Maban camps, UNHCR conducted skills building activities for 341 adolescent girls at eight CACs beadwork and crocheting. The adolescents were given sessions to discuss children and adolescents' rights and protection issues.
- In Doro refugee camp, 28 adolescents and youth (26F, 2M) participated in the tailoring course which is now in its fourth month. The trainees are expected to complete the course and graduate by mid- Feb where they will also receive their tailoring start-up kits (sewing machines, fabric, thread, needles)
- During the reporting period, UNHCR recorded 32 SGBV cases identified in all four camps. These cases include physical assault (16), psychological and emotional abuse (8), attempted rape (6), early marriage (2), forced marriage (2), and denial of resources (1). Survivors were referred for health and psychosocial support.

Identified needs and remaining gaps

Central Equatoria

- Refugees with Specific Needs (PSNs) in dire needs (lack of material support) in all the five locations of Lasu refugee settlement near Yei. The elderly, persons with disabilities (PWDS) and chronically sick (HIV/AIDS) are highly affected. UNHCR will commence delivery of services to Lasu very soon, and it is expected that most of them will be reached.



HEALTH

Unity

- In Ajuong Thok refugee camp, UNHCR partner Africa Humanitarian Action (AHA) conducted HIV voluntary counselling and testing to 90 people during the reporting period. Two persons tested positive and started their antiretroviral (ARV) treatment.
- In Ajuong Thok refugee camp, AHA completed measles vaccination campaign with the provision of Vitamin A and Dewormers for all children from 6 to 59 months.
- In Ajuong Thok, UNHCR distributed sorghum and pumpkins seeds to 465 nutrition mothers from the Mother Support Groups.

Central Equatoria

- In Yei town, UNHCR partner UMCOR established a functional health desk. The desk will serve refugees who are displaced in Yei town, as well as those from Lasu. As a result, 97 refugees received treatment at the desk.
- In Yei, UNHCR commenced the renovation of administration and Laboratory blocks at Yei civil hospital. This upgrading will enhance health services to both refugees and IDPs.

Western Equatoria

- In Makpandu refugee settlement, 174 patients (103 refugees, 71 host community members) received health consultations during the reporting period.



FOOD SECURITY AND NUTRITION

Achievements and Impact

Unity

- During the reporting period, UNHCR and World Food Programme (WFP) partner Samaritan's Purse (SP) completed General Food Distribution (GFD) to refugees including 36,677 in Ajuong Thok, 17,685 in Pamir and 53,982 in Yida.

Upper Nile

- In Maban refugee camps, UNHCR, World Food Programme (WFP), Danish Refugee Council (DRC), ACTED and Samaritan's Purse (SP) distributed food supplies to 139,724 refugees. Food items included cereals, pulses, and vegetable cooking oil at 70% reduced ratio. Cash in place of milling vouchers was provided with each beneficiary getting 120 South Sudanese Pounds for grinding cereals.

Western Equatoria

- In Makpandu refugee settlement, UNHCR partner World Vision International on behalf of World Food Programme (WFP) commenced GFD to over 3,000 refugees. Food items included sorghum, salt, vegetable oil and pulses.



WATER AND SANITATION

Achievements and Impact

Unity

- In Ajuong Thok and Pamir refugee camps, water supply coverage stood at 19L per person per day. Crude latrine coverage stood at 9.
- In Ajuong Thok refugee camp, UNHCR partner Africa Humanitarian Action (AHA) distributed pieces of laundry soap to 37,806 refugees.

Upper Nile

- Across Maban refugee camp, UNHCR and partner ACTED achieved an increased water supply demand needs which are currently intensifying due to the dry season. The water supply was 21 litres per person per day.

Western Equatoria

- In Makpandu refugee settlement, 13 water points were all operational during the reporting period. Water points include the 12 boreholes fitted with India Mark II pumps and 1 submersible pump fixed with 8,000 litres elevated water tank.

Identified needs and remaining gaps

Central Equatoria

- During the mission Lasu refugee settlement, UNHCR conducted a WASH assessment which found that all boreholes in the settlement and host community were vandalized. Refugees and host community have therefore resorted to water from nearby streams for domestic use.



SHELTER AND NFIS

Achievements and Impact

Upper Nile

- In Maban, UNHCR commenced the construction of the South West Maban County Commissioner's Office in Jamam; The office block will bring together various departments the County Government and improve coordination, consultations and delivery of better services to refugees and host community.



CAMP COORDINATION AND CAMP MANAGEMENT

Achievements and Impact

Upper Nile

- In the Maban refugee camp, UNHCR and partners conducted community engagement meetings with refugee leaders and sectoral representatives rolling out 2018 programs. Partners updated the refugee community on key sectoral activities emphasising community leadership role in participation/involvement and ownership for improved delivery of services.



COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT AND SELF-RELIANCE

Achievements and Impact

Western Equatoria

- In Makpandu refugee settlement, the state Ministry of Physical Infrastructure and Public Utilities completed the demarcation of 300 plots for farming activities in 2018. As a result, 23 potential farmers were allocated plots for farming, and this exercise is continuous, some of the farmers received 200 X 100 metres, while others received 100 X 100 metres.

IDP RESPONSE

Protection Cluster

Upper Nile

- In Malakal, the Protection Cluster led by UNHCR and co-led by Danish Refugee Council (DRC) participated in a joint assessment mission to Ulangto to monitor and ensure that IDP returnees from Melut receive assistance under the Cluster intervention from the various partners and make recommendations that can inform other Clusters' work. The mission identified Sexual Gender Based Violence (SGBV) as key issues of the population.

Unity

- In Bentiu, UNHCR as part of the protection and CCCM clusters undertook a mission to Greater Mayom to assess the needs of the displaced host community, identification of vulnerable for the provision of shelter and general protection monitoring to identify the gaps and challenges faced by the community. As a result, UNHCR and DRC identified 300 PSNs for shelter construction project in 2018 and NFI distribution to 80 households.

COORDINATION

Achievements and Impact

Upper Nile

- In Malakal, UNHCR in collaboration with UNMISS facilitated relocation of 28 IDPs on transit in Malakal POC to Old Fan-gak and Mading. They had been brought to Malakal POC after the Melut POC was closed. The returnees were delighted about returning to their places of origin in dignity and safety with the hope of rebuilding their lives in a more conducive environment.

Jonglei

- During the reporting period, UNHCR conducted a one-day mission to Baidit for general Protection monitoring and to check on the status of the Haffir project meant to reserve water for cattle and goats especially during the dry season. The Haffir is currently being used by cattle, wild animals, birds and the local population. According to the locals, the Haffir is so useful in the sense that almost all cattle in the surroundings drink from there.

OPERATIONS

Achievements and Impact

Upper Nile

- In Malakal POC, UNHCR and its partner Danish Refugee Council (DRC) graduated 20 trainees after undergoing two-month intensive tailoring and dressmaking training. Trainees will produce school uniforms for female pupils as a motivation for retention and as a protection measure for girls. They will also produce clothes for persons with special needs. The IDPs will be paid for the service to make them more financially independent and thereby less vulnerable. The graduates received start-up kits including sewing machines and its accessories.



SHELTER AND NFIS

Achievements and Impact

Jonglei

- In Mingkaman, UNHCR donated six bicycles to Community Based Protection Networks (CBPNs). Bicycles will facilitate their mobility during community mobilisation.

Upper Nile

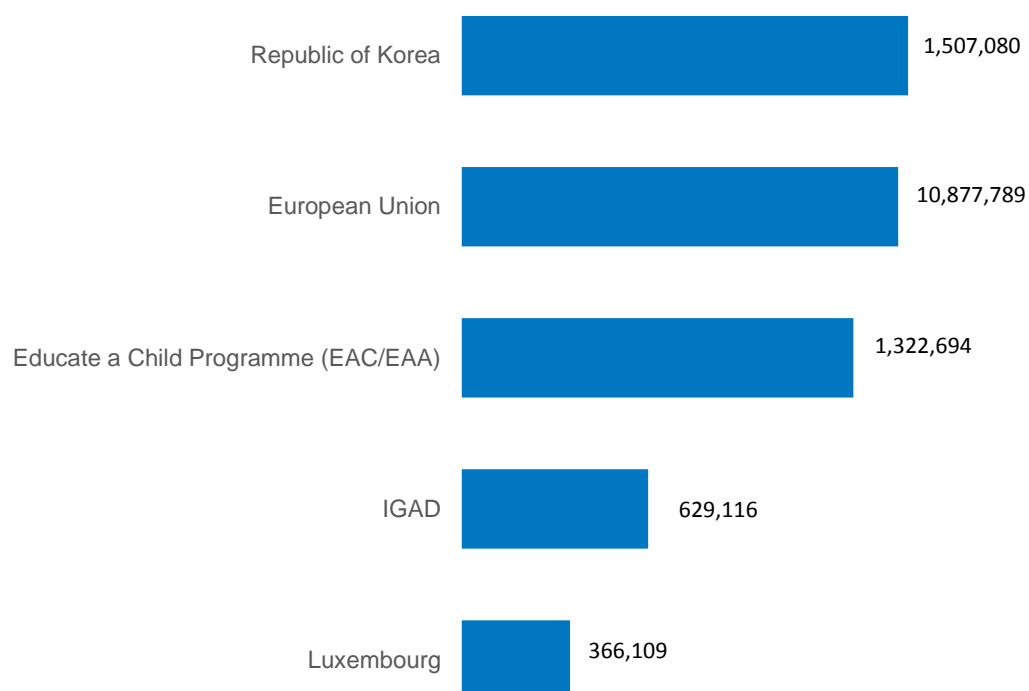
- In Malakal POC, UNHCR partner Danish Refugee Council (DRC) distributed 300 solar lamps to women and girls of reproductive age who are at risk of Sexual Gender Based Violence (SGBV). This intervention will mitigate the risk of SGBV among the beneficiaries.

Working in partnership

- UNHCR works closely with the Government of South Sudan to deliver assistance and protection services to refugees and internally displaced persons (IDPs).
- In the **refugee response**, main government counterparts are the Ministry of Interior and Minister of Wildlife Conservation and the Commission for Refugee Affairs (CRA). Implementing partners in 2018 are: Action Africa Help International (AAHI), Africa Humanitarian Action (AHA), ACROSS, ACTED, CARE International, Danish Refugee Council (DRC), Humanitarian Development Consortium (HDC), International Medical Corps (IMC), International Rescue Committee (IRC), Lutheran World Federation (LWF), Relief International (RI), Samaritan's Purse (SP), Save the Children International (SCI), UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief), UNV and World Vision International (WVI).
- In the **IDP response**, the main government counterpart is the Relief and Rehabilitation Commission (RRC). Implementing partners in 2018 are UMCOR, Danish Refugee Council (DRC), Handicap International, Humanitarian Development Consortium, INTERSOS, Nile Hope, UNV and Women Development Group. Within the IDP response cluster system, UNHCR in South Sudan is Lead of the Protection Cluster (with NRC co-leading), Co-Lead of the CCCM Cluster along with IOM and ACTED, and undertakes enhanced participation in the IOM-led Shelter/NFI Cluster.
- On **prevention of statelessness**, UNHCR's main counterpart is the Directorate of Nationality, Passports, and Immigration (DNPI).
- UNHCR maintains an **operational partnership** with CAFOD, Caritas, CMMB, Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), ICRC, Jesuit Refugee Service (JSR), Médecins Sans Frontières (France, Belgium), Mentor Initiative, OXFAM, UNAIDS, UNOCHA, UN-Habitat, UNDP, UNFPA, UNICEF, UNIDO, UNMAS, UNMISS, World Food Programme (WFP), World Health Organization (WHO), Women for Women International and UN Women.

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