

## SHIMELBA REFUGEE CAMP

<b>2004</b> Camp established in 2004	<b>1901</b> Permanent shelters (incl. <b>1725</b> built from mud-bricks and grass by the refugees themselves)	<b>Community-based</b> Structures in place	<b>41 %</b> Of the population is under the age of 18	<b>5,953</b> refugees Individually registered with ration cards	<b>Education</b> Infrastructure available: 01 primary and First Cycle of Secondary level, 01 early, 0 secondary, 0 YEP and 1 vocational centre
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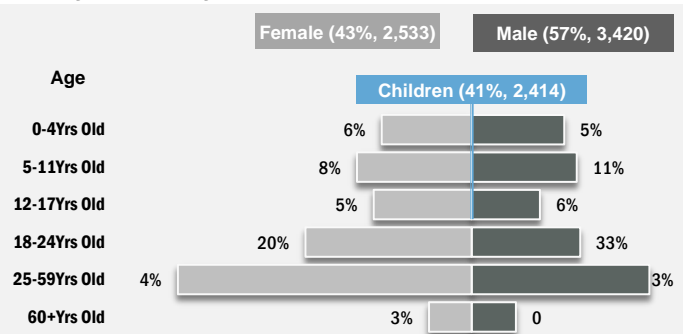
### OVERVIEW

The **Shimelba refugee camp** was established to accommodate Eritrean refugees seeking international protection.



### Refugee population in Shimelba camp

A total of **5,953** persons of concern in Shimelba Camp  
As of 31 January 2018



## RECENT DEVELOPMENTS

NRC constructed 176 permanent shelters with 118 attached household toilets and showers in 2017.

Solar-powered project implemented and provides 24-hour power supply to Shimelba UNHCR office and accommodation. Two of three boreholes installed in the camp pump water through solar-powered systems.

A multipurpose hall is under construction by IHS.

## WORKING WITH PARTNERS

UNHCR provides protection and services to refugees in **Shimelba** in collaboration with:

- **Administration for Refugee and Returnee Affairs (ARRA)** - In representation of Ethiopia's government - Camp Management and security; primary health care and nutrition; food and CRIs distribution; protection and community services; shelter; logistics; environment protection; and primary education
- **International Rescue Committee (IRC)** - WASH; protection and community services; ECCD education
- **International Organization for Migration (IOM)** - Resettlement related logistics and prevention of secondary movement
- **World Food Program (WFP)** - Food supply, transportation and distribution
- **Development and Inter-Church Aid Commission (DICAC)** - Education
- **National Resource Development and Environmental Protection (NRDEP)** - Environment protection
- **Medecins Sans Frontieres (MSF-H)** - Health care Mental Health Care and RH/HIV
- **Innovative Humanitarian Solutions (IHS)** - Child Protection (Community based) and Livelihood

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# MAIN ACTIVITIES

## Health

- 01 health clinics are available for refugees and host communities wherein they receive medical care, including:
  - Reproductive health & HIV services and related capacity building
  - Preventive and community-based health care and access to primary health care services
  - Vaccination
  - Maternity and child health services
  - Pre-departure medical screening/Medical escorts during RST and during relocation from border areas
  - Psychosocial counseling

## Nutrition

- With support from UNHCR's partners, refugees have access to infrastructure and receive nutritional support, including:
  - Implementation and monitoring of Supplementary Feeding Programme (SFP) for persons with special needs
  - Treatment of severe and moderate acute malnutrition for 55 children.

## WASH

- Refugees have access to 26.9 liters of potable water per person per day. 03 boreholes have been installed.
- 1,236 household sanitary facilities/latrines are available in the camp of which 189 have attached showers.
- Environmental health and hygiene campaigns are implemented in the camp
- Mosquito nets are distributed to the refugees

## Protection & Community Services

- UNHCR and its partners provide protection to refugees and promote durable solutions to their plight through:
  - Establishment and ensured functioning of community based child protection structures, notably for UASC
  - Provision of prevention and response services for children at risk, and capacity development on child protection
  - Provision of psychosocial counseling and community-based psychosocial programming
  - Enabling and sustaining community participation in SGBV prevention and response through capacity development
  - Provision of specific services to Persons with Disabilities (PWDs)
  - Resettlement to third country of asylum and facilitated process of family reunification
  - Registration and monitoring

## Shelter

- 176 additional shelters built.

## Core Relief Items

- Core Relief Items - sleeping mats, kitchen sets, soap and sanitary materials - are distributed to refugees.

## Logistics & Site Planning

- Refugees are transported and relocated from border areas and within camps. In addition, the camp layout is conducted. The Shimelba refugee camp is comprised of 05 sectors divided in 100 blocks.

## Education

- 01 early childhood, 01 primary school, wherein school meals are provided, 0 secondary and 01 vocational center are available.

## Environment

- UNHCR and its partners seek to reduce the environmental impact in areas hosting refugees through:
  - Forest and environmental protection and capacity building on environmental protection. 685,000 trees have been planted to mitigate the impact of the refugees' presence in the area.
  - Provision of energy saving stoves and demonstration of biogas pilot project. To date, 3500 stoves have been distributed.

## Food

- On a monthly basis, food is supplied, transported and distributed to all refugees as well as cash and vouchers. General food basket includes cereals, pulses, vegetable oil and salt.