

SOUTH SUDAN

October 2018

17,400+

Refugees and IDPs received material support across South Sudan in October 2018.

2,200+

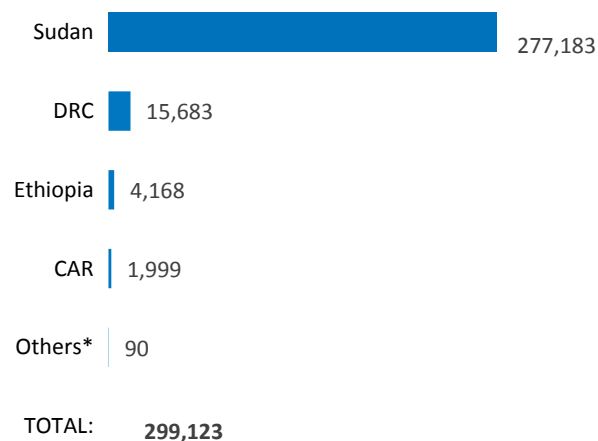
Assorted tree seedlings planted in Upper Nile in October 2018.

900+

Newly arrived refugees registered in October in South Sudan 2018.

POPULATION OF CONCERN

Countries of Origin

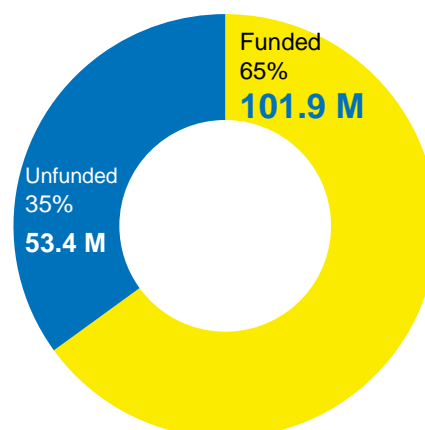


* Refers to refugees from Uganda, Somalia, Eritrea, Syria, Burundi and Egypt

FUNDING AS OF 31 OCTOBER

USD 155.3 M

requested for the situation



UNHCR PRESENCE

Staff

298 national and
103 international staff
(as of 31 October 2018)

Offices

1 Branch Office in Juba
2 Sub Offices in Jamjang
and Bunj
5 Field Offices in Yambio,
Yei, Bor, Malakal, Bentiu
2 Field Units in Wau and
Yida
(as of 31 October 2018)



Sudanese refugee mother Amal with her new born after UNHCR's biometric verification exercise in Ajong Thok refugee camp where she registered her new born baby © UNHCR

Working with Partners in 2018

- 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**, the main government counterparts are the Ministry of Interior 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), Jesuit Refugee Service (JRS), 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: Action Africa Help International (AAHI), UMCOR, Danish Refugee Council (DRC), Handicap International, Humanitarian Development Consortium, INTERSOS, Nile Hope, Hope Restoration, Jesuit Refugee Service (JRS), Adventist Development and Relief Agency (ADRA) and Women Development Group.
- **Within the Inter-Agency Cluster System** for IDP response, UNHCR in South Sudan is the Protection Cluster Lead (with the NRC co-leading), Co-Lead of the CCCM Cluster along with IOM and ACTED, and undertakes enhanced participation in the Shelter/NFI Cluster.
- **On the prevention of statelessness**, UNHCR's main counterpart is the Directorate of Nationality, Passports, and Immigration (DNPI).
- **UNHCR maintains operational partnerships** 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.

Main Activities – Refugee Programme Protection

- As of 31 October 2018, the refugee population in South Sudan stood at 299,123 individuals, consisting of 70,228 households in 21 different locations across South Sudan. UNHCR registered 959 new arrivals and 916 newborn babies mainly from Sudan's South Kordofan and Blue Nile. Female refugees represent 52% of the total refugee population, while women and children represent 82% of the total refugee population in South Sudan. The Sudanese refugee population remains the largest at 277,183 individuals (93%) followed by DR Congo 15,683 individuals (5%), Ethiopia 4,168 individuals (1%), Central African Republic 1,999 (1%) and 90 refugees of other nationalities. The majority (91%) of refugees are hosted in Upper Nile and the Unity regions in South Sudan. An estimated 1.91 million people are internally displaced in South Sudan. Furthermore, South Sudan hosts 2,454 asylum seekers.

Western Equatoria

- In Makpandu refugee settlement, UNHCR registered 89 newly arrived refugee families (185 individuals) and three newborn babies. The new arrivals fled from the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) and Central Africa Republic (CAR).

Unity

- In October, UNHCR registered 598 new arrivals (373 men, 286 women) from South Kordofan, Sudan.
- In October, UNHCR relocated 755 refugees including 130 to Ajuong Thok refugee camp and 625 to Pamir refugee camp. This number includes 248 refugees who were previously settled in Yida and 507 new arrivals.
- As of 31 October 2018, Ajuong Thok refugee camp population stood at 43,795, Pamir refugee camp at 31,944 and Yida refugee settlement at 51,951.

- In October, in Ajuong Thok refugee camp, UNHCR launched a verification exercise, So far, 9,393 refugees, 20% of the target population have been verified.
- In Unity, UNHCR partner International Rescue Committee (IRC) supported 15 new Sexual Gender-Based Violence (SGBV) cases, which is an increase of 50% as compared to the same period in 2017. Increase of awareness and referral pathway among communities is a main contributing factor to the increased number of reported cases. Cumulatively, 401 cases have been supported since January (Pamir 141, Yida 63, and Ajuong Thok 197).
- In Ajuong Thok refugee camp, UNHCR identified 2,952 persons with specific needs (PSNs). PSNs include separated children, elderly persons at risk and persons with disabilities as well as vulnerable children who are victims of violence, abuse, exploitation or neglect. UNHCR and partners are working to address the high-risk cases.

Upper Nile

- In Gendrassa refugee camp, UNHCR and partners Lutheran World Federation (LWF), Danish Refugee Council (DRC) and Save the Children International (SCI) completed the Biometric Identity Management System (BIMS) verification exercise, which was suspended due to the attack on 23rd July. Cumulatively, 1,654 were verified and 314 identity cards were issued to refugees.
- In Gendrassa and Yusuf Batil refugee camps, UNHCR and partner SCI conducted trainings for 50 children and 50 youths on principles of child protection, understanding of child protection, non-discrimination, resilience and integrating protection of children in the community. In addition, 30 students were trained in child protection, human and children's rights in Yusuf Batil camp.

Education

Central Equatoria

- In Yei, UNHCR and partner United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) paid school fees for 205 primary school students (105 boys, 100 girls) enrolled at 11 primary schools for 2018's third term.

Unity

- In Ajuong Thok refugee camp, UNHCR and partner Lutheran World Federation (LWF) trained 214 teachers (148 men, 39 women) on inclusive education in primary and accelerated learning programming.
- In Ajuong Thok refugee camp, eight pupils passed as top three in all of South Sudan, with an overall pass rate of 95% of mock examination. The 5% fail rate is linked to absenteeism and sickness. In Pamir refugee camp, the primary 8 class students passed their mock examinations with a 73% rate.

Western Equatoria

- In Makpandu refugee settlement, UNHCR and partner World Vision International (WVI) distributed 52 solar lamps to 52 students (40 boys, 12 girls) from primary, secondary schools as well as from Accelerated Learning Programme (ALP) to aid their revision for the final examination.

Upper Nile

- In Maban, UNHCR and its partner Lutheran World Federation (LWF) completed the synchronisation of school enrolment data with proGres database. As a result, 32,724 (15,440 boys, 17,284 girls) students in primary and Accelerated Education Programs (AEPs) have been enrolled. This is a 5% increase in enrolment, however, 49% of refugee children still remain out of school due to the July attack on humanitarian compounds and some children moved to the oil fields and farms in Renk for better livelihood opportunities.
- In October, UNHCR, LWF and Maban County Education Department reopened all three secondary schools in Maban, which were closed indefinitely following the July attacks.

- In Maban, UNHCR and partner Danish Refugee Council (DRC) completed and handed over 68 classrooms which were upgraded from phase 2 (semi-permanent structure) to phase 3 (permanent structure). These classrooms will further contribute to improving the learning environment of primary school students.

Health

Upper Nile

- In Yusuf Batil refugee camp, UNHCR and partner Relief International (RI) reopened West Primary Health Care Unit (PHCU), while all voluntary counselling and testing (VCT) services resumed across the camp. The PHCU had been temporarily closed and services terminated following the attacks on 23 July.
- In Maban, Relief International (RI) trained 93 (59 men, 34 women) community health promoters on HIV Information, Education, and Communication (IEC) materials to familiarise them with the new IEC materials.

Unity

- In Pamir and Ajuong Thok refugee camps, UNHCR and partners Africa Humanitarian Action (AHA), International Rescue Committee (IRC) conducted a three-day training for 141 community health workers (79 - Ajuong Thok, 62 - Pamir) on Information, Education and Communication (IEC) materials. Participants will use IECs to sensitise and educate their communities on HIV and AIDS in order to reduce the current stigma and increase the usage of services.

Western Equatoria

- In Makpandu refugee settlement, UNHCR and partner World Vision International (WVI) screened 762 refugees (344 men, 418 women) for Ebola virus, all of them tested negative. Also, 3,737 refugees (1,378 men, 2,359 women) were reached with Ebola awareness and sensitisation messages.

Food Security and Nutrition

Central Equatoria

- In Yei, UNHCR and partner United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) provided nutrition support to 18 mothers as a preventive measure against malnutrition. Items included rice and soya beans.

Upper Nile

- Across Maban's four refugee camps, UNHCR, World Food Programme (WFP) and Danish Refugee Council, ACTED and Samaritan's Purse conducted October monthly General Food Distributions (GFD) for 140,997 refugees during which soap was also distributed. Food items included; cereals, salt, vegetable cooking oil, and pulses. Additionally, 600 South Sudanese Pounds (SSP) were also distributed to all refugees for milling.

Unity

- In October, UNHCR, WFP and partners conducted GFD for 123,056 refugees (43,292 - Ajuong Thok, 30,598 - Pamir, 49,166 - Yida). The food ration served for October provided 1,017 Kcal per day (48.4%) which is significantly lower than the standard, which had a direct adverse effect on the nutrition status of the population.

Water and Sanitation

- Across the refugee camps in South Sudan, UNHCR and partners commemorated the 2018 Global Handwashing Day on 25th and 26th October. The Global Handwashing Day is commemorated every year on 15 October under the theme "clean hands - a recipe for health focuses on the links between handwashing and food - including food hygiene and nutrition."

Unity

- In October, the water supply coverage was 18.3 litres per person per day in Ajuong Thok camp, and 13.8 litres per person per day in Pamir camp. In Ajuong Thok refugee camp, crude latrine coverage was eight persons per latrine, and 11 persons per latrine in Pamir camp.
- In October, UNHCR partner Samaritan's Purse (SP) constructed 77 family latrines, while 24 latrines were decommissioned in Pamir and Ajuong Thok camps.

Upper Nile

- The water supply coverage across all four refugee camps in Maban was 21 litres per person per day.
- In Yusuf Batil refugee camp, UNHCR and partner ACTED completed the construction of six latrine stands for (four) teachers and (315) students.
- In Maban, UNHCR and partner ACTED connected a T70 litre tank in Doro extension site supplying water to four water points with six water taps each, generating 140,000 litres of water.

Central Equatoria

- UNHCR and partner United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) supported refugees to build 21 open wells at four locations: Yago, Kukuyi, Zabara and Lomi.

Western Equatoria

- In Makpandu refugee settlement, UNHCR and partner World Vision International (WVI) distributed laundry soap to 4,259 refugees.

Shelter and NFIs

Unity

- In Ajuong Thok and Pamir refugee camp, UNHCR distributed Core Relief Items (CRIs) to 254 newly arrived refugees (71 families) to ensure their dignified settlement in the camps. CRIs included kitchen sets, jerry cans, buckets, sleeping mats, blankets, mosquito net, and soap.

Upper Nile

- In Maban, UNHCR and partner Save the Children International distributed CRIs to 178 children with specific needs (83 boys, 95 girls) from the host community. CRIs included mosquito nets, buckets, cups, sleeping mats and bed sheets.
- In Doro refugee camp, UNHCR and partner Africa Action Help International (AAHI) refurbished 9.9km-long road and opened another 5.5km of secondary feeder roads in Doro extension site. These roads are essential to improve and address accessibility to all parts of the refugee camp.

Western Equatoria

- In Makpandu refugee settlement, UNHCR and partner World Vision International (WVI) distributed CRIs to 267 newly arrived refugees. Items included blankets, sleeping mats, mosquito nets, kitchen sets, jerry cans, buckets, plastic sheets and second-hand clothes.

Access to energy

Upper Nile

- In Maban, UNHCR and partner Relief International (RI) trained 38 Fuel Efficient Stove (FES) producers on moulding and production. Cumulatively, a total 187 fuel-efficient stoves have been produced to reduce environmental degradation and SGBV cases during the collection of firewood.

- In Gendrassa, Yusuf Batil and Doro refugee camps, RI supported the planting of 2,260 assorted tree seedlings (acacia, sesbania and neem) to mitigate deforestation in areas surrounding the refugee camps. Cumulatively, the woodlots contains 86,360 assorted tree species.

Community Empowerment and Self-Reliance

Upper Nile

- In Maban, UNHCR and partners ACTED and Relief International (RI) provided entrepreneurship training to 285 (113 men, 172 women) refugees and host community youths on budgeting, business costing, marketing, record keeping, financial management and business planning.
- In Maban, ACTED and RI completed tillage operations aimed at increasing access to arable land for refugees and host community during the 2018 planting season. Cumulatively, 1,161 acres (93% of planned target in 2018) has been ploughed for crop and vegetable production.
- In Maban, RI provided technical support to 43 Village Savings Loan Association (VSLA) groups comprising of 857 refugees (192 men, 665 women). These groups saved 165,865 South Sudanese Pounds in Yusuf Batil and Doro camps. VSLA promotes financial inclusion through increasing refugees' access to financial and social capital.
- In Kaya and Gendrassa refugee camps, ACTED completed the construction of 60 poultry houses for 60 persons with specific needs engaged in poultry rearing to increase consumption of protein at the household level and income generation.

Unity

- In Yida refugee settlement, UNHCR and partner Danish Refugee Council (DRC) conducted a one-day training for 20 selected members of the natural resources management committee in Jau County. The training is part of the handover process of the Yida orchard.

Central Equatoria

- In Yei, UNHCR and partner United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) conducted training for 53 (35 men, 8 women) farmers on good agronomic practices including timely weeding, pest and disease control, harvesting and good post-harvest handling practices. This will increase food production and reduce their negative coping mechanisms.
- In Yei, UNHCR enrolled 10 refugee youths (9 men, 1 woman) in a three-month advanced vocational training in carpentry and masonry.
- In Yei, two grinding mills installed in the first quarter of this year continue to operate and generate income for two refugee groups; Boboto and Dieu Merci. So far, 240,595 South Sudanese Pounds has been earned as profit.

Main Activities – IDP Programme

COORDINATION

Upper Nile

- In Malakal town, UNHCR and partner Humanitarian Development Consortium (HDC) rolled out the first Mobile Legal Clinic. 75 individuals (44 women, 31 men) attended and received legal information, advice and counselling on Housing, Land and Property (HLP) rights and remedies as well as on obtaining civil documents, accessing government social benefits, legal processes, registration with State Ministry of Health and potential access to government compensation schemes.
- In Malakal's Protection of Civilian (POC) site, HDC conducted an open day awareness session for 44 participants (20 men, 24 women) on Gender-Based Violence (GBV) and the use of the Community Based Complaint Mechanism (CBCM) box at the protection desk.

Bahr el Ghazal

- In Wau town, UNHCR supported 500 persons at risk of statelessness to enrol for nationality documents through the Department of Nationality Passport and Immigration (DNPI). Cumulatively, UNHCR has supported 2,500 most vulnerable persons, above the 2,000 target for 2018. These documents assist vulnerable groups in gaining access to education, employment and identification.

Jonglei

- In Bor, UNHCR through the Solution Working Group (SWG) supported the first and second voluntary relocation of 244 IDPs to Akobo, UNMISS airlifted these IDPs. UNHCR provided them with a cash grant to meet their needs while on the ground. Also, UNHCR provided dignity kits to female IDPs of reproductive age. The relocation provides a durable solution to IDPs who have been living in Bor POC site for five years.

OPERATIONS

Shelter and NFIs

Western Bahr el Ghaza

- In Bazia County, UNHCR distributed Core Relief Items (CRIs) to 4,150 vulnerable IDPs. CRI items included plastic sheets and jerry cans. IDPs fled from Western Equatoria as result of intensive fighting. Cumulatively, UNHCR has provided non-food assistance to 19,761 individuals since the beginning of 2018 in the Western Bahr el Ghazal region.

Central Equatoria

- In Yei, UNHCR and its partner, United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) distributed CRIs to 964 IDPs. Items included; blankets, kitchen sets, mosquito nets, jerry cans, washing soaps, second-hand clothes.

Unity

- In October, UNHCR and partner Danish Refugee Council distributed second-hand clothes to 3,300 IDPs in Kurkal and Kochtheyi in Bentiu and Rubkona towns.

Jonglei






- In Bor, UNHCR distributed sanitary materials kits comprising of sanitary cloths, bucket, soaps and underwear to 69 adolescent girls to improve their hygiene and sanitation.

Community empowerment and self-reliance

Jonglei

- In Duk County, UNHCR and partner Humanitarian and Development Consortium (HDC) trained 50 youth and women on microfinance management and business skills to enhance their management of small businesses. UNHCR will provide beneficiaries a starter grant to start a small business using the acquired skills. This will promote self-reliance among the internally displaced persons and host communities in the area.

UNHCR South Sudan Main Donors in 2018 (in USD)

United States of America		38,400,000
European Union		3,927,575
Japan		3,500,000
Republic of Korea	From the People of Japan 	1,507,080
Educate a Child Programme (EAC/EAA)		1,302,907
Canada		589,159
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Luxembourg		366,109

UNHCR's Main Donors in 2018

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