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Key figures:


24M
 people in need


3.34 M
 displaced in the last three years

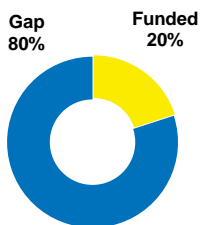
81% of Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) displaced for more than one year


1M IDP
 returnees

1.2M IDPs given in-kind or cash assistance in 2018


274,162
 refugees and asylum-seekers

Funding

 USD **198.6 M**
 required for 2019 operations

 USD **38.9 M** received as of 25 February 2019

IDP Response

UNHCR continues to meet the needs of displaced families across Yemen. A thousand of the most vulnerable displaced families in Sa'ada city and eastern Kitaf wa Al Boqe'e district (Sa'ada governorate) are to receive core relief items (CRIs) and emergency shelter kits (ESKs). Displaced persons (IDPs) in the boundary districts of Baqim, Kitaf wa Al Boqe'e, Razih, Shada'a and Ad Dhaher continue to move towards the centre regions of Sa'ada, Sahar and As Safra districts due to continued armed clashes and airstrikes. So far in 2019, a total of 712 CRIs and 11 ESKs have already been distributed in Sa'ada governorate, the largest number in Sa'ada district.

Based on the needs identified by UNHCR partner YARD in the northern border region of Al Jawf governorate, a total of 1,750 families are also to receive ESKs in the western districts of Kharab Al Marashi, Barat Al Anan and Rajuzah. According to IOM (October 2018), Al Jawf had had one of the lowest numbers of IDP families. However, due to recent armed clashes and airstrikes in the centre-west of Al Jawf district, several thousand families were reportedly displaced. The scope of this displacement is currently being verified.

A total of 194 newly displaced IDP families from Al Hudaydah were identified by UNHCR partner YRC in the Amran governorate. The majority of these families received CRIs while assessments are still on-going. In Amran governorate, 1,723 IDP families have been identified since June 2018, of which 1,401 have received CRI assistance.

UNHCR's response in Hajjah governorate

In Abs district, 1,140 recently displaced individuals received targeted awareness sessions on psychosocial support, SGBV, hygiene and education through UNHCR partner ADRA. Abs is where the majority of the 25,000 recently displaced families in Hajjah governorate have temporarily settled.

On 21 February, 76 IDP families hosted in the stadium IDP site in Hajjah City received CRIs through partner Jeel Albena. The IDPs comprise of those who fled Hajjah in 2016 and more recently those from Hudaydah in June 2018. In 2016, UNHCR rehabilitated the site, while Oxfam provided a number of latrines. The WFP regularly distributes food baskets.

Cash assistance for shelter and protection needs

As a follow-up to the 9,053 IDP households that received the first round of cash assistance this year in the southern governorates, UNHCR SO Aden visited the financial provider Al Amal bank to evaluate the implementation. It is noteworthy that 16 per cent of the beneficiaries are from the extremely vulnerable host community, and almost 30 per cent of individuals collected their cash within two days, emphasizing the urgent need of cash intervention.

UNHCR completed the assessment and confirmation of the beneficiaries for cash winter support for 1,086 IDP households in Ash Shamayatayn and Al Ma'aafer districts (Taizz governorate). Beneficiaries include 886 households fleeing violence in Al Hudaydah governorate and 200 from the vulnerable host community. UNHCR SO Aden is providing IDPs in Taizz governorate with winter assistance, after IOM's provision was ended in 2018.



Displaced people from Hajjah and Hudayah governorates live in an IDP site, previously a stadium in Hajjah City. ©UNHCR/Rashed Al Dubai.

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