

Sudan Regional Refugee Response Plan

January - December 2026

AT A GLANCE

5.9 Million

TOTAL PLANNING FIGURES

US\$ 1.6 Billion

FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS

123

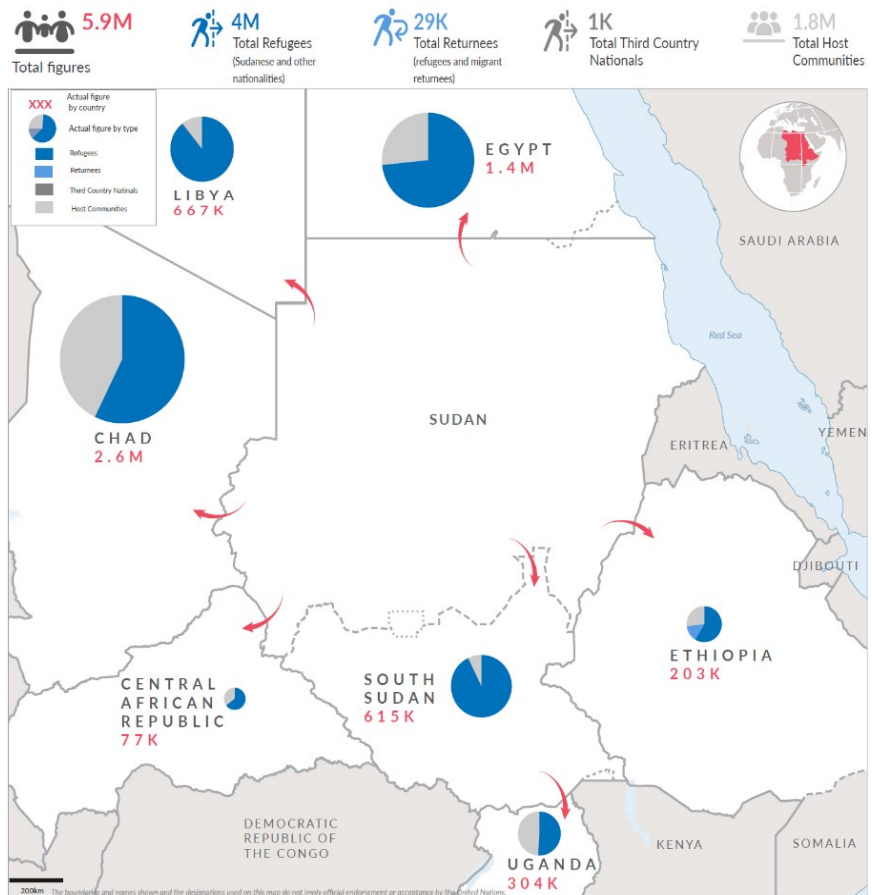
PARTNERS¹

OVERVIEW

Sudan is the world's largest displacement and protection crisis, with the violence creating a humanitarian catastrophe across the country and region. After nearly three years of conflict which began in April 2023, some 4.4 million refugees remain displaced in the Central African Republic, Chad, Egypt, Ethiopia, Libya, South Sudan, and Uganda². The majority of Sudanese refugees are hosted in Egypt and Eastern Chad.

The asylum countries host new arrivals in addition to 840,000 Sudanese refugees who were already in the region pre-April 2023, as well as receiving their own citizens returning under adverse circumstances³. Arrivals often enter impoverished areas with limited services and economic opportunities. Disrupted cross-border trade between Sudan and its neighbours has driven food and fuel inflation, worsening macroeconomic pressures. Food insecurity has spilt across borders, with 1 in 10 newly arrived Sudanese refugee children in Chad being malnourished. In addition to poor infrastructure in border areas, countries including Central African Republic, Ethiopia, Libya and South Sudan face insecurity, with armed actors exacerbating instability and interrupting access for the humanitarian response. The anticipated reduction in peacekeeping capacity in the Central African Republic and South Sudan further threatens safe movement and the delivery of assistance. Extreme weather events have compounded needs in South Sudan and Chad, causing damage to shelter and infrastructure, disrupting livelihoods, and hindering aid delivery. Concurrently, there have been cholera outbreaks in South Sudan, Chad and Ethiopia in 2025, linked to Sudan's outbreak. Uganda, despite not bordering Sudan, has received about 91,000 Sudanese refugees, adding to more than 1.9 million refugees in the country. Severe underfunding of the 2025 humanitarian response has reduced humanitarian assistance across all the receiving countries, heightening the vulnerability of refugees and the communities hosting them.

The pursuit for peace continues with multiple ceasefire attempts. Return of displaced Sudanese is ongoing⁴ and expected to continue in 2026. Some are choosing to return to areas of relative calm, while others are compelled by hardship in asylum countries. However, returnees find widespread destruction, insecurity, and sometimes continued conflict. In 2025, Sudan was ranked as the deadliest conflict in Africa, with over 17,000 civilian fatalities between January and November 2025⁵ and widespread reports of sexual violence. Essential services have collapsed, and parties to the conflict are blocking humanitarian access in some areas. Many returnees are forced to flee again, whether internally or across international borders. In October 2025, the Rapid Support Force (RSF) captured El Fasher in the North Darfur region, triggering a new surge of violence, displacement and loss of life. By December, intense fighting had extended to Kordofan. Conflict and human rights violations are likely to persist into 2026, prolonging displacement and leaving over 4 million Sudanese refugees in seven asylum countries in urgent need of assistance. The RRP countries continue to show solidarity despite overstretched resources, underscoring the need for sustained international support.



¹ UN agencies and some international NGOs are operational in more than one country but are counted only once as a partner in the RRP, although their interventions may vary by country.

² <https://data.unhcr.org/en/situations/sudansituation>

³ Between 2023 and 2025, approximately 870,000 refugees hosted by Sudan returned to their home countries, primarily to South Sudan, CAR, and Ethiopia. Many Chadian migrants also returned home.

⁴ An estimated over 3.5 million displaced Sudanese inside Sudan and in neighbouring countries have returned to their home areas, since January 2025. This includes close to 721,000 Sudanese refugees who had fled Sudan seeking safety in neighbouring countries, mainly Egypt and South Sudan, with smaller numbers coming from Libya. More information on is available here: [CORE Sudan: Sudanese returns from neighbouring countries – 31 January 2026](#)

⁵ [Conflict Index | ACLED](#)

SO 1: Support host countries in ensuring access to territory and asylum for all individuals in need of international protection, in compliance with the principle of non-refoulement and other regional and international obligations, including maintaining the civilian and humanitarian character of asylum.

SO 2: Support host countries in providing critical protection and humanitarian assistance for refugees particularly new arrivals, including food, shelter, health, and protection services.

SO 3: Support host countries to strengthen institutional and local capacity to include refugees in national systems and services, including through access to documentation.

SO 4: Investing in sustainable response and “solutions from the start” through engagement with development actors and the private sector to promote self-reliance.

SO 5: Enhancing emergency preparedness and response to conflict-related displacement, outbreak of diseases and climate disasters.

The 2026 Sudan Regional Refugee Response Plan (RRP) outlines a financial requirement of USD 1.6 billion to address the needs of 4 million refugees and 1.8 million host community. The response has dual delivery, providing critical life-saving assistance and sustainable responses. Of the total appeal, USD 1 million has been prioritized to cover the critical, life-saving needs of 3.4 million conflict-affected people. Among the critical needs is life-saving assistance—including food, shelter, healthcare, and protection services for the new arrivals and other vulnerable refugees. The RRP also includes emergency preparedness and rapid response to conflict-related displacement, recurrent disease outbreaks, and climate-induced disasters such as floods. Host governments will be supported in maintaining access to their territory and asylum for refugees, as well as in preserving the civilian character of asylum.

The Regional RRP encompasses a range of core sectors to address the needs of affected populations. These sectors include Basic Needs, Education, Food Security, Protection (including Child Protection and Gender-Based Violence), Public Health and Nutrition, Livelihoods and Socio-Economic Inclusion, Logistics, Telecoms and Operational Support, Settlement, Shelter and Housing, and Water, Sanitation and Hygiene. Together, these sectors form the foundation of a comprehensive response to ensure safety, dignity, and well-being for refugees and host communities.

The pursuit of a sustainable response is informed by a “Solutions from the Start” approach that strengthens institutional and local capacities to integrate refugees into national systems, including through documentation and access to essential services, guided by the [Global Compact on Refugees](#). Government leadership and the engagement of development actors and the private sector will help drive sustainability and self-reliance for both refugees and host communities. The response will continue to pursue climate-resilient and sustainable human settlements to withstand recurrent floods, drought, and other adverse climate events while promoting environmental sustainability and community participation. The aim is to create safe, livable communities for both displaced and host populations, supporting a shift from temporary camps to integrated, long-term settlements that strengthen resilience and social cohesion. To reinforce the humanitarian, development and peace nexus, the [Development Partners Group for the Sudan Regional Refugee Crisis](#) will continue to promote coordination and engagement with development partners across the seven asylum countries and Sudan.



Sudanese refugee women in the Ura settlement, Ethiopia
August 2025
©UNHCR/Sona Dadi

PROJECTED POPULATION PLANNING FIGURES

Country	Refugees	Returnees	Third Country Nationals ⁵	Host Community	Total
Central African Republic	50,000			27,000	77,000
Chad	1,480,700			1,105,000	2,585,700
Egypt	1,042,600			374,300	1,416,900
Ethiopia	119,500	29,000		54,600	203,100
Libya	596,000		1,000	70,000	667,000
South Sudan	571,900			43,100	615,000
Uganda	154,800			148,900	303,700
Total	4,015,500	29,000	1,000	1,822,900	5,868,400

**2026 SUDAN REGIONAL
REFUGEE RESPONSE PLAN**

January-December 2026


2026 FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS⁶

SECTOR	CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC	CHAD	EGYPT	ETHIOPIA	LIBYA	SOUTH SUDAN	UGANDA	TOTAL US\$
Basic Needs	4,001,057	37,062,575	53,392,288	15,884,002	17,410,000	33,802,791	1,230,000	162,782,713
Education	2,535,398	25,859,439	28,487,787	8,362,041	7,550,000	15,174,233	14,185,088	102,153,986
Food Security	22,546,879	198,259,873	76,694,691	18,132,520	24,723,320	65,162,771	1,290,000	406,810,054
Protection (including Child Protection & Gender-Based Violence)	7,195,113	79,942,570	43,546,429	20,936,639	27,116,800	68,168,491	39,322,620	286,228,661
Public Health & Nutrition	6,172,108	78,356,211	48,138,893	11,043,519	31,096,070	51,966,119	11,376,608	238,149,528
Livelihoods & Economic Inclusion	2,691,500	52,605,082	21,795,282	7,503,764	1,950,000	34,996,718	10,301,459	131,843,804
Supply (Logistics & Procurement)	1,805,708	4,868,540	3,176,201	1,997,717	-	-	-	11,848,166
Telecommunications	172,887	2,693,540	-	621,568	-	-	-	3,487,995
Settlement & Shelter & Housing	2,473,057	19,348,007	565,000	12,796,973	-	60,571,905	4,105,846	99,860,788
Water, Sanitation & Hygiene	5,589,816	67,832,328	1,520,000	13,851,103	5,703,000	32,565,346	12,217,853	139,272,446
Coordination	-	828,241	-	-	-	-	-	828,241
Energy & Environment	-	-	-	2,617,717	-	-	6,103,344	8,721,061
GRAND TOTAL US\$	55,183,523	567,656,406	277,316,570	113,747,563	115,549,190	362,408,373	100,132,818	1,591,994,443

 FOR MORE INFORMATION [Sudan Situation Data Portal](#)

⁶ The absence of figures under specific sectors in this budget table does not indicate a lack of financial resources allocated in the country. Due to country-specific contextual considerations, certain budget lines have been integrated into other sectors where related activities are being implemented.

REGIONAL RRP PARTNERS 2026

Agency Type	Partner	CAR	Chad	Egypt	Ethiopia	Libya	South Sudan ⁷	Uganda	Grand Total
Development actor	African Development Bank			500,000					500,000
IFRC/Natl Society	Egyptian Red Crescent			1,232,000					1,232,000
IFRC/Natl Society	Fédération Internationale des Sociétés de la Croix-Rouge et du Croissant-Rouge		627,250						627,250
IFRC/Natl Society	Italian Red Cross		600,000						600,000
IFRC/Natl Society	South Sudan Red CROSS								
IFRC/Natl Society	Uganda Red Cross Society							1,930,000	1,930,000
NNGO	Action for the Needy in Ethiopia				402,500				402,500
NNGO	Action pour la Protection de la santé, de l'environnement et la lutte contre la pénurie alimentaire		500,000						500,000
NNGO	Action pour le Développement, l'Humanitaire, l'Education, la Solidarité et la Cohésion Sociale		3,000,000						3,000,000
NNGO	Africa Development Aid								
NNGO	African Women and Youth Action for Development							1,100,000	1,100,000
NNGO	Agency for Cooperation and Research in Development							800,000	800,000
NNGO	Al Gad			317,184					317,184
NNGO	Arab Women			225,000					225,000
NNGO	Association Pour la Coopération Internationale au Développement		875,000						875,000
NNGO	Association Pour Le Soutien Des Enfants De Rue, Orphelins Et Enfants Vulnérables		52,000						52,000
NNGO	Bunyan			23,500					23,500
NNGO	Care Egypt Foundation			967,200					967,200
NNGO	Center of Egyptian Family Development Foundation			260,000					260,000
NNGO	Coalition for Humanity								
NNGO	Comité Local d'Etude, d'Execution, d'Evaluation et d'Accompagnement des Projets		1,640,000						1,640,000
NNGO	Community Engagement Network								
NNGO	Community In Need Aid								
NNGO	Education for youth empowerment Uganda							65,000	65,000
NNGO	Egyptian Association for Comprehensive Development			300,000					300,000
NNGO	Give Directly							5,000,000	5,000,000
NNGO	Hold the Child								
NNGO	Impact for Community Development			260,820					260,820
NNGO	Life Makers Foundation			8,900,000					8,900,000
NNGO	National Initiatives for Development Organization								
NNGO	Network for Environment Programs								
NNGO	NIRVANA		1,895,857						1,895,857
NNGO	ONG Guéra Touristique		500,000						500,000
NNGO	PsychoPlus							32,000	32,000

⁷ South Sudan Response Plan is piloting an activity-based costing model akin to the Humanitarian Needs Response Plans as an effort to standardize the approaches in the humanitarian system. Therefore, budgets are allocated at the sector level and are currently not available by partner.

Agency Type	Partner	CAR	Chad	Egypt	Ethiopia	Libya	South Sudan	Uganda	Grand Total
INGO	INKOMOKO								
INGO	Innovative Humanitarian Solutions.				90,000				90,000
INGO	International Medical Corps	935,000	1,100,000						2,035,000
INGO	International Rescue Committee		5,431,870		1,186,390	2,310,000			8,928,260
INGO	INTERSOS					3,684,200			3,684,200
INGO	Jesuit Refugee Service							50,000	50,000
INGO	LM International		204,940						204,940
INGO	Lutheran World Federation							1,951,692	1,951,692
INGO	Médecins Du Monde	26,500							26,500
INGO	Medical Teams International				435,677			145,418	581,095
INGO	Mentor Initiatives								
INGO	Norwegian Church Aid								
INGO	Norwegian Refugee Council		7,296,383		10,189,250	4,100,000		2,625,000	24,210,633
INGO	Oxford Committee for Relief Famine		574,009						574,009
INGO	Peace Winds Japan								
INGO	Plan International			7,161,182	1,523,935				8,685,117
INGO	Relief International								
INGO	Samaritains Purse								
INGO	Save the Children International			11,775,697				2,013,750	13,789,447
INGO	Secours Islamique - Tchad		520,844						520,844
INGO	Société de Développement International		496,500						496,500
INGO	Solidarités International		6,409,876						6,409,876
INGO	Street Child							250,000	250,000
INGO	Strong Minds Uganda							259,232	259,232
INGO	Terre Des Hommes International			403,000					403,000
INGO	Terre Des Hommes Italy					1,200,000			1,200,000
INGO	Transcultural Psychosocial Organization							76,000	76,000
INGO	WAMY		320,000						320,000
INGO	War Child Alliance							550,000	550,000
INGO	War Child Holland								
INGO	Water Mission Uganda							200,000	200,000
INGO	WeWorld					140,000			140,000
INGO	Windle International Uganda							4,500,000	4,500,000
INGO	Windle Trust International								
INGO	World Vision International		31,500,000		617,074			30,000	32,147,074
INGO	World Youth Organization Limited							450,000	450,000
UN Agency	Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations		20,914,740					2,511,750	23,426,490
UN Agency	International Labour Organization			5,047,155				400,000	5,447,155
UN Agency	International Organization for Migration			18,950,065	3,600,000	14,000,000			36,550,065
UN Agency	United Nations Children's Fund	10,496,784	59,153,353	10,570,000	4,005,078	15,600,000		1,783,988	101,609,203
UN Agency	United Nations Development Programme	586,500		5,000,000		630,000		1,500,000	7,716,500
UN Agency	United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees	18,236,032	185,954,775	100,150,415	67,087,399	25,000,000		46,923,811	443,352,432

Agency Type	Partner	CAR	Chad	Egypt	Ethiopia	Libya	South Sudan ⁸	Uganda	Grand Total
UN Agency	United Nations Human Settlements Programme			200,000					200,000
UN Agency	United Nations Population Fund	1,500,000	7,943,600	4,416,385	1,500,000	5,627,000		1,975,000	22,961,985
UN Agency	United Nations World Food Programme	22,546,879	186,509,063	75,321,269	18,024,260	24,342,190		5,791,450	332,535,111
UN Agency	United Nations Mine Action Service								
UN Agency	United Nations Office for Project Services								
UN Agency	UN -Women	560,000		1,100,000				1,207,770	2,867,770
UN Agency	World Health Organization	295,828	9,352,000	19,395,000		10,910,000		9,000,000	48,952,828
Grand Total		55,183,523	567,656,406	277,316,570	113,747,563	115,549,190	362,408,373	100,132,818	1,591,994,443

⁸ South Sudan Response Plan is piloting an activity-based costing model akin to the Humanitarian Needs Response Plans as an effort to standardize the approaches in the humanitarian system. Therefore, budgets are allocated at the sector level and are currently not available by partner.