



Operational Highlights

- The UN Refugee Agency provides **protection and multi-sectorial assistance** in coordination with **CONAREF** (*Commission Nationale Pour les Réfugiés*) along with UN Agencies and 17 NGOs it coordinates to **45,699 Malian Refugees**.
- Consolidation of Camps:** UNHCR has consolidated **3 official camps** (Goudoubo, Mentao and Sag-nioniogo) in order to improve UNHCR's ability to deliver assistance as well as relocating the refugees at a safer distance from the border. Since mid-October 2012, over 11,300 refugees have been relocated from camps and spontaneous site located near the border.
- Biometric Registration:** UNHCR in Burkina Faso has finalized the first phase of the Biometric Registration Level III launched on 19 August. The first phase included Ouagadougou and Bobo-Dioulasso cit and Sag-nioniogo and Mentao camp. So far, the results of Mentao Camp have been consolidated with 12,270 refugees and the registration exercise is underway in Goudoubo camp.
- Launch of Food and Cash Transfers by UNHCR-WFP:** During the month of September, WFP in collaboration with UNHCR undertook cash-transfers to all official refugee camps in Burkina Faso (Sag-nioniogo, Mentao and Goudoubo), except in the spontaneous Sites of Ouadalan. The cash-food transfer is an effort to adapt food assistance to the current needs of the refugee population.
- Refugee Committees:** CONAREF (Camp Administrator), IEDA-RELIEF (Camp Manager) and UNHCR (Inter-Camp Coordinator) completed the election and training of four refugee committees and four sectorial committee in Sag-nioniogo.
- Income Generating Activities:** 401 women have received cash-grants from **IEDA-Relief** and have been further trained on the efficient use of their cash grant (150 Mentao, 150 Goudoubo, 50 Sag-nioniogo and 51 in Bobo-Dioulasso). **CREDO** has selected 10 children for vocational and technical education. The NGO **Terre des Hommes** continues to follow up on their income generating grants provided to 335 refugees (156 Goudoubo, 106 Sag-nioniogo and 73 in Bobo-Dioulasso).

Working With Partners

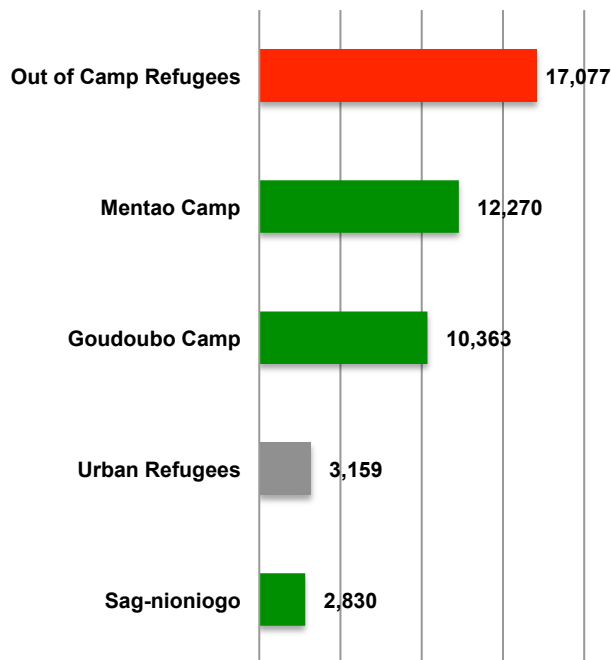
In order to ensure the **international protection** of refugees and **coordinate** their assistance, UNHCR works closely with **CONAREF** (*Commission Nationale Pour les Réfugiés*) and with partners.

Partnership with other UN agencies: **FAO** for Animal Health and Animal Husbandry | **UNFPA** for SGBV and Family Planning | **UNICEF** for Child Protection, WASH, Nutrition and Education | **WFP** for supply of food commodities | **WHO** for Health.

UNHCR current implementing Partners: **AIRD:** warehouse management and logistics | **Christian Relief and Dev. Org (CREDO):** urban refugees | **CONAREF:** camp admin, protection, registration and civil/humanitarian character of refugees camps | **Croix Rouge du Burkina Faso:** WASH, shelter, distribution of food and non-food items (NFIs) | **Croix-Rouge Française:** health-care in Sag-nioniogo | **CSSI:** Health care in Bobo-dioulasso | **Danish Refugee Council (DRC):** border monitoring and sensitization of host pop for peaceful co-existence with host population | **HELP-Germany:** co-existence projects for refugees and host population | **Int. Emergency and Dev. Aid (IEDA):** Camp management and community services generally | **Medecins du Monde (MDM)-France:** Health and nutrition (Soum) | **Medecins du Monde (MDM)-Spain:** Health and nutrition (Goudoubo) | **Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC):** shelter strategy and distribution | **OCADES Caritas Burkina:** Firewood distribution and collection among, environment preservation | **Oxfam:** Water and Sanitation in Sahel Camps | **Plan Burkina:** education | **Save the Children:** Nutrition in Goudoubo camp and secondary schooling in Mentao camp | **Terre des Hommes (TDH):** protection and awareness-raising | **Tin-Hinane:** sensitization of the refugees | **Vétérinaires Sans Frontières (VSF):** animal health and animal husbandry.

Operational Partners: Catholic Relief Services (CRS) | Spanish Red Cross | Ordre de Malte | Croix-Rouge de Monaco | Croix-Rouge du Luxembourg | MSF-France | International Organization for Migration (OIM) | ADRA

Refugee Site Populations Total Population: 45,699 Refugees



Other Refugees in Burkina Faso

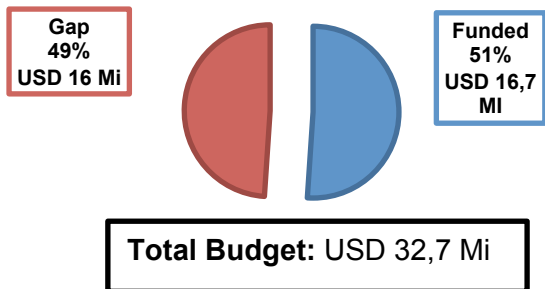
Top 5 Refugee Countries of Origins in BKF

1) Chad	182
2) Congo Brazza	94
3) Rwanda	79
4) Burundi	61
5) Dem. Rep. Congo	47
OTHERS	80
TOTAL	543

Top 5 Asylum- Seekers' Countries of Origins in BKF

1) Cote d'Ivoire	224
2) Chad	84
3) Congo Brazza	78
4) Togo	72
5) Dem. Rep. Congo	50
OTHERS	165
TOTAL	673

Funding and Gap for UNHCR Burkina Faso



Donors to UNHCR Burkina Faso

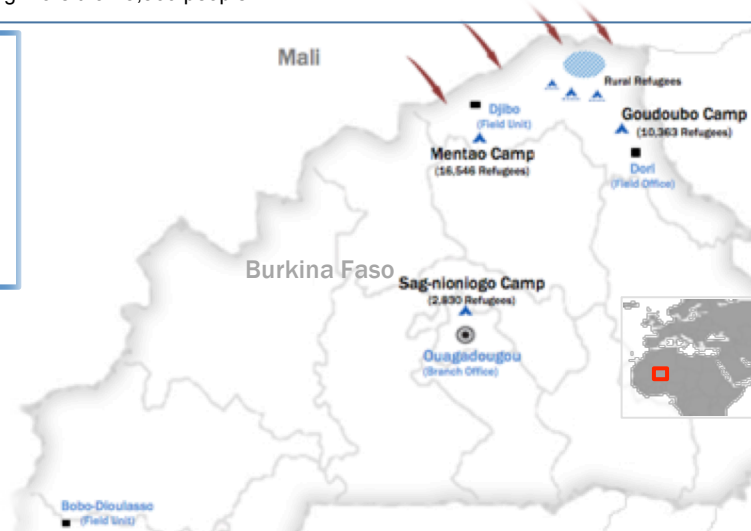
USA	\$5,100,000.00
Japan	\$5,000,000.00
ECHO	\$2,437,221.00
UK	\$2,053,968.00
Denmark	\$1,700,000.00
France	\$320,000.00
UNICEF	\$71,500.00
Private Donors	\$37,250.00
Holy See	\$5,000.00

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Biometric Registration Level III:** The biometric registration exercise has finalized in Mentao camp where there has been a first round registration (5 September to 4 October) and a second round verification (17 to 18 October). The result of Mentao shows a 26% decrease of refugee population going from 16,546 individuals (4,841 households) to 12,270 individuals (3,730 households) due to large number of absentees engaging in nomadic type movements and possible returns to Mali that are currently being verified. Currently, the registration team is working in Goudoubo camp with the support of **Caritas, IEDA-Relief, the Norwegian Refugee Council, Plan-International, Save the Children, AIRD and health partners**. After Goudoubo finalizes in mid-November, in the host villages of Gandafabou, Gwelele, Fererio, Gountoure Gnegne, Deou, Dibissi and Tin Hedja where out of camp refugees live are next. Sensitization campaigns are currently underway in these locations, which also provide an opportunity to undertake protection monitoring in these locations.
- Punctual Cash Grants for Protection Purposes:** The NGO **Terre des Hommes** provides small cash grant for the support of protection cases. During the month of October, 77 persons (13 men | 64 women* 33 women from the host population) received cash grants. These include: female-headed households, elderly refugees with young children, handicapped persons and victims of SGBV.
- Special Seasonal distributions for Tabaski in all camps:** In Goudoubo, **ASDC** distributed 43 beef and **IEDA-Relief** 45 beef and 80 sheep; in Sag-nionogo, **IEDA-Relief** distributed 28 sheep and the Saudi Arabian Embassy 30; In Mentao, IEDA-Relief distributed two large cows per zone; the Turkish NGO IHH 35 cows and the International Islamic Charities' Foundation 6 cows; for Bobo-Dioulasso, 15 sheep were distributed to the refugees in the five main urban sectors where the refugees reside.
- Environment:** On the 4 October 45 refugee households in Goudoubo were trained on the use of the solar cookers type "blazing tube" by UNHCR/OCADES. On the following day, these 45 refugee households received each their own prototype. On 21 October 50 refugees received training on solar cookers by UNHCR/OCADES. For Mentao, solar cookers were distributed equitably to all Mentao Zones.
- Maternal Milk:** In Goudoubo Camp, **Save the Children** sensitized 119 women on the importance of maternal milk and breast-feeding.
- First Aid:** in Sag-nionogo, the **Burkina Faso Red Cross** trained a group of 27 refugees on first aid rescue from the 21 to 24 of October.
- Psycho-social assistance:** In three refugee localities, **Terre des Hommes** provided psycho-social support to a total of 672 refugees (277 in Goudoubo, 364 in Sag-nionogo, 31 in Bobo-Dioulasso). Psycho-social support has been provided to mental patients and their families, elderly refugee, victims of SGBV and pathological medical cases.
- Mental Health:** In all refugee locations, **Terre des Hommes** has been following up the case of 37 children (21 Boys | 16 Girls) and 53 adults (23 Men | 30 Women) who suffer from mental health.
- Peaceful Cohabitation Workshop:** **HELP** continues sensitizing host population by promoting peaceful coexistence with radio broadcast in local languages; the organization of conferences for 1,182 persons and 14 talks for 527 persons of the refugees and host communities. Topics such as excessive cutting of wood, wandering animals, the non-compliance of livestock corridors and non-compliance with road regulations were talked about. The **Danish Refugee Council** has also undertaken awareness-raising campaigns on peaceful cohabitation with theatrical troops who visited 28 villages/localities reaching more than 3,500 people.

- Ouagadougou (Branch Office)
- UNHCR Field Presence
- Permanent Refugee Camps
- Refugee Spontaneous Sites
- Rural Refugees
- Entry Points into Burkina Faso

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