

LIBYA

9 - 16 November 2017

Key figures

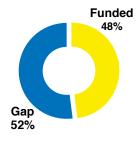
204,458 Libyans currently internally displaced (IDPs) ¹

301,988 returned IDPs (returns registered in 2017) ¹

43,608 registered refugees and asylumseekers in Libya ²

114,309 persons arrived in Italy by sea so far in 2017 ³

Funding USD 77.2 M requested in 2017



¹ IOM-DTM August 2017

15 November 2017

Highlights

UNHCR appreciates the cooperation with authorities in Libya and Niger, who facilitated the departure and safe arrival of 25 refugees from Tripoli, Libya to Niamey, Niger on 11 November. The group of 15 men, 6 women and 4 children from Eritrea, Ethiopia and Sudan was accompanied during the entire journey by UNHCR staff. This is the first evacuation from Libya as part of the newly established UNHCR Emergency Transit Mechanism (ETM) in Niger. This mechanism will facilitate targeted resettlement for individual cases, small groups, families, and persons of concern to UNHCR. The ETM will support the processing of persons in need of international protection, mainly for resettlement purposes but also for other complementary legal pathways, and voluntary repatriation. So far in 2017, UNHCR has resettled 78 refugees from Libya to a third country and another 177 individuals are in the process of onward resettlement.

UNHCR Response

Since 5 November, UNHCR and its partner LibAid have distributed core relief items to 1,883 internally displaced persons (IDPs) and returnees in Benghazi, particularly in the quarters Assabri, Sook Al Hoot and Albilad. UNHCR and LibAid are distributing blankets, mats, hygiene kits, kitchen sets, plastic sheets, winter jackets and solar lamps to families in need of humanitarian assistance. In 2017, UNHCR has provided 16,153 IDPs and returnees with core relief items. Another 3,000 individuals have been assisted by ACTED with multiple cash-based interventions in Benghazi and surrounding areas. UNHCR continues to identify quick impact projects in the areas of education, WASH, public infrastructure and recreational activities. Through its partner LibAid, UNHCR reached out to 42 IDPs families, who were recently displaced by floods caused by heavy rains in Jardinah town (35 km south of Benghazi), distributing core relief items and to 35 families in Al Marj (85 km east of Benghazi) who were affected by the earthquake on 11 November.

UNHCR, IOM and partners in the Mixed Migration Working Group continue to address the situation of refugees and migrants in detention centres in Tripoli and surrounding cities. According to reports, some 1,500 refugees and migrants were found in Al Maya, west of Tripoli. These persons were freed as a result of clashes in Warshefana, south of Tripoli. UNHCR and IMC continue to provide medical and humanitarian assistance to presons in need. Throughout 2017, UNHCR has conducted 905 monitoring visits to 34 detention centres. Following events in Sabratha, UNHCR sent advocacy letters for the release of over 2,000 refugees and asylum-seekers. So far in 2017, 947 refugees have been released from detention following UNHCR's advocacy.

During the week, UNHCR, IMC and CESVI assisted 718 refugees and asylum-seekers in the two Community Development Centres (CDCs) in Tripoli. UNHCR noted an increase of approximately 300 individuals visiting the CDCs compared to the previous week, most likely coming from Sabratha and surrounding areas. They received primary healthcare, documentation, counselling, referrals, core relief items and cash-based interventions. In partnership with UNICEF, IOM, the National Centre for Disease Control and IMC, UNHCR initiated a vaccination campaign for refugees and asylum-seekers in the CDCs. During this week, outreach teams visited 32 refugees and asylum-seekers living in and around Tripoli to assess their needs.

UNHCR is grateful to Austria, Canada, CERF, the European Union, Italy, Germany, Luxembourg, Sweden and the United States of America for their contributions to the UNHCR operation in Libya.

² Data as of 31 October 2017

³ www.data2.unhcr.org as of

Key Figures



550,054 people of concern



43,608 registered refugees & asylum seekers



204,458* internally displaced persons



301,988* IDP returnees

UNHCR Coordinated Sectors



Protection Sector



Shelter & NFI Sector



Cash & Markets Working Group



Mixed Migration Working Group (Co-led by UNHCR & IOM)





28,255 medical consultations



78,445 IDPs and refugees received core relief items



5,084 individuals registered



3,855 rescue kits and 2,522 medical consultations provided at disembarkation points



907 monitoring visits to 34 detention centres



947 detained refugees/asylum seekers released



2,080 IDP and refugee households received cash assistance



13 capacity building events for stakeholders

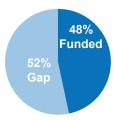


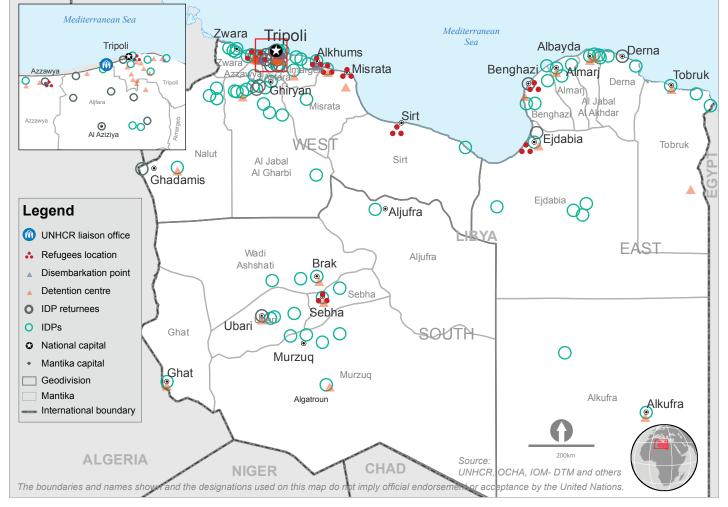
UNHCR Funding Requirements



USD 77.2 million required in 2017 for Libya

emergency response





* IOM-DTM