



Settlement Fact Sheet: Olua January 2018

West Nile Region	Olua I/II		Data collected
Adjumani District	Total refugee population:	Registered refugee population*	through <sup>1</sup> :
	9,411* registered refugees	Olua I Age Olua II	
	<b>41</b> ** pending registration	<b>614</b> 0-4 626	6 beneficiary focus group discussions
ANARTH	With <b>168,917</b> nationals and	<b>1,722</b> 5-11 <b>1,697</b>	2 key informant interviews
	<b>239,335</b> refugees in Adjumani District, refugees in Olua account for	<b>1,176 1</b> 2-17 <b>1,243</b>	
	2% of the district population.	<b>1,159</b> 18-59 961	9 partner interviews
	Settlement first established: 1989	<b>117  </b> 60+ <b> 96</b>	<b>8</b> sector lead interviews

Originally closed in 2006 after many South Sudanese refugees returned home, Olua I/II was reopened in 2012 to host another influx of South Sudanese refugees fleeing inter-communal violence. Settlement residents, similarly to other refugees in Adjumani district, live in close proximity to Ugandan nationals and share services and institutions with the host community. Although there is relatively peaceful coexistence between communities, refugees face challenging conditions and need more extensive assistance relating to livelihoods opportunities and education in particular.

### Gaps & Challenges



Many refugees cannot afford secondary school fees and other school-related costs. Some parents and caregivers resort to selling part of their distributed food rations to be able to keep their children in school. Some primary schools lack teacher housing and sufficient latrines.



There are **few opportunities for livelihoods** and income generation. Savings and Credit Cooperative Societies (SACCOs) are not active in the settlement and start-up capital for businesses is not readily available. Some host community landowners have reportedly reclaimed land that was previously rented to groups of refugee farmers, further limiting livelihoods opportunities. Persons with specific needs (PSNs) are also more vulnerable to having their livestock stolen because they are not as easily able to protect their property.

**Reproductive and maternal healthcare is inadequate** in both health centers serving Olua. There are not enough midwives providing appropriate services for pregnant women and referrals to other facilities are infrequent. The supply of medicines at Lewa Health Center II, which serves both nationals and refugees, is reportedly insufficient to meet patient needs.



Refugees lack the materials and funds to repair and rehabilitate their grass-thatch **semi-permanent shelters that have been damaged by weather or worn out.** Because some PSNs' semi-permanent shelters are unfinished, they have to live in emergency tents that were distributed when they initially arrived to the settlement.



**Food distributions are often delayed** and plot sizes are not sufficient for refugees to cultivate enough food to supplement rations. In addition to small plot size, soil quality is reportedly poor for harvesting crops. In particular, children are vulnerable to malnutrition because of the lack of food and variety in their diets.



**Poor road conditions** inhibit partners from reaching all areas of the settlement and delay their operations. Road conditions also inhibit refugees' access to critical health services.

There is a **need for a wellness center**, where refugees can safely meet to discuss issues and participate in recreational activities. Refugees with specific protection needs would benefit from a nearby **protection house**, a facility to stay on a temporary basis until a durable solution is found.

## Strengths & Opportunities





Elderly refugees, especially women who cannot farm, would benefit from **unconditional cash transfers** to supplement income, rather than traditional livelihoods interventions.

\* Refugee statistics source: Refugee Information Management System (RIMS) - Office of the Prime Minister
\*\* Source of refugee pending registration figure: Office of the Prime Minister

1. Indicator standards to measure gaps were determined by global humanitarian standards, Ugandan national standards, or sector experts for each settlement. Data was collected in November and December

## Partner organizations AFOD, AMREF, CBF, DRC, MTI, SCI, SE, UNHCR, URCS, WFP, WIU

https://ugandarefugees.org For more information on this fact sheet please contact: UNHCR, ugakaimug@unhcr.org REACH, uganda@reach-initiative.org







REA

Informing more effective humanitarian action **UNHCR** Uganda Refugee Response Monitoring The UN Refugee Agency

Settlement Fact Sheet: Olua | January 2018



unded by uropean Union ivil Protection and lumanitarian Aid

 $\overline{}$ 

UKald

https://ugandarefugees.org For more information on this fact sheet please contact: UNHCR, ugakaimug@unhcr.org REACH, uganda@reach-initiative.org

2

Informing more effective humanitarian action



# **UNHCR** | Uganda Refugee Response Monitoring

Settlement Fact Sheet: Olua January 2018

## **Food** assistance

No additional eligible beneficiaries needed in-kind food assistance in the last distribution

#### 5.981 eligible beneficiaries received in-kind food assistance in the last distribution, meeting settlement needs

additional eligible beneficiaries needed cash assistance for food in the last

574

cases of livelihoods

support through:

No distribution 2 partners: AFOD, WFP

**2** partners: DRC, SE

3.797 eligible beneficiaries received cash assistance for food in the last distribution, meeting settlement needs

249

# Livelihoods and environment



1 organization conducting livelihoods trainings

does not monitor

participation of **PSNs**  1

organization conducting livelihoods trainings monitors participation of PSNs

167

households have

support for

production

received technology

# Health and nutrition



0 Livelihoods Village savings Income or vocational and loan generating trainings associations activities

0 Savings and cooperative societies

#### **3** partners: MTI, UNICEF, WFP



reception centre needed

No

additional

emergency

shelter kits

needed

reception centre in the settlement

emergency shelter

kits distributed

8



settlement 30x30 metre Average plot size



Olua II .42 sq kilometre Total surface area of the settlement



30x30 metre



Average plot size



489

additional

semi-permanent

shelters needed

**PSN** shelters have been constructed

8 semi-permanent shelters have

been constructed







Informing more effective humanitarian action RFA