

BURUNDI Joint Refugee Return and Reintegration Plan

January - December 2019

AT A GLANCE

OVERVIEW

The Joint Refugee Return and Reintegration Plan (JRRRP) is an integrated inter-agency response plan to ensure the sustainable return and reintegration of Burundi refugees from five main countries of asylum (Tanzania, Rwanda, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Uganda and Kenya).

The plan articulates the joint strategy to provide community-based response activities reaching up to 116,000 refugee returns projected in 2019, 74,000 assisted and self-organized returns estimated to have returned in 2017 and 2018, as well as an additional 82,000 community members in the six main provinces of return (Ruyigi, Makamba, Muyinga, Kirundo, Cancuzo and Rutana) which have a high level of vulnerability. The plan brings together 19 partners within Burundi, including Government ministries, UN agencies & NGOs.

The JRRRP signals a shift to comprehensive support of Burundi's reintegration process and seeks to leverage synergies across the humanitarian-development nexus. While those refugees who are assisted to return will receive some individual assistance upon arrival, the JRRRP's core rationale is to assist displacement-affected communities by strengthening their absorption capacity and resilience.

2019 PLANNED RESPONSE

116,000

PROJECTED ASSISTED & SELF-ORGANIZED REFUGEE RETURNS IN 2019

74,000

ASSISTED & ESTIMATED SELF-ORGANIZED REFUGEE RETURNS FROM 2017-18

82,000

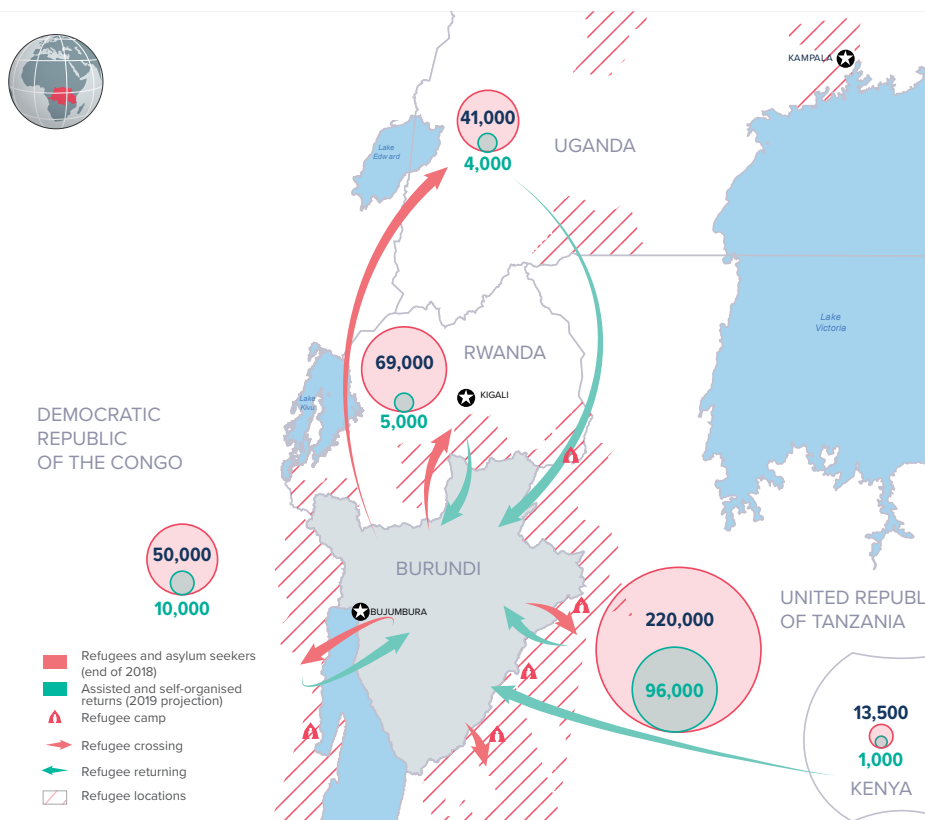
COMMUNITY MEMBERS IN MAIN AREAS OF RETURN

US\$ 77.9M

REQUIREMENTS IN 2019

19

PARTNERS INVOLVED



PROJECTED BURUNDIAN REFUGEE RETURNS

	Assisted Refugee Returns by 31 Dec. 2018	Projected Returns (Assisted and Self-Organized) by 31 Dec. 2019
DRC	88	10,000
Rwanda	-	5,000
Tanzania	57,867	96,000
Uganda	2	4,000
Kenya	586	1,000
Others	3	-
Total	58,546	116,000



The full 2019 Burundi JRRRP can be accessed online from the Burundi Situation Data Portal - <https://data2.unhcr.org/en/situations/burundi>

2019 OVERALL STRATEGY

Through this plan, the humanitarian and development community, in collaboration with the Burundian authorities, will work to meet the following needs while building long-term resilience, with a particular focus given to women, children, young and marginalized people:

- Ensuring a dignified and efficient reception of refugee returnees including registration, profiling, support at the border and the transit centres, transport, as well as the provision of immediate assistance for the most vulnerable.
- Creating a safe environment and ensuring access to essential services including food, safe and adequate shelter, water and sanitation, health and nutrition, education, and protection as well as critical infrastructure and income generating activities and self-reliance opportunities. This includes supporting service provision in the communities of return.
- Ensuring durable solutions for affected populations, including IDPs, in the areas of return.
- Supporting and reinforcing existing social capital assets that can facilitate mediation and conflict resolution efforts for the peaceful coexistence of communities.
- Strengthening rule of law and creating the conditions for safe access to justice and administrative and legal support services with a specific focus on the registration of births of children born during displacement.
- Attention to specific needs of children and adolescent girls and boys including their participation in community initiatives on peacebuilding and social cohesion.

2019 FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS (USD)

SECTOR	HUMANITARIAN NEEDS	REINTEGRATION NEEDS	TOTAL
PROTECTION	9,726,656	8,619,000	18,345,656
EDUCATION		6,580,000	6,580,000
FOOD SECURITY	5,533,200	2,100,000	7,633,200
HEALTH & NUTRITION		7,663,000	7,663,000
LIVELIHOODS		14,522,300	14,522,300
SHELTER & NFIs	16,148,000	4,203,727	20,351,727
WASH		2,768,000	2,768,000
TOTAL	31,407,856*	46,456,027	77,863,883

* A further USD 11.1 million is included in the 2019 HRP to support refugee returns through sectoral humanitarian interventions at the community level, complementing the immediate reception support for assisted refugee returnees.

PARTNERSHIP AND COORDINATION

The 2019 JRRRP brings together 19 partners in Burundi and includes Government ministries, UN agencies and NGOs, notably the Ministry of Interior, the Ministry of Human Rights, Social Affairs and Gender, the Ministry of Education, the Ministry of Health, the Ministry of Youth, UNHCR, UNDP, UNICEF, UNFPA, FAO, UN Women, WFP, WHO, UNAIDS, IOM, CARE, IRC, and JRS. The General Director for the Repatriation, Reintegration and Reinstallation of the Ministry of Interior manages the coordination of refugee returns with the support of UNDP (as the lead for reintegration) and UNHCR (as the lead for repatriation) and the remaining JRRRP partners.

The 2019 JRRRP is closely linked to existing humanitarian and development plans, including the National Development Plan, the United Nations Development Assistance Framework (UNDAF), the Humanitarian Response Plan (HRP) and the Burundi Regional Refugee Response Plan (RRP), and capitalises on existing coordination mechanisms and monitoring systems to ensure an integrated and comprehensive reintegration response.

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- Ministry of Interior
- Ministry of Human Rights, Social Affairs and Gender
- Ministry of Education
- Ministry of Health
- Ministry of Youth
- CARE Burundi
- DRC
- FAO
- IOM
- IRC
- JRS
- UN Women
- UNAIDS
- UNDP
- UNFPA
- UNHCR
- UNICEF
- WFP
- WHO