

AT-A-GLANCE NIGERIA SITUATION | NOVEMBER 2019



UNHCR OPERATIONAL ACTIVITIES \$\$358,726 DEMOGRAPHICS

Total number of beneficiaries (refugees, internally displaced persons, returnees, host community, and asylum seekers) supported with services by UNHCR from January to November 2019

BENEFICIARIES REACHED PER ACTIVITY







Jan'19 Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov'19



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OPERATIONAL SITUATION

2,337,527 Number of persons of concern to UNHCR Nigeria as of 30 November 2019

POPULATION TYPE



of October 2019 Spontaneous returns assessment

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PRESENCE



1 Country Office in Abuja, 2 Sub-Offices in Maiduguri and Ogoja, 3 Field Offices in Adikpo (Benue State) and Yola (Adamawa State). 7 Field Units in Lagos (Lagos State), Damaturu (Yobe State), Calabar (Cross River State), Gwoza, Bama, Monguno and Ngala (Borno State)





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CORE UNHCR INTERVENTIONS IN NIGERIA

UNHCR Nigeria strategy is based on the premise that the government of Nigeria assumes the primary responsibility to provide protection and assistance to persons of concern. By applying a community-based approach, UNHCR furthermore seeks to contribute to an enabling environment to all persons of concern to fully access their rights, without discrimination, in accordance with the principles of international law, including International Humanitarian, Human Rights and Refugee Law.

The general situation in **North-East Nigeria** remains largely volatile. Incidents of attacks against **Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs)** in several Local Government Areas (LGAs) in Borno, Adamawa and Yobe (BAY) States in North-East Nigeria continue to cause displacement and casualties among civilians and persons of concern to UNHCR. UNHCR maintain presence in camps and Local Government Areas in the BAY States for the purpose of monitoring the protection environment, identifying human rights violations and other protection risks and incidents for appropriate response.

UNHCR and partners have reached over **304,921** IDPs, returnees and host community affected by the crisis with services such as non-food items including sanitary materials for vulnerable women, shelter, livelihood, registration, access to justice and documentation as well other forms of protection assistance including sensitization and awareness.

In line with the **Comprehensive Refugee Response Framework** and the **Global Compact on Refugees**, UNHCR is working closely with the Government of Nigeria (GoN) to ensure that refugees are included in the communities from the very beginning of their arrival in Nigeria.

When refugees gain access to education, health services and labour markets, they live better, build their skills and become self-reliant, contributing to local economies and contribute to the development of the communities hosting them. The GoN allows refugees to benefit from national services (Health and Education) and is seeking to improve refugee integration into national development plans. Meanwhile UNHCR is administering a community focused response and assistance to ensure that host communities and refugees jointly benefit from available assistance and co-exist peacefully.

Beginning in October 2017, UNHCR and the GoN have registered over **50,163** Cameroonian refugees in the **Southern Nigeria** States of Akwa-Ibom, Benue, Cross River (CRS), Rivers and Taraba. UNHCR has set up four settlement sites where refugees live and share the same space, resources and facilities with host communities in Cross River (Adagom, Adagom-3 and Ukende) and Benue (Ikyogen). Some 52 percent of Cameroonian refugees live outside the settlements essentially struggling to fend for themselves. Some of these refugees have to pay rents, while others are hosted by benevolent individuals.

PARTNERSHIP AND COORDINATION

UNHCR's is collaborating with the Government of Nigeria and other partners in the implementation of its Protection mandate in Nigeria. The Office works closely with the National Commission for Refugees, Migrants and Internally Displaced Persons (NCFRMI), the National Human Rights Commission (NHRC); Nigeria Immigration Service (NIS), National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA), State Emergency Management Agencies (SEMAs) and National Identity Management Commission (NIMC), Ministry of Rehabilitation, Reconstruction and Resettlement (MRRR), State Ministry of Women Affairs and Social Development; Ministry of Justice; National Population Commission (NPC). Implementing partners include, INTERSOS; Family Health International (FHI360), Nigeria Bar Association (NBA); American University of Nigeria (AUN); Borno Women Development Initiative (BOWDI); SALIENT Humanitarian Organization (SALIENT); Grassroots Initiative for Strengthening Community Resilience (GISCOR) and Centre for Caring, Empowerment and Peace Initiatives (CCEPI), Save the Children International, Canadian University Service Overseas/International, Catholic Caritas Foundation Nigeria, Foundation for Justice Development and Peace, MEDATRIX Development Foundation, Rhema Care Integrated Development Centre, Jesuit Refugee Service, Health Initiatives for Safety and Stability in Africa and the Nigeria Red Cross. Operational partners include ICRC, MSF, UNFPA, FAO and WHO.

UNHCR is also collaborating with the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) and the West African Civil Society Forum to address issues of statelessness in Nigeria.