BURUNDI **Regional Refugee Response Plan**

January 2019 - December 2020, updated for 2020

OVERVIEW

The 2019-2020 Burundi Regional Refugee Response Plan (Regional RRP) outlines the multi-agency response strategy and PROJECTED financial requirements of 37 partners supporting host governments to provide protection and assistance across the four main countries of asylum, as well as in Burundi for returning refugees.

The situation in Burundi remains complex; while refugees continue to arrive throughout the region, others are deciding to return home. The 2019-2020 Regional RRP anticipates assisting a total of 352,000 Burundian refugees by the end of 2020, of whom 50,000 are projected to return to Burundi over the course of the year. Response partners are not promoting refugee returns to Burundi in the current context, but will assist those who indicate they have made a free and informed choice to return voluntarily.

The 2019-2020 RRRP takes а comprehensive and solutions oriented approach, emphasizing the inclusion of refugees in national systems, integrating service delivery with host communities wherever possible, and prioritizing selfreliance in a whole of society approach.

PROJECTED BURUNDIAN REFUGEE POPULATION

	Refugee Population 31 Dec. 2019	Projected returns 2020	Projected Refugee Population 31 Dec. 2020
DRC	47,573	4,000	53,000
Rwanda	73,332	1,500	81,000
Tanzania*	166,978	40,000	133,000
Uganda	45,671	4,000	35,000
Total	333,554	50,000**	302,000

2020 PLANNED RESPONSE

302,000 REFUGEES BY END OF 2020

PROJECTED **RETURNEES IN** 2020

50.000

2020 REQUIREMENTS

US\$ 266M 37 PARTNERS INVOLVED



The full 2019-2020 Burundi Regional RRP can be accessed online from the Burundi Situation Data Portal: https://data.unhcr.org/burundi



AT A GLANCE

* There are a further 42,000 Burundian refugees from previous eras still residing in Tanzania who no longer receive assistance and are not included in the Regional or Country RRP.

** Includes 500 projected returns from Kenya.

2020 STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES

The 2020 Regional RRP for the Burundi situation is guided by six regional strategic objectives:

- 1. Burundian refugees enjoy unhindered access to asylum, are able to access fair, impartial and efficient RSD procedures, are fully documented, and enjoy a favourable protection environment in host countries and upon return.
- Protection systems are strengthened to ensure Burundian refugees and returnees are able to enjoy their full rights, specifically with regard to safety and security, child protection, sexual and gender based violence, and community based protection.
- 3. Burundian refugees, returnees and all affected persons **access essential services** with progressive inclusion in national health, education, social protection and other services.
- 4. Peaceful co-existence and social cohesion between host communities and refugees, as well as for returnees in their home communities, is supported, including through protection of the natural environment.
- 5. Refugees and returnees transition from aid dependence towards self-reliance and resilience, with the capacity and opportunity to contribute to the economic development of their host/home communities while in countries of asylum and upon return to Burundi breaking the dependency cycle and restoring control and dignity to their lives.
- 6. Comprehensive solutions for Burundian refugees are progressively achieved.

SECTOR	DRC	RWANDA	TANZANIA	UGANDA	TOTAL
Protection	9,815,160	15,557,102	35,873,582	3,078,595	64,324,439
Education	3,605,209	7,828,026	11,441,169	1,928,517	24,802,921
Energy & Environment	n/a	5,123,598	6,151,346	2,116,772	13,391,716
Food	5,520,000	9,706,758	29,897,726	4,757,674	49,882,158
Health & Nutrition	2,959,564	10,996,653	14,218,147	5,841,871	34,016,235
Livelihoods & Resilience	3,089,126	6,636,309	10,167,884	4,241,747	24,135,066
Shelter & NFIs	818,959	9,454,986	17,261,682	1,691,237	29,226,864
WASH	1,217,209	7,160,222	16,897,474	1,186,650	26,461,555
TOTAL	27,025,227	72,463,654	141,909,010	24,843,063	266,240,953

2020 FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS

Please note: The financial requirements were updated in May 2020 following the identification of a recording error in the financial database. As a result, the Rwanda requirements were adjusted from USD 96 million to the correct figure of USD 72 million. Likewise, the regional requirements were adjusted downward from USD 289.8 million to the correct figure of USD 266.2 million.

REGIONAL COORDINATION

The 2019-2020 Regional RRP brings together 37 partners across the four main countries of asylum. In 2020, with the establishment of the UNHCR Regional Bureau for the East and Horn of Africa, and the Great Lakes, the Regional Refugee Coordination functions will be incorporated into the new structure and will continue to include coordination at the regional level to facilitate strategic, planning, advocacy, resource mobilisation and operational synergies and collaboration with Governmental, UN system, Non-Governmental Organizations, donors, civil society partners, private sector, and other stakeholders. At the country level, the Refugee Coordination Model remains the main tool to coordinate the refugee response.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Burundi Situation Data Portal - https://data.unhcr.org/burundi

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REGIONAL RRP PARTNERS

- Adventist Development and Relief Agency
- Association des Femmes pour la Promotion et le Développement Endogène
- African Initiative for Relief and Development
- Alight
- Care and Assistance For Forced Migrants
- CARE International
- Caritas
- Church World Service
- Community Environmental

- Management and Development Organization
- Danish Refugee Council
- Food and Agriculture Organization
- Good Neigbours Tanzania
- Handicap International
- Help Age International
- Impact Initiatives
- International Organization for Migration
- International Rescue Committee

- Medical Teams International
- Norwegian Refugee Council
- Oxfam
- Plan International
- Relief to Development Society
- Save the Children International
- Tanganyika Christian Refugee
 Service
- The Legal Aid ForumUganda Red Cross Society
- United Nations Capital
 Development Fund

- United Nations Development
 Programme
- United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees
- United Nations Children's Fund
- United Nations Population
- UNWOMEN
- Water Mission
- Women Legal Aid Center
- World Food Programme
- World Health Organization
- World Vision International