

### UNHCR OPERATIONAL UPDATE

COVERING THE PERIOD 28 DECEMBER 2021 - 6 JANUARY 2022

# YEMEN

6 January 2021

## **Key Figures:**

**20.7 million** people in need

Over **4 million** internally displaced

Up to **1.6 million** displaced Yemenis living across 2,200 hosting sites<sup>1</sup>

**157,362** individuals (26,227 families) newly displaced in 2021<sup>2</sup>

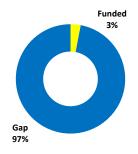
Children and women represent up to **79 per cent** of the total IDP population

**129,718** refugees

12,589 asylum-seekers

#### **Funding:**

USD **291.3** M required for 2021 operations



USD **7.7 M** received as of 4 January 2022

# **IDP** Response

New displacements were recorded in Al Jawf governorate following increased hostilities during the reporting period between the *de facto* authorities (DFA) and the internationally recognised government (IRG) and Saudi-led Coalition (SLC). Local organizations in Al Jawf warned of a wave of displacement in the north of the governorate after bombing targeted IDP sites. UNHCR and partners are responding to the needs of those newly displaced, estimated at over 1,100 families (some 6,600 individuals). Close to 1,000 families have received enhanced emergency shelter kits and some 700 core relief items. However, as more displacements may occur in the next days, the lack of stock currently represents a challenge to respond to the new influx, affecting the immediate response.

Ongoing distribution of core relief items (CRIs) in Marib governorate. During the reporting period, UNHCR and partners reached a total of 233 families (some 1,284 individuals) with CRIs. In 2021, more than 19,300 families were reached in Marib alone (representing some 110,000 individuals). Needs on the ground continue to expand as more than 4,500 families have been registered as in need of CRIs and shelter kits by the Shelter and NFI Cluster.

Pending final year-end figures, UNHCR distributed more than \$72 M in cash assistance in 2021, reaching close to 1.4 million individuals. The majority of beneficiaries were internally displaced Yemenis who are four times more likely of experiencing hunger than general population. The primary modality of assistance was through multi-purpose cash assistance, followed by rental subsidies.



An IDP in Sa'ada city receives cash assistance provided by UNHCR through Al-Amal Bank. © UNHCR/YDF/Nayf.

During the reporting period, UNHCR and partners completed seven quick impact projects (QIPs) in Sa'ada governorate, including the installation of solar powered lights for an IDP hosting site and the rehabilitation of six boreholes powered with solar energy to pump water. Further QIPs are ongoing in Sa'ada and will be finalized soon, including the rehabilitation of two classrooms for two different schools. Moreover, UNHCR continued training and livelihood-support activities in other governorates. In Al Hudaydah, some 30 women received training and materials to produce and sell incense, while another 20 women received sewing kits.

## Refugee Response

With UNHCR support, over 1,200 refugees, asylum-seekers and Yemeni nationals received healthcare support during the reporting period. UNHCR-supported clinics in Basateen and Kharaz refugee camp in Aden and Lahj provided care to 1,211 individuals. Febrile illness and upper respiratory tract infection continued to be the leading cause of out-patient consultation. A total of 26 individuals needing emergency secondary health care were referred to advanced health. About 207 individuals received reproductive health services and some 120 persons with disabilities received physiotherapy services. COVID-19 awareness-raising activities further reached over 4,500 people in Aden and Hadramaut governorate as well as in Kharaz refugee camp.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> CCCM overview as of 28 November 2021

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> IOM-RDT as of 3 January 20221