Overview

Achievements
Partners continued to scale up cash-based interventions to support the new arrivals as well as meet the needs of existing refugees. Digitalizing cash transfers through agency banking and mobile money, ensured that vulnerable households received cash assistance in a timely, efficient, and discreet manner. Financial literacy trainings were delivered in all settlements, to support vulnerable households utilize the cash appropriately. Initiatives to improve refugee financial inclusion through access and utilization of financial service have been pursued.

Challenges
Prices of food and non-food items remained high during this period, attributed to global increase on fuel prices / inflation. As a result, many households that were previously food secure, particularly in Southwest region, experience insecurity. As implementation of digitization of cash continues, it was evident that the merchant payment system was not fully appreciated and utilized by refugees. Partners implementing cash assistance in coordination with the cash working group, continue to work with mobile network operators (MNO), to provide a sustainable solution to promote the use of merchant payments among refugee populations.

Key priorities and gaps
As the Individual Profiling Exercise (IPE) process is finalized, the key focus will be on implementation of targeted cash transfers, to ensure the most vulnerable get the assistance they need to meet their basic needs. A referral mechanism established by the Uganda Cash Consortium will complement sectoral cash provided to vulnerable households, education for school going children, as well as address protection concerns. Focus also will be on updating all components of the minimum expenditure basket (MEB), updating the cash 3/5Ws and establishing a system for management of information relating to the cash working group.

Key indicators

Objective: Access to cash and voucher assistance for basic needs expanded

Households receiving any form of cash-based assistance
- Congolese refugees
  - Actual: 132,639
  - Target: 116,000
  - Actual: >100%
- South Sudanese refugees
  - Actual: 62,528
  - Target: 100,400
  - Actual: 62%
- Other refugees
  - Actual: 23,237
  - Target: 4,000
  - Actual: >100%

Households receiving multi-purpose cash-based assistance
- Congolese and other refugees
  - Actual: 30,032
  - Target: 34,000
  - Actual: 88%
- South Sudanese refugees
  - Actual: 30,032
  - Target: 47,000
  - Actual: >100%
- Other refugees
  - Actual: 383
  - Target: 2,000
  - Actual: 19%

Amount of multi-purpose cash and voucher assistance
- Congolese refugees
  - Actual: 8.78 bn
  - Target: 21.4 bn
  - Actual: 41%
- South Sudanese refugees
  - Actual: 25.03 bn
  - Target: 8.8 bn
  - Actual: >100%
- Other refugees
  - Actual: 0.10 bn
  - Target: 1.4 bn
  - Actual: 7%

Objective: Financial inclusion and access to financial services promoted

Individuals receiving financial literacy trainings
- Congolese and other refugees
  - Actual: 41,094
  - Target: 10,000
  - Actual: >100%
- South Sudanese refugees
  - Actual: 28,867
  - Target: 14,000
  - Actual: >100%
- Other refugees
  - Actual: 5,025
  - Target: 1,000
  - Actual: >100%
Cross-sectoral analysis of all cash-based interventions (amounts in UGX)

### Amount of cash transfers by sector (in billions)

- **Food Security**: 89.11 bn
- **CBI**: 33.90 bn
- **L&R**: 0.88 bn
- **E&E**: 0.86 bn

### Amount of cash transfers by partner (in billions)

- **WFP**: 89.48 bn
- **GiveDirectly**: 27.40 bn
- **DRC**: 6.06 bn
- **AVSI**: 5.01 bn
- **LWF**: 2.80 bn
- **UNHCR**: 2.08 bn
- **WVI**: 0.67 bn
- **DCA**: 0.57 bn
- **ACF**: 0.33 bn
- **Plan**: 0.23 bn
- **HI**: 0.20 bn
- **Mercy Corps**: 0.12 bn
- **JRS**: 0.11 bn
- **Alight**: 0.08 bn
- **Nsamizi**: 0.07 bn
- **Malteser**: 0.06 bn
- **IOM**: 0.05 bn
- **WHH**: 0.05 bn

### Amount of cash transfers by district (in billions)

- **Kiryandongo**: 35.45 bn
- **Adjumani**: 28.57 bn
- **Madi Okollo**: 13.41 bn
- **Kamwenge**: 12.79 bn
- **Kikuube**: 12.65 bn
- **Isingiro**: 12.22 bn
- **Kyegegwa**: 10.82 bn
- **Koboko**: 3.64 bn
- **Obongi**: 3.07 bn
- **Lamwo**: 1.51 bn
- **Yumbe**: 1.01 bn
- **Kampala**: 0.25 bn

### Cash transfers by beneficiary type

- **8% Host Community**
- **7% Other Refugees**
- **32% Congolese and Other Refugees**
- **53% South Sudanese Refugees**

### Operational presence

**Koboko**
- WFP, WVI

**Yumbe**
- HI, VFI, WFP, WVI, ICCO, UNHCR, Plan, DCA, MC

**Adjumani**
- Lutheran World Federation (LWF), UNDP, VFI, WFP, UNHCR, WVI

**Terego & Madi Okollo**
- BRAC, Oxfam, WFP, Vision Fund International (VFI), UNHCR, Plan, Palm Corps, CARE, DRC, HI, Malteser, MC

**Kikuube**
- LWF, NRC, WFP, UNHCR, URCS, SCI

**Kyegegwa**
- DRC, WFP, URCS

**Kamwenge**
- AVSI, UNHCR, URCS, WFP, LWF

**Isingiro**
- DRC, Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC), WFP, HI, HFU, UNHCR, ACF

- **Kampala**
  - MercyCorps (MC), UNHCR, NRC, Uganda Red Cross, JRS, GD

**Lamwo**
- LWF, SCI, UNHCR, UNDP, VFI, DCA

**Obongi**
- LWF, SCI, UNHCR, UNDP, VFI, DCA

Note: for Livelihoods & Resilience the value of CBI interventions is only based on cash-for-work, as amounts for households who received productive assets through cash are not available. Host community interventions are included in all cases.