UNHCR and partners seek US$ 556 million to assist refugees in Sudan

UNHCR, the UN Refugee Agency, together with 41 international and national partners, launched the 2023 interagency funding appeal to assist more than 900,000 of the 1.1 million refugees in the country.

To help meet basic needs, to protect and to realise the rights of the 1.1 million refugees living in Sudan, the interagency Country Refugee Response Plan (CRP) is appealing for US$ 556 million. The 2023 response plan aims to deliver life-saving assistance while also engaging essential linkages between humanitarian and development actors to promote resilience and to work towards durable solutions.

“The refugee response plan, co-developed with all partners including the Sudan Commission for Refugees (COR), places critical protection and life-saving assistance for refugee communities in Sudan at the core of the response, targeting both newly arrived refugees and those living in protracted situations. In parallel, it provides a framework to promote resilience and durable solutions for these displaced communities,” said Axel Bisschop, UNHCR Representative in Sudan. “With recognition of the global humanitarian environment and multiple crises we face, we encourage the international community to support the newly launched refugee response plan for Sudan. Providing strategic guidance, it will allow for concerted action to support refugees and other displaced communities, as well as host communities across the country.” added Bisschop.

Sudan is the second largest asylum country in Africa, hosting about 1.1 million refugees and asylum-seekers from South Sudan, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Central African Republic (CAR), Chad, Syria, Yemen and other countries. South Sudanese refugees continue to make up the largest group of refugees in the country, with approximately 5,500 arriving in December of 2022 alone, and with up to 800,000 individuals total in Sudan today.

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