Shelter and Settlements Dashboard

Uganda Refugee Response Plan (RRP) 2024-2025

Q4 2025

January - December 2025

OVERVIEW

The shelter, settlement and NFI sector is pivotal in enhancing resilience and socioeconomic development for refugees and host communities by improving access to shelter, infrastructure, and essential services. Through interventions such as Plot demarcation and allocation, Emergency shelter kits, Road rehabilitation and Construction/upgrade of communal facilities like reception, transit centres, schools, and health centres. The sector fosters integration, self-reliance, and environmental stewardship by empowering refugees to build homes using sustainable materials and culturally appropriate designs, while the Master Plan approach ensures efficient land use and spatial organization. Ongoing advocacy supports a revised strategy focused on sustainability and adaptability.

Results Analysis:

- 100% of new arrivals in the refugee settlements received emergency shelter kits and NFIs through Cash-Based Interventions (CBI) and in-kind, improving immediate living conditions. Since January 2025, a total of 73,596 households received shelter kits upon plot allocation, with 5,412 households supported in Q4 alone. This overall achievement is attributed to the increased influx of new arrivals, mainly from DRC in 2025. In addition, OPM demarcated 108 household plots for South Sudanese in Palorinya refugee Settlement.
- Overall, a total of 714 Persons with Specific Needs (PSN) households in Kiryandongo, Kyangwali and Nakivale received semi-permanent shelter support, achieving 119% of the annual target of 600 PSN households. This increase was driven by continuos partner engagement in sector activities including PSN shelter support for vulnerable households, increased advocacy efforts and enhanced sector coordination with stakeholders. Of these, 329 PSN households benefited through direct shelter construction support via partners, 372 through cash based assistance and 13 through shelter repairs. The cash approach enhances flexibility and dignified support. However, this requires regular updates of local market prices, monitoring of material availability, robust post-distribution monitoring systems.
- As of Q4, 13.5km of road were completed in Terego district under mechanised maintenance, with plans to maintain an additional 8km in the Siripi zone of Rhino camp refugee settlement. In addition, partners with Kiryandongo district collaboration completed the maintenance of 5.2km using District Local Government (DLG) machines and personnel, and the Ministry of Works and Transport carried out maintainace activities on the 28km of the national road passing through Zones 1 and 3 of Bidibidi refugee settlement.

The Key Challenges/Opportunities:

- Critical funding gaps; only 4% of the $52M required was received leading to inadequate shelter coverage and affecting maintenance plan for aging facilities like schools, health centres, roads hence compromising access to life saving services and increasing safety risks.
- Scarcity of construction materials causing environmental strain and tension with host communities.
- Reducing partner footprint in most settlements have impacted negatively on most vulnerable.
- Unplanned developments in trading centres due to limited services like markets and poor road network in some parts of the refugee settlements.

The Sector Priorities:

- Systematic plot demarcation to support sustainable shelter and livelihoods, and relocation of new arrivals to areas with existing service networks.
- Rehabilitation of critical roads connecting transit points, health facilities, and distribution centres.
- Development of spatial planning guidelines to optimize land use and improve service delivery.

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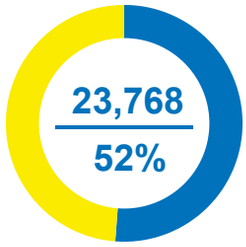
Key Indicators

Refugee households provided with the minimum shelter support
Target: *24,812*

Refugee households with Specific needs assisted with semi-permanent shelters
Target: *600*

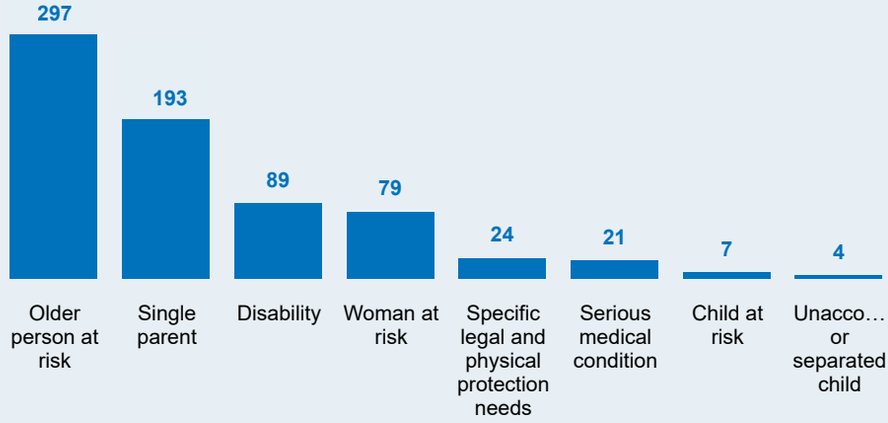


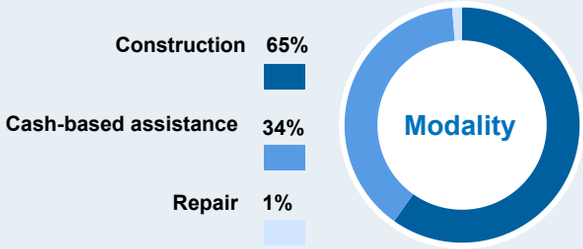
Plots of land demarcated for shelter and livelihood activities
Target: *45,300*

OUTCOME: Ensure the minimum shelter standards for all refugees are met

Indicator	*Actual*	*Target/Standard ('25)*	*Actual* / *Gap*
New arrival Households receiving emergency shelter support			
- Congolese refugees	**48,192**	**12,375**	>100%
- South Sudanese refugees	**11,229**	**7,000**	>100%
- Sudanese refugees	**13,492**	**5,437**	>100%
- Other refugees	**683**	**5,437**	13%
Refugee households with specific needs assisted with semi-permanent shelters			
- Congolese refugees	**714**	**200**	>100%
- South Sudanese refugees	**0**	**400**	0%
- Sudanese refugees	**0**	**400**	0%
- Other refugees	**0**	**400**	0%

Refugee households with specific needs assisted with semi-permanent shelters





Achievements data: ActivityInfo **Author:** UNHCR Representation in Uganda **Feedback:** ugakaimug@unhcr.org **For more info:** https://data.unhcr.org/en/country/uga

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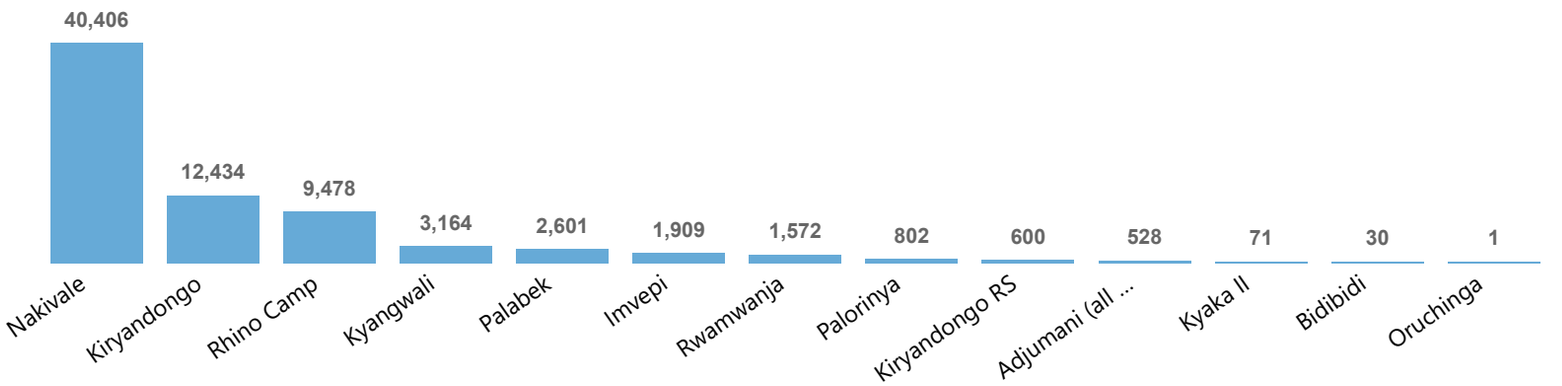
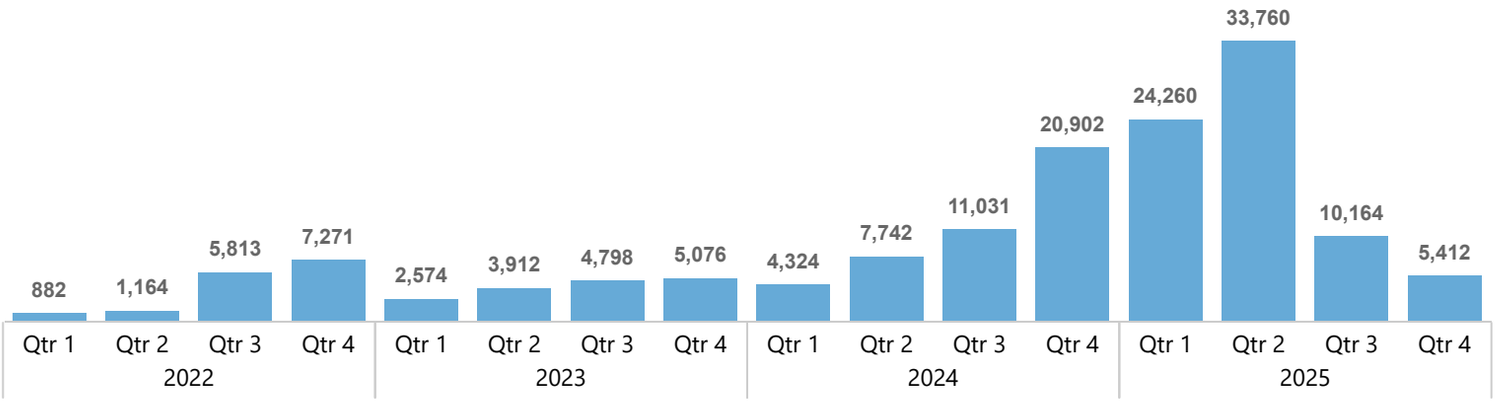
New arrival Households receiving emergency shelter support

New arrival Households receiving emergency shelter support by settlement

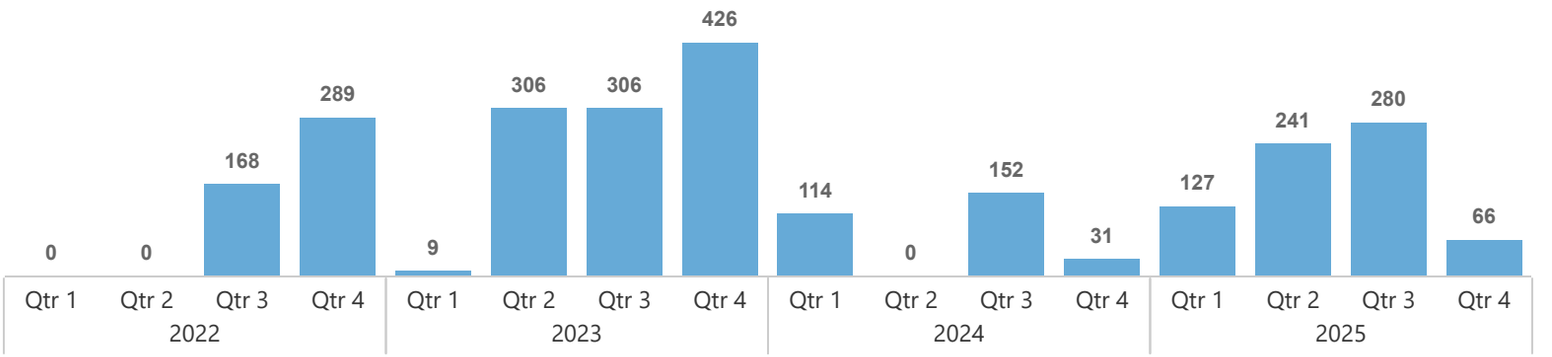


New arrival Households receiving emergency shelter support since 2022 to Q4 2025

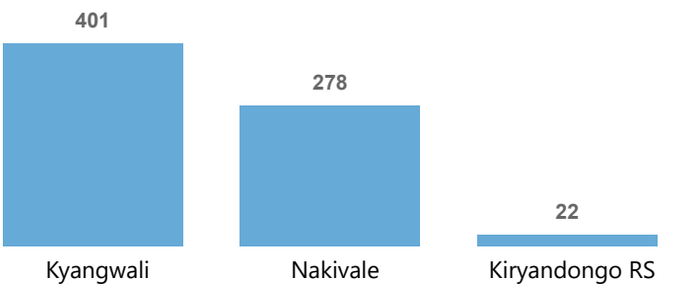


Refugee households with specific needs assisted with semi-permanent shelters

Refugee households with specific needs assisted with semi-permanent shelters from 2022 to Q4 2025



Refugee households with specific needs assisted with semi-permanent shelters by settlement as of Q3 2025



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Funding

7 Partners

52M Total Required

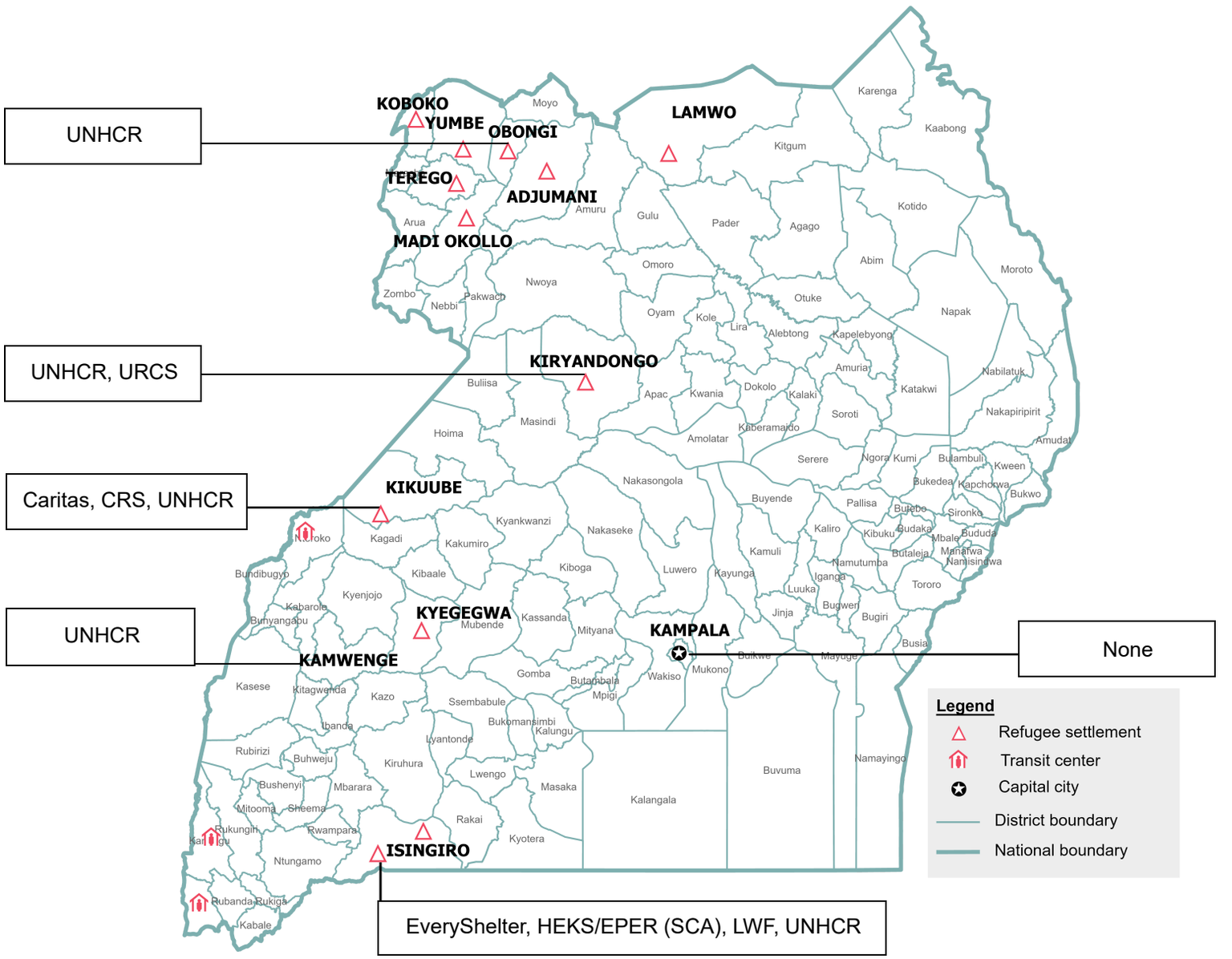
$2.1M — **4%** Funding received

$49.9M — **96%** Funding gap

Partners

Caritas | Catholic Relief Services (CRS) | EveryShelter | HEKS/EPER (SCA) | Lutheran World Federation (LWF) | United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) | Uganda Red Cross Society (URCS)

Operational Presence based on activities reported during January - December 2025



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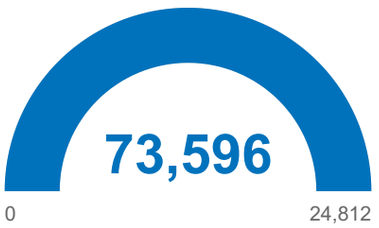
Performance Indicator Summary

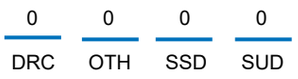
# of households receiving emergency shelter support



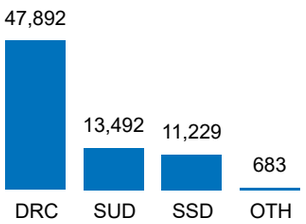
# of PSN HHs assisted with construction of semi-permanent shelter

OUTCOME 1: Emergency shelter support for new arrivals

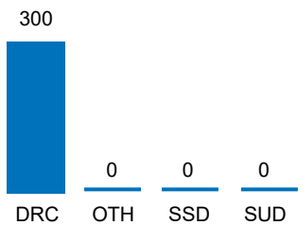
# of HHs receiving emergency shelter-earmarked cash assistance



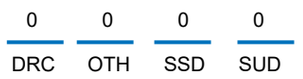
# of new arrival HHs provided with emergency shelter kits



# of new arrival HHs provided with communal shelter



# of new arrival HHs provided with cash for rent



OUTCOME 2: PSN households assisted with construction and repair of semi-permanent shelters

# of PSN HHs assisted with construction and repair of semi-permanent shelter (Total)

# of PSN HHs assisted with construction and repair of semi-permanent shelter (Older person at risk)

# of PSN HHs assisted with construction and repair of semi-permanent shelter (Serious medical condition)

# of PSN HHs assisted with construction and repair of semi-permanent shelter (Woman at risk)

# of PSN HHs assisted with construction and repair of semi-permanent shelter (Child at Risk)

# of PSN HHs assisted with construction and repair of semi-permanent shelter (Single parent)

# of PSN HHs assisted with construction and repair of semi-permanent shelter (Disability)