

SOUTH SUDAN

May 2018

150,000+

Refugees and IDPs received core relief items in May

78,000+

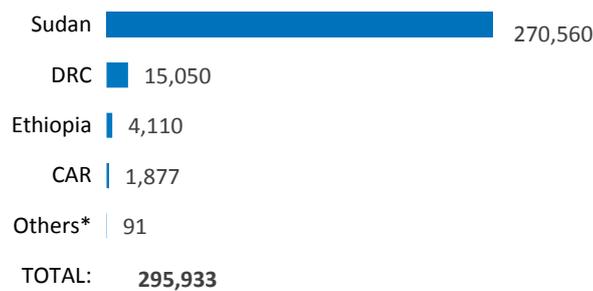
Refugee verified in Upper Nile in May.

21,000+

Refugees received their ID cards in Upper Nile in May.

POPULATION OF CONCERN

Countries of Origin

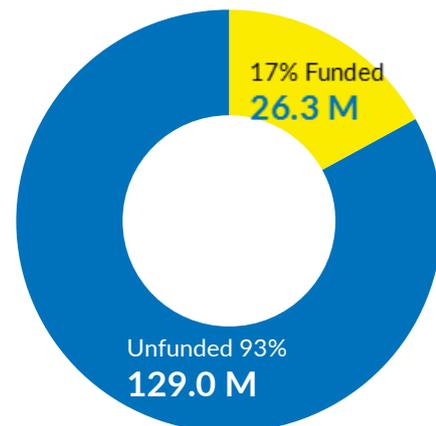


* Refers to refugees from Uganda, Somalia, Eritrea, Syria, Burundi and Egypt

FUNDING AS OF 24 MAY

USD 155.3 M

requested for the situation



UNHCR PRESENCE

Staff

298 national and
104 international staff
(as of 31 May 2018)

Offices

1 Branch Office in Juba
2 Sub Offices in Jamjang
and Bunj
5 Field Offices in Yambio,
Yei, Bor, Malakal, Bentiu
2 Field Units in Wau and
Yida (as of 31 May
2018)



Physically challenged refugees receive NFIs in Pochala, Jonglei, Photo by: Ameer Mach/UNHCR

Working with Partners in 2018

- UNHCR works closely with the Government of South Sudan to deliver assistance and protection services to refugees and internally displaced persons (IDPs).
- In the **refugee response**, the main government counterparts are the Ministry of Interior and the Commission for Refugee Affairs (CRA). Implementing partners in 2018 are the following: Action Africa Help International (AAHI), Africa Humanitarian Action (AHA), ACROSS, ACTED, CARE International, Danish Refugee Council (DRC), Humanitarian Development Consortium (HDC), International Medical Corps (IMC), International Rescue Committee (IRC), Jesuit Refugee Service (JSR), Lutheran World Federation (LWF), Relief International (RI), Samaritan's Pursue (SP), Save the Children International (SCI), United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR), the United Nations Volunteers (UNV) and World Vision International (WVI).
- In the **IDP response**, the main government counterpart is the Relief and Rehabilitation Commission (RRC). Implementing partners in 2018 are ADRA, UMCOR, Danish Refugee Council (DRC), Handicap International, Humanitarian Development Consortium, INTERSOS, International Rescue Committee, Nile Hope, UNV, Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC), Action Africa Help International (AAHI), Hope Restoration, IsraAid and Women Development Group. Within the IDP response cluster system, UNHCR in South Sudan is Lead of the Protection Cluster (with NRC Co-leading), Co-Lead of the CCCM Cluster along with IOM and ACTED, and undertakes enhanced participation in the IOM-led Shelter/NFI Cluster.
- On **prevention of statelessness**, UNHCR's main counterpart is the Directorate of Nationality, Passports and Immigration (DNPI).
- UNHCR maintains an **operational partnership** with the main government counterpart Ministry of Humanitarian Affairs and Disaster Management (MHADM), Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), ICRC, Médecins Sans Frontières (France, Belgium), UNAIDS, UNOCHA, UNDP, UNFPA, UNICEF, UNMISS, World Food Programme (WFP), World Health Organization (WHO), Women for Women International (WWI) and UN Women.

Main Activities – Refugee Programme

Protection

- As of 31 May 2018, the refugee population in South Sudan stood at 295,933 individuals, consisting of 68,649 households in 21 different locations across South Sudan. In March, South Sudan registered 1,587 new arrival refugees and 1,486 newborn babies. Over 95% of the new arrivals came from Sudan's South Kordofan and 5% from Blue Nile in Sudan. 52% of the refugees are women. Women and children together represent 82% of the total refugee population in South Sudan. The Sudanese refugee population remains the largest at 274,590 individuals (93%) followed by DRC Congo 15,265 individuals (5%), Ethiopia 4,110 individuals (1%) and Central African Republic 1,877 (1%). The majority (91%) of the refugees are hosted in Upper Nile and the Unity regions in South Sudan. Over 1.74 million people are internally displaced in South Sudan. Furthermore, the country hosts 2,148 asylum seekers.

Central Equatoria

- In Juba, UNHCR registered 54 asylum seekers (14 women, 40 men) and 25 Sudanese refugees as part of the continuous registration process. The total number of registered persons in Juba is 4,798 individuals, including 2,090 asylum seekers and 2,078 refugees. The population of Gorom was 2,183 individuals, including 1,082 women and 1,101 men.
- In Juba, UNHCR printed and issued 19 refugee ID cards to refugees as part of the continuous registration process.

Unity

- In Yida refugee settlement, UNHCR registered 1,350 new refugee arrivals from South Kordofan, Sudan.
- UNHCR relocated 1,992 refugees to Jamjang camps; Ajuong Thok and Pamir, which includes 1,448 new arrivals and 544 refugees previously settled in Yida. As of 31 May 2018, the refugee population across Jamjang camps and settlement was as follows: Ajuong Thok – 44,872, Pamir – 29,040, Yida refugee settlement – 51,462.
- In May, UNHCR partner International Rescue Committee (IRC), supported 12 new Sexual Gender-Based Violence (SGBV) cases. Cumulatively, 190 cases have been supported across Jamjang camps and Yida settlement since January 2018.

- IRC reached 464 refugees through home visits and sessions at health facilities to increase awareness of relevant information on SGBV and available services.
- With support of UNHCR, IRC distributed sanitary materials to 15,584 women and girls (4,944 girls in Pamir and 10,640 in Ajuong Thok). The items provided included laundry soap, sanitary cloths, and underwear.
- As a result of protection assessments, UNHCR provided material support to 138 children (99 Ajuong Thok, 39 in Pamir). The assistance included basins, soap, sandals, underwear, clothes, Vaseline, and food. Also, ten children were re-united with parents, 23 children placed under alternative foster care arrangements.
- In Ajuong Thok refugee camp, 261 (164 boys, 97 girls) children participated in making handicrafts from local materials.
- In Pamir and Ajuong Thok refugee camps, UNHCR provided psychosocial and child development services to 1,382 children who participated in recreational activities at the 18 child-friendly spaces, including 13 in Ajuong Thok and 5 in Pamir.

Upper Nile.

- In Doro refugee camp, UNHCR completed verification exercise. Cumulatively, 61,661 refugees (13,562 families) have been verified. Also, 16,312 ID cards were issued to refugees aged 16 years and above in May.
- In Kaya refugee camp, UNHCR verified 16,627 refugees (3,643 families) and 5,448 ID cards were issued to refugees aged 16 years and above in May. The exercise will be completed by the end of July 2018.
- In Yusuf Batil, Gendrassa and Kaya refugee camps, UNHCR and partner Save the Children International (SCI) trained 110 members (47 women, 63 men) of Community Child Protection Committees in general protection and in dealing with children/youth that require protection interventions and know causes of family separation and how to support reunification processes.

Education

Unity

- In Ajuong Thok refugee camp, UNHCR completed the construction of ten additional classrooms for Soba Secondary School and handover for use. The school has a capacity of 1,949 students and already had eight permanent classrooms previously.
- In Ajuong Thok refugee camp, 74 (13 women, 61 men) students completed the ICT computer training for the 2018 first cohort. The recruitment for the second cohort is ongoing.

Health

Unity

- In May, UNHCR partner Africa Humanitarian Action (AHA) completed the solarization of Ajuong Thok Primary Health Care Centre (PHCC). The solarization will enable a hybrid backup system for the existing generator.

Central Equatoria

- In Juba, UNHCR in collaboration with the National Ministry of Health commenced a training on HIV testing and Prevention of Mother to Child Transmission (PMTCT) to integrate HIV testing into Reproductive Health (RH)/cervical cancer screening, Antenatal clinic (ANC), family planning, adolescent-friendly services and delivery services, and on revised HIV data collection and reporting tools. The training targeted 18 health workers from partners working in the refugee camps. Participants acquired critical skills and knowledge on the integration of HIV services into reproductive health services as well as the revised data collection and reporting tools for accurate completion/filling of the reporting tools.

Upper Nile

- In Maban, UNHCR partner Relief International (RI) conducted Polio campaign for 10,263 children below the age of 5 years, while 7,563 and 6,765 children were given Vitamin A and Albendazole.
- In Doro refugee camp, UNHCR partner Danish Refugee Council (DRC) handed over a newly constructed Public Health Care Centre (PHCC) to the International Medical Corps (IMC) to serve the people of concern.
- In May, UNHCR partner IMC trained 82 youth leaders on Mental Health Priority Conditions in Gendrassa 47 (31 men and 16 women) and Kaya 35 (25 men and 10 women) refugee camps.

Food Security and Nutrition

Unity

- In May, UNHCR and World Food Programme (WFP) in collaboration with partners completed the primary data collection for the Joint Assessment Mission (JAM) for nutrition and food security in Jamjang.
- In May, UNHCR and International Rescue Committee (IRC) completed the distribution of supplies to 1,738 under two-year children and 942 pregnant and lactating women in Pamir refugee camp under the Blanket Supplementary Feeding Program (BSFP). African Humanitarian Action (AHA) also distributed BSFP supplies to 1,791 under two children and 1,178 pregnant and lactating women in Ajuong Thok refugee camp.

Upper Nile

- In May, across Maban's four refugee camps, UNHCR, WFP, DRC, ACTED and Samaritan's Purse (SP) conducted the monthly General Food Distribution (GFD) and cash for milling to 142,227 refugees. The food basket included cereals, vegetable cooking oil and pulses.
- In May, UNHCR partner International Medical Corps (IMC) conducted a four-day training 85 lead mothers on Maternal, Infant and Young Child Nutrition (MIYCN) in Gendrassa refugee camp.

Western Equatoria

- In May, on behalf WFP, UNHCR partner World Vision International (WVI) conducted the monthly GFD to 2,131 refugees present in Makpandu settlement the distribution exercise. Food items included maize grain, beans, salt and vegetable oil) and cash for milling.
- In Makpandu refugee settlement, UNHCR partner World Vision International (WVI) screened 229 children for malnutrition. Out of this number, four children were diagnosed with Moderate Acute Malnutrition (MAM), while three with Severe Acute Malnutrition (SAM). All severe cases were admitted at PHCC for treatment and feeding.

Central Equatoria

- In May, UNHCR partner UMCOR conducted Mid Upper Arm Circumference (MUAC) screening of 43 children under five years of which five cases of MAM and two SAM were identified and referred to seek further assistance in Yei. Also, 37 breastfeeding and pregnant mothers received soya, rice, flour as a malnutrition preventive measure.

Water and Sanitation

Unity

- In May, the average water supply stood at 19 litres per person per day in Ajuong Thok and Pamir refugee camps. While crude latrine coverage was 11 in Pamir and 8 in Ajuong Thok
- In May, UNHCR partner Samaritan's Purse (SP) supported the construction of 43 family latrines in Ajuong Thok and 46 family and 16 communal latrines construction in Pamir.

Upper Nile

- Across Maban four refugee camps, the average water supply stood at 21.4 litres per person per day(l/p/d), which a reduction by 2 l/p/d compared to coverage in March and April 2018 due to the onset of rain as community have alternative sources of water
- In May, UNHCR partner ACTED completed the drilling of a borehole that will be motorized and powered by solar energy and connected to a distribution network and T70 tanks to mitigate the water challenges in Doro refugee camp.

Shelter and NFIs

Upper Nile

- In May, across Maban's four refugee camps, UNHCR distributed laundry soap to 142,227 refugees.
- In Doro refugee camp, UNHCR partner Danish Refugee Council (DRC) distributed shelter materials to 237 refugee families to improve shelter conditions and settlement re-structuring for the displaced communities as a result of the July 2017 inter-tribal clashes.
- UNHCR in coordination with partners resumed the distribution of second-hand clothes targeting 143,000 refugees across the four refugee camps in Maban refugees.

Access to Energy

Upper Nile

- In Kaya and Yusuf Batil refugee camps, UNHCR and its partner Relief International (RI) supported three community-managed tree nursery sites to raise 36,406 tree seedlings such as neem, acacia, sesbania, makharmia and an assortment of fruit trees.

Community Empowerment and Self-Reliance

Upper Nile

- In Doro and Yusuf Batil refugee camp, UNHCR and RI have completed the registration of 7,131 (3,600 women and 3,531 men) refugees to receive crop and vegetable seeds.
- In May, RI provided technical support to 16 Village Savings Loans and Association groups consisting of 436 persons of concern (368 women and 68 men) in their access to financial and social capital for microenterprise creation.

Unity

- In Ajuong Thok and Pamir refugee camps, UNHCR partner International Rescue Committee (IRC) commenced the training of 100 (92 women and 8 men) youths on business and life skills. The 3-months training uses IRC's 'learn to earn' evidence-based field-tested training curriculum that equips youth with entrepreneurial skills both from theoretical and practical aspects.

Camp coordination and camp management

Upper Nile

- In Yusuf Batil refugee camp, UNHCR partner Save the Children International (SCI), trained 40 (11 women and 29 men) youth committee members on leadership and conflict resolution in May.
- To improve shelter quality, UNHCR partner Danish Refugee Council (DRC) trained 15 representatives of the shelter committee in Batil camp in May. The shelter monitoring skills will equip the shelter committee members adequately monitor the ongoing construction of mud bricks shelters for 2018.

Main Activities – IDP Programme

COORDINATION

Upper Nile

- In Malakal, UNHCR partner Danish Refugee Council (DRC) supported the community-based tailoring group to produce 269 uniforms. The uniforms will be given to schoolgirls as a mechanism to decrease the risk of Gender-Based Violence (GBV).

OPERATIONS

Upper Nile

- In Maban, UNHCR and Humanitarian Development Consortium (HDC) graduated of 41 students (36 women; 5 men) following the completion of a four-month long computer course. Graduates included 16 refugees, 15 host community members and 10 internally displaced persons.

Shelter and NFIs

Western Bahr el Ghazal

- In Wau, UNHCR identified 1,080 Persons with Specific Needs (PSNs) and supported them with Core Relief Items (CRIs) that included sleeping mats, blankets, clothes, soap, sanitary kits and collapsible jerry cans. Since the beginning of the year, UNHCR has assisted 3,700 PSNs in Wau.



COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT AND SELF-RELIANCE

Achievements and Impact

Jonglei

- In Akobo County, UNHCR partner Nile Hope completed the construction of a vocational centre. The European Union (EU)-funded project, is part of the efforts aimed at community empowerment and self-reliance.
- In Mingkkaman, Duk and Twic East counties, UNHCR partner Humanitarian Development Consortium (HDC) distributed crop seeds and tools to 1,500 beneficiaries as a part of EU-funded project for community empowerment and self-reliance.
- In Bor town, HDC trained 50 youth on selected business skills to support them with business plans.

UNHCR South Sudan Main Donors in 2018 (in USD)

United States of America		10,900,000
European Union		3,927,575
Sweden		3,553,299
Japan		3,500,000
Republic of Korea	From the People of Japan 	1,507,080
Educate a Child Programme (EAC/EAA)	 A programme of education above all™	1,322,694
Canada		589,159
IGAD		584,042
Luxembourg		366,109

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