



# Protection Dashboard

Quarter 2

Uganda Refugee Response Plan (RRP) 2022-2023

Jan - June 2023

## Overview

The overall protection objective is to ensure that refugees and asylum-seekers have access to asylum, fair and accelerated asylum procedures as well as full enjoyment of their rights as set forth in international and domestic laws. It remains crucial for UNHCR and Partners to continue to strengthen the capacity of the government institutions to respond to emergencies, support improvements in registration and the asylum system whilst providing life-saving services, as well as monitoring, mitigating protection risks, building resilience of the forcibly displaced and stateless persons and enhancing durable solutions. Efforts will continue to be made in reinforcing comprehensive feedback and response mechanisms to ensure accountability to affected populations. In addition, special focus will be given to the vulnerable groups including persons with specific needs with the objective of ensuring that they have equal access to protection assistance and the opportunity to participate in community self-management and decision-making. Meanwhile, peaceful coexistence among communities as well as provision of mental health and psychosocial support services will remain a priority.

### Product Scope

This product covers overview of the sector, key achievements, funding situation including Gender Based Violence (GBV) and Child Protection (CP) units, Registration, Refugee Status Determination (RSD), Community Based Protection (CBP), Mental Health Psychosocial Support (MHPSS), Legal and Feedback Referral and Resolution Mechanism (FRRM) arms of protection leaving out CP and GBV which have been analyzed in separate dashboards.

### Analysis of achievements of the sector

#### Refugee Status Determination (RSD)

During the second quarter, the Refugee Eligibility Committee (REC) held two sessions (01 Kyaka and 01 Kampala) where the committee adjudicated a total of 465 applications comprising of 1,169 individuals mainly from the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC), Rwanda, and Burundi and Pakistanis. The recognition rate was 79 per cent.

Noting the continued increase in the RSD backlog, UNHCR is working closely with the Office of the Prime Minister (OPM) and REC to clear the backlog of 48,953 individuals through simplified/accelerated procedures pursuant to the RSD guidelines and policies. In line with this, UNHCR facilitated a joint RSD training with OPM from 10-12 May 2023, and participants included the Refugee Eligibility Committee, OPM RSD Officers and UNHCR/OPM RSD focal points. The Refugee Appeals Board (RAB) has not yet been constituted; UNHCR continues to advocate with the government to expedite the appointment of the new members of the RAB. The suspension on admission of Somali remains in place pending technical verification between the Immigration and the Office of the Prime Minister.

#### Access to Justice

A total of 14,609 individuals received legal aid services and were sensitized on the laws of Uganda. Access to justice is impeded by limited funds to cover legal representation, access to physical infrastructure and limited resources to facilitate community outreaches and mobile court sessions in the settlements among others.

#### Accountability to Affected Populations (AAP)

A total of 112,521 calls were received by the Interagency Feedback, Referral, and Resolution helpline as of 30 June. 75 percent of the calls were handled at the helpline level while 25 percent were referred to partners and UNHCR. More than half of the queries recorded related to food assistance closely followed by durable solutions (specifically resettlement) and community-based protection among others.

#### Community-Based Protection (CBP)

The AAP & CwC task team discussed and made recommendations for improvements to the prioritization review mechanism and the relevant communication strategy. Implementation of Phase III of food/cash prioritization will commence in July. UNHCR also conducted a virtual meeting with the Refugee Engagement Forum where refugee leaders shared reflections on the implementation of the same and recommended strengthening of livelihoods, provision of immediate assistance to high-risk protection cases, and data updates to ensure accurate recategorization of refugees among others.

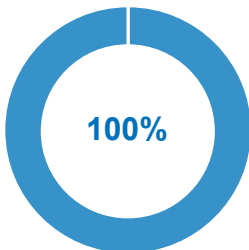
The IGAD-EAC High-Level Ministerial Conference on Durable Solutions for Refugees, co-convened by the Government of Uganda, was held in Kampala from 13-16 June. The outcomes of this conference will be converted into pledge recommendations for Uganda specifically, on the GRF thematic area of durable solutions.

## Key indicators

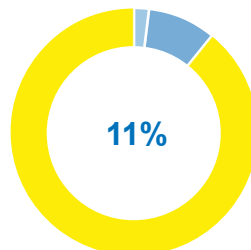
Achievements per quarter

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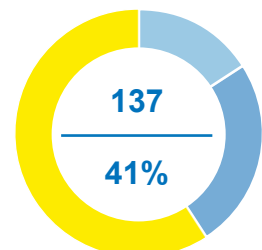
annual target



% of refugees in Uganda who are individually registered in proGres with minimum data set  
Target: 98%



% of eligible asylum seekers whose asylum applications have been adjudicated in line with the RSD procedures and standards (Target: 95%)



Community-led projects or community empowerment projects, where peaceful coexistence is the primary project purpose  
Target: 95

## Funding

Inc CP and GBV



\$157M

Total Required

\$34.1M

Received 22%

\$122.9M

Gap 78%

Achievements data: ActivityInfo + proGres v4

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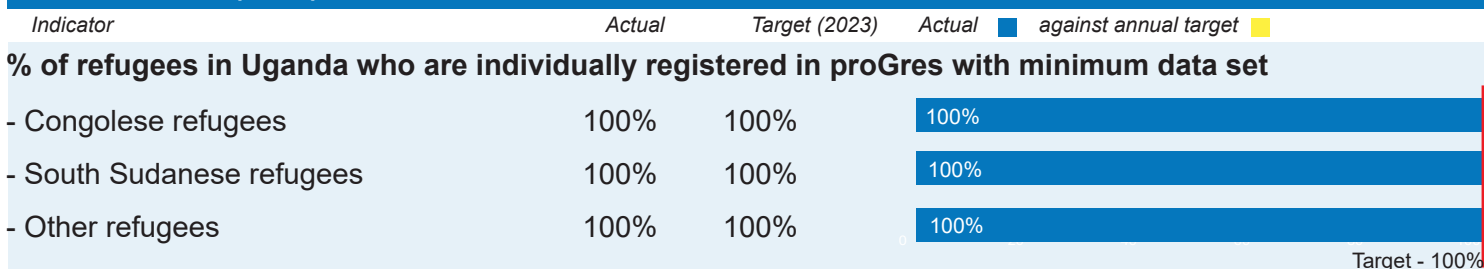
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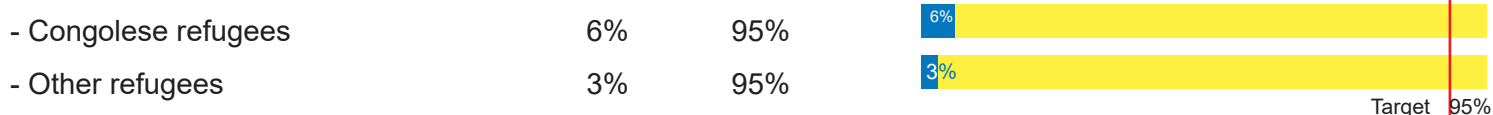
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## Outcome: Access to asylum procedures, including reception, registration, and refugee status determination (RSD)

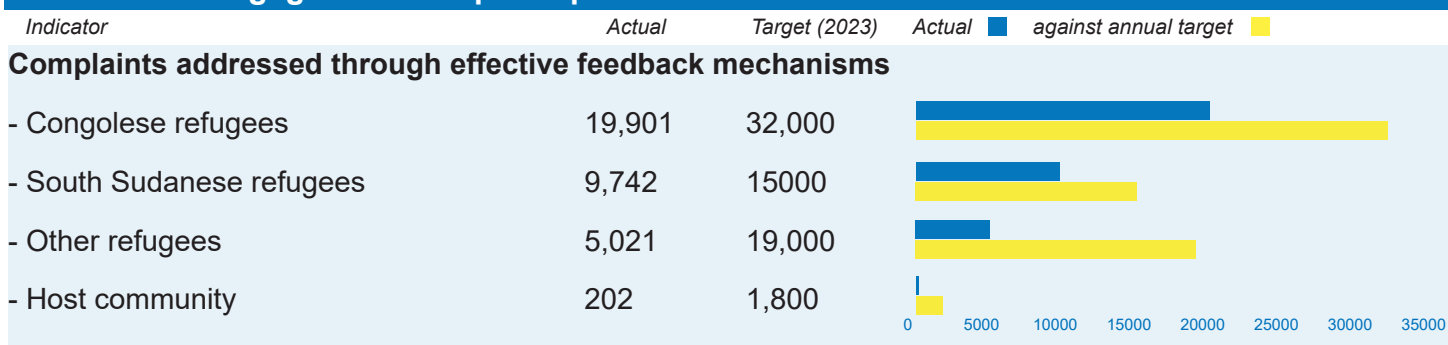


### Eligible asylum seekers whose asylum applications have been adjudicated in line with the RSD procedures and standards

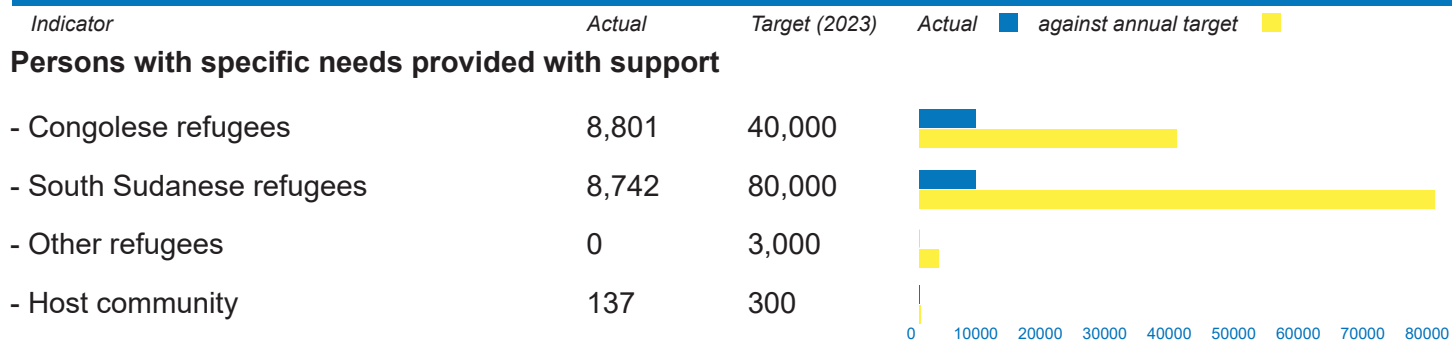


Note: South Sudanese refugees are granted refugee status on prima-facie basis.

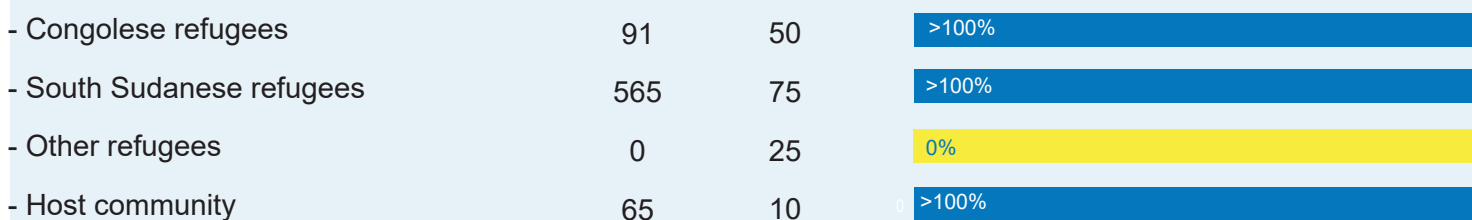
## OUTCOME: Accountability to all persons of concern is strengthened through meaningful engagement and participation of communities



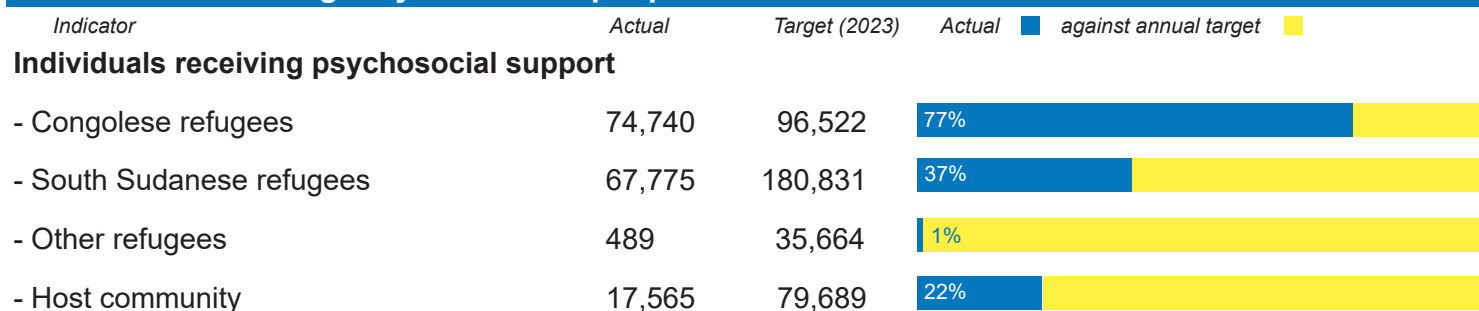
## OUTCOME: Persons with specific needs have timely access to appropriate services and participate in community activities and decision-making on an equal basis with others



### Interventions to address barriers



## OUTCOME: Refugee and host communities populations have improved well being and functioning including very vulnerable people

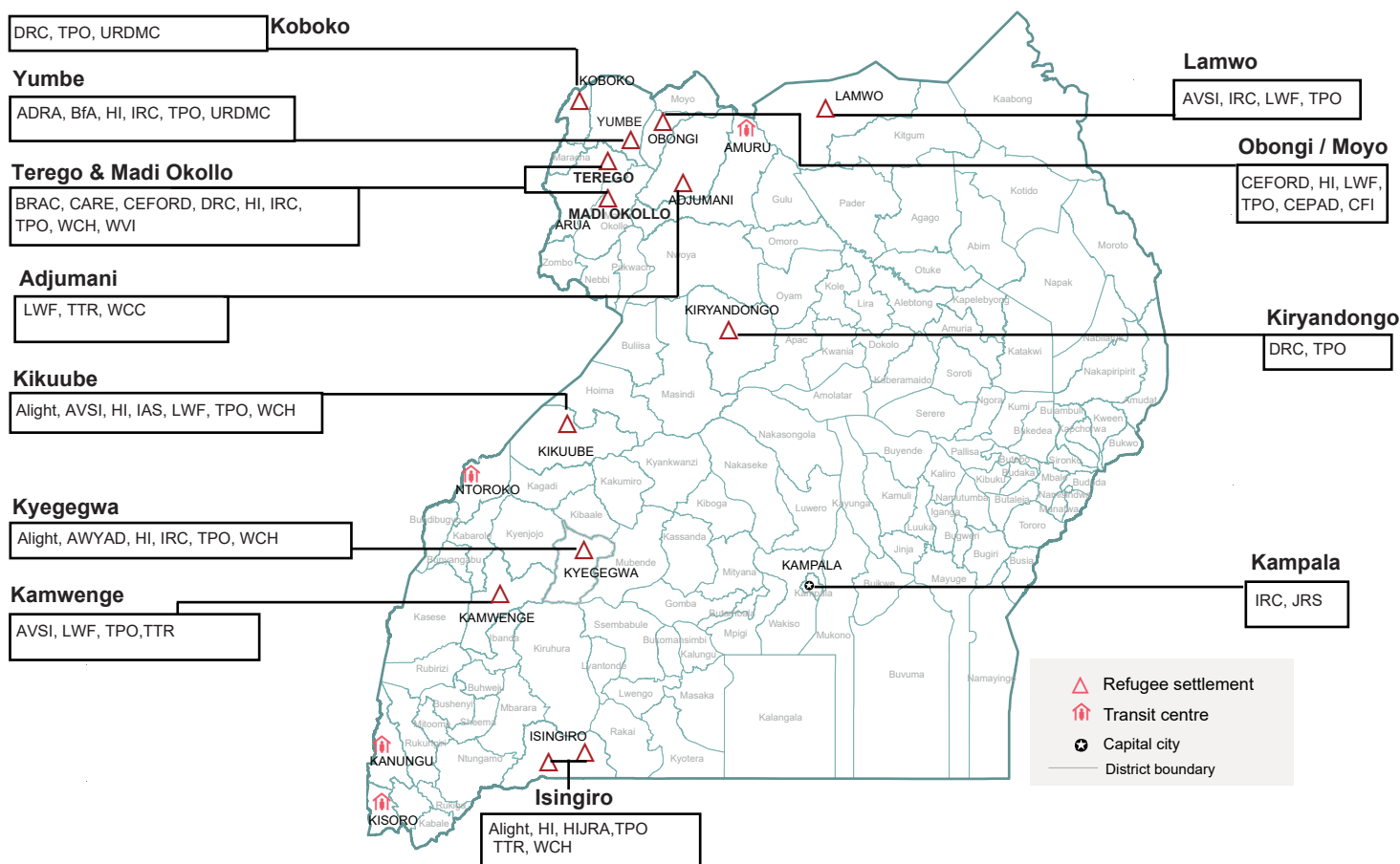


# OUTCOME: Physical safety and access to justice by Persons of Concern strengthened

Indicator	Actual	Target (2023)	Actual against annual target
<b>Refugees receiving legal assistance and legal aid services</b>			
- Congolese refugees	2,786	30,000	9%
- South Sudanese refugees	12,524	40,000	31%
- Other refugees	0	15,000	0%
- Host Community	1,022	1,000	>100%

## Operational Presence

Adventist Development and Relief Agency (ADRA)	Community Empowerment for Rural Development (CEFORD)	Jesuit Refugee Service (JRS)
African Women and Youth Action for Development (AWYAD)	Community Empowerment for Peace and Development (CEPAD)	Lutheran World Federation (LWF)
Alight	Danish Refugee Council (DRC)	Office of the Prime Minister (OPM)
Association of Volunteers in International Service (AVSI)	Finnish Refugee Council (FRC)	Transcultural Psychosocial Organization (TPO),
Brass for Africa (BfA)	Finnish Mission Uganda (FIDA/FMU)	Tutapona Trauma Rehabilitation (TTR)
Building Resources Across Communities (BRAC)	Humanitarian Assistance and Development Services (HADS)	Uganda Refugee Disaster and Management Council (URDMC)
Care International (CARE)	Humanity&Inclusion (HI)	War Child Canada (WCC)
Caritas Uganda	Humanitarian Initiative Just Relief Aid (HIJRA)	War Child Holland (WCH)
Catholic Relief Services (CRS)	International Aid Services (IAS)	World Vision International (WVI)
Child Fund International (CFI)	International Rescue Committee (IRC)	



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