



## HIGHLIGHTS

**22,262**

Identified unaccompanied minors

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Households provided with cash grants in year 2015

**69592**

NFIs distributed since January 2015

**376**

Shelters distributed since January 2015

### Population of concern

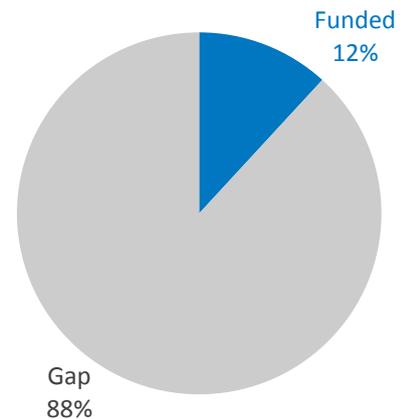
A total of **585,076** people of concern

#### By country of origin

Country	Total PoC
Somalia	425,028
Ethiopia	30,504
Sudan	9,925
DR Congo	17,624
Rwanda	1,445
Eritrea	1,566
Burundi	6,575
South Sudan	90,714
Uganda	1,497
Other	198
<b>Total</b>	<b>585,076</b>

### Funding

**USD 251,196,144 million** requested



### UNHCR Presence

#### Staff:

379 national staff, 24 NUNVs  
64 international staff, 8 IUNVS, 14 Consultants

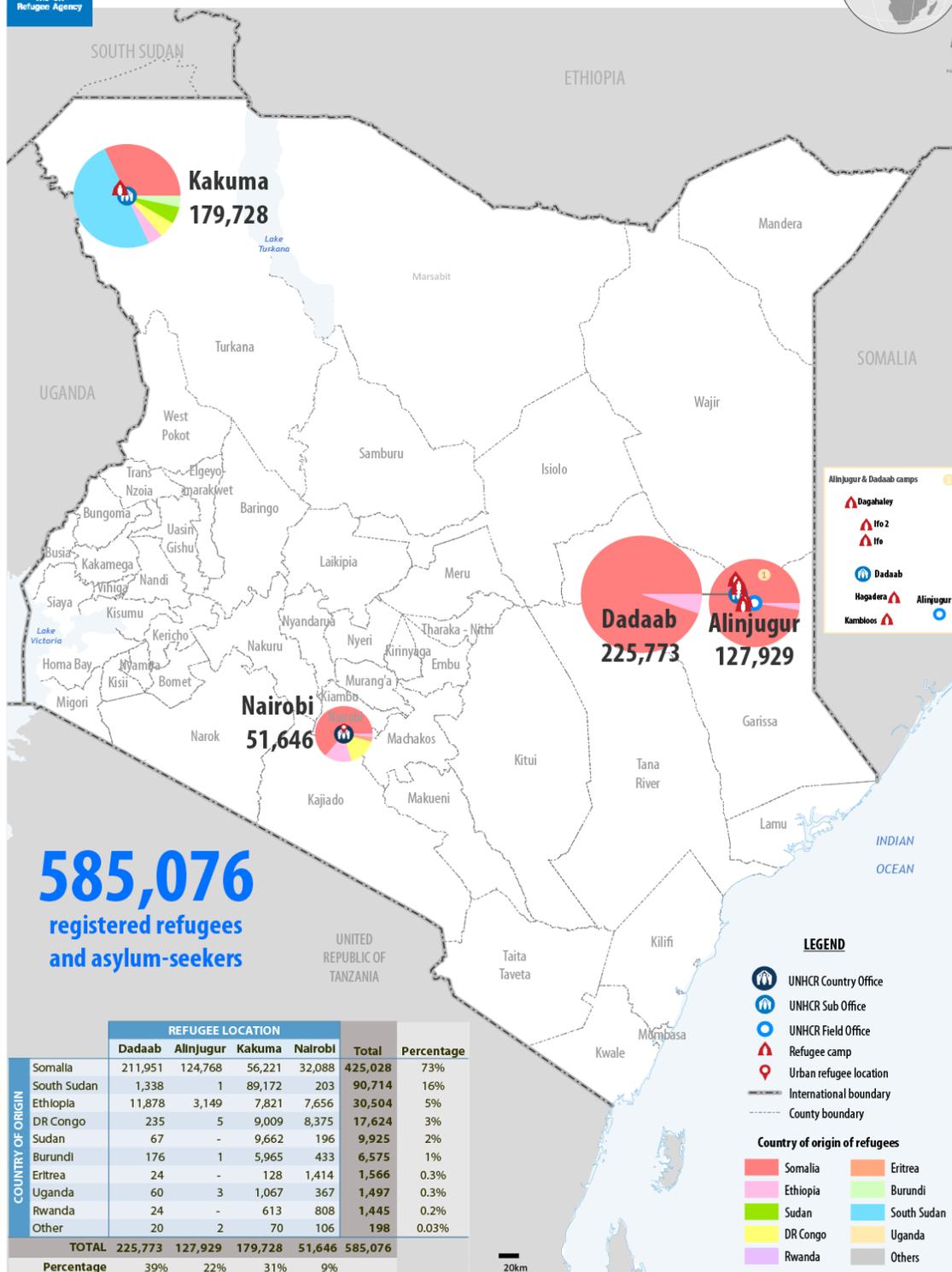
#### Offices:

4 offices located in:  
Nairobi, Kakuma, Dadaab, Alinjgur



# KENYA: Registered refugees and asylum-seekers

As of 01 February 2015



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## WORKING WITH PARTNERS

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- Ger Duany, and a former Sudanese refugee in Dadaab visited the camp on 23 January for the first time in 22 years after being resettled in the US. The Hollywood actor and model visited fellow South Sudanese in his former neighborhood in Ifo camp and a group of newly arrived refugees in Ifo 2 camp. In 2014, Ger visited Kakuma Refugee camp with support from UNHCR to reunite with his family. He is currently starring in the movie 'The Good Lie'.
- The Danish Refugee Council (DRC) Head of communications and Fundraising Mr. Peter Hermann Kamph visited Kakuma with a camera crew to document for the purposes of fundraising for youth aged between 17 and 25 years. DRC program currently supports South Sudanese new arrivals and youth in Kakuma.
- On 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2015, the Programme Director for Nduna Foundation which is a private foundation visited Kakuma for the first time on a familiarization tour. He is also a key advocate for UNHCR and refugee children in philanthropic circles and has established the Protection Initiative for Refugee Children (PIRC) that he is spearheading among private donors interested in refugee children. He is using this as a platform to mobilize private donors for the sake of refugee children.

## MAIN ACTIVITIES

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### Protection

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- As at 31 January 2015, Kakuma had received 45,627 asylum seekers from South Sudan, with 1562 new arrivals recorded in the month. The camp population stood at 179,728 with South Sudanese making up 49.6% of the total population.
- 1,252 new UAMS and 6,653 separated children had arrived in the Kakuma camps since December 2013. Since then, 1,155 UAMs including 820 South Sudanese UAMs and 4,869 separated children have been registered, bringing the cumulative number of registered UAMs in Kakuma to 2,747 and 11,894 separated children.
- In order to improve access to legal assistance for refugees and host community, UNHCR office in Dadaab plans to build a permanent court facility. A wall fence is under construction to secure the site and a water supply system is being prepared. UNHCR continues to support mobile courts in the Dadaab camps.

### Security Laws (Amendment) Act, 2014

- On 2<sup>nd</sup> January, 8 sections of the Security Laws (Amendment) Act were suspended by the High Court, pending a determination at a later date. The suspension included the provision concerning the 150,000 ceiling of refugees. The Attorney General filed an appeal on the suspension of the sections in the Court of Appeal. The Appeal was determined on 23<sup>rd</sup> January and the orders were retained therefore, the suspended sections remain suspended.
- The above does not affect the current case in the High Court in which the constitutionality of the entire Act is in question. The ruling of the High Court 5 judge bench is expected end of February. If the High Court agrees with the petitioners (KNCHR and CORD Coalition) the Attorney General may again proceed to the Court of Appeal.
- In the current unpredictable environment, Registration at DRA resumed end of January. Newly registered asylum seekers with DRA are subsequently approaching UNHCR premises to be also registered with UNHCR and have access to services provided by the Protection Section and the UNHCR partners.
- Separate discussions with UNHCR implementing partners for the urban program took place during the month of January with focus on implementation plans to maximize the impact of each UNHCR sub-agreements with partners for the year 2015. To this end, meetings were held with Heshima (Child Protection), RCK and Kituo Cha Sheria (legal partners), HIAS (assistance related matters), DRC (Livelihoods), Xavier Project (Education) and NCKK (Medical).
- Discussions with the main Government counterpart (the Department of Refugee Affairs, DRA) are ongoing. A DRA/UNHCR retreat has been scheduled to take place 12 and 13 February. RSD and joint Registration processes are among the topics included in the agenda.

## The Refugee Bill, 2014

The Task force created in 2014 to work on drafting a proposal of amendment to the 2006 Refugee Act resumed its activities mid of January, members include the two legal UNHCR partners, DRC, IRC, Heshima Kenya and UNHCR. The Task force is chaired by the Head of Protection of DRA.

## Refugees Status Determination

- 51 cases/65 individuals were interviewed at 1st instance, 3 cases were interviewed on appeal. 45 cases were rescheduled. 26 cases were no show. 183 new cases/340 individuals made fresh asylum claims. In total, 39 cases were identified by the RSD unit and referred to other units within the Protection Section for follow up with medical, protection, education, livelihood and community services issues.
- Transition of RSD responsibilities to DRA from UNHCR: No Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) meetings took place during the reporting period. RSD recommendations were not endorsed by the DRA Commissioner during the reporting period. The Data Management Unit conducted a training for relevant RSD staff on 22nd January to ensure a common understanding of the new ProGres Events and Results. The Events and Results have now been applied to all Nairobi-based cases whose RSD recommendations were endorsed by the Commissioner during 2014.
- A Protection team was on mission in Kakuma on 26th January to provide guidance and support to the Kakuma RSD team as they begin to generate and issue the DRA's new 'Notification of Recognition' documents to those cases which have been recognized as refugees by the Commissioner for Refugees since 1st July 2014. A similar mission is planned for Dadaab during the next reporting period. The DRA's new 'Notification of Recognition' document has not yet been gazetted as an official document.
- 3 out of the 8 DRA trainees who were undertaking the on the job RSD training Programme within UNHCR's Nairobi premises in 2014 reported back to work on 26th Jan 2015. The remaining 5 were either redeployed within DRA to undertake non-RSD tasks, or have left DRA for other opportunities.

## Education

- The 2014 Kenya Certificate of Primary Education (KCPE) results released by the Ministry of Education showed that most refugee candidates performed well with an average mean score of 259 out of 500. Of the 1,467 candidates who sat the exam, 1300(340 female, 960 male) attained above 200 marks which is required for transition to secondary schools. The best candidate, a girl from Angelina Jolie primary school scored 418 marks out of a possible 500 marks. She also emerged the best performer in Turkana West Sub-county.

## Health

- African Medical and Research Foundation (AMREF) specialists comprising a pediatrician and a general surgeon in Kakuma from 19– 23 January 2015. The team attended to 87 patients and performed 10 surgeries.
- The health status of refugees remained stable during the month. The consultations per clinician per day was 1:65 Crude Mortality Rate and U-5 mortality rates remained within UNHCR/Sphere thresholds of <1/10,000 and <2/10,000 per day respectively.
- Construction of the new hospital in Kakuma 4 is ongoing with part funding from ECHO of Euro 500,000. AAR Japan and UNFPA have also pledged to support the construction by putting up and equipping a paediatric ward and an SGBV recovery center respectively.
- UNFPA donated an assortment of reproductive health kits that comprised of 50,000 pieces of condoms; delivery sets, HIV Post Exposure Prophylaxis pills, emergency contraceptive pills, manual vacuum aspirators (MVAs) for management of unsafe abortions; antibiotics and other commodities for management of obstetric complications. However, UNHCR office in Kakuma plans to purchase 2 million condoms that will be sufficient for 1 year.
- In Dadaab, UNHCR provided 200 adjustable glasses to a camp based eye clinic. The glasses will be distributed to patients in need.

## Food Security and Nutrition

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- WFP resumed 100% general food rations in January 2015. The distribution will henceforth be on a monthly basis instead of the bi-monthly.

## Water and Sanitation

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- In Dadaab, a solar project in borehole 2 in Ifo camp was commissioned on 23 January. The new solar-diesel hybrid system ensures that solar energy is utilized in pumping water from the borehole while a generator compliments any additional energy when the solar power goes down. The project was funded by Norwegian Emergency Preparedness System (NOREPS).
- Kenya Red Cross Society (KRCS) installed solar panels on two boreholes in Ifo 2 camp with funding from the European Commission's Humanitarian Aid and Civil Protection Department (ECHO).
- 8 new communal latrines and 112 house hold latrines were constructed in Kakuma 4. The latrine coverage in Kakuma 4 is 1:19. The per capita water distribution of 18.5 litres per person per day, a marginal decline from the previous month's 20.1 litres.
- Team and Team International have delivered three new generators and two pumps for the three newly drilled boreholes.

## Shelter and NFIs

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- The General Distribution for NFIs commenced on 26 January 2015 and targets 96,218 individuals (25,213 households). As at 31 January 6,779 kitchen sets, 15,148 mosquito nets, 15,148 jerry cans and 30,298 blankets have been distributed to 6,779 households (30,296 individuals) in the 4 camps in Kakuma. The beneficiaries include most vulnerable groups and households that have not received NFIs for over 4 years.

## Camp Coordination and Camp Management

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- UNHCR constructed a perimeter fence around the police post in Ifo camp, the oldest police post in the five camps. Police posts and vehicles have been targeted in past IED attacks thus the need for enhanced facilities.

## Community Empowerment and Self-Reliance

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- Handicap International (HI) in Dadaab continues to build capacity of refugees on production of assistive devices such as crutches, toilet seats and positioning aids. The Technical Aid Workshop uses locally available materials such as wood to make assistive devices and also repairs wheelchairs, tricycles and other mobility devices
- A large market stall is under construction in Kambioos camp, Dadaab complex and will be part of the new market area. The roofed stall has 40 spaces and is meant for the most vulnerable refugees. In 2014, UNHCR and Department of Refugee Affairs (DRA) carried out an assessment on livelihood services in Kambioos camp and noted the need for a market.
- LGBTI asylum seekers and refugees were conveyed to attend Information meetings at the UNHCR premises on 23 and 30 January. These meetings resulted from a UNHCR inter-unit effort (Protection). Briefings were provided by members of all units from the UNHCR BO Protection Section, a representative from the US Embassy (resettlement process to the US) and IOM. During the information meetings, asylum seekers and refugees, among them new arrivals, were informed about services provided by UNHCR and HIAS, explained relevant processes (registration with DRA and UNHCR, RSD, Resettlement process at UNHCR for those recognized as refugees) and timelines.
- These UNHCR BO initiatives are orientated to provide relevant information and a space for Q&A but proved also useful to raise awareness among the participants on the importance of assuming their own self-protection in the country of asylum environment. Emphasis was also made on the convenience that asylum seekers and refugees will make the best possible use of services provided by UNHCR and its partners, considering limited resources available and efforts made to fast-tracked LGBTI applications.

## Durable Solutions and Resettlement

- UNHCR, Government of Kenya and partners has so far supported 1,274 refugees to return home from Kenya to Somalia under the current voluntary return pilot project. The first group of refugees travelled to Somalia from Dadaab refugee camps on 8 December 2014, when the pilot project was launched. Refugees use pre-arranged bus transport with Kenya police providing security to the border. 11 convoys have departed since then.
- More than 80% of the returnees from Dadaab are refugees who arrived in Kenya after 2010. All of them have returned either to Baidoa or Kismayo. Majority are in family groups with children.
- UNHCR in collaboration with International Organization of Migration (IOM) established a transit center in Somalia in which returnees are received. Refugee Consortium of Kenya (RCK), with funding from UNHCR, provides an independent and objective monitoring of the return process in Kenya.
- By the end of 2014, the resettlement operations in Kenya met and exceeded their target of 6,280 individual submissions. In total, 6805 individuals were submitted from the three locations to Australia, Canada, United States, Denmark, Netherlands, Sweden, Norway, Finland, New Zealand and the United Kingdom.
- During 2015 a total of 6,550 refugees will be submitted. Priorities for UNHCR and the main resettlement countries will be to reduce the current backlog of cases in the US pipeline in Dadaab and to join efforts to combat fraud and exploitation schemes in the urban areas.

## Logistics

- A total of 19 new rub halls are under construction in Ifo 2 camp, Dadaab complex. The current storage space for Non Food Items (NFIs) and other items is inadequate. The new rub halls will provide sufficient space for items for new arrivals and support to voluntary return movements.

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