



## HIGHLIGHTS

**22,994**

Identified unaccompanied minors

**12**

Households provided with cash grants in year 2014

**188,120**

NFIs distributed since January

**216**

Shelters distributed since January

### Population of concern

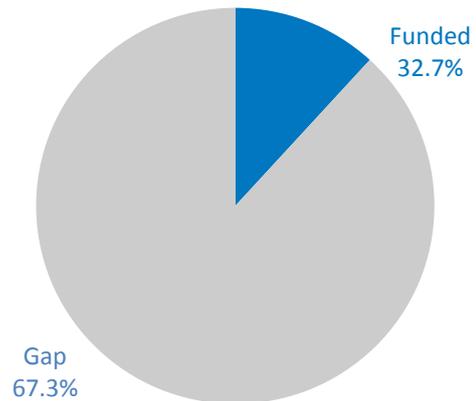
A total of **589,994** people of concern

### Funding

**USD 251,196,144** requested

#### By country of origin

Country	Total PoC
Somalia	423,244
Ethiopia	30,749
Sudan	10,256
DR Congo	20,850
Rwanda	1,475
Eritrea	1,563
Burundi	6,849
South Sudan	93,087
Uganda	1,707
Other	214
<b>Total</b>	<b>589,994</b>



### UNHCR Presence

#### Staff:

353 national staff, 29 NUNVs  
63 international staff, 11 IUNVS, 15 Consultants

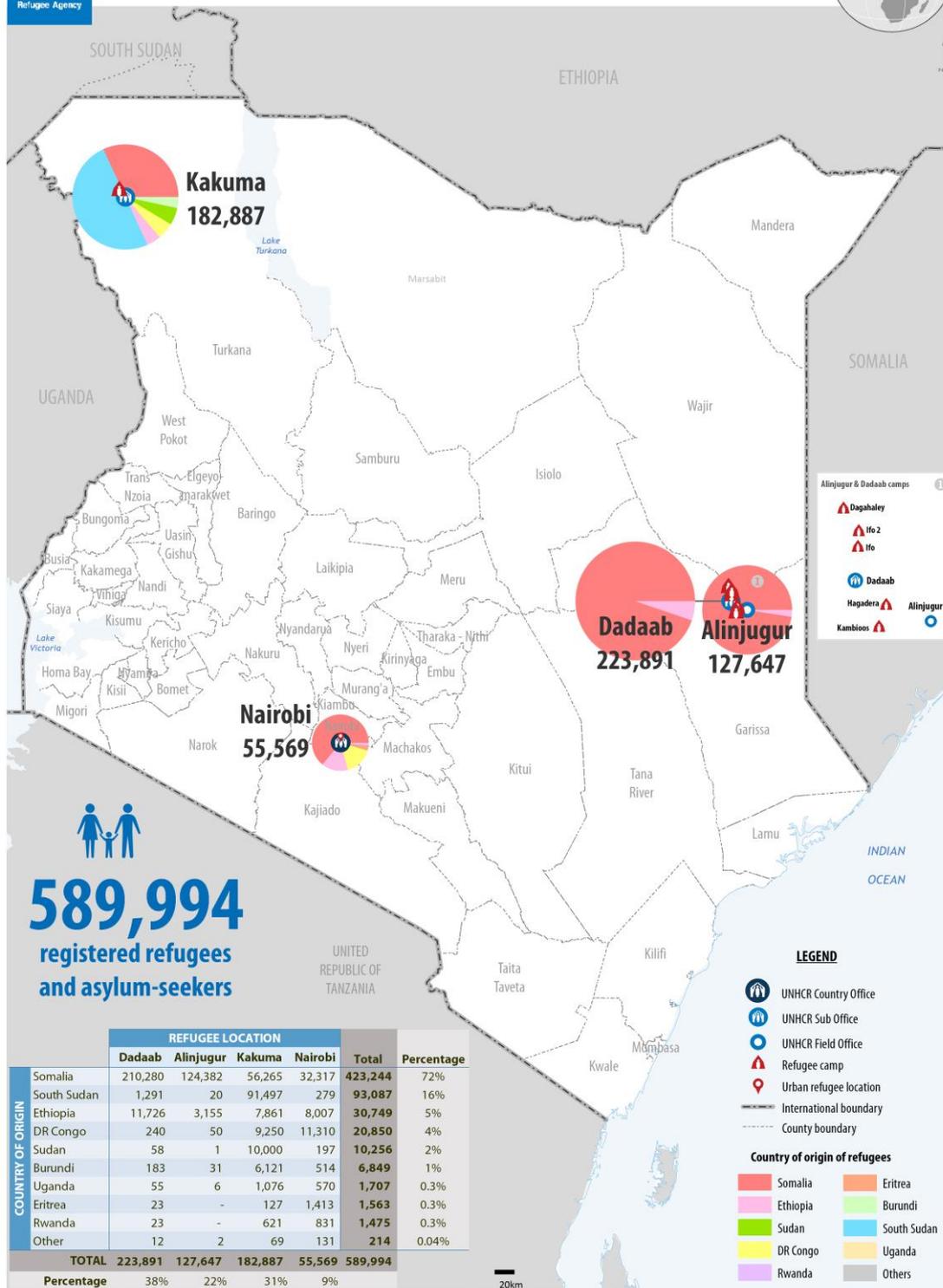
#### Offices:

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



# KENYA: Registered refugees and asylum-seekers

As of 01 May 2015



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## WORKING WITH PARTNERS

- From 15-17 April, UNHCR organized a retreat in Naivasha to discuss the development of a national action plan on statelessness to be adopted by the Government through its Ministry of Interior and Coordination of National Government. Participants included civil society, NGOs, the Kenya National Registration Bureau, Immigration Department, Children Services Department, and Department of Refugee Affairs.
- UNHCR in collaboration with UNFPA (United Nations Fund for Populations Activities) and IRC (International Rescue Committee) met to prepare the draft Information Sharing Protocol (ISP) for SGBV (Sexual and Gender Based Violence) related data. The ISP sets out guiding principles and procedures for sharing anonymous data on reported GBV cases captured in the GBV IMS (Information Management System) by partners involved in SGBV activities. The development of the ISP is expected to improve data sharing, coordination, identification of gaps as well as prioritization of actions and improve programming of SGBV prevention and response interventions.
- On 28<sup>th</sup> April, a case conference was held in Ifo camp in Dadaab. In attendance were DRC Danish Refugee Council, Department of Refugee Affairs (DRA), UNHCR and Save the Children International (SCI). On April 22, 2015, the safe haven panel also took place where six cases were deliberated upon.

## MAIN ACTIVITIES

### Protection

- As at 07 May 2015, Kakuma had received 45,811 asylum seekers from South Sudan. As at 30 April, 182,877 refugees had been registered by UNHCR and DRA (Department of Refugees Affairs), with South Sudanese making up 50% of the registered population.
- In Kakuma the trend of daily new arrivals has remained low; on average less than 100 people are received per week.
- As at 7<sup>th</sup> April 2015, 1,262 new UAMS (Unaccompanied minors) and 7,095 separated children had arrived in Kakuma since December 2013. Since then to date, 1,213 UAMs including 856 South Sudanese UAMs and 5,440 separated children have been registered, bringing the cumulative number of registered UAMs in Kakuma to 2,790 and 12,456 separated children.
- The protection desk remained open on Wednesdays and Thursdays throughout the reporting period. A total of 2,088 cases were attended with issues ranging from security claims, data transfer, Mandate Refugee Certificate renewal and other protection concerns.
- As at 30 April, the number of persons of concern who remained in detention were 65. Detention and prison monitoring continues including a visit to Langata Women's prison and Industrial Area prison.
- A joint UNHCR/IP's (Implementing Partners) border monitoring mission was undertaken in Mombasa and the coastal areas. The team met with the refugee communities residing in the area, police, immigration and county commanders of the region. The officials were sensitized on refugee rights and obligations.
- The two sub-groups of the Urban Refugee Protection Network (URPN) namely the Strategic Litigation Working Group and the Advocacy & Communication Working Group held meetings in April follow up pending public litigation cases and advocacy activities planned to commemorate World Refugee Day 2015 respectively.

### Child Protection

- In April UNHCR participated in the Civil Registration and Vital Statistics Technical Working Group meeting. The national birth registration was presented as having reached 954,254 (63%) in 2014 marking an increase of 5%. It was presented that the analysis indicates disparities in the data from Garissa necessitating the need for disaggregation of the host community data from the Dadaab refugee camp, which registers 100% births. UNHCR committed to facilitate discussions on the statistics related to Dadaab refugee camp.

- UNHCR organized 2 days BIA/BID training for the new child protection partner, Heshima Kenya, and other partners including HIAS, Refugee Point, Red Cross, and Department of Children Services.

### **Registration**

- During the reporting month, the registration Unit with additional caseworkers from RSD (Refugee Status Determination) Unit, started a special exercise to eradicate registration backlog of around 2,300 individuals. 1,165 had been registered by end of the month leading to a combined total of 2,524 individuals registered in April. Additionally 60 new born babies were added to cases while 74 new applications were received for new birth registration.
- An additional list of 503 cases was submitted to the National Insurance Health Fund (NHIF) in April. Out of cases previously enrolled, 1,779 cases have received their medical cards and the information has been captured into proGres database.

### **RSD (Refugees Status Determination)**

- During the reporting period, 833 new cases/1467 individuals made fresh asylum claims. 165 cases/209 individuals were interviewed at 1st instance and 6 cases on appeal. Currently, there is a 1.5 year wait for RSD interview, with the schedule running to the 14th of September 2017.
- On 10 of April 2015, the membership of the Refugee Appeal Board (RAB) was gazetted. UNHCR and the Department of Refugee Affairs conduct training for the RAB members in May.
- On 14 April 2015, UNHCR trained 26 legal aid providers to enhance their knowledge and skills on RSD within the context of the transition of RSD from UNHCR to DRA. Refugee Consortium of Kenya, Heshima Kenya, Kituo Cha Sheria and Communities of Africa Network participated in the training.
- From 22 April RSD four RSD staff joined the registration team in a specific backlog clearing registration exercise. One of the RSD staff participating in the exercise focused on reviewing Congolese cases (comprising of 450 cases/ 757 individuals) for data completeness in support of expedited RSD processing foreseen for this particular caseload in the coming months.

### **Community Services**

- A total of 156 POCs were accommodated in the NARAP transit center for the month of April. Of these, only 67 were assisted with transport while other cases are pending protection assessments and further assistance.
- On 28 and 29 April LGBTI (Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender Individuals) focal points from Protection, CS, and Resettlement met with refugees at the field offices of HIAS at Kawangware and Kayole, to convey to the LGBTI refugees and asylum seekers Key Messages, respond to their queries and explore livelihoods possibilities pending the processing of their cases and submission for resettlement for those who qualify, which is expected to last between two and three years.
- 28 refugee leaders were trained by Danish Refugee Council (DRC) during a two day SGBV prevention and response training for community leaders. The leaders were taken through the concept of human rights and how it relates to SGBV. They were also sensitized on how to prevent and respond to SGBV including Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (SEA). The leaders resolved to report SEA cases and contribute to prevention violence against women and girls in the camp.
- On 21<sup>st</sup> April, a coordination meeting took place where protection partners discussed their progress, objectives, challenges and the way forward. On 22<sup>nd</sup> April, a case conference meeting was held to discuss solutions to households with various protection needs. Care International reported that they conducted various Neighborhood Forums and Focus Group Discussions on SGBV prevention and response targeting adult men and women in Dagahalley Camp. In addition, they held empowerment sessions with both women and men support groups against

Gender Based Violence. CARE also conducted eight behavioral change forums targeting adult male in addition to distributing 30 mattresses to the members of the community.

### **Livelihoods and Environment**

- Building up on previous engagement, the Export Processing Zone Authority (EPZA) agreed to include refugees in an upcoming program to train youths in textile machine operation and thereafter have them employed with EPZ companies. A list of 125 POCs was forwarded for screening.
- On 04 May 2015, the Executive Director of the Board of USA for UNHCR visited Kakuma. The Director's team was accompanied by the Project Development Officer in the Private Sector Fundraising Unit at the Regional Office. USA for UNHCR is one of UNHCR's key fundraisers and the mission was keen on identifying potential ideas for sustainable livelihood projects in the camp. The team was briefed by the Head of sub-office on the operation and later visited various facilities in the camp including a clinic and a food distribution centre.
- On 16th April UNHCR's partner Relief Reconstruction and Development Organization (RRDO) launched a new pilot project of alternative energy in Ifo 2 camp of Dadaab. 200 refugee families benefited from the new pilot project and they were given Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) cylinders or ethanol stoves. This pilot project objective is to test the feasibility of the two kinds of domestic fuel (LPG) and Denatured Ethanol. This testing is expected to run for the next nine months of 2015. Gas cylinders and ethanol stoves will not only improve the lives of refugees, but also contribute to their protection. It means women and girls spend less time fetching firewood and are therefore less exposed to risk and violence.

### Education

- The Refugee Education Concept writing workshop was held at Ole Sereni Hotel with the Ministry of Education officials. The draft was presented to a committee convened by the Education Permanent Secretary to look into admissions of foreigners into the Kenyan school, which is expected to build into the roadmap to a policy on refugee education.
- Mombasa mission with Xavier Project was held from March 30th to 2nd April 2015 to establish education support for refugees in Mombasa. 2 adult learning centers for lifelong education were identified due to their close proximity to where the refugees live.
- UNHCR Staff from Branch office Nairobi and Regional Support Hub (RSH) in Nairobi supported the Windle Trust Kenya (WTK) teachers who had been relocated to Nairobi for debriefing following the demise of their colleague in unusual circumstances. The WTK staff were assured that UNHCR will intervene with authorities to provide a more robust security and safety coverage. In the meantime, security risk assessment is going on for partners' compounds in the camps.
- Borderless Higher Education for the refugee (BHER) Holiday classes have been postponed due to the prevailing security situation. Moi university which is one of the collaborating partners for BHER could not send its Lecturers due to the Garissa attack that killed 147 students, knowing as well that Garissa University is a constituent college of Moi University. The Garissa attack has greatly affected more than 100 students who were to go for Holiday courses at different colleges and Universities in the country. This was due to the suspension of the issuance of movement passes following a directive from the Government.

### Health

- In Kakuma during the reporting month the general health status of refugees remained stable during the week with mortality indicators remaining within Sphere/UNHCR standards. UNHCR and IRC (International Rescue

Committee) continue to closely monitor the trend of malaria and watery diarrhoea due to their outbreak potential.

- Due to the ongoing rainy season, watery diarrhoea and malaria cases have considerably IRC's community health workers conducted an assessment to find out the most affected areas in the camp. They are also disseminating key health messages to the community on hygiene promotion and malaria prevention using guided procedures.
- A meeting between UNHCR and the Health partners comprising of health coordinators and Lab in charges regarding operationalization of central blood bank in Dadaab was deliberated as a measure to prevent blood stock out in the camps. What was in agreement is having one partner to be in charge/take the lead in managing the central blood bank (sourcing, storage etc.) on behalf of the rest of the other health partners.
- Alert on cholera outbreak across the camp since on 30<sup>th</sup> April, CDC (center for disease control) received five samples of acute watery diarrhea cases from Dhobley, Somalia. Two out of the five samples turned positive for cholera by culture. Dhobley lies along the Kenya-Somalia border and act as transit point to the camps and towns/villages in Kenya. Therefore, it was recommend that camps, Liboi and other host community towns/villages to enhance surveillance, especially at this time of raining season where diarrheal events are likely to increase. All outbreak preparedness measures were put in place by the Health and WASH (Water Sanitation and Health) partners in the camps.

## Food Security and Nutrition

- During the second half of April, 40 newly arrived children aged 6-59 months were screened in Kakuma for malnutrition at the reception centre. Among these, six had severe acute malnutrition (15%) while one (2.5%) was found with moderate acute malnutrition. All identified cases of acute malnutrition were enrolled to respective rehabilitation programs.

## Water and Sanitation

### **KAKUMA**

- Water supply has considerably improved after repairs on sections of the main water supply pipeline (250meters) were done. The main pipeline from borehole 4B to Kakuma 4 has been restored.
- UNHCR in coordination with NRC, World Vision Kenya (WVK) and Team & Team international identified a possible drilling site for one borehole and two sites for installation of tow Elevated Water Tanks (EWTs) in Kakuma 4. The drilling of the borehole and installation of EWTs will be through funding from WVK and Team &Team respectively. Team and Team has commenced construction of tank foundations for the two EWTs.
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- NRC completed construction of 13 family shared latrines in Kakuma 4. The latrine to user ratio is 1:14 for both family shared and household latrines. Coverage stands at 34.5% for both family shared and household latrine categories and 15.3% coverage for household latrines only.

**DADAAB**

- Host community borehole at Hagadera boreholes 5 continued to receive water from one of the refugee boreholes after the borehole that serve the community broke down in February 2015. This borehole was repaired successfully by CARE borehole maintenance team on behalf of UNHCR.
- During the reporting period, 143 Hygiene promoters were actively engaged in hygiene promotion in all camps, carrying out intensive hygiene campaigns in the camps.
- UNHCR WASH Partners continued to engage in outreach and hygiene promotion activities sensitizing the community on hygiene, as Cholera cases had been reported in Homabay, Migori and Nairobi counties in February and March, 2015 but more recently Mombasa in Kenya and Doble in Somalia.

 **Shelter and NFIs**

- In Kakuma UNHCR in coordination with DRA, LWF, NCK, NRC, WFP and WVI organized the settlement of new arrivals from the reception centre to Kakuma 4 on 30 April 2015. A total of 61 families of 244 individuals were successfully relocated. 32 T-shelters and vacant durable shelters were allocated to the new arrivals. They were also provided with transport, NFIs, food rations, energy saving stoves and firewood.
- Progress has been made in Kakuma after extensive consultations between UNHCR, DRA, the County Government and the host community for new land. The Terms of Engagement (TOE) on utilisation of the new land were endorsed by the Committee discussing the acquisition of the new camp at the County headquarters in Lodwar. This now paves the way for the signing of the Memorandum of Agreement between the Governor and DRA with UNHCR signing as a witness.

**Durable Solutions****Repatriation**

- The embassy of Burundi cleared the volrep (voluntarily repatriation) requests of 211 Burundian refugees. Due to the prevailing situation in Burundi, our Office in Burundi has advised to put on hold all movements to Burundi until after the elections.
- On 29 April 2015 UNHCR Kenya and UNHCR Somalia participated in the Technical Committee meeting for the voluntary repatriation of Somali refugees at Sarova Stanley Hotel, Nairobi. The Committee discussed its structure and membership composition. The Committee also highlighted the need for a comprehensive strategy that innovatively links humanitarian and development actors in Somalia, taking into account lessons learned from the pilot project. The Committee will develop a plan of action towards this.
- Since December 2014 when the pilot project of voluntarily repatriation started, 2,048 refugees from Somalia have been supported by UNHCR to spontaneously return to Somalia. There are 2,605 Somali refugees, currently active in UNHCR database, who have communicated a willingness to return on a date convenient to them. The return convoys have currently been stopped due to the bad condition of the roads.

**Resettlement**

- 679 persons approached the resettlement counselling desk in Nairobi during the reporting period. 289 cases/728 persons were submitted from Nairobi, Kakuma and Dadaab to Australia, Canada, USA the UK.

- Resettlement Unit undertook a mission to Mombasa from 27 April to 2 May to attend a stakeholders' meeting, train community leaders on resettlement and conducted resettlement needs assessments. 24 potential resettlement cases were identified as a result.
- During the reporting period, AAHI (Asian American Health Initiative) through its socio-economic profiling exercise identified 10 new beneficiaries who possess skills in beauty and hair dressing, arts and crafts, soap making, hotel and pharmacy business amongst others. The beneficiaries will be assisted with start-up capital to enable them start small- scale businesses

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