

SOUTH SUDAN

August 2018

148,600+

Refugees and IDPs received material support across South Sudan in August 2018.

8,000+

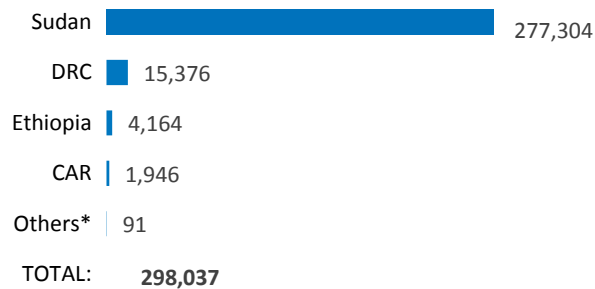
Children early childhood development activities across South Sudan in August 2018.

3,000+

Tree seedlings distributed to refugees and host community across South Sudan in August 2018.

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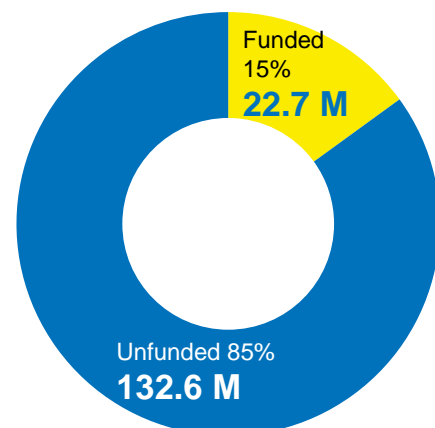
Countries of Origin



FUNDING AS OF 28 AUGUST

USD 155.3 M

requested for the situation



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

UNHCR PRESENCE

Staff

299 national and
97 international staff
(as of 31 August 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 August
2018)



Students celebrate at Dr. John Garang University library handover ceremony in Bor. The project is a part of UNHCR's support to host community.

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 and UN Women.

Main Activities – Refugee Programme Protection

- As of 31 August 2018, the refugee population in South Sudan stood at 298,881 individuals, consisting of 69,337 households in 21 different locations across South Sudan. UNHCR registered 322 new arrivals and 1,382 newborn babies mainly from Sudan's South Kordofan and Blue Nile. 52% of the refugees are women, with women and children representing 82% of the total refugee population in South Sudan. The Sudanese refugee population remains the largest at 277,304 individuals (93%) followed by DR Congo 15,376 individuals (5%), Ethiopia 4,164 individuals (2%) and Central African Republic 1,946 (1%). The majority (91%) of refugees are hosted in Upper Nile and the Unity regions in South Sudan. An estimated 1.84 million people are internally displaced in South Sudan. Furthermore, the country hosts 2,339 asylum seekers.

Central Equatoria

- In Juba, UNHCR in collaboration with Commission for Refugee Affairs (CRA) registered 61 asylum-seekers.
- In Juba, UNHCR issued 25 ID cards and 48 proof of registration to Sudanese refugees and 112 certificates to asylum seekers from Eritrea and Ethiopia.
- In Yei, UNHCR issued 95 identity cards to refugees (34F, 61M) to enhance their protection in the urban areas.

Unity

- In Yida, UNHCR registered 291 new arrivals (120F, 171M) from South Kordofan, Sudan.
- As of 31 August 2018, Ajuong Thok refugee camp population stood at 45,942, Pamir at 30,540 and Yida refugee settlement at 51,836.

- As of 31 August, 15,831 Yida refugees have been relocated to one of the Jamjang camps (11,946 as new arrivals and 3,885 refugees previously settled in Yida). In 2017 with the same period, a total of 10,294 were relocated (8,693 new arrivals and 1,601 Yida refugees).
- In Ajuong Thok and Pamir refugee camps, 4,713 children (1,742 girls, 2,971 boys) participated in recreation activities in child-friendly spaces. In addition, 8,295 children (3,782 girls, 4,513 boys) participated in early childhood development activities in 22 child-friendly spaces in August.
- In Ajuong Thok and Pamir refugee camps, UNHCR and its partner International Rescue Committee (IRC) provided psychological and material support to 46 Sexual Gender Based Violence (SGBV) survivors. Cumulatively, 319 cases have been supported since January 2018 including 114 cases in Pamir, 50 in Yida, and 155 Ajuong Thok.
- In Ajuong Thok and Pamir refugee camps, in order to reduce the risk of SGBV and to improve the quality of response, IRC engaged 330 women in psychosocial group activities such as coffee/tea and skill building sessions to improve the quality of response. Cumulatively, 1,872 women have been engaged since January 2018 including 699 in Pamir, 600 in Yida and 603 in Ajuong Thok.
- In Ajuong Thok and Pamir refugee camps, UNHCR and its partners IRC, Lutheran World Federation (LWF) engaged 9,287 (2,867 women, 3,007 girls, 1,621 men and 1,792 boys) refugees in a mass awareness campaign on prevention of sexual exploitation and abuse (SEA), female genital mutilation, referral pathways and the consequences of forced/early marriages.
- LWF provided case management services to 111 (58 girls, 53 boys) children at risk. 22 Best Interest Assessment (BIAs) were undertaken to make a total of 350 BIAs conducted since January 2018. As a result of a protection assessment in Pamir and Ajuong Thok refugee camps, UNHCR provided additional food and non-food items to 33 refugee families (132 individuals) with specific needs including elderly persons at risk and persons with disabilities.

Education

Unity

- In Ajuong Thok and Pamir refugee camps, 97% (941 students - 237 girls, 704 boys) of students completed the Primary Eight mock examinations.
- In Ajuong Thok refugee camp, UNHCR's partner IRC conducted SGBV training for 19 primary school teachers (7F, 12M) to increase their understanding of SGBV concepts, the role that teachers play in prevention and ensuring timely reporting.

Central Equatoria

- In Yei, UNHCR's partner United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) supported 375 refugee students (174 girls, 201 boys) with school fees. These students were displaced from Lasu refugee settlement into Yei town as a result of the on-going insecurity in Lasu. This initiative ensures all children of school going age are assisted in enrolling and continuing their education.

Upper Nile

- Across Maban's four refugee camps, 20,476 (10,001 girls, 10,475 boys) students from the primary schools and Accelerated Education Programme (AEP) completed the end of term examinations.

Health

- As a prevention measure to the recent Ebola virus outbreak in the north-eastern part of the Democratic Republic of the Congo, UNHCR's partners UMCOR and World Vision International (WVI) were trained in Ebola treatment and prevention guidelines from the National Ministry of Health.
- Across refugee camps, UNHCR, partners and refugees including mother to mother support groups commemorated the annual World Breastfeeding Week from 1 to 7 August under the theme "Breastfeeding: Foundation of Life." The week-

long event was marked by a series of events that included talk shows, workshops, dances, dramas, screening videos, presentations and radio programmes.

Unity

- In Ajuong Thok refugee camp, 33 health workers (10F, 23M) graduated from Ajuong Thok Health Training School in the fields of nurse assistant (15), lab assistant (10) and midwife assistant (8).

Upper Nile

- Following the attack on humanitarian compounds including UNHCR in Maban on 23rd July, health services have been operating only emergency and lifesaving activities in all refugee camps.

Central Equatoria

- In Yei, UNHCR installed a solar power system at Yei Hospital to improve surgical services and overall medical operation for pregnant mothers from both the host communities and refugees.
- In Juba, UNHCR in collaboration with partners and the National Public Health Laboratory conducted a refresher training for 29 laboratory technicians and clinicians on strengthening referral network system, basic diagnostic procedures, bio-safety, packing and sample referral in health facilities providing HIV/TB services.
- Following the most recent Ebola outbreak in north-eastern Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC), UNHCR's partner UMCOR resumed awareness raising sessions at health centres with key messages focusing on Ebola prevention.

Food Security and Nutrition

Unity

- In August, UNHCR's partner Samaritan's Purse conducted a monthly general food distribution to 48,873 refugees in Yida settlement, 42,725 in Ajuong Thok and 29,349 in Pamir refugee camps. All the refugees who received food also received 600 South Sudanese Pound (SSP) for milling.
- In Ajuong Thok and Pamir refugee camps, UNHCR's partners IRC and African Humanitarian Action (AHA) distributed blanket supplementary feeding programme (BSFP) supplies to 4,028 children under two-years old and 2,500 pregnant and breastfeeding mothers.

Upper Nile

- Across Maban's four refugee camps, a multi-functional team (MFT) completed a general food distribution to 141,419 refugees. 70% monthly food ratio included cereals, salt, cooking oil and pulses as well as 585 SSP for milling.

Central Equatoria

- In Yei, UNHCR and partners conducted Mid-Upper Arm Circumference (MUAC) screenings for 19 children younger than the age five years. As a result, two cases of Moderate Acute Malnutrition (MAM) were identified and referred to Yei Hospital where they were enrolled into the Outpatient Therapeutic Programme. As part of the preventive measures against malnutrition, 31 mothers (22 breastfeeding and 9 pregnant) were provided with soya and rice.

Water and Sanitation

Unity

- In August, the water supply coverage stood at 15.8 litres per person per day in Ajuong Thok camp, while in Pamir it was 13 litres per person per day. In Ajuong Thok, crude latrine coverage was eight persons/latrine while in Pamir it was 11 persons/latrine.
- In Ajuong Thok and Pamir camps, UNHCR's partner SP supported the construction of 64 family and communal latrines and decommissioned 68 family latrines which collapsed during heavy rain.
- In Ajuong Thok and Pamir camps, SP trained 170 water management committee and sanitation volunteers.

Upper Nile

- Following the Maban incident on 23 July, the refugee volunteer team have been carrying out basic maintenance on the water system. There have been no reported issues concerning scarcity of water nor failure of the water system.

Shelter and NFIs

Unity

- In Jamjang refugee camps, UNHCR distributed Core Relief Items (CRIs) to 414 new arrivals to help them meet their basic needs and necessitate settling in the camps. The CRI kits included buckets, mosquito nets, jerry cans, sleeping mats, blankets, soap, plastic sheets and kitchen sets. In addition, 118 newly arrived women and girls received sanitary materials.

Central Equatoria

- In Yei, UNHCR in collaboration with United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) and the Commission for Refugee Affairs (CRA) distributed non-food items (NFIs) to 183 refugee families (698 individuals). The NFIs included sleeping mats, kitchen sets, mosquito nets, plastic sheets, buckets, collapsible jerry cans, laundry soaps and second-hand clothes. Also, 301 women and girls received underwear and soap.

Access to Energy

Unity

- In Jamjang's refugee camps and Yida refugee settlement, UNHCR and partner Danish Refugee Council (DRC) distributed 3,087 tree seedlings to refugees and host community members. The trees will contribute both to reforestation and to provide a source of fruit for their families.

Community Empowerment and Self-Reliance

Central Equatoria

- In Lomi town, 53 (14F, 39M) refugees were trained on how to establish nursery beds, its management, transplanting and how to make local organic pesticides to improve diets
- In Yei, UNHCR facilitated the formation of four Village Savings and Loan Associations. The groups were supported with cash saving tools such as a saving box to enable saving. This will improve the self-reliance of refugees.
- In Yei, UNHCR graduated ten refugee youths (1F, 9M) who completed their vocational training in driving and mechanics. The vocational training will give the youths needed skills to improve their employment opportunities and livelihood.
- In Yei, UNHCR's partner UMCOR in collaboration with community-based agriculture extension workers conducted a training for 61 lead farmers in Kukuyi refugee site. Topics covered included land preparation, planting, field management, harvesting and proper post-harvest handling.

Unity

- UNHCR partner IRC held a graduation ceremony for 341 (269F, 71M) youths from Ajuong Thok and Pamir refugee camps and host community who completed a 3-month business and life skill training course.
- IRC trained 102 (36F, 66M) lead farmers from Pamir and Ajuong Thok refugee camps on conservational agricultural practices. The training aimed at building skills such as mulching, row planting, water conservation, intercropping, and sack planting. The trainees were also advised to transfer their knowledge to fellow farmers in the camps.
- In Pamir refugee camp, UNHCR, DRC and Lutheran World Federation (LWF) organised a peaceful coexistence meeting for 36 (7F, 29M) refugee and host community leaders.

Western Equatoria

- UNHCR partner World Vision International (WVI) identified nine (4F, 5M) refugee youths for six-months of vocational training in Juba.

Main Activities – IDP Programme

COORDINATION

Upper Nile

- In Malakal Protection of Civilian (POC) site, UNHCR's partner Humanitarian Development Consortium (HDC) identified 1,426 Persons with Special Needs (PSNs; 876F, 550M) to be prioritised during food distributions.
- In Malakal POC site, UNHCR's partner DRC provided milling vouchers to 95 (80F, 15M) PSNs.
- In Malakal, UNHCR completed an intention survey exercise in the POC reaching over 6,000 IDPs. Analysis of the data will enable UNHCR to align its solution approach program.
- In Aburoc area (160 km north of Malakal town) UNHCR's partner DRC distributed solar lamps to 100 PSNs. PSNs include the elderly, persons with disabilities, unaccompanied and separated children. In addition, 167 girls and women at risk received solar lamps in the Malakal POC and Malakal town. The lamps help mitigate risks of Sexual Gender-Based Violence (SGBV) at night.

Unity

- In Rubkona County, the Protection Cluster led by UNHCR, trained 15 community leaders on protection mainstreaming to ensure protection aspects trickle down into the community.
- In Bentiu's POC site, UNHCR in collaboration with International Organisation for Migration (IOM) conducted a four-day training on protection against sexual exploitation and abuse (PSEA) for 187 refugees drawn from PSEA task force's focal points in Bentiu.

OPERATIONS

Shelter and NFIs

Jonglei/Lakes

- In Mingkaman, Duku and Twic East, UNHCR's partner Humanitarian and Development Consortium (HDC) distributed non-food items to 604 PSNs (529F, 75M). NFIs included plastic sheets, kitchen sets, sleeping mats, washing soaps, blankets and mosquito nets.
- UNHCR in collaboration with the state Ministry of Gender and Social Welfare, distributed seeds, farming tools and NFIs 20 families (80 individuals) in Malek Leprosy Centre, south of Bor town. NFIs items included; blankets, buckets, kitchen sets, sleeping mats, soap and mosquito nets. Livelihood items included; malodas, hoes, machetes, maize seeds, sesame seeds and groundnut seeds.

Central Equatoria

- In Yei, UNHCR in collaboration with UMCOR and South Sudan Relief and Rehabilitation Commission (RRC) distributed Core Relief Items to 1,118 local PSNs and 1,732 IDP PSNs residing in the IDP sites. The items included; plastic sheets, kitchen sets, blankets, sleeping mats, mosquito nets, buckets, collapsible jerry cans, second-hand clothes and soap. In addition, 712 girls and women of reproductive age received sanitary kits.

Unity

- The Protection Cluster led by UNHCR, distributed dignity kits to 2,035 girls and women of reproductive age in the Beyond Bentiu Response areas of Rubkona County.

Community empowerment and self-reliance






Jonglei

- In Twic East and Duk counties, UNHCR partner HDC supported 200 families with fishing gear to improve their livelihoods.
- On 29 August 2018, UNHCR in coordination with the Ministry of Education inaugurated and handed over a library to the Dr John Garang Memorial University of Science and Technology in Bor. The library aims to provide a better reading facility for students and to promote peaceful coexistence between the host community and IDPs. The library is equipped with a solar power system and 30,000 litre water system. UNHCR Representative to South Sudan Mr. Johann Siffointe together with the National Minister of Higher Education, Science and Technology Hon. Yien Oral Lam Tut and Acting Minister of Education of Jonglei State, Hon. Rachel Amuor Pach attended the ceremony.
- In Duk, Twic East and Mingkaman Counties, UNHCR's partner HDC revived the Agro-pastoralist Field School. As a result, farmers started earning money from selling their cash crops. The project aims to improve the livelihoods of the local population.

Upper Nile

- In Malakal town and Protection of Civilian (POC) site, UNHCR partner DRC distributed start-up kits to 17 female youths to set up salons. The kits include combs, hair conditioner, basins and braids. This activity will improve their livelihood, prevent negative coping mechanism and establish a strong social bond for support at the community level.
- In Wau Shilluk, Malakal town and Malakal POC, DRC distributed fishing gear, vegetable seed and agriculture tools to 55 (6F, 49M) IDPs from fishing and farming groups. These items will help increase self-reliance and decrease dependency on food distributions.
- In Malakal, UNHCR's partner HDC supported 47 women with fuel-efficient stoves. Cumulatively, 106 women have been assisted in 2018. The FES project reduces the need to fetch firewood, which will reduce the risk of SGBV and environmental degradation.
- In Fashoda County, UNHCR's partner DRC distributed fishing gear and farming tools to 17 farmers to enable them to establish strong ties and support to the local community. Cumulatively, 161 farmers have been assisted in 2018.

UNHCR South Sudan Main Donors in 2018 (in USD)

United States of America		10,900,000
European Union		3,927,575
Japan		3,500,000
Republic of Korea	From the People of Japan 	1,507,080
Educate a Child Programme (EAC/EAA)		1,302,907

Canada		589,159
IGAD		584,042
Luxembourg		366,109

UNHCR's Main Donors in 2018

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