

SOUTH SUDAN

November 2018

160,000+

Refugees and IDPs received relief packages across South Sudan in November 2018.

42,000+

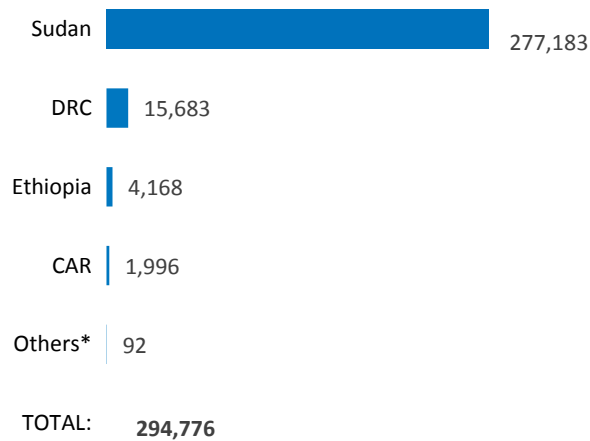
Refugee children under age five received polio vaccine in Upper Nile and Unity in November 2018.

1,100+

Newly arrived refugees registered in November in South Sudan 2018.

POPULATION OF CONCERN

Countries of Origin

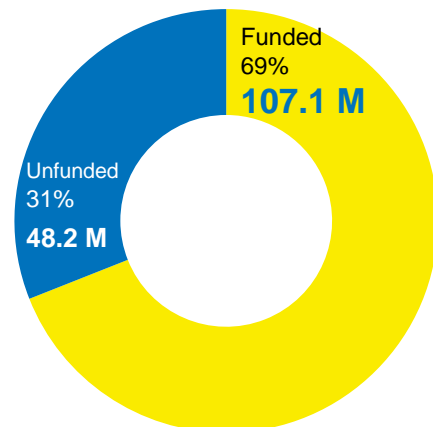


* Refers to refugees from Uganda, Somalia, Eritrea, Syria, Burundi and Egypt

FUNDING AS OF 20 NOVEMBER

USD 155.3 M

requested for the situation



UNHCR PRESENCE

Staff

302 national and
101 international staff
(as of 30 November 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 30 November 2018)



Refugees display their handicrafts and farm produces during an Agriculture Market Fair in Maban as result of UNHCR and partners livelihood support to improve the coping mechanism of refugees © 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: 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), Lutheran World Federation (LWF), Relief International (RI), Samaritan's Purse (SP), Save the Children International (SCI), UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief), Jesuit Refugee Service (JRS), 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: Action Africa Help International (AAHI), UMCOR, Danish Refugee Council (DRC), Handicap International, Humanitarian Development Consortium, INTERSOS, Nile Hope, Hope Restoration, Jesuit Refugee Service (JRS), Adventist Development and Relief Agency (ADRA) and Women Development Group.
- **Within the Inter-Agency Cluster System** for IDP response, UNHCR in South Sudan is the Protection Cluster Lead (with the NRC co-leading), Co-Lead of the CCCM Cluster along with IOM and ACTED, and undertakes enhanced participation in the Shelter/NFI Cluster.
- **On the prevention of statelessness**, UNHCR's main counterpart is the Directorate of Nationality, Passports, and Immigration (DNPI).
- **UNHCR maintains operational partnerships** with CAFOD, Caritas, CMMB, Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), ICRC, Jesuit Refugee Service (JSR), Médecins Sans Frontières (France, Belgium), Mentor Initiative, OXFAM, UNAIDS, UNOCHA, UN-Habitat, UNDP, UNFPA, UNICEF, UNIDO, UNMAS, UNMISS, World Food Programme (WFP), World Health Organization (WHO), Women for Women International and UN Women.

Main Activities – Refugee Programme Protection

- As of 30 November 2018, the refugee population in South Sudan stood at 294,776 individuals, consisting of 68,750 families in 21 different locations across South Sudan. UNHCR registered 1,199 new arrivals and 2,575 newborn babies mainly from Sudan's South Kordofan and Blue Nile. Female refugees represent 53% of the total refugee population, while women and children represent 83% of the total refugee population in South Sudan. The Sudanese refugee population remains the largest at 273,061 individuals (93%) followed by Democratic Republic of Congo 15,432 individuals (5%), Ethiopia 4,195 individuals (1%), Central African Republic 1,996 (1%) and 92 refugees of other nationalities. The majority (91%) of refugees are hosted in Upper Nile and the Unity regions in South Sudan. Compared to October 2018 Monthly Statistics Report (299,123 individuals consisting of 70,228 families), there was a decrease of 4,347 individuals due to inactivation of individuals who do not show up in the biometric verification exercises conducted in Makpandu refugee settlement and Ajoung Thok refugee camp. An estimated 1.97 million people are internally displaced in South Sudan. Furthermore, South Sudan hosts 2,513 asylum seekers.
- In November, in all refugee camps and internally displaced persons (IDPs) sites across South Sudan, UNHCR and its partners commemorated the annual 16 Days of Activism Against Sexual Gender-Based Violence with a series of activities including processions, dissemination of key messages on ending child marriage, drama performances, sports and songs that call to take action on Elimination of Violence against Women and highlight the importance of education for both girls and boys. This year's global theme was: "End Gender-Based Violence in the World of Work" while the South Sudan national theme: was: "Make Peace Count: End Violence against Women and Girls." The 16 Days of Activism campaign runs from 25th November, the International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women, and ends on 10th December with the observance of the Human Rights Day.

Unity

- In November, UNHCR registered 1,049 new arrivals (515 women, 534 men) from South Kordofan, Sudan.
- In November, UNHCR relocated 1,185 refugees to Ajuong Thok refugee camp (199) and Pamir refugee camp (986). This number includes 258 refugees who were previously settled in Yida and 927 new arrivals.
- As of 30th November 2018, Ajuong Thok refugee camp population stood at 37,484, Pamir refugee camp at 32,066 and Yida refugee settlement at 52,281. The decreased number of refugees in Ajuong Thok is due to the inactivation of refugees after the verification exercise.
- In Pamir refugee camp, UNHCR commenced a verification exercise targeting 34,000 refugees. As of 30th November, 14,303 individual refugees have been verified.
- In Unity, UNHCR and partner International Rescue Committee (IRC) supported 50 new Sexual Gender-Based Violence (SGBV) cases in November. Out of a target of 400 cases, 454 have been supported since January (Pamir- 158, Yida- 96, and Ajuong Thok- 210). Increase in the population and enhanced awareness on reporting SGBV cases and the response services available are contributing factors to the increased percentage of reported cases.
- In Jamjang refugee camps, UNHCR and partner Lutheran World Federation (LWF) identified 114 children (46 girls, 43 boys) with various protection risks including 52 separated children, 4 unaccompanied children and 29 children with other vulnerabilities. LWF facilitated temporary foster care arrangement for four unaccompanied children and formalised care arrangement with relatives for 49 separated children while three separated children were reunified with their parents.

Upper Nile

- In November, 5,410 children and adolescents accessed recreational activities in Child Activity Centres (CACs) across the four refugee camps in Maban. The activities were provided by UNHCR and Save the Children International (SCI).
- In Maban, UNHCR and partner Save the Children International (SCI) supported 677 adolescent girls in a skills-building activity of crocheting and beadwork.
- In Kaya and Yusuf Batil refugee camps, UNHCR and Danish Refugee Council (DRC) conducted a training for 56 (24 women, 32 men) protection monitoring members to enhance their knowledge on access to justice, Sexual and Gender-Based Violence (SGBV) and protection.
- In Yusuf Batil refugee camp, DRC distributed individual protection assistance items that included jalabia (a traditional Sudanese garment), jerry cans, and sleeping mats to 76 persons with specific needs (PSNs) to improve their coping mechanism.
- Across Maban's four refugee camps, 282 women have been engaged in activities such as weaving, bead making, and crocheting and case management service at women's centre.

Central Equatoria

- In Yei, UNHCR and the Commission of Refugee Affairs (CRA) registered and enrolled 136 refugees to ProGres and Biometric Identity Management System (BIMS). Also, 116 identity cards were issued to refugees to enhance their protection.

Education

Central Equatoria

- In Yei, UNHCR and partner United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) distributed school kits to 1,901 (974 girls, 947 boys) refugee children. Kits included pencils, pens, crayons, exercise books, and textbooks.

Unity

- In Jamjang's two refugee camps, 942 students (273 girls, 669 boys) out of the registered 965 (278 girls, 687 boys) candidates sat for national primary school graduation examination. 98% of the registered students sat for the final exams.

UNHCR and partner Lutheran World Federation (LWF) are following up with the school administration on 2% of children who did not sit for the examination.

- In Ajuong Thok refugee camp, UNHCR trained 93 (10 women, 83 men) teachers on inclusive education. The training was aimed at enhancing their knowledge and skills in ensuring inclusive education.

Western Equatoria

- In Makpandu refugee settlement, UNHCR and partner World Vision International (WVI) in collaboration with the State Ministry of Education facilitated the transportation of 21 students from Makpandu Primary School to Yambio town to sit for the Primary graduation examination.

Upper Nile

- In Maban, UNHCR and partner Lutheran World Federation (LWF) and the Maban County Education Department conducted the 2018 National Certificate of Primary Examinations for 831 (283 girls, 548 boys) candidates.
- In Doro refugee camp, LWF trained 558 school girls on menstrual hygiene management. The training equipped girls with vital information on resources and facilities available to manage their menstrual cycle as an important aspect for their health, well-being, mobility, and dignity.
- In Maban, UNHCR, partners and the County Education Department celebrated the World Teachers' Day on 8 and 9 November 2018 under the theme: "The right to education means the right to a qualified teacher." The event was marked by recognition of teachers as well as awarding of teacher training certificates to 22 refugee teachers who had qualified from the University of Juba at the end of 2017.

Health

Upper Nile

- Across the four refugee camps in Maban, UNHCR and partners International Medical Corps (IMC), Relief International (RI) conducted the 3rd round of polio campaign and 34,688 children from 0-59 months were immunised against polio. 29,355 children aged 6-59 months received Vitamin A and 23,875 children aged 12-59 months received Albendazole for deworming.
- In Maban, RI trained 222 care group lead mothers on health promotion and importance of prevention of mother-to-child transmission (PMCT). RI also conducted a training for 228 care group lead mothers on developing Information, Education and Communication (IEC) or/and Behaviour Change Communication (BCC) materials and awareness raising on Sexually Transmitted Infections (STIs), Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV), condom distribution and use, and tuberculosis (TB).

Unity

- In Ajuong Thok and Pamir refugee camps, UNHCR and partners Africa Humanitarian Action (AHA), International Rescue Committee (IRC) in collaboration with UNICEF, World Health Organization (WHO), and County Health Department (CHD) completed the vaccination of 7,981 children age under five during a polio vaccination campaign which refugee children were also included to prevent potential outbreaks of polio in refugee camps.
- In Pamir and Ajuong Thok refugee camps, UNHCR and partners Africa Humanitarian Action (AHA), International Rescue Committee (IRC) conducted a three-day training for 141 community health workers (79 in Ajuong Thok, 62 in Pamir) on Information, Education and Communication (IEC) materials. Participants will use IECs to sensitise and educate their communities on HIV and AIDS in order to reduce the current stigma and increase the usage of services.

Central Equatoria

- In Yeï, UNHCR and partners reached 194 refugees (113 women, 81 men) with key messages on transmission and prevention as part of the Ebola preparedness activities. Public announcement and mass communication are currently ongoing on a weekly basis at the two Congolese congregation churches and marketplaces. Cumulatively, 1,000 individuals have been reached in November.

Food Security and Nutrition

Upper Nile

- Across the Maban's four refugee camps, UNHCR together with World Food Programme (WFP) and partners Danish Refugee Council (DRC), ACTED, Samaritan's Purse (SP) conducted November monthly General Food Distribution (GFD) to 142,132 refugees. Food items included cereals, vegetable cooking oil at 65% and pulses. In addition, refugees also received 580 South Sudanese Pounds (SSP) for milling.
- In Kaya, Gendrasa and Doro refugee camps, UNHCR and partner International Medical Corps (IMC) conducted Blanket Supplementary Feeding Program (BSFP) distribution for 3,557 children (1,691 girls, 1,866 boys) aged 6-23 months and 4,481 pregnant and breast-feeding mothers.

Unity

- In Jamjang's two refugee camps, UNHCR together with WFP and partner Samaritan's Purse (SP) conducted November monthly GFD to 37,002 refugees in Ajuong Thok refugee camp, and 31,592 in Pamir refugee camp. In November, milling cash was increased from 480 SSP to 490 SSP.
- In Ajuong Thok and Pamir refugee camps, UNHCR and partners finalized the 2018 Standardized Expanded Nutrition Survey (SENS) with GAM (Global Acute Malnutrition) of 6.4% and 5.5% respectively as against 2.8% and 8.2% in 2017.

Water and Sanitation

Unity

- The water supply coverage stood at 20 litres per person per day in Ajuong Thok camp, while 15 litres per person per day in Pamir camp. In Ajuong Thok refugee camp, crude latrine coverage was eight persons/latrine while 11 persons/latrine in Pamir camp.
- In November, UNHCR partner Samaritan's Purse (SP) constructed 215 family latrines (134 in Ajuong Thok, 81 in Pamir), while 14 latrines were decommissioned and Ajuong Thok and four in Pamir camps.

Upper Nile

- Across the the four refugee camp in Maban, the water supply average stood at 20 litres per person per day.
- In Doro refugee camp, UNHCR and partners conducted a three-day refresher training for 45 village water management committee members on the management of village water facilities and safe water handling right from the point of production up to household level. The training strengthened the capacity of the members to assume full ownership and responsibility these water facilities.
- In the Maban four refugee camps, UNHCR and its partners Danish Refugee Council (DRC), ACTED, Samaritan's Purse (SP) distributed soap to 142,132 refugees.
- In Doro refugee camp, UNHCR commenced the solarisation of the three newly drilled borehole to serve Doro extension site. Once completed, it will reduce on fuel consumption and cost.

Central Equatoria

- UNHCR and partner United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) supported refugees to build 21 open wells at four locations: Yago, Kukuyi, Zabara, and Lomi.

Shelter and NFIs

Unity

- In Ajuong Thok and Pamir refugee camp, UNHCR distributed Core Relief Items (CRIs) to 824 newly arrived refugees (317 families) to ensure their dignified settlement in the camps. CRIs included kitchen sets, jerry cans, buckets, sleeping mats, blankets, mosquito net, and soap. Also, 226 women and girls received sanitary dignity kits which include soap, underwear, and sanitary cloth.
- In Ajuong Thok refugee camp, UNHCR and partner Danish Refugee Council (DRC) distributed solar lanterns to 2,150 students at Soba Secondary School.

Upper Nile

- In Maban, UNHCR commenced the construction of Tuberculosis (TB) laboratory in Maban referral Hospital and HIV counselling rooms in Kaya and Yusuf-Batil refugee camps. This will improve the TB/HIV services to refugees and enhance prevention of mother to child transmission of HIV/AIDS.
- In Doro refugee camp, UNHCR handed the newly completed Slaughter House to local authorities during a ceremony in the presence of refugees and host community and local leaders. This is one of the projects that were designed to promote peaceful coexistence between refugees and host communities.
- In November, UNHCR and partner Africa Action Help International (AAHI) carried out minor refurbishment of a 7 km road and major refurbishment of a 2 km along Maban Airstrip – Kaya main road linking all Maban refugee camps. The maintenance will enable partners to access the four camps in the delivery of protection assistance and lifesaving services.

Central Equatoria

- In Yei, UNHCR and partner United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) distributed Core Relief Items (CRIs) to 332 refugees (64 women, 85 men). CRIs included plastic sheets, kitchen sets, mosquito nets, sleeping mats, collapsible jerry cans, buckets, soap, second-hand clothes and underwear.

Access to energy

Unity

- In Ajuong Thok refugee camp, UNHCR and partner Danish Refugee Council (DRC) conducted a refresher training for 92 refugees (86 women, 6 men) on fuel-efficient stove (FES) production. As a result, 394 stoves have been produced so far. These FES contribute to reduced time fetching firewood and provide women time to do other household activities and reducing their exposure to protection risks associated with fetching firewood in the bush.

Upper Nile

- In Maban, UNHCR and partner Relief International (RI) supported the production of 85 fuel-efficient stoves aimed at reducing households' fuel consumption and reduce the frequency of gender-based violence occurring at firewood collection sites. Cumulatively, 272 FES have been produced so far and will be disseminated to refugee families.

Community Empowerment and Self-Reliance

Upper Nile

- Across Maban's four refugee camp, UNHCR and partners ACTED and Relief International (RI) provided entrepreneurship support to 130 entrepreneurs who recorded an income of 2,181,267 South Sudanese Pounds (SSP). The entrepreneurship support focused on strengthening business plan development, business costing and record keeping

aimed at sustainable business management for small and micro-entrepreneurs who have previously received training on business idea generation and business plan development.

- Also, ACTED and RI provided agriculture training to 1,102 refugees (829 women, 273 men), on crop and vegetable production through smart climate nutrition focused kitchen gardening as well as harvest and post-harvest management; to minimize loss of yield among refugee farmers.
- Across Maban's four refugee camp ACTED and RI provided savings and loaning technical support to 835 refugees (659 women, 176 men) who saved 500,772 South Sudan Pounds (SSP). The overall aim of Village Savings Loans Associations is to promote financial inclusion through increasing persons of concern access to financial and social capital.

Main Activities – IDP Programme

COORDINATION

- Protection Cluster led by UNHCR and co-led by Norwegian Refugee Council finalised 2019 Humanitarian Response Plan and endorsed by the Humanitarian Coordinator. The Protection Cluster had the highest volume of project proposals of any cluster globally with 186 submissions. The Protection Cluster Peer Review Committee recommended the disbursement of the 100 million USD protection envelope to 67 partners for the cluster and its sub-clusters for Gender-Based Violence (GBV), child protection and mine action. Out of the 67 partners, four are UN agencies, 25 are international NGOs, and 38 are national NGOs, which represents the continued commitment of the cluster to strengthen local responders. The Protection Cluster is committed to coordination, resource mobilisation and advocacy to assist its partners in reaching the 3.3 million South Sudanese targeted for protection interventions in 2019.

Jonglei

- In Pibor town, UNHCR in collaboration with the Directorate of Nationality, Passport, and Immigration (DNPI) commenced the nationality certificate enrolment process for 1,000 Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs). The process is part of the prevention of statelessness in areas with no access to nationality certification.

OPERATIONS

Shelter and NFIs

Western Bahr el Ghaza

- In Wau, UNHCR and partner Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC) completed construction of 30 shelters as part of a home improvement project that focusses on community resilience. The projects are targeting persons with specific needs (PSNs) who are returning from Protection of Civilian (POC) and collective sites. A total of 140 PSNs will be supported by the end of 2018.

Unity

- In November, UNHCR and partner Danish Refugee Council (DRC) distributed second-hand clothes to 2,123 IDPs in Kuach payam in Guit County to improve their settlement coping mechanism.
- In November, UNHCR and partner Danish Refugee Council (DRC) distributed solar lanterns to 66 IDP families in Kurkal area in Rubkona town to mitigate the risk of Sexual Gender-Based Violence (SGBV) and theft.

Central Equatoria

- In Yei, UNHCR and partner UMCOR along other humanitarian actors distributed non-food items (NFIs) to 2,174 IDPs. NFIs included blankets, plastic sheets, sleeping mats, plastic jerry cans and Layette kits

Jonglei

- In New Fangak, UNHCR and partner Nile Hope distributed NFIs to 500 vulnerable families. NFIs included; plastic sheet, jerry cans, soap, blanket, sleeping mats, kitchen sets, and mosquito nets.

Community empowerment and self-reliance

Unity

- In Bentiu, UNHCR started Energy Saving Stove project under the theme of “One Energy Saving Stove per House.” As a result, UNHCR trained 86 women on producing energy saving stoves using local material such as clay, cow dung, and water.
- In Bentiu, UNHCR commenced a sewing class for 45 women from Bentiu and Rubkona towns. The specific target group is persons with specific needs (PSNs) or/and their caretakers/family members. The project will provide invaluable skills to participants that would enable them to generate income and reduce protection related risks.


Jonglei

- In Akobo County, UNHCR and partner Nile Hope inaugurated a Vocational Training Centre (VTC). The center is equipped with sewing machines for the training of youth and women on different skills to realize their potential and improve their livelihoods. As a result, 25 IDPs (15 women, 10 men) enrolled for a six-month tailoring course.
- In Bor Protection of Civilian (POC) site, UNHCR and partner Humanitarian Development Consortium (HDC) trained 120 women on business skills. The training will enable these women to start a small business and support their family.
- In Pochalla, UNHCR and partner Nile Hope trained 50 IDPs (46 women, 4 men) on local bread making, doughnuts, and cakes. Skills gained in this training would help the participants start their business.
- In Pochalla, UNHCR and Nile Hope trained two groups of youth comprising 60 IDPs (17 women, 43 men) on microfinance and business management. The youth also received start-up kits to start their small-scale business to boost their production and self-sustenance.

Central Equatoria

- In Yei, UNHCR and partner UMCOR along other humanitarian actors distributed vegetable seeds to 500 (311 women, 189 men) farmers. Seeds included okra, onions, egg plants, tomatoes and amaranths for dry season farming.

UNHCR South Sudan Main Donors in 2018 (in USD)

United States of America		38,400,000
European Union		3,927,575
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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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