

South Sudan

16-30 April 2019

8,500

Persons of concern identified for seed distribution across four Maban refugee camps.

79

Persons with special needs who participated in a tailoring workshop in Doro Refugee Camp.

720

Pregnant/breast-feeding mothers who received supplementary nutrition in Kaya, Doro, and Gendrassa Refugee camps.

KEY FIGURES

INSIDE SOUTH SUDAN

297,321

Refugees inside South Sudan as of 30 April 2019.

1.91 million

IDPs in South Sudan including 178,923 in UNMISS Protection of Civilians sites as of 30 April 2019.

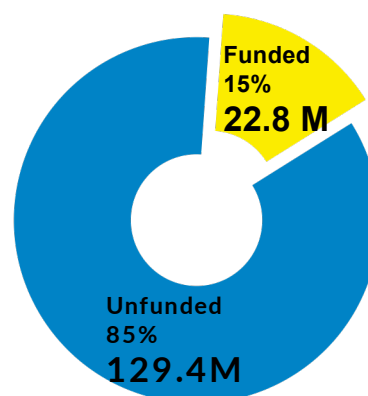
US \$750.6 million

Funding requested by UNHCR for the South Sudan Situation in 2019.

FUNDING AS OF 30 APRIL 2019

USD 152.2M

requested for South Sudan in 2019

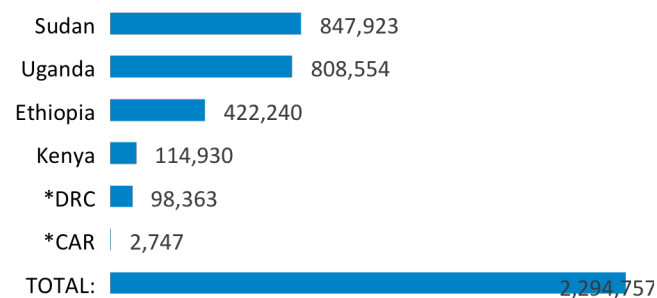


UNHCR partner Nile Hope distributed 200 chickens to 100 women in Uror County, Jonglei. The women are expected to use the poultry to raise food and money. © UNHCR

POPULATION OF CONCERN

South Sudanese refugees in neighbouring countries as of 31 March 2019.

Host Countries



*DRC - Democratic Republic of Congo

*CAR - Central Africa Republic

REFUGEE RESPONSE



PROTECTION

Central Equatoria

- In Yei town, UNHCR, in partnership with South Sudan's Commission for Refugee Affairs, issued identity cards to two Nuban refugees to enhance their protection.

Upper Nile

- UNHCR in partnership with Save the Children International (SCI) identified and documented 20 cases (11 women, 9 men) of unaccompanied and separated children (09), children with special needs (10) and a sexual and gender-based violence case (01). In addition, 166 (87 girls, 79 boys) separated and other vulnerable children who are fostered were monitored to assess their wellbeing and protection needs.
- UNHCR, the Commission for Refugee Affairs (CRA) and protection partners successfully mediated three individual cases (1 - Gendrassa refugee camp, 2 - Kaya refugee camp) involving early and forced marriages. All of the three children who were living in the community-based safe shelters, due to insecurity, were finally reunited with their biological families and are now continuing with their education.
- UNHCR and partners discussed 40 individual protection cases from Yusuf Batil and Doro refugee camps. All cases were recommended for community-driven solutions as well as continued follow-up.
- Over the reporting period, 733 (673 women, 60 men) refugee community members participated in child/youth protection and sexual and gender-based violence (SGBV) awareness sessions across the four refugee camps in Maban. In addition, 114 (63 women, 51 men) child and youth protection community members were trained on child and youth protection topics. The aim of the training was to empower the community members with knowledge on child and youth protection.

Western Equatoria

- UNHCR, in coordination with World Vision International, trained 66 refugees (13 women, 53 men) on the prevention of sexual exploitation and abuse in Makpandu refugee settlement. Similar trainings targeting police and military camps supporting the settlement are scheduled for May.
- UNHCR and South Sudan's Commission for Refugee Affairs (CRA) visited Tombura (185 km from Yambio) and Source Yubu (38 kms from Tambura) from 20-22nd April to follow up with refugees who arrived from the Central African Republic in March. About 55 families (150 individuals) do not wish to relocate to Makpandu settlement since they have already started cultivating in Source Yubu.



EDUCATION

Upper Nile

- In Maban, UNHCR in partnership with Lutheran World Federation (LWF) conducted the end-of-term examinations across the four refugee camps for all levels. In primary school, attendance increased from 67% during the first half of the month to 78% during the examination period.
- In Maban, UNHCR in partnership with LWF and the Commission for Refugee Affairs conducted camp executive, education committee and Parent-Teacher Association consultative meetings on the Ministry of General Education and Instruction's (MoGEI) circular regarding English as the medium of national examinations except for Arabic and Islamic religious education (IRE) and in consideration of the new South Sudan curriculum and available materials. The attendants agreed to have further meetings before registration of P.8 / Level 4 commences in order to address the challenges related to IRE set in Arabic and yet no available books for instruction.

**HEALTH****Unity**

- Refugee and host community students from a health school run by UNHCR and its partner Africa Humanitarian Action, started their clinical rotations in Hakima Yakoub and Ajoung Thok health facilities. The rotations allow the students to improve their clinical skills with hands-on experience. The school provides one-year training for health assistants, such as nursing assistants, midwife assistants and laboratory assistants, with the aim of addressing a shortage in the Jamjang area. The school is currently in its third intake, with 36 students (10 - lab assistant, 16 - nursing assistant, 10 - midwife assistants) expected to graduate in September 2019.

Upper Nile

- UNHCR in partnership with International Medical Corps conducted a training on the prevention of mother to child transmission and clinical management of rape on 20 April for 13 health staff (9 women, 4 men).
- On 27 April, 23 refugee health staff (nurse assistants and cleaners) attended a training on infection prevention control organized by UNHCR and partner International Medical Corps (IMC).
- Over the reporting period, UNHCR in partnership with IMC, conducted a training for 77 Community Health Promoters (24 women and 53 men) on community management of acute malnutrition & maternal, infant and young child nutrition from three refugee camps (45 - Doro, 17 - Gendrassa, 25 - Kaya).
- UNHCR in partnership with Relief International conducted refresher trainings on sexually transmitted infections, measles, chicken pox and pre-eclampsia. The trainings were attended by 25 participants (11 women, 14 men) including medical doctors, clinical officers, nurses, midwives and nurse assistants.

Western Bahr El-Ghazal

- 7,074 people have cumulatively been screened at the Makpandu Ebola point of entry. 140 of these were screened during the reporting period. No suspected cases have been identified so far.

Western Equatoria

- UNHCR donated an assortment of drugs and medical supplies to Yambio referral hospital as part of its regular support to the state-run hospital, which provides comprehensive services to both refugees and the host population in Gbudwe State. Gbudwe State hosts more than 4,500 refugees from DRC and CAR in Makpandu refugee settlement and Yambio Town.
- UNHCR partner United Methodist Committee on Relief continued to conduct Ebola awareness sessions at the Lasu primary health care centre.

**FOOD SECURITY AND NUTRITION****Upper Nile**

- UNHCR in partnership with International Medical Corps conducted a targeted supplementary feeding programme and a blanket supplementary feeding program for 720 pregnant and breast-feeding mothers in three refugee camps (Doro, Gendrassa and Kaya).
- From 22 - 30 April, UNHCR in partnership with Relief International started a blanket supplementary feeding programme. The distribution exercise included checking antenatal care/postnatal care, EPI immunization card verification and MUAC screening among children, pregnant and breast-feeding mothers coming for the distribution.

Western Equatoria

- In Makpandu refugee settlement, UNHCR, WFP and partner World Vision International conducted a general food distribution and multi-purpose cash assistance to 3,824 individual refugees.



WATER AND SANITATION

Unity

- Eight boreholes are under construction in the Jamjang host community. One was finished during the second half of April, and UNHCR and its partners commenced work on a second.

Upper Nile

- UNHCR in partnership with ACTED, flushed 21 hand pumps and boreholes (7 - Doro, 8 - Gendrassa, 2 - Kaya, and 4 - Yusuf Batil refugee camps). Bringing the total flushed wells to 30 of the 46 targeted in 2019. The flushing of the wells cleans the siltation and prolongs the life span of the wells – while at the same time preventing the blowing of the motor pumps due to siltation.
- UNHCR in partnership with ACTED, constructed 43 mud brick family latrines (18 - Doro, 9 - Gendrassa, 4 - Kaya and 12 - Yusuf Batil refugee camps) in this reporting period. Bringing the cumulative figure to 379 of the 1,000 targeted in 2019.



SHELTER AND NFIS

Upper Nile

- Over the reporting period, UNHCR and partner Danish Refugee Council (DRC) distributed used clothes to 6,465 families (16,610 individual refugees) bringing the total distributed to 12,618 families of 58,013 individual refugees in 2019. The t-shirts, trousers, skirts, jumpers, coats and other used clothes donated by UNIQLO enabled women and children wear suitable clothing, protected them from harsh weather conditions and alleviated negative coping mechanisms in the camp.



COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT AND SELF RELIANCE

Central Equatoria

- Community-based agricultural extension workers, supported by UNHCR partner United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR), trained 29 refugee farmers (12 women, 17 men) on good agronomic practices for preparing land and planting at Lasu refugee camp. UMCOR also trained a total of 61 farmers (15 women, 46 men) composed of 13 refugees and 48 host community members.

Upper Nile

- In Maban, 4,224 (2,538 women, 1,686 men) refugee youths benefitted from skills-building activities such as beadworks, crocheting, embroidery, hair cutting and hair braiding across the four camps.
- Seventy-nine persons (64 women, 15 men) with special needs participated in a tailoring & dress making course in Doro refugee camp. Among the trainees, 40 (30 women, 10 men) from the first round have finished their training course and awaiting graduation on 10 May 2019, while the remaining trainees are continuing their course until June 2019.
- Over 8,500 refugees were registered across the four refugee camps in Maban for targeted seed distribution by UNHCR and partners ACTED and Relief International (RI).
- UNHCR in partnership with ACTED supported bakery, catering and handicraft groups to raise over 69,000 SSP (approx. 400 USD) through the sale of food, hand bags, necklaces and baskets in Gendrassa and Kaya refugee camps.
- In Doro and Yusuf Batil refugee camps, UNHCR in partnership with RI, continued to support 120 horticultural farmers to conduct dry season vegetable farming. As a result, 5,600 SSP was raised over a week from the sale of 28 kgs of vegetables.

- In Maban, UNHCR in partnership with RI, supported 49 refugees with existing businesses in Doro and Yusuf Batil refugee camps through finance tracking and monitoring. The total sales recorded over the reporting period was 1,317,470 SSP (7,840 USD) with a profit margin of 738,150 SSP (4,393 USD).

Western Equatoria

- UNHCR and the Commission for Refugee Affairs led an inter-agency mission to refugee farmlands in Makpandu refugee settlement to assess ongoing farming activities, discuss challenges and brainstorm ways to strengthen synergies to effectively support refugee livelihoods. A refugee livelihoods working group was formed, and discussed the potential for a cash-for-work program.

SPONTANEOUS REFUGEE RETURN



PROTECTION

Unity

- UNHCR undertook two field missions to Leer and Mayom to gather information on South Sudanese refugees who spontaneously returned to the areas. As part of a country-wide scale-up, UNHCR trained partners in newly developed return monitoring and reporting tools. In Leer, UNHCR trained 18 staff from partner Hope Restoration, South Sudan's Relief and Rehabilitation Commission, and the Relief Operation for South Sudan. In Mayom, UNHCR trained staff from partner Danish Refugee Council.

Western Equatoria

- UNHCR and partner World Vision International registered 63 South Sudanese refugee returnees (55 - Gbudue State and 8 - Maridi State).

IDP RESPONSE

COORDINATION



PROTECTION

Country-wide initiatives

- The housing, land and property (HLP) technical working group, under the auspices of the Protection Cluster (co-led by UNHCR and Norwegian Refugee Council) and Shelter/NFI Cluster (co-led by IOM and World Vision), supported the specialized standing land committee to the transitional national legislative assembly in organizing a women's land rights workshop to be held on 8-10 May. Ahead of the workshop, UNHCR and partners conducted numerous focus group discussions with women in the Protection of Civilians sites and urban areas of Bor, Juba and Wau. UNHCR's Bor office completed three focus group discussions with more than 50 women. In Wau, 24 women representatives from the Protection of Civilians site and Lokoloko collective centres attended the focus groups. The focus groups provided women with an opportunity to help shape policies.

Jonglei

- UNHCR and partner Nile Hope reached 775 individuals (165 women, 183 men, 205 girls and 231 boys) during a door-to-door campaign against gender-based violence, forced and early marriage, child labor, and domestic violence, in Pochalla, Urur, Akobo and Fangak.
- UNHCR and partner Nile Hope formed community complaint mechanisms in Akobo and Pochalla counties. The self-managed mechanism, made up of 20 women and 30 men, aims to identify and report protection and sexual and gender-based violence issues to Nile Hope.

- UNHCR visited Mingkaman to conduct a protection assessment and assess internally displaced persons' intentions regarding their possible return. Community members told UNHCR that a few families had gone as far as Bor town, but had returned to Mingkamen after they discovered they could not proceed to their payams of origin.

Unity

- UNHCR and IOM co-led an inter-cluster mission to Greater Koch from 15-18 April 2019 to identify humanitarian needs in Mirmir, Bieh, and Bauw.
- UNHCR, as part of an inter-cluster mission including UNICEF and UNOCHA, traveled to Mayendit South from 29 April-1 May to follow up on reports of displacement and returns.

Western Bahr El-Ghazal

- In Wau, UNHCR, in collaboration with the Directorate of Nationality, Passport and Immigration and the Wau medical commission, biometrically enrolled 500 individuals to facilitate the receipt of nationality certificates and prevent statelessness.
- UNHCR visited Kuajiena to conduct a protection assessment after conflict displaced people from several villages. UNHCR provided core relief items to 30 targeted households. A forthcoming report will inform further humanitarian action.

Western Equatoria

- UNHCR in partnership with Jesuit Refugee Service (JRS) conducted training on sexual and gender based violence to community leaders in Rii-menze IDP site, which is about 20 kilometres north of Yambio in Bangasu County. Twenty five people participated, including 10 women and 15 men.
- UNHCR and partner JRS distributed soap to 50 people living with disabilities, including 26 women and 24 men.

OPERATIONS



SHELTER AND NFIS

Jonglei

- UNHCR provided 10 mattresses, 10 solar lanterns and 5 sleeping mats to Blessed Home for Orphans in Bor. Blessed Home for Orphans is a private child care centre founded in February of 2018. The orphanage hosts and provides basic education and psychosocial support to 38 children, including 7 girls.
- In Twic East and Duk Counties, UNHCR partner Humanitarian Development Consortium distributed non-food items to 2,000 vulnerable families. The distribution targeted internally displaced persons, returnees, and vulnerable members of the host community. The items distributed includes plastic sheets, blankets, kitchen sets, buckets, sleeping mats, jerry cans and washing soaps.



UNHCR and partner Humanitarian Development Consortium distributes plastic sheets, blankets, kitchen supplies, and other non-food items in Twic East and Duk Counties in Jonglei.

Unity

- UNHCR and partner Hope Restoration distributed non-food items to 1,000 families (5,000 individuals) in Leer and Mayendit South, including plastic sheeting, blankets, sleeping mats, mosquito nets, collapsible jerry cans, soap, and solar lamps.

**COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT AND SELF RELIANCE*****Jonglei***

- In Uror, UNHCR and partner Nile Hope provided 200 chickens to four women's groups. One hundred women received one hen and one cock with the expectation that they will breed them, and sell chickens and eggs.

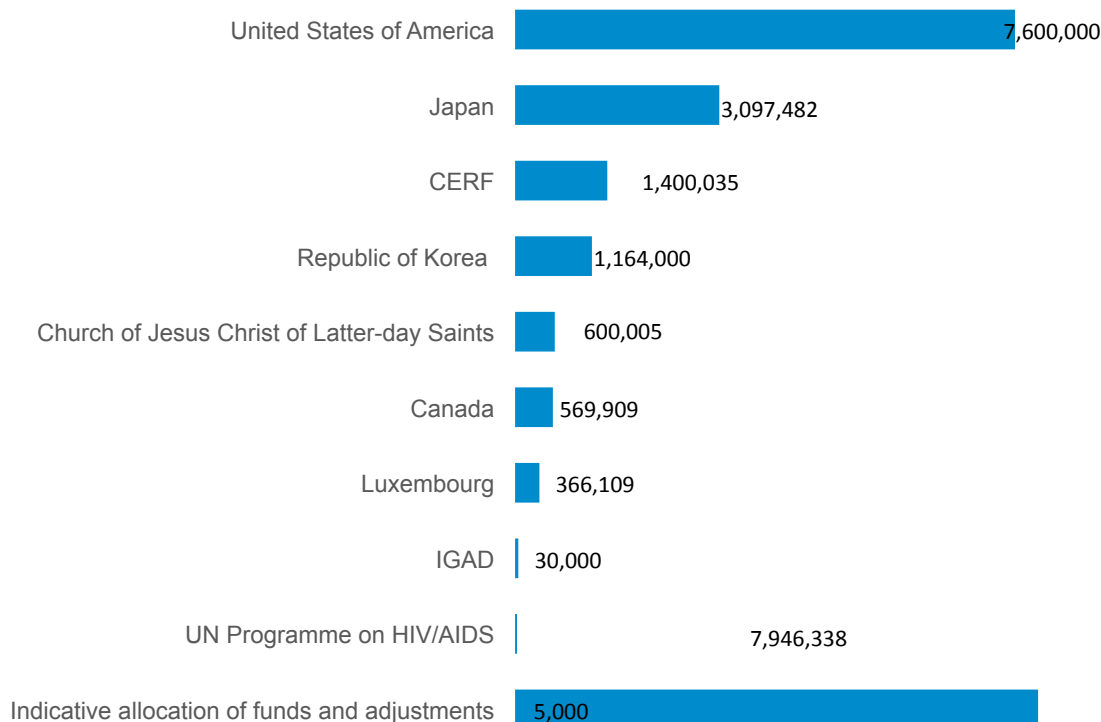
Working in partnership

- 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 2019 are: Action Africa Help International (AAHI), Africa Humanitarian Action (AHA), Association of Christian Resource Organisation Serving Sudan (ACROSS), Agence d'Aide à la Coopération Technique et au Développement (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), United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR), 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 2019 are: Action Africa Help International (AAHI), United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR), Danish Refugee Council (DRC), Humanity & Inclusion (HI), Humanitarian Development Consortium (HDC), INTERSOS, Nile Hope, Hope Restoration (HRSS), Jesuit Refugee Service (JRS), Adventist Development and Relief Agency (ADRA) and Women Development Group (WDG), IsraAID, and International Rescue Committee (IRC).
- Within the **Inter-Agency Cluster System for IDP response**, UNHCR in South Sudan is the Protection Cluster Lead (with NRC co-lead), Co-Lead of the CCCM Cluster along with IOM and ACTED, and undertakes active 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, Catholic Medical Mission Board (CMMB), FAO, International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC), MEDAIR, Médecins Sans Frontières (France, Belgium, Swiss, Holland), Mentor Initiative, Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC), OXFAM, REACH, UNAIDS, UNOCHA, UN-Habitat, UNDP, UNFPA, UNICEF, UNIDO, UNMAS, UNMISS, WFP, WHO, Women for Women International and UN Women.

Financial Information

Total recorded contributions for the operation amounts to US\$ 22.8 million, for the financial year 2019 as of 30 April. UNHCR is grateful for the critical support provided by donors who have contributed to this operation as well as those who have contributed to UNHCR programmes with un-earmarked and broadly earmarked funds.

2019 funding received in million USD



Other Softly earmarked contributions 2019 | USD

United States of America 10 million | **Germany** 9.1 million | **Sweden** 3.1 million | **Private donors** **Australia** 2.5 million

Unearmarked Contributions in 2019 | USD

Sweden 90.4 million | **Norway** 44.5 million | **Netherlands** 37.5 million | **United Kingdom** 31.7 million | **Germany** 26.7 million | **Private donors** **Spain** 26.3 million | **Denmark** 24.4 million | **Switzerland** 15.1 million | **Private donors** **Republic of Korea** 10.4 million

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