

BURUNDI Regional Refugee Response Plan

January 2019 - December 2020

AT A GLANCE

OVERVIEW

The 2019-2020 Burundi Regional Refugee Response Plan (RRP) outlines the multi-agency response strategy and financial requirements of 35 partners supporting host governments to provide protection and assistance across the four main countries of asylum, as well as in Burundi for returning refugees. The situation in Burundi remains complex; while refugees continue to arrive throughout the region, others are deciding to return home. The 2019-2020 Regional RRP anticipates assisting a total of 394,000 Burundian refugees by the end of 2019, of whom 116,000 are projected to return to Burundi over the course of the year. In 2020, the Regional RRP includes 296,000 Burundian refugees, of whom 121,000 would return to Burundi and 175,000 would remain in countries of asylum at the end of 2020. Response partners are not promoting refugee returns to Burundi in the current context, but will assist those who indicate they have made a free and informed choice to return voluntarily. The 2019-2020 RRRP takes a comprehensive and solutions oriented approach, emphasizing the inclusion of refugees in national systems, integrating service delivery with host communities wherever possible, and prioritizing self-reliance in a whole of society approach.

2019 & 2020 PLANNED RESPONSE

278,000

PROJECTED
REFUGEES BY END
OF 2019

116,000

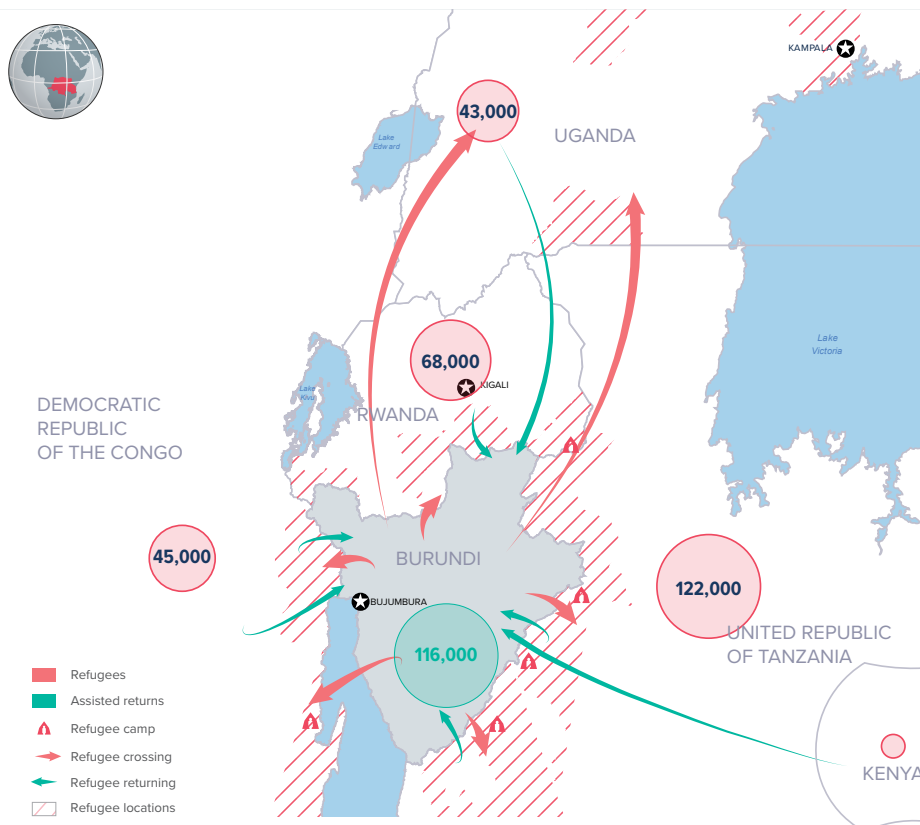
PROJECTED
RETURNEES IN
2019

US\$ 296M

REQUIREMENTS
2019

35

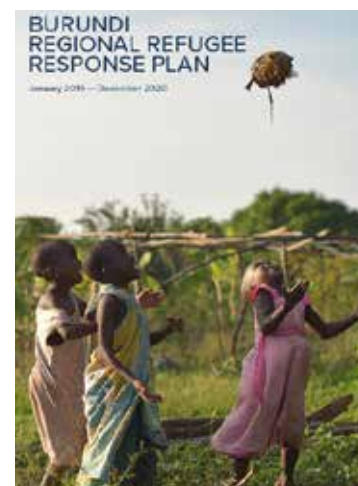
PARTNERS
INVOLVED



PROJECTED BURUNDIAN REFUGEE POPULATION

	Projected Refugee Population 31 Dec 2018	Projected Refugee Population 31 Dec. 2019	Projected Refugee Population 31 Dec. 2018
DRC	50,000	45,000	35,000
Rwanda	69,000	68,000	67,000
Tanzania	210,000	122,000	31,000
Uganda	41,000	43,000	42,000
Total	370,000	278,000	175,000

The full 2019-2020 Burundi Regional RRP can be accessed online from the Burundi Situation Data Portal - <https://data2.unhcr.org/en/situations/burundi>



2019-2020 STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES

The 2019-2020 Regional RRP for the Burundi situation is guided by six regional strategic objectives:

1. Burundian refugees enjoy unhindered **access to asylum**, are able to access fair, impartial and efficient RSD procedures, are fully documented, and enjoy a **favourable protection environment** in host countries and upon return.
2. **Protection systems are strengthened** to ensure Burundian refugees and returnees are able to enjoy their full rights, specifically with regard to safety and security, child protection, sexual and gender based violence, and community based protection.
3. Burundian refugees, returnees and all affected persons **access essential services** with progressive inclusion in national health, education, social protection and other services.
4. **Peaceful co-existence and social cohesion** between host communities and refugees, as well as for returnees in their home communities, is supported, including through protection of the natural environment.
5. Refugees and returnees transition from aid dependence towards **self-reliance and resilience**, with the capacity and opportunity to contribute to the economic development of their host/home communities while in countries of asylum and upon return to Burundi - breaking the dependency cycle and restoring control and dignity to their lives.
6. **Comprehensive solutions** for Burundian refugees are progressively achieved.

2019-2020 FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS

SECTOR	DRC	RWANDA	TANZANIA	UGANDA	TOTAL
Protection	18,184,353	31,212,796	70,181,870	16,606,172	136,185,191
Education	5,677,578	16,332,191	15,994,508	789,424	38,793,701
Energy & Environment	n/a	9,737,616	17,240,268	730,362	27,708,246
Food	17,784,000	20,320,409	71,921,009	10,400,436	120,425,854
Health & Nutrition	11,206,271	18,736,092	32,689,704	5,074,947	67,707,014
Livelihoods & Resilience	9,608,724	14,396,290	21,082,046	17,903,085	62,990,145
Shelter & NFIs	1,955,024	19,374,883	26,802,065	5,442,746	53,574,718
WASH	1,675,734	10,699,463	33,509,647	1,206,810	47,091,654
TOTAL	66,091,684	140,809,740	289,421,117	58,153,982	557,265,369*

* This includes regional financial requirements of 2,788,846 USD

REGIONAL COORDINATION

The 2019-2020 RRP brings together 35 partners across the four main countries of asylum. The United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees appointed Ms. Catherine Wiesner as the Regional Refugee Coordinator (RRC) for the Burundi situation to work with UNHCR Representatives in Burundi, Tanzania, Rwanda, Uganda, and the DRC to ensure an overarching vision and coherent inter-agency engagement across the region. In so doing the RRC works at the regional level to facilitate strategic, planning, and operational synergies and collaboration with Governmental, UN system, Non-Governmental Organizations, donors, civil society partners, private sector, and other stakeholders. At the country level, the Refugee Coordination Model remains the main tool to coordinate the refugee response.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Burundi Situation Data Portal - <https://data2.unhcr.org/en/situations/burundi>

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REGIONAL RRP PARTNERS

- Association des Femmes pour la Promotion et le Développement Endogène
- African Initiative for Relief and Development
- American Refugee Committee
- Care and Assistance For Forced Migrants
- CARE International
- Caritas
- Church World Service
- Community Environmental Management and Development Organization
- Danish Refugee Council
- Food and Agriculture Organization
- Global Humanitarian and Development Foundation
- Good Neighbours Tanzania
- Handicap International
- Help Age International
- Impact Initiatives
- International Organization for Migration
- International Rescue Committee
- Medical Teams International
- Norwegian Refugee Council
- Oxfam
- Plan International
- Relief to Development Society
- Save the Children International
- Tanganyika Christian Refugee Service
- Uganda Red Cross Society
- United Nations Capital Development Fund
- United Nations Development Programme
- United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees
- United Nations Children's Fund
- United Nations Population Fund
- UNWOMEN
- Water Mission
- Women Legal Aid Center
- World Food Programme
- World Health Organization