

South Sudan

1 - 15 August 2019

10,000

refugees benefited from mosquito net distribution in Unity

300+

refugee secondary school students sat for the pre-screening exam for a university scholarship through the DAFI programme

1,500+

internally displaced persons estimated to have listened to peaceful co-existence radio programming in Yei

KEY FIGURES

INSIDE SOUTH SUDAN

297,239

Refugees inside South Sudan (as of 31 July 2019)

1.82 million

IDPs in South Sudan including 182,026 in UNMISS Protection of Civilians sites (as of 31 July 2019)

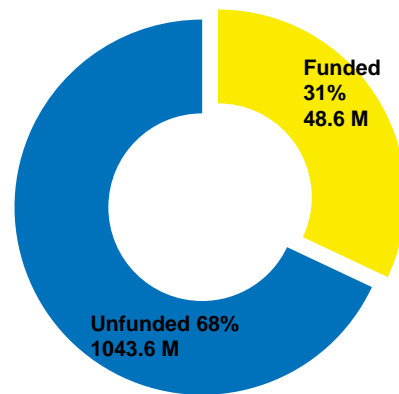
US \$719.1 million

Funding requested by UNHCR for the South Sudan Situation in 2019

FUNDING AS OF 31 JULY 2019

USD 152.2 M

requested for South Sudan in 2019

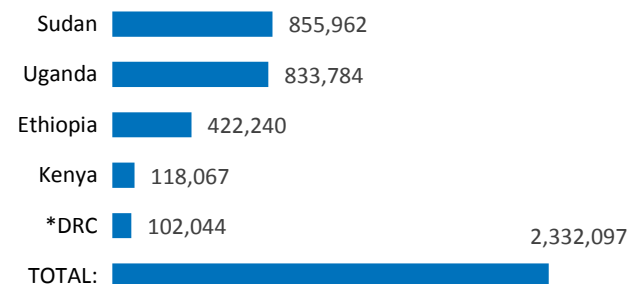


A community-based complaint mechanism training for IDP representatives and partner staff in the Bor UNMISS Protection of Civilians site. © UNHCR/Dew Sunday

POPULATION OF CONCERN

South Sudanese refugees in neighbouring countries as of 30 June 2019.

Host Countries



*DRC – Democratic Republic of Congo

Total figure does not include 2,222 refugees and asylum seekers in the Central African Republic.

REFUGEE RESPONSE



PROTECTION

Central Equatoria

- A protection monitoring mission was conducted to Libogo, located on the border with Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC). A significant number of spontaneous refugee returnees and IDP returnees have opted to stay in Lasu refugee settlement instead of returning to their villages of origin. Refugee returnees from DRC cited insufficient education and livelihood opportunities, and a lack of freedom of movement in the DRC as their reasons for returning as well as improved security in South Sudan.
- UNHCR and UMCOR conducted home visits to 10 (2 boys, 8 girls,) Congolese refugee children with protection concerns. The purpose was to assess the children's needs and come up with durable solutions.

Unity

- UNHCR registered 30 (19 men, 11 women) new arrivals from South Kordofan. This is a decrease of 81% when compared to the same period last year. While UNHCR relocated 07 refugees to Ajuong Thok and 33 refugees to Pamir refugee camps, a total of 40 refugees. Amongst them were 22 new arrivals while 18 were Yida residual refugees. Last year in the same period, 251 refugees were relocated.
- To date, a total of 9,366 Yida refugees relocated to Jamjang's refugee camps (7,643 new arrivals and 1,723 Yida residual caseload). In the same period last year, a total of 15,632 were relocated (11,806 new arrivals and 3,826 Yida residual caseload).
- Ten new SGBV cases were reported and received counselling and material support. Cumulatively since January 2019, 278 SGBV survivors have been supported (113 - Ajuong Thok, 89 - Pamir and 74 - Yida).
- IRC conducted SGBV awareness sessions with a focus on preventing sexual exploitation and abuse to 69 adolescents (31 girls and 38 boys) in Pamir. An additional 754 households received information on SGBV services through home visits. Furthermore, 15 peer educators (7 men, 8 women) were trained on SGBV concepts with a view to influence other youth in the community on prevention and mitigation of SGBV risk.
- UNHCR partner Humanitarian Development Consortium (HDC) conducted 27 detention monitoring visits to police detention centres in Ajuong Thok, Pamir and Yida where 45 detention cases (12F, 33M) were identified. In addition, HDC provided legal counselling to 18 refugees (13 men, 05 women) in Ajuong Thok refugee camp and Yida refugee settlement.
- UNHCR partner Lutheran World Federation (LWF) received 15 (4 boys, 11 girls) separated children cases. Two girls were reunified with their biological parents and the rest remain in kinship care. LWF will conduct home visits to follow up.

Upper Nile

- In Maban, all four refugee camps (Doro, Gendrassa, Kaya, and Yusif Batil) were affected by flooding on 11 August 2019. The priority key areas of concerns are: road repair and maintenance, contaminated and stagnated water, collapsed or submerged latrines, flooded hand pumps/water source and inflated food prices in the market.
- In Maban, 20 (17 men, 03 women) customary court members of Doro B court participated in a training conducted by UNHCR and Danish Refugee Council (DRC) on general concepts and principles of child rights, as a means to enhance the knowledge of the court members on child protection.



EDUCATION

Central Equatoria

- On 6 August 2019, 12 (10 men, 2 women) refugee youths sat for the DAFI scholarship pre-screening test. Seven (5 men, 2 women) youths passed the written portion and were invited for the oral interview. The interview panel comprised of UNHCR, UMCOR, CRA and LWF. DAFI coordinator will select the best two students for the scholarship.

Unity

- UNHCR partner LWF trained 49 female teachers on how to mentor female students. In addition, 719 female refugee students from 7 refugee schools received support after being included in the Girl Education South Sudan (GESS) programme which aims at promoting female retention in secondary school.

Upper Nile

- UNHCR and LWF conducted the pre-screening exercise for DAFI scholarship applicants in which a total of 91 (86 men, 05 women) candidates expressed their interest. The shortlisted candidates will make it to the next stage of the selection process in line with the DAFI guidelines.

**Central Equatoria**

- A total of 156 patients, including 62 refugees (18 - under 5 years) and 94 host community members (23 - under 5 years), received basic health consultations. The ratio of refugees' to host community consultation stands at 39.7%.
- UNHCR partner UMCOR continued its Ebola sensitization activities in Lasu Refugee settlement reaching out to 98 (46 men, 52 women) members of the community with key messages.
- As part of HIV prevention activities, 350 condoms were distributed in Lasu refugee settlement.

Unity

- UNHCR partners Africa Humanitarian Action (AHA) in Ajuong Thok refugee camp and International Rescue Committee (IRC) in Pamir refugee camp completed the distribution of 10,000 treated mosquito nets. The distribution was targeted at households with old, damaged or missing mosquito nets as part of malaria prevention interventions.

**Countrywide**

- UNHCR and partners commemorated 2019 World Breastfeeding Week (1-7 August) under the theme 'Empower Parents, Enable Breastfeeding' with songs, speeches and plays conveying messages on the benefits of breastfeeding through South Sudan. Additionally, messages were broadcasted through Jamjang FM radio station in Unity.

Central Equatoria

- UNHCR partner UMCOR conducted a middle upper arm circumference (MUAC) screening of 41 children under the age of five at Lasu primary health care centre, no cases of malnutrition were identified.

Unity

- UNHCR partners International Rescue Committee (IRC) and Africa Humanitarian Action (AHA) distributed blanket supplementary feeding (BSFP) items to 4,481 (2,273 - Ajuong Thok, 2,208 - Pamir) children and 2,319 (1,317 Ajuong Thok, 1,022 - Pamir) pregnant or lactating women.
- In Jamjang's refugee camps, 97 women from mother to mother nutrition support groups received vegetable seeds as a way to supplement their monthly food ration. The seeds include colewort, okra, onion, and tomatoes.

**WATER AND SANITATION****Central Equatoria**

- In Lasu refugee settlement, 4 (2 men, 2 women) community-based hygiene promoters conducted an awareness raising sessions for 21 (15 men, 6 women) on safe water chain, effective use of water, personal hygiene and sanitation.

Unity

- The average safe water supply stands at 20 litres/person/day in Ajuong Thok refugee camp with a household latrine coverage of 63%. In Pamir refugee camp, the average water supply stands at 15 litres/person/day with a household latrine coverage of 30%.
- UNHCR partner International Rescue Committee (IRC) finished the second phase of the mass cleaning campaign in Pamir refugee camp. The campaign focused on achieving zero tolerance for open defecation. .
- In Maban, UNHCR partner ACTED oversaw the construction of 47 household latrines: 18 in Doro refugee camp, 5 in Gendrassa refugee camp, and 26 Yusuf Batil refugee camp.



SHELTER AND NFIS

Unity

- UNHCR partner Danish Refugee Council (DRC) identified and reserved 518 empty plots (274 - Ajuong Thok, 244 - Pamir) for newly arrived refugees. Relocated refugees from Yida in Pamir refugee camp were supported with 17 emergency shelter kits and 1 family tent.
- DRC distributed shelter kits to 5 households and 194 plastic sheets in Ajuong Thok refugee camp. Additionally, 52 households in Pamir received 56 plastic sheets.
- 117 households of 339 newly arrived individuals were supported with core relief items Pamir (83 households) and Ajuong Thok (34 households) refugee camps. Items included plastic sheeting, blankets, sleeping mats, soap, buckets, second hand clothing and sanitary materials.

Upper Nile

- UNHCR partner Africa Action Help International (AAHI) maintained 15.6km of road and cleared 11,917 m² of grass around Doro airstrip.



ACCESS TO ENERGY

Upper Nile

- In Gendrassa refugee camp, UNHCR and partner Relief International (RI) distributed 72 fuel efficient stoves to 72 households.
- Across the four refugee camps in Maban, UNHCR partner Relief International (RI) and Save the Children International (SCI) planted tree seedlings in child friendly spaces, totalling 10.32 acres planted.



CAMP COORDINATION AND CAMP MANAGEMENT

Unity

- UNHCR partner Danish Refugee Council (DRC) constructed 66 transitional shelters.

Upper Nile

- In Maban, UNHCR and partner Danish Refugee Council (DRC) facilitated a training on code of conduct, advocacy and reporting skills to 35 members of the women committee.
- In Doro and Kaya refugee camp, UNHCR and partner Danish Refugee Council (DRC) trained community outreach workers and field assistants on how to use the feedback and response mechanism. The purpose is to improve timely identification and resolution of issues faced by refugees.



COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT AND SELF RELIANCE

Unity

- UNHCR partner International Rescue Committee (IRC) graduated 99 youths from the refugee and host communities who completed a business skills training.

Upper Nile

- In Kaya and Gendrassa refugee camps, UNHCR, in partnership with ACTED, finalized the registration of 2,500 households (1,000 – Gendrassa, 1500 – Kaya/ 1,234 men, 1,266 women) for FAO targeted seed kit distribution. The distribution will occur the first week of September.

SPONTANEOUS REFUGEE RETURN RESPONSE

Central Equatoria

- UNHCR monitored refugee returns, and tracked population movements through the dock site monitoring desk established in Akobo East County, Pochalla and Jebel Boma. A total of 281 individuals were recorded and interviewed coming from refugee camps in Ethiopia to Akobo (155 individuals), Pochalla (81 individuals), and Jebel Boma (45 individuals).

Upper Nile

- UNHCR conducted a mission to Renk from 07 to 14 August 2019. The objective was to officially introduce CARE International to government authorities, including RRC and border security personnel. It was also noted that the Joda border area was officially reopened as of June 2019. Authorities reported South Sudanese refugees were using the crossing for return.

IDP RESPONSE

COORDINATION**PROTECTION****Central Equatoria**

- On 16 August, the Prevention of Sexual Exploitation and Abuse Task Force members in Yei held a roundtable discussion with head of UN agencies, PSEA focal points and PSEA alternate focal points. The focus of the discussion was on handling PSEA complaints, roles and responsibilities, and follow up on outcomes of online PSEA training. 22 participants attended the discussions from UNMISS, UNICEF, WHO, UMCOR, SSLs, OCHA, IOM, SSDO, INTERSOS, AAH-I, TDH, CIDO, SSUHA and HI.

OPERATIONS**PROTECTION****Central Equatoria**

- In Christ the King IDP site, 8 (5 men, 3 women) persons with specific needs were verified and provided with material support. The support included 5 kgs of sugar, 5kgs of rice, 2 packets of salt, and 2 bars of laundry soap for each of their households.
- About 1,500 IDPs listened to peaceful co-existence plays produced by Spirit FM radio broadcasts in Yei during the reporting period. The audio dramas are focused on conflict prevention and management.
- UNHCR partner UMCOR conducted an indoor film screening with the purpose of generating community discussion on protection and peaceful co-existence issues in the community. This led to the development of community mechanisms to tackle the above topics.

Jonglei

- UNHCR, as the PSEA Task Force lead in Jonglei State, supported and facilitated a Community Based Complaint Mechanism training for community representatives and partner staff working in the UNMISS Protection of Civilians site in Bor. Twenty-four participants (14 men, 10 women) were trained on the concept of PSEA, its consequences and history, and the role of Community Based Complaint Mechanisms.
- At Mingkaman's women centre, UNHCR and partner Humanitarian and Development Consortium (HDC) enrolled 60 women in skills building activities, such as crocheting, beading and embroidery. The skills will build their capacity and hopefully empower women to become self-reliant in the future.
- UNHCR partner HDC received five GBV cases in Bor. Most of the cases were emotional abuse and physical assault. All survivors received psychosocial support through case workers counselling sessions within the Centre.
- UNHCR led the Protection Cluster mission to Malek to assist the Leprosy community following a joint assessment conducted in mid-July 2019. Thirty-five households received blankets, mosquito nets, and kitchen sets. In addition, 35 women and girls were provided with dignity kits and solar lamps (a donation from UNMISS Indian Battalion). The health mobile team from Health Link South Sudan performed 46 medical consultations and provided treatment.
- In Pochalla, UNHCR partner Nile Hope reached 177 individuals (71 female & 36 male) with key protection messages on consequences of sexual gender-based violence (SGBV) and availability of services for SGBV survivors.



CAMP COORDINATION AND CAMP MANAGEMENT

Jonglei

- UNHCR, through the Bor Solution Working Group (SWG), supported the voluntary relocation of 09 IDP families (12 individuals) to Greater Fangak and Mandeng. UNHCR and partner Nile Hope provided the IDPs with non-food items upon their arrival and women and girls received dignity kits. The IDPs were warmly received by the local authorities and the NGOs on the ground. The relocation aimed at providing a durable solution to the IDPs who have been living in the Bor UNMISS Protection of Civilians site since December 2013. Since 2016, the Bor Solutions Working Group has supported 371 households from the PoC site to voluntarily return to their areas of origin.



SHELTER AND NFIS

Central Equatoria

- UNHCR conducted a shelter assessment at Lutaya IDP site in Yei County on 9 August 2019. Based on the assessment, the population required plastic sheeting. On 16 August, UNHCR distributed 75 plastic sheets to 39 vulnerable households (199 individuals). The plastic sheets will enable the households to reinforce their shelters against the rain.

Jonglei

- UNHCR partner Nile Hope distributed non-food items to 900 vulnerable households (391 men, 509 women) and dignity kits to 200 women and girls in New Fangak, Akobo and Pochalla. The targeted families are from the host community, refugee returnees and IDPs. The items distributed includes blankets, buckets, kitchen sets, mosquito nets, sleeping mats, solar lamps and soap.
- UNHCR and partner HDC distributed non-food items to 50 vulnerable persons in Mingkaman. The items include blankets, bucket, mosquito nets, sleeping mats, solar lamp and soap. Twenty-two women and girls of reproductive age who also received sanitary materials.

Working in partnership

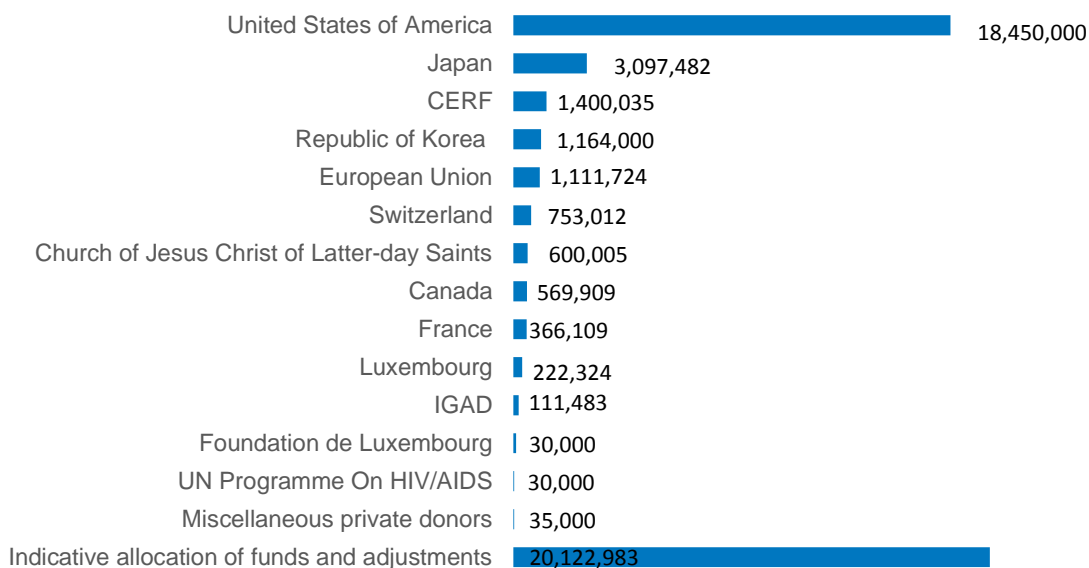
- UNHCR works closely with the Government of South Sudan to deliver assistance and protection services to refugees and IDPs.

- 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), Agence d'Aide à la Coopération Technique et au Développement (ACTED), Association of Christian Resource Organisation Serving Sudan (ACROSS), CARE International, Danish Refugee Council (DRC), Humanitarian Development Consortium (HDC), International Medical Corps (IMC), International Rescue Committee (IRC), Jesuit Refugee Service (JRS), Lutheran World Federation (LWF), Relief International (RI), Samaritan's Purse (SP), Save the Children International (SCI), United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR), and World Vision International (WVI).
- In the **spontaneous refugee return response**, the main government counterpart is the the Relief and Rehabilitation Commission (RRC). Implementing partners in 2019 are: CARE International, Danish Refugee Council (DRC), Humanitarian Development Consortium (HDC), Hope Restoration (HRSS), United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR), and Women Development Group (WDG)
- 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), Adventist Development and Relief Agency (ADRA), Danish Refugee Council (DRC), Humanitarian Development Consortium (HDC), Humanity & Inclusion (HI), Hope Restoration (HRSS), International Rescue Committee (IRC), INTERSOS, IsraAID, Jesuit Refugee Service (JRS), Nile Hope, United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR), and Women Development Group (WDG).
- Within the **Inter-Agency Cluster System for IDP response**, UNHCR in South Sudan is the Protection Cluster Lead with NRC as co-lead, Co-Lead of the CCCM Cluster along with IOM and ACTED, and is an active participant 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, UNDP, UNFPA, UN-Habitat, UNICEF, UNIDO, UNMAS, UNMISS, UNOCHA, UN Women, WFP, WHO, and Women for Women International.

Financial Information

Total recorded contributions for the operation amounts to US \$48.6 million, for the financial year 2019 as of 15 August. 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 USD



Other Softly Earmarked Contributions in 2019 | USD

United States of America 18.4 million | **Germany** 9.1 million | **Private donors Australia** 8.1 million | **Canada** 4.6 million | **Sweden** 3.1 million
Norway | Private donors

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Sweden 99.8 million | **Private donors Spain** 47.6 million | **Norway** 44.5 million | **Netherlands** 37.5 million | **United Kingdom** 31.7 million | **Germany** 26.7 million | **Denmark** 24.4 million | **Private donors Republic of Korea** 24.1 million | **Switzerland** 15.1 million **France** 14 million | **Private donors Japan** 12.1 million | **Private donors Italy** 11.1 million | **Ireland** 10.2 million
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