



## HIGHLIGHTS

**15,630**

Identified unaccompanied minors

**86**

Households provided with cash grants since 1st January 2015

**1,288,598**

NFIs distributed since January

**2,931**

Shelters distributed since January

### Population of Concern

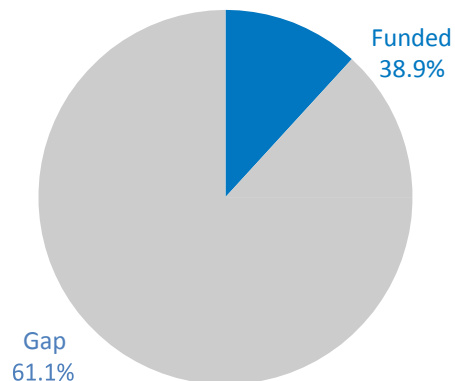
A total of **593,529** people of concern

### Funding

**USD 251,196,144** requested

#### By country of origin

Country	Total PoC
Somalia	418,581
Ethiopia	30,687
Sudan	10,193
DR Congo	24,006
Rwanda	1,632
Eritrea	1,673
Burundi	8,128
South Sudan	94,487
Uganda	1,908
Other	275
<b>Total</b>	<b>591,570</b>



### UNHCR Presence

#### Staff:

353 national staff, 29 NUNVs  
63 international staff, 11 IUNVs, 15 Consultants

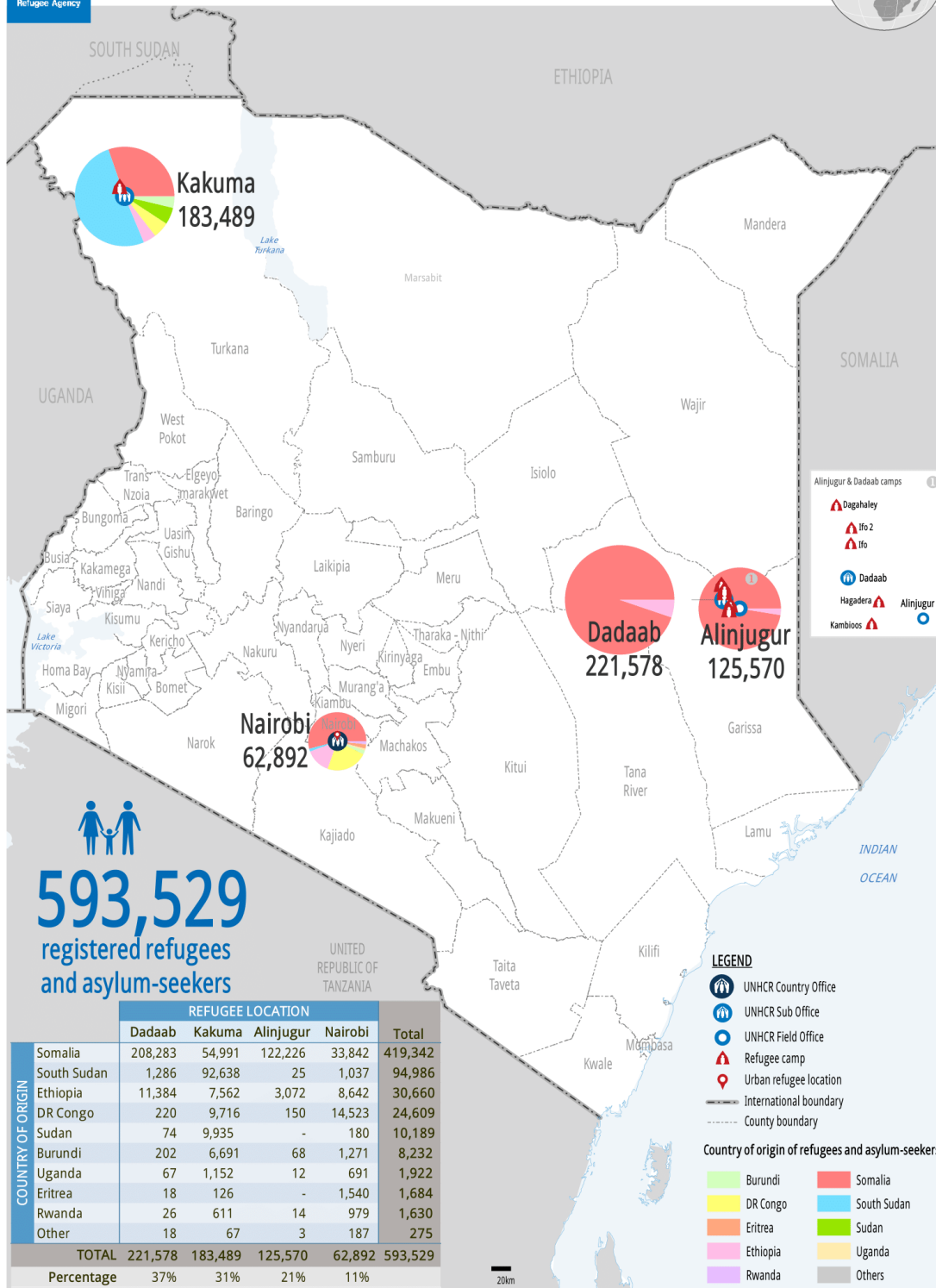
#### Offices:

4 offices located in:  
Nairobi, Kakuma, Dadaab, Alinjogur



# KENYA: Registered refugees and asylum-seekers

As of 01 December 2015



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## WORKING WITH PARTNERS

- UNHCR Kenya officially launched the Artists for Refugees project at the Alliance Française in Nairobi on 04 November. The colourful event was attended by refugees from Dadaab, Kakuma and Nairobi who showcased talent in art, music and culture.
- On 6<sup>th</sup> November, Somalia Prime Minister His Excellency Omar Abdirashid Ali Sharmarke visited Dadaab refugee camps accompanied by the Juba land President, Ahmed Mohamed Islam, high level authorities from the Governments of Somalia and Kenya and UNHCR Country Representatives for Kenya and Somalia. The delegation toured Ifo 2 camp of Dadaab and had the opportunity of meeting refugee representative and interacting with refugees at a schools, Hospitals and Integrated Return Help Desks.
- UNHCR in collaboration with UNFPA and UN Women officially launched the **HeForShe** campaign commissioned by the UN Secretary General recognizes that gender inequality is a human rights issue and encourages men to speak out and take action against inequalities faced by women and girls.
- 16 Days of Activism was officially launched on 25 November in the Dadaab and Kakuma refugee camps as well as in the Urban Operation and its environs by UNHCR and partners.
- A team from ECHO was on a flight monitoring mission to Kakuma on 20 November. The team comprised of officials from the Brussels and Nairobi offices came to assess how ECHO Flight operations work in Kakuma. They also visited the camp to focus on preparedness activities implemented by UNHCR and partners in anticipation of El Nino.
- A team from Africa Lily, a company that produces handmade leather products was in Kakuma to explore how they can build the capacity of refugee groups making bags in the camp. UNHCR would consider sending some beneficiaries for training at Africa Lily workshops in Nairobi.
- The new Director General of DG ECHO, Monique Pariat was on a one day familiarization visit to Kakuma Camp. The DG was accompanied by an ECHO delegation, UNHCR Kenya Country Representative and heads of UNICEF, IRC and WFP offices in Nairobi.
- During the Pope Francis visit in Kenya, on 26 November 2015 at United Nations Office at Nairobi (UNON), the Pope met and addressed 12 Refugees from various nationalities. The refugees had shared a moment with the Pope, as he greeted each one of them.
- Tripartite MoU with UNHCR, Strathmore University and Windle Trust Kenya (WTK) took place on 18th November 2015. This marks the beginning of offering of improved IT skills and business accountancy courses in Kakuma and Dadaab.

## MAIN ACTIVITIES

### Protection

#### **Registration and Refugees Status Determination (RSD)**

- 897 persons were registered during the reporting months by UNHCR and issued with Refugee Status Determination (RSD) appointments.
- 70 new born children were added to cases bringing the total new registrations to 13226 in the urban refugee programme in 2015.
- The Department of Refugee Affairs (DRA) and UNHCR jointly issued 100 Identity card to refugees at Shauri Moyo.
- 176 cases/208 individuals were interviewed at 1st instance and 07cases/07 individuals on appeal.
- The Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) forwarded a total of 625 cases /1339 individuals recommended for recognition to the Commissioner for Refugees Affairs for endorsement. A total of 3166 cases/ 7351 individuals have been considered by the TAC between January and November 2015.
- Currently, there is a 3-year wait for Refugee Status Determination (RSD) with the schedule running to February 2019. The Office is mobilizing funding to revamp its capacity to address the backlog.
- UNHCR continued to support Department of Refugee Affaires (DRA) to generate and issue RSD decision notifications to cases that have been recognized as refugees and endorsed by the Commissioner. 114 cases/200 individuals were issued with DRA decision notification letters in November.
- 156 refugee documents submitted to UNHCR by Head quarter of Criminal Investigations Department (CID) for verification were processed. This will enable CID to issue certificate of good conduct to refugees to the qualified refugees.

**Child Protection**

- As at end of November, the total registered UAMs in the Kakuma camp were 2,880 and 13,035 Separated children.
- The Area Advisory Council training for Dadaab Sub County child protection actors was conducted to improve capacity of community-based child protection structures to strengthen the wider protective environment for children.
- The monthly BID panel meeting was held in Dadaab. 17 cases of children with different protection needs of care arrangement, resettlement, voluntary repatriation, family reunification, discrimination and stigma, RSD among others were discussed and recommendation made.
- 80 Best Interest Assessments (BIAs) for UAMs were conducted within the month and submitted to UNHCR by the child protection partner, Heshima Kenya. 2 Best Interest Determination (BID) panels were held during the month and approved a total of 49 cases which were all referred for resettlement.
- 5 unaccompanied minors were placed under alternative care arrangements.
- To date, a total of 79 foster parents have been trained in Mombasa and Nairobi counties by UNHCR and Heshima Kenya.
- 42 child committee members were trained in Kitengela and Eastleigh by UNHCR and Heshima Kenya. The Training was aimed at fostering good governance and leadership skills and child rights.

**Protection Monitoring**

- The protection Unit continues to monitor police and prisons in Nairobi and other urban areas within the country.
- During reception days in Nairobi, the unit attended to 242 individual protection requests and conducted 63 Security Assessments.
- A gathering of over 100 persons, comprising refugees, persons with disability, older persons, LGBTI, boys and girls and representatives from UNHCR partners held a day-long discussion on participatory assessment.

**Access to Legal Assistance**

- UNHCR initiated a meeting with the Hon. Kadhi from the Garissa Mobile. The Kadhi will be conducting a training to UNHCR staff in addition to any other protection partner on authentic documents issued by the Kadhi's court including the marriage and divorce certificates.
- UNHCR attended the Eastern Court Users Committee (CUC) meeting held in Nyeri. UNHCR and DRA consistently work closely with the judiciary and the police, engaging in training and open forums to enable magistrates, judges, prosecutors, police and prison officers to be in the best position to serve persons of concern and to ensure they receive fair and equitable treatment before the courts.

**SGBV and Persons with specific needs**

- 180 religious leaders in Dadaab were trained as agents of change in family Planning, sexual gender based violence (SGBV) and HIV prevention services and nine mass awareness campaigns on family planning, SGBV, and HIV/AIDS at public gatherings and at the refugee blocks were conducted.
- In Kakuma, 20 cases of SGBV were reported in the month. All cases were assisted to access specialized services including psychosocial counselling and medical treatment to address immediate needs.
- 15 individuals approached UNHCR BO desk with SGBV related incidences that occurred in the Country of origin and asylum. 6 of these cases were referred for financial assistance and one case was admitted at the safe house. The rest of the cases were referred to partners for various forms of assistance including medical and psychosocial assistance.
- UNHCR together with HIAS facilitated a three day Training of trainers at Regional Office on including refugee sexual minorities in SGBV prevention and response programs. The outcome was an action plan for all agencies geared towards improving the systems in place to ensure inclusion of sexual minorities.

**Statelessness**

- During the course of November, 2015, UNHCR participated in several consultation and coordination meetings on statelessness together with partners including a meeting with Kenya Human Rights Commission to discuss legal aid being offered to stateless persons and persons at the risk of statelessness.

## **Basic Needs and Services for Persons with Specific Needs**

- UNHCR in collaboration with Lutheran World Federation (LWF) distributed assistive and mobility devices cerebral palsy wheelchairs, walking frames, walking sticks, orthopedic shoes, elbow and auxiliary crutches to 31 individuals comprising 17 male and 14 female in Hagadera camp. At the same time, 200 elderly and persons with disability benefited from plastic sheets that were received and distributed by UNHCR.
- 76 Refugees and Asylum seekers were assisted with accommodation at NARAP Rehabilitation Centre then transportation to the camps.

## Community Empowerment, Livelihoods and Self-Reliance

- In November, UNHCR Sub Office Kakuma facilitated business and entrepreneurship trainings with AAHI and Equity Bank targeting 123 beneficiaries. The topics covered included financial planning and budgeting, saving and business opportunities.
- 107 new arrivals were profiled at the reception center. The identified skills and business interests included tailoring and agribusiness. The profiles would be used by AAHI in planning targeted livelihood support based on capacities of different groups.
- UNHCR Dadaab hosted the global UNHCR Community Technology Access Coordinator, who jointly with NRC and representatives from a private impact outsourcing company; Samasource, visited various YEP and ICT training centers in the camp. The mission team purposed to assess the various IT related centers and thereafter determine possibility for a youth digital work support program, in 2016.
- 10 persons of concerns (PoCs) have opened new small businesses in from the business support funds received. The businesses are mostly in retail of various merchandises.
- A total of KES 98,500 was repaid in the revolving fund scheme. The amount was loaned out to 7 new beneficiaries selected by the groups themselves.
- 15 persons of concerns completed a 5-day training on accessing freelance online work in partnership with Samasource, an impact sourcing company. 2 of them have received work to write articles.
- 21 persons of concerns participated in the annual Christmas Bazaar at the German Embassy. Total sale made is Ksh182, 450. This is the 4th trade fair persons of concerns have attended this year. Two (02) persons of concerns also brought their products to the URPN end of year event and made Ksh13, 120 sales.

## Education

- The total enrolment in camp schools in Kakuma as at end of November 2015 was 74,079 (38% girls) learners
- UNCHR through Xavier Project issued one time partial scholarship to 35 needy secondary school students to add to the already 137 being sponsored. This will assist in transition for those who were stuck due to fees balances.
- UNHCR held a Regional education Data Management Workshop from 25th -27th November 2015 at Safari Park Hotel.

## Health

- The general health status of refugees in Kakuma remained stable during the month with mortality indicators remaining within Sphere/UNHCR standards. I.e. Under-5 mortality rate: 0.2/10,000/day and CMR: 0.05/10,000/day
- Ear, Nose & Throat (ENT) surgeon visited Dadaab. 120 patients from refugee and host community were screened and 21 surgeries conducted.
- Final results for the nutrition survey conducted in August/September 2015 shows that there was an overall decrease in acute malnutrition in Dadaab camps:-8.1% GAM prevalence, compared to 8.9% in 2014. Anaemia remains high amongst children below 5 years.
- Dentist and maxillofacial surgeon visited Hagadera camp and managed to review 126 and 15 cases respectively. Interventions included mainly tooth extraction and cleft lip/palate surgeries.
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- GAM and SAM levels among the 104 newly arrived children screened for malnutrition at the reception centre in Kakuma were below the thresholds of <15% (GAM) and <3% (SAM).

## Food Security and Nutrition

- In Kakuma the 10% temporary food cut of the WFP food basket continued with each person getting 350g per day (equivalent of 1,400 kilo calories)
- The general food distribution for the month was completed smoothly with no major incident reported in all Dadaab Camps.
- The three year LWF fresh food voucher initiative, was officially launched in Hagadera, during the period. Up to 3,500 persons with special needs will receive monthly voucher worth of Kshs. 600 within the first phase in 2016.
- UNHCR participated in the two day, WFP convened Dadaab Local Trader Selection Committee (LTSC) for the 'Bamba Chakula' voucher initiative

## Water and Sanitation

- In November, 220 household latrines were constructed for new arrivals in Kakuma 4. The latrine to user ratio was 1:10 for both family shared and household latrines. Coverage stood at 48.6% for both family shared and household latrine categories and 18% coverage for household latrines only.
- Average water distribution in K4 was 17 l/p/d.

## Durable Solutions

### Resettlement

- A total of 126 individuals are confirmed to have departed Nairobi for onward resettlement to United States of America, United Kingdom, Sweden and Australia. Since 1st January 2015, 1141 individuals have departed to resettlement countries.
- During the reporting period, three resettlement counselling sessions were conducted and 380 individuals were counselled.

### Voluntary Return

- During the month of October, 448 returnees were assisted to return by flight to Somalia. All the returnees assisted under the voluntary return process currently stands at 5,853 (3,900 by road and 1,953 by flight).
- Voluntary return movements by road still remains temporary suspended during this rainy season. Flights convoys are to continue to Mogadishu mainly till the 3rd week of December 2015.
- The protection unit conducted 2 sensitization meetings were conducted in Eastleigh during the reporting period for Somali refugees on the Integrated Return Help Desk, which facilitates access to information for refugees who wish to return to Somalia voluntarily.
- 2 cases were received at the return help desk in Nairobi in the month of November with one of the refugee later changing her mind after the seven-day reflection period.
- One 'Go and See' visit to Mogadishu was also conducted with one refugee from Nairobi and one from Mombasa representing the urban operation.
- 28 refugee delegates from Dadaab camps were facilitated to travel to Mogadishu for a Go and See visit between 18<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2015.

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