Gaps & Challenges

High tuition fees, the absence of scholarship opportunities, a lack of teaching facilities and schools have led to many children dropping out of school. Moreover, language barriers have further prohibited students' performance. Refugees also reported there are no feeding programs in the schools and due to the long distances to the schools, students are unable to walk home for lunch.

The long distance to the health center damages refugees’ and the nationals’ ability to access health services. This is impacted by the broken bridge leading to Bira Health Center III, which they need to use when Lewa Health Center does not have the services they need. The overcrowding, inadequate stock of medication and insufficient number of health workers leads to poor delivery of health services. Refugees reported health workers do not respond rapidly to emergency cases further deteriorated by the weak referral system available.

The lack of income generating activities, village saving groups and associations, vocational trainings and land available for agriculture has made it challenging for refugees to meet their basic needs. Therefore, refugees are unable to start small scale businesses as they do not have the required skills and capital.

Persons with special needs (PSNs) suffer in particular from inadequate shelter structures. Limited resources is provided to them to ensure they have safe and stable homes. Refugees overall reported having insufficient construction materials, no means to buy them and a poor quality of tarpaulins provided making it difficult for them to construct their homes.

Both refugees and nationals highlighted their difficulties in accessing clean water. Olua settlement does not have motorized boreholes and communities thus rely on hand pumps, creating severe congestions. Moreover, the water was reported to be of poor quality leading to the use of unclean water for washing and bathing. PSNs were reported to also use the unsafe water for drinking purposes, which can cause illnesses.

Strengths & Opportunities

There is a strong interaction between nationals and the refugee communities. The host community has freely offered land for the construction of schools and the offices of the Office of the Prime Minister (OPM). Refugees and nationals attend the same schools and use the same health facilities, which has further enhanced refugees’ integration in the host community.

There is a strong refugee leadership composed of the refugee welfare committees (RWCs), which has strengthened overall response due to the improved coordination.

The process of biometric registration is well functioning, which means newborns and family reunification cases are registered and the system is continuously up to date.

Partner organizations

AFOD, DRC, JRS, MTI, Peace International, SCI, SE, UNHCR, WIU
Sexual and gender-based violence (SGBV)¹

0% of SGBV survivors receiving multi-sectoral support in the past three months

100% of SGBV survivors not receiving multi-sectoral support in the past three months

Psychosocial

No reproductive-age women provided with dignity kits or sanitary materials

10 psychosocial awareness activities conducted in the past three months

1,143 refugees receiving psychosocial support

1,484 children registered to access psychosocial support

Persons with specific needs (PSNs)

6 PSNs have received services for their specific needs

608 PSNs need to receive services for their specific needs

Child protection

5% of child PSNs need to be provided with individual case management

95% of child PSNs have been provided with individual case management

0% of unaccompanied or separated children have not been provided with interim or long term care

100% of unaccompanied or separated children have been provided with interim or long term care

100% of cases in the past three months of child abuse or exploitation have not received age and gender services

100% of cases in the past three months of child abuse or exploitation received age and gender services

Water, sanitation and hygiene

15 additional litres per person per day (l/p/d) of water needed

0% of water needs met through water trucking

8,743 refugees provided with soap

9,411 refugees still needing soap

12 hand-pumps operational

Education

Refugees attend:

3 pre-primary schools

2 primary schools

17 secondary schools

0 adult learning programmes (ALPs)

Gross enrolment rates

901 refugees aged 3-5

287² refugees enrolled

3,172⁴ refugees enrolled

351 teachers

1,501 refugees aged 14-17

639³ refugees enrolled

1,104 household latrines completed

4 partners: JRS, Peace International, SCI, WIU

Pre-primary

17 additional teachers needed for number of students enrolled

10 additional teachers needed for number of students enrolled

Secondary⁵

0 additional teachers needed for number of students enrolled

0 teachers

RIMS registered in the past three months

18,154 total refugees are registered in the RIMS

0 refugees are yet to be registered in the RIMS

1+ partners: Peace International, SCI

1 partner: DRC

1 partner: RIMS

2 partners: Peace International, SCI

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1. No partners are currently implementing SGBV projects in the settlement.
2. The gap of pre-primary enrolment could not be calculated here as children above the age of 5 are also enrolled in pre-primary education.
3. The gap of primary enrolment could not be calculated here as children above the age of 13 are also enrolled in primary education.
4. The gap of secondary enrolment could not be calculated here as children above the age of 17 are also enrolled in secondary education.
5. The data presented for secondary enrolment and number of teacher represents the data for Adjumani district as a whole, as secondary refugee students attend secondary schools across Adjumani district.
Food assistance

- 82 metric tonnes of food were distributed during the latest distribution in the settlement.
- 50 eligible refugees have not received 100% in-kind or Cash Based Intervention (CBI) food assistance in the latest distribution.
- 5,337 eligible refugees have received 100% in-kind or CBI food assistance in the latest distribution.
- 168,427,000 UGX cash for food was distributed during the latest distribution for the settlement.

Livelihoods and environment

- No refugees have access to self-employment or facilitated businesses.
- No refugees received vocational training in the past three months.
- 56 cases of livelihoods support through: Cash/vouchers for livelihood provisioning, Villages savings and loan associations, Savings and cooperative societies, Production kits or inputs for agricultural activities, Productive assets or cash grants to start or improve a business.
- 0 households in total have been provided with NFI kits.
- 0 refugees in the past three months received shelter materials and toolkits/cash.
- 25 PSN shelters have been constructed.

Health and nutrition

- 0% of refugees with HIV are not receiving ART.
- 100% of refugees with HIV are receiving ART.
- 0% of refugees under the age of 18 with HIV are not receiving ART.
- 100% of refugees under the age of 18 with HIV are receiving ART.
- 19 women delivered without skilled healthcare staff in the past three months.
- 49 women delivered with skilled healthcare staff in the past three months.
- 47 cases of livelihoods support through: Cash/vouchers for livelihood provisioning, Villages savings and loan associations, Savings and cooperative societies, Production kits or inputs for agricultural activities, Productive assets or cash grants to start or improve a business.
- 0% of children identified with severe acute malnutrition in the past three months were admitted into treatment.
- 100% of children identified with severe acute malnutrition in the past three months were admitted into treatment.
- 100% of children under the age of 18 with HIV are receiving ART.
- 100% of refugees with HIV are receiving ART.
- 0% of refugees with HIV are not receiving ART.
- 100% of refugees under the age of 18 with HIV are not receiving ART.

Shelter, site, and non-food items (NFIs)

- No arrivals in the past three months provided with household NFI kits.
- No households in total have been provided with NFI kits.
- No arrivals in the past three months received shelter materials and toolkits/cash.
- 25 PSN shelters have been constructed.