LIBYA

28 February 2020

Key figures:

- 355,672 Libyans currently internally displaced (IDPs)¹
- 447,707 returned IDPs¹
- 48,042 registered refugees and asylum-seekers²
- 129 monitoring visits to detention centres since 2020
- 215 refugees and asylum-seekers released from detention
- <150 refugees and asylum-seekers currently hosted in the Gathering and Departure Facility (GDF)
- 5,530 vulnerable refugees and asylum-seekers departed since November 2017 (161 individuals departed in 2020)

Funding

USD 85.1 M required for 2020

Gap 88% Funded 12%

¹ IOM DTM November 2019.
² Data as of 28 February 2020.

Population movement

As of 28 February, 1,944 refugees and migrants have been registered as rescued/intercepted at sea by the Libyan Coast Guard and disembarked in Libya. On 25 February, a total of 207 individuals (173 men, 27 women and seven children) disembarked at the Tripoli Commercial Port. UNHCR and its partner, the International Medical Corps (IMC), continue to be present and provide medical assistance and core relief items at disembarkation points.

UNHCR response

Medical assistance is a life-saving tool for refugees and asylum-seekers in Libya. As of 27 February, UNHCR through its partner, IMC, provided more than 2,000 medical consultations. This includes 125 at disembarkation points, 762 in detention centres and 1,318 at the Community Day Centre in Tripoli.

UNHCR continues to advocate for the release of its persons of concern from detention. On 26 February, UNHCR secured the release of 13 persons of concern from the Triq Al-Sika detention centre in Tripoli. The 13 individuals were provided with assistance at the Community Day Centre.

UNHCR registered 215 individuals at its Sarraj registration office. The nationalities include Syrian, Sudanese, Eritrean, Ethiopian, Palestinian, Somali, South Sudanese and Yemeni. So far this year, a total of 215 refugees and asylum-seekers were released from detention following UNHCR’s advocacy.

Assistance at the Community Day Centre is ongoing. UNHCR, through its partner IMC distributed core relief items to 110 individuals at the Community Day Centre including hygiene kits, kitchen sets, solar lamps and mattresses. More than 1,000 individuals have received core relief items this year.

UNHCR continues to provide cash assistance to refugees and asylum-seekers living in the urban areas to help them meet their basic needs. Last week, UNHCR through its partner, CESVI provided cash assistance to 40 individuals. As of 28 February, a total of 963 individuals (769 households) were provided with cash grants.

Last week through its hotlines, UNHCR responded to more than 100 calls where information on resettlement, registration and assistance was provided. Hotlines offer UNHCR’s persons of concern with a direct line of communication with protection staff to respond to their queries and get information about activities and any concerns they may have.

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UNHCR Libya Response in 2020

Key Figures
- 851,421 people of concern
- 48,042 registered refugees & asylum-seekers
- 355,672* internally displaced persons
- 447,707* IDP returnees

UNHCR Coordinated Sectors
- Protection Sector
- Shelter & NFI Sector
- Cash Working Group
- Migrants and Refugees Platform (Co-led by UNHCR, IOM & IRC)

Key Achievements
- 2,169 medical consultations (Disembarkation: 125
  Detention: 762-Urban: 1,318)
- 1,415 IDPs and refugees received non-food items (IDPs: 315
  Refugees: 1,100)
- 649 individuals received rescue kits at disembarkation points
- 987 IDP and refugee households received cash assistance (Refugees: 987)

QIP 1 Quick Impact Projects implemented
- 2,309 individuals registered (44 in detention)
- 129 monitoring visits to detention centres
- 215 detained refugees/asylum-seekers released
- 1,713 refugees departed via Gathering and Departure Facility
- 161 individuals resettled from Libya in 2020
- 5,530 individuals departed from Libya since 2017

UNHCR Funding Requirements
- USD 85.1 million required in 2020
  - 12% Funded
  - 88% Gap

* IOM-DTM