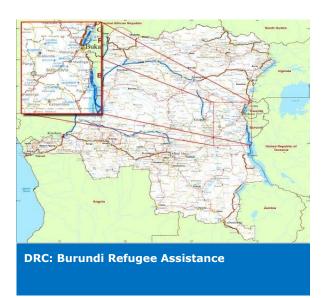




DRC:

Burundi Refugee Assistance



In numbers



15,000 newly arrived Burundian refugees

10,800 host family members

3 provinces affected

Funding Update:

CERF funding USD\$ 1.5 million

Highlights

- Because of ongoing political unrest in Burundi, thousands are fleeing into neighbouring countries.
- As of 9 September close to 15,000 Burundian refugees have been registered in South Kivu in DRC.

Situation Update

- Just over 8,000 refugees are residing in the Lusenda camp and approximately 6,300 are living with host families. The remaining are in transit centres and other temporary sites.
- Approximately 680 have been reported in Katanga province, and just over 230 in Maniema province.
- In the town of Lubumbashi there are 1,242 refugees who will be relocated to Lusenda camp.
- As the capacity of Lusenda camp is full, refugees are no longer being transferred.
- Biometric registration of refugees in South Kivu shows that 53% are female/girls and 47% are male/ boys. Out of the total 65% are children and 50% are under 12 years old.

WFP Response



Food Assistance

- WFP is cooperating closely with UNHCR and partner NGOs for the food distributions.
- Refugees and host families are receiving monthly rations to meet their urgent food needs.
- WFP in collaboration with NGO partner World Vision has distributed 30-day rations of food to more than 5,500 host family members in Fizi and Uvira territories, amounting to 95 tonnes.



 The UN Humanitarian Air Service (UNHAS) is supporting the humanitarian community in DRC. If it becomes necessary, UNHAS DRC possesses the clearances for its aircrafts to operate in Bujumbura; ground support and fuel supplies

Clusters



Logistics Cluster

- One mobile storage unit and 5 MT of High Energy Biscuits have been positioned in Uvira for immediate responses.
- Provision of one mobile storage unit in Lusenda/ Fizi to support humanitarian partners Rebuild Hope for Africa and UNWomen.

Partnerships ••



- UNHCR and OCHA are leading the response with support from WFP.
- Partner NGOs African Initiative for Relief and Development (AIRD), World Vision and Caritas are delivering the food assistance to refugees, host families, as well as nutrition supplements.



· A joint CERF funding request from the UN agencies involved in the response has been granted. WFP is receiving USD \$ 1.5 million to alleviate the alarming food security situation amongst the refugees and host population.

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