

Zambia

April 2018

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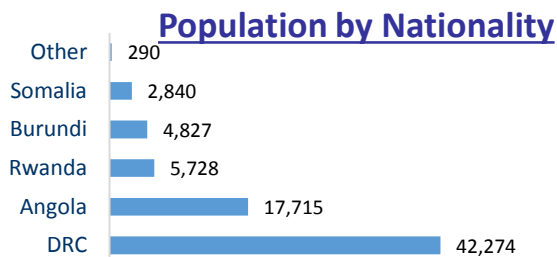
Some **3,398** Congolese refugees, comprising **1,169** households relocated from Kenani Transit Centre to Mantapala Refugee Settlement in Nchelenge District by end of April 2018.

UNHCR submitted **94** individuals for resettlement in April 2018.

POPULATION OF CONCERN

By country of origin (as of 30 April 2018)

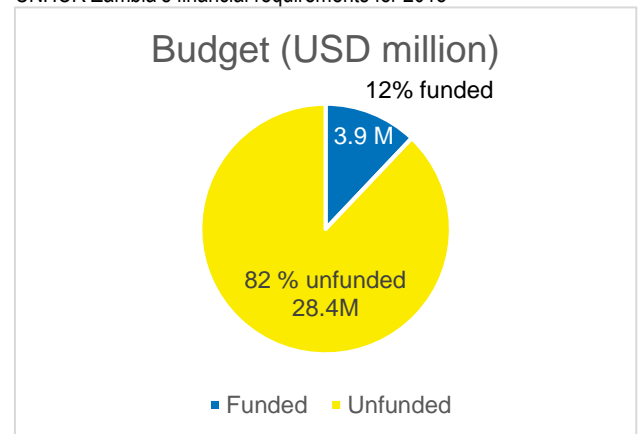
73,674 PEOPLE OF CONCERN



FUNDING (AS OF 30 APRIL 2018)

USD 32.3 million

UNHCR Zambia's financial requirements for 2018



UNHCR PRESENCE

Staff:

- 50 National
- 19 International
- 18 Affiliated

Offices and operations:

- 1 Representation Office in Lusaka
- 3 Field Offices in Solwezi, Kaoma and Kawambwa
- 1 Field Unit in Nchelenge



Children learning at a Child Friendly Centre in Kenani Transit Centre ©UNHCR/B.Mulenga

Working with Partners

- Working together with the Government of Zambia through its key interlocutor – the Office of the Commissioner for Refugees under the Ministry of Home Affairs, UNHCR provides protection and humanitarian assistance to 73,674 people of concern. To achieve its mandate, UNHCR collaborates with key Government line ministries, NGOs and the private sector: Ministry of Home Affairs/Commissioner for Refugees Office | Ministry of Health | Ministry of General Education | Ministry of Community Development and Social Services | Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock | Ministry of Energy and Water Development | Action Africa Help | Care Canada | Caritas Czech Republic | Save the Children | Self Help Africa | Zambia Red Cross Society.
- Additionally, under the Comprehensive Refugee Response Framework, several Government departments, including district and provincial authorities, UN agencies and NGOs have partnered with UNHCR as part of the Congolese emergency response.

Main Activities

Protection

- A total of 20,464 Congolese refugees arrived in Zambia between 1 January 2017 and 30 April 2018. Though the number of new arrivals has been decreasing, new arrivals from the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC) continue to seek asylum in Zambia. UNHCR continues to monitor the situation in view of ongoing militia activities in the DRC.
- Relocation movements of Congolese refugees from Kenani Transit Centre to Mantapala Refugee Settlement in Nchelenge have continued. The latter now hosts about 3,398 refugees.
- Working with the Office of the Commissioner for Refugees in the Ministry of Home Affairs, UNHCR conducted a refugee status determination training for Government officers who are members of the District Joint Operations Committee in Solwezi, Kalumbila, Mwinilunga and Kipushi.

Education

- UNHCR, through the Ministry of General Education and its partner, Caritas Czech Republic, is providing educational support to 360 children and youths in Lusaka. In Mayukwayukwa and Meheba Refugee Settlements, about 7,163 school-aged children are enrolled in primary and secondary schools. UNHCR with support of the German Government under the Albert Einstein German Academic Refugee Initiative DAFI, is currently providing financial support to 42 (21 males and 21 females) refugees to access tertiary education. To further support skills development, UNHCR is working with the German Embassy and the German International Cooperation Agency (GIZ) to facilitate internships as a way of promoting work-based learning.

Health

- The Ministry of Health with support from UNHCR offers free quality primary health care services to people of concern and nationals in Mayukwayukwa and Meheba Refugee Settlements, Lusaka, as well as in Kenani Transit Centre and the recently established Mantapala Refugee Settlement in Nchelenge District, Luapula Province.

Durable Solutions

- UNHCR Zambia's 2018 resettlement target has been set at 1,200 individuals. In April 2018, the Office has so far referred 23 cases consisting of 72 individuals to the Regional Office for Southern Africa Resettlement Support Unit, for onward submission to resettlement countries. In addition, 21 cases consisting of 94 individuals have been submitted to resettlement countries this month (and 165 cases/524 persons this year), mainly to the USA and the Nordic countries. Regarding departures, 17 cases consisting of 47 individuals have departed to resettlement countries in 2018 thus far.
- Under the local integration programme, 1,429 residence permits have been so far issued to former Angolan refugees in both Mayukwayukwa and Meheba settlements.

Livelihoods

- The Graduation Approach, a livelihoods project that seeks to train and allow refugees and host communities to increase their income, is being implemented in Mayukwayukwa and Meheba Refugee Settlements, as well as in Lusaka urban areas.
- Livelihoods interventions in Mantapala have also begun in collaboration with the Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock and Caritas.
- From April 2018, an electronic cash-based intervention system (mobile money) has been introduced in Meheba and the first distribution was well received by beneficiaries and successful.

Logistics

- Prepositioning of core relief items (CRIs) in all locations as well as distribution was a key major activity undertaken.
- As part of preparations for any influx of Congolese refugees in 2018, UNHCR together with the Office of the Commissioner for Refugees is in the process of identifying key locations in the Copperbelt and North-western Provinces to store CRIs for preparedness purpose.

External / Donors Relations**FUNDING (in million USD)**

A total of 3.9 million has been funded

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