

LIBYA

9 October 2020

Key figures:

392,241 Libyans currently internally displaced (IDPs)¹

493,716 returned IDPs¹

46,329 registered refugees and asylum-seekers²

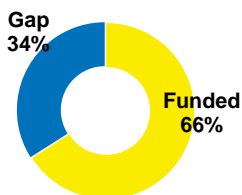
202 monitoring visits to detention centres in 2020

231 refugees and asylum-seekers released from detention in 2020

5,724 vulnerable refugees and asylum-seekers departed since November 2017 (**349** individuals departed in 2020)

Funding

USD **84.1** M required for 2020



¹ IOM-DTM August 2020.

² Data as of 9 October 2020.

Population movement

As of 8 October, 8,998 refugees and migrants have been registered as rescued/intercepted at sea by the Libyan Coast Guard (LCG) and disembarked in Libya. UNHCR and its partner, the International Rescue Committee (IRC), continue to be present at the disembarkation points to provide urgent medical assistance and core relief items (CRIs) before individuals are transferred to detention centres by the Libyan authorities.

UNHCR response

On 8 October, UNHCR as part of its quick-impact project (QIPs) implementation provided three equipped ambulances to Hay el Andalus municipality, Tajoura municipality, and the Ministry of Health's emergency unit in Tripoli. UNHCR also supported active isolation centres for coronavirus (COVID-19) patients in the city of Zawiya (45 km west of Tripoli) where there are acute needs in terms of protective and sanitary equipment. UNHCR

distributed some 127 hygiene kits as well as sanitary cloth, in coordination with local authorities of Zawiya. These initiatives come within the framework of UNHCR's support for the health sector in Libya during the COVID-19 crisis. QIPs are small, rapidly implemented projects intended to help create conditions for peaceful coexistence between those displaced and host communities, and to strengthen the resilience of these communities. So far this year, UNHCR implemented 31 QIPs targeting the educational and health sectors.



Provision of three ambulances to three municipalities in Tripoli. ©UNHCR/Mohamed Alalem



Distribution of hygiene kits to COVID-19 isolation units in Zawiya. ©UNHCR

Cash assistance continues to be provided to help persons of concern living in the urban community. Last week, partner CESVI provided cash assistance to a total of 356 refugees and asylum-seekers living in the urban community in Tripoli (144 families). This included regular cash assistance to 262 individuals (96 families) and emergency cash assistance to 94 individuals (48 families). As of 8 October, a total of 2,862 refugees and asylum-seekers were provided with cash grants.

Distribution of CRIs from both the Community Day Centre at Gurji and the Serraj registration office is ongoing. During the reporting period, CESVI supplied a total of 360 individuals from the urban community with hygiene kits, as well as soap bars, solar lamps, mattresses, blankets and clothes: 58 families (205 individuals) received CRIs at the CDC, while 155 people were similarly provided for at Serraj. In 2020, UNHCR has distributed some 50,800 CRIs across Libya.

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