



HIGHLIGHTS

National Action Plan is the highlight as Ghana celebrates anniversary of Abidjan Declaration on the eradication of statelessness

First Meeting of Solutions task force held focused on discussion of legal modalities of the multi-year solutions strategy

2,150 individuals to benefit from three-month targeted food assistance in Ivorian Refugee camps

Ghana's Ex-President Kufuor and "On Guard for Humanity" donate 500 boxes of water to refugees in Egieykrom

Population of concern

A total of **19,265** people of concern

By country of origin

Country	Total PoC
Côte d'Ivoire	11,429
Togo	3,328
Others	4,508
Total	19,265

Funding

USD 9,444,755 requested

0.74% funded

UNHCR Presence

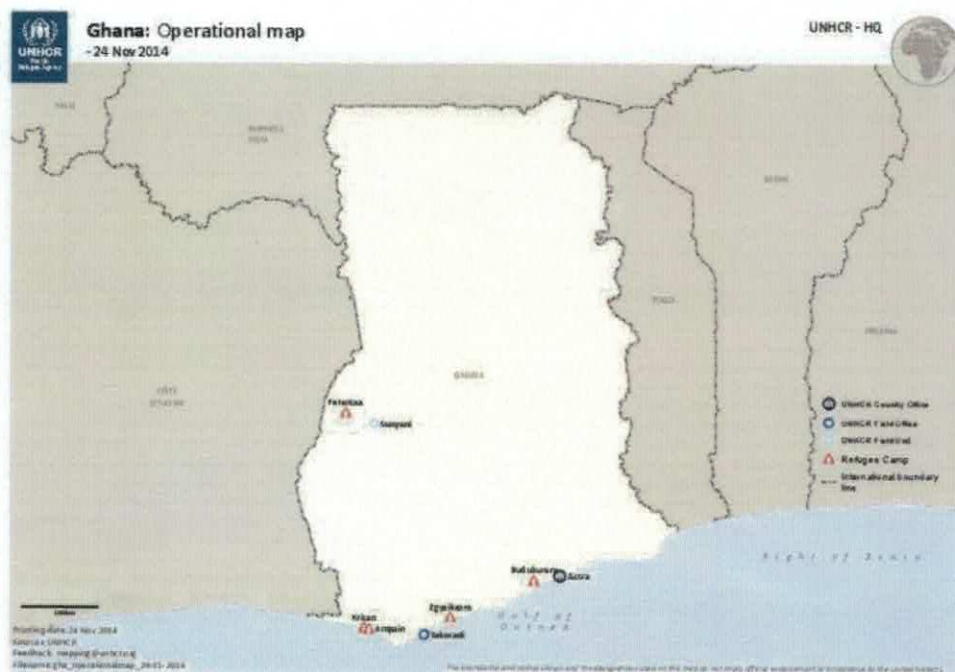
Staffing:

40 national staff; 02 UNOPS

04 international staff; 01 IUNV

Offices:

01 Branch Office in Accra, 02 Field Offices located in Takoradi and Sunyani



WORKING WITH PARTNERS

- UNHCR works with the Government of Ghana through the Ministry of the Interior, the Ghana Refugee Board (GRB), Ghana Immigration Services (GIS) and other relevant government departments and ministries in ensuring asylum seekers and refugees have full access to international protection and basic services. UNHCR cooperates with other state agencies such as the Department of Social Development and the Birth and Death Registry in the provision of services to refugees. UNHCR Ghana works with partners including the Christian Council of Ghana (CCG), the National Catholic Secretariat (NCS) and the Adventist Development and Relief Agency (ADRA). Operational support is provided by UNFPA, IOM and UNAIDS.

MAIN ACTIVITIES

Protection

- Ghana Develops 10-year National Action Plan to Eradicate Statelessness:** The Ministry of the Interior and UNHCR in collaboration with stakeholders from other government institutions, academia and civil society developed a comprehensive National Action Plan to Eradicate Statelessness in January 2016. The development of the action plan is in accordance with commitment 24 of the Abidjan Declaration and the UNHCR Global Action Plan to end statelessness in 10 years. The Action Plan, and the nomination of the Government Focal Point on Statelessness are the two main achievements as Ghana joined other ECOWAS countries in West Africa to mark the 1-year Anniversary of the Abidjan Declaration on the Eradication of Statelessness.

Health

- UNHCR Ghana donates cervical cancer screening equipment to Ghana Health Service:** UNHCR donated a cryotherapy cancer screening equipment to the Ellembelle District Health Directorate of the Ghana Health Service in the Western Region. The donation is in line with ongoing activities by UNHCR to support the Ghana Health Services in the integration of refugee healthcare into the national structure.

Food Security and Nutrition

- Targeted Food Assistance commences in Ivoirian Camps:** A three-month food assistance targeting a total of 2,150 persons of concern with special needs from all three Ivoirian Refugee camps commenced in February 2016, and is expected to run till April 2016.

Durable Solutions

- Meeting of Solutions Task Force:** The solutions task force, made up of representatives of the Ghana Refugee Board and UNHCR held its first meeting to discuss the practical modalities of providing a durable alternative legal status for Togolese, Sierra Leonean, Rwandese and the remaining Liberian refugees opting to locally integrate in Ghana.
- Voluntary Repatriation:** 4 Togolese nationals voluntarily repatriated with UNHCR's support.

External Relations

- Ghana's Ex-President Kufuor and "On-guard for Humanity" donates 500 boxes of water to refugees in Egyeikrom Camp:** Ex-President Kufuor's JAK Foundation in partnership with "On-Guard for Humanity," a Canada-based Not-for-Profit Organization donated 500 boxes of water to refugees at the Egyeikrom Camp. The 1-liter bottles were packaged in biodegradable material made from sugar cane and tree fibre. JAK Foundation expressed the hope to extend further support in future.

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