



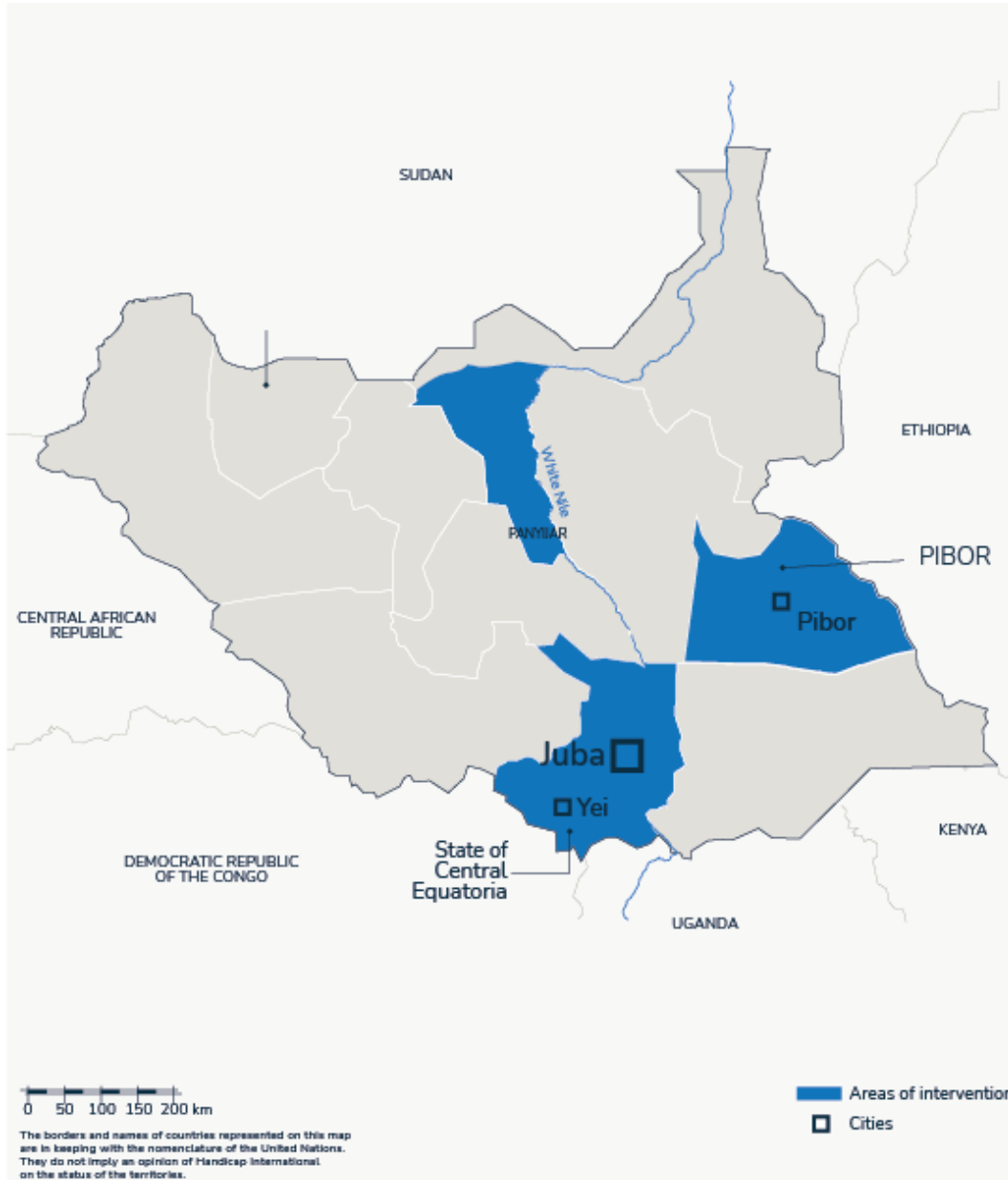
Country Card

South Sudan



HI Team and intervention areas

The HI South Sudan program has 73 staff members





1) General data of the country

a) General Data

Country	South Soudan	Uganda	France
Population	11193729	45741000	67391582
IHDI	0.27	0.40	0.82
Gender related r development Index	0.842	0.863	0,987
Maternal mortality	1084	481	4
GINI Index	44.1	42.7	32.4
Population within UNHCR mandate	2 615 223	4 069 197	580 898
INFORM index	8.5	6.2	2,3
Fragile State Index	108.4	92.1	30,9
Public social protection	16.40	2.80	100
Net official development assistance received	1885.27	2100.1	

b) Humanitarian law instruments ratified by the country

Humanitarian law instruments	Status
Mine Ban Treaty	11 November 2011: Notification of accession to the Convention on Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Antipersonnel Mines and on Their Destruction done, but is yet to ratify the treaty, which remains under process at the Transitional National Legislative assembly.
Convention on Cluster Munitions	Non-signatory. Position Paper Reading done in parliament, November 2019.
UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Non-signatory, but now considering the accession._1st and 2nd Reading done in parliament, pending 3rd and 4th Reading.
Other Disability Policies and guidelines relevant to HI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National Disability and Inclusion Policy • The National Inclusive Education Policy 2014 • South Sudan National Mine Action Strategy 2018–2022 • National Technical Standards and Guidelines (NTSGs)

c) Geopolitical analysis

Social / cultural / demographic elements

The Republic of South Sudan gained independence on July 9, 2011, becoming the world's newest nation. Renewed conflicts between two factions of the government in December 2013 and July 2016 have heightened insecurity and access challenges throughout the country, and worsened the humanitarian situation. As a consequence, South Sudan remains caught in a web of fragility, economic stagnation, and instability a decade after



independence. Food insecurity is ubiquitous and is being reinforced by ongoing intercommunal conflict, displacement, and external shocks. Beyond the immediate humanitarian needs of almost 7 million people, the underlying issues affecting the delivery of transparent, unified governance, economic development, security sector reform and investment in public services urgently need to be addressed.

Political context

The signing of the latest truce in September 2018 and subsequent formation of a unity government in February 2020 have provided a large measure of hope for recovery and peace building in South Sudan. Conflict events decreased significantly in 2022, allowing some refugees previously dispersed in the region to return. In 2022, the transitional government extended the period of transition for another 24 months, until 2024, with the hope that lagging transitional milestones will be completed to enable conducting a general election. The ongoing unification of forces, though slow, offers greater hope, but slower-than-expected progress in other transitional priority areas is likely to increase anxiety in 2023. At the same time, a resumption of oil production in oil fields previously shutdown due to conflict had raised the prospects of an oil-led recovery. The country, however, faces the risk of these gains being reversed, with increasing incidents of sub-national violence, low oil prices, recent sub-divisions in political factions and COVID-19 (coronavirus) pandemic exacerbating an already dire situation.

Economic elements

The Ukraine crisis has had an unprecedented impact on South Sudan, with inflation impacting the purchasing power of the population with limited to no sustainable livelihood options. South Sudan is an oil-producing country, but increased global oil prices have not translated to improved economic conditions in the country. Prices of fuel at gas stations have caused an increase in prices of goods in the markets amidst the prevailing food insecurity in the Horn of Africa Region, and growing numbers of people living in extreme poverty. The peace agreement, which led to a reduction of hostilities in some regions across the country contributed to a mild recovery in a few oil and non-oil sectors. Slow growth in the non-oil sectors, coupled with limited expenditure on service delivery, and limited linkages between the oil and non-oil economy creates a disconnection between the observed oil-led growth and citizen welfare. At the same time, the gap between the official exchange rate and the parallel market rate remains high, indicating that the official rate is overvalued and does not reflect the underlying economic fundamentals.

Summary of HI presence in the country

HI has been operating in South Sudan since 2006, with a specific mandate to address the needs of persons with specific needs, heightened vulnerabilities and protection risks across the country. This is achieved through a comprehensive range of activities, including: functional rehabilitation, individualized and group-based Mental Health and Psychosocial



Support Services (MHPSS), and comprehensive protection case management, with disability inclusion as a core transversal component. HI South Sudan interventions range from emergency response to actions supporting long-term resilience and recovery due to the protracted nature of the crisis in the country.

HI operates in South Sudan from a Country Office in Juba. In 2022, HI phased out operations in Magalla, Yambio, Bentiu, Juba PoC, and Awaal South, and opened new operational offices in Pibor and Mayendit in Southern Unity to align response to areas with the highest humanitarian needs. HI maintains its office in Yei and base in Morobo, Central Equatoria.

Activities in Central Equatoria, Mayendit, and Pibor States are implemented through a static response and managed from HI's Field Offices, while activities in multiple locations across the country are implemented through a mobile roving response from Juba country office. HI works with and through long-established partnerships with organizations of persons with disabilities such as SSUPDO1, CESUVI, SSWDN2 as well as with humanitarian agencies such as Danish Refugee Council, Medecins Sans Frontiers, NRC and World Food Program. HI has an in-country operational expertise in disability inclusion, functional rehabilitation, mental health and psychosocial support, and protection interventions.



Overview of ongoing projects

Project Title and Main sectors of intervention	Main activities	Beneficiaries	Partners	Location	Dates of the project	Donors who finance the project
<p>Humanitarian action and Resilience in South Sudan (HARISS)</p> <p>Health & Prevention / Mental health and psychosocial support services</p> <p>Protection & risk reduction / Inclusive humanitarian action</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Individual counselling • Group counselling • Community-based awareness raising • Support for MHPSS (Mental health and psychosocial support services) coordination structure • Strengthen organisations for persons with disabilities (OPDs) • Provide technical support and mentorship to build IHA capacity for partners 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 271 people receiving individual counselling • 1135 individuals receiving group counselling • 2802 people benefitting from awareness sessions conducted within communities to address issues of stigma surrounding MHPSS • 289 partner staff and community leadership trained in MHPSS. • 3 OPDs strengthened through technical and organizational support • 405 staff of partners (frontline and strategic level staff) receiving training and/or sensitization on disability inclusion mainstreaming 	IOM, IMC, WFP, UNICEF, and organisations for persons with disabilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yei • Morobo • Pibor • Juba 	1 January 2018 – 31 March 2023	Foreign Commonwealth & Development Office (FCDO)
<p>Women's Integrated Sexual Health (WISH)</p> <p>Health & Prevention /</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Awareness raising on sexual and reproductive health & disability inclusion • Capacity building of health workers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 73 participants of sensitization meetings on referral mechanisms • 1145 participants in awareness sessions on sexual & reproductive health topics 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Juba, • Yei, • Bentiu, • Aweil South, • Torit 	8 July 2018 – 31 March 2023	International Planned Parenthood Federation (IPPF UK), FCDO



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<p>Sexual and reproductive health</p> <p>Protection & risk reduction / Inclusive humanitarian action</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Capacity building on disability inclusion in sexual and reproductive health 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12 radio talk shows organised • 3 community dialogues on family planning organised • 3 consultations with county health departments • 6 FDGs on barriers to sexual & reproductive health services conducted • 34 individuals trained in raising awareness about disability inclusion • 104 health workers trained on disability inclusion in sexual & reproductive health services • 58 representatives of local authorities trained on disability inclusion in sexual & reproductive health services • 50 members of OPDs (organisations for persons with disability) trained in sexual and reproductive health 				
<p>AC5</p> <p>Rehabilitation services</p> <p>Social & Inclusion / economic services</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provision of rehabilitation services • Capacity building of health workers on basic physical and functional rehabilitation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3588 people with disabilities/injuries accessing rehabilitation services at health facilities • 150 people with disabilities provided with livelihood support or food security support 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MOH • MOGCSW • OVCI • ICRC • The South Sudan Women with 	Yei and Juba	1 January 2018 – 31 December 2022	Mofa Luxembourg



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Food security and economic livelihood support • Capacity building and raising awareness on disability mainstreaming 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 62 community health workers trained in basic physical and functional rehabilitation • 56 livelihood and food security stakeholders trained in disability mainstreaming • 2 OPDs (organisations for persons with disability) strengthened • 7074 participants of awareness raising sessions • 9 community rehabilitation workers to support health facilities in providing physical and functional rehabilitation • 156 people receive personalized social support (persons with disabilities and their caregivers or family members) 	Disabilities Network; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Equatoria State Union for the Visually Impaired; • Close coordination through State-level health clusters 			
Leave No One Behind Protection & risk reduction / Inclusive humanitarian action	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mapping and disability-focused analysis of existing needs assessment tools and related guidance, including consultation process • Adaptation or development of tool sets • Piloting of min. two surge and technical support 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cluster members • Humanitarian organisations and partners 	Humanitarian clusters	Juba	1 January 2022 – 31 December 2024	German Federal Foreign Office (GFFO)



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	<p>mechanisms at country response level</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Participatory studies/ documentation of good and promising practices, incl. development of methods and clear criteria for it 					
<p>Integrated lifesaving Health Response in Panyijiar county and Protection response in Pibor county for vulnerable people</p> <p>Health & Prevention /</p> <p>Protection & risk reduction /</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provision of essential Health Care to vulnerable populations • Health Promotion/risk communication • Strengthening Community-based structures, networks, outreach activities, case management, referral and individual protection assistance • Promote community awareness of protection efforts through outreach activities • Provision of Psychosocial Support (PSS) • Protection monitoring, assessments and analysis 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 794 people benefit from the provision of essential Health Care services. • 4000 people reached by health education and promotion. • 3 community based protection committees • 1450 individuals (including 403 persons with disabilities) to be supported with assistive devices and 1047 supported through safe and appropriate referrals. • 5814 people will be reached through protection awareness raising • 2000 people will benefit from PSS activities • 100 local representatives and humanitarian workers will be trained 	Coalition for Humanity	Pibor & Panyijiar counties	1 October 2022 – 30 September 2023	South Sudan Humanitarian Fund (SSHF)



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	<p>of protection and human rights violations to inform response and advocacy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Capacity building of front-line service providers on specialized GBV (gender-based violence) topics such as GBV case management • Distribution of supply kits accompanied by discussions, information-sharing, awareness-raising on available services for sexual & reproductive health and gender-based violence to survivors • Establishing and running spaces for women and girls • Provision of case management services regarding gender-based violence 	<p>on GBV (gender-based violence) prevention</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 300 women and girls will be provided with dignity supply kits • 3240 girls and women will benefit from gender-based violence prevention activities 				

Donors

Foreign Commonwealth & Development Office (FCDO)	International Planned Parenthood Federation (IPPF UK)	MofaLux
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<p>German Federal Foreign Office (GFFO)</p>  <p>german humanitarian assistance <u>DEUTSCHE HUMANITÄRE HILFE</u></p>	<p>South Sudan Humanitarian Fund</p>  <p>OCHA</p>	