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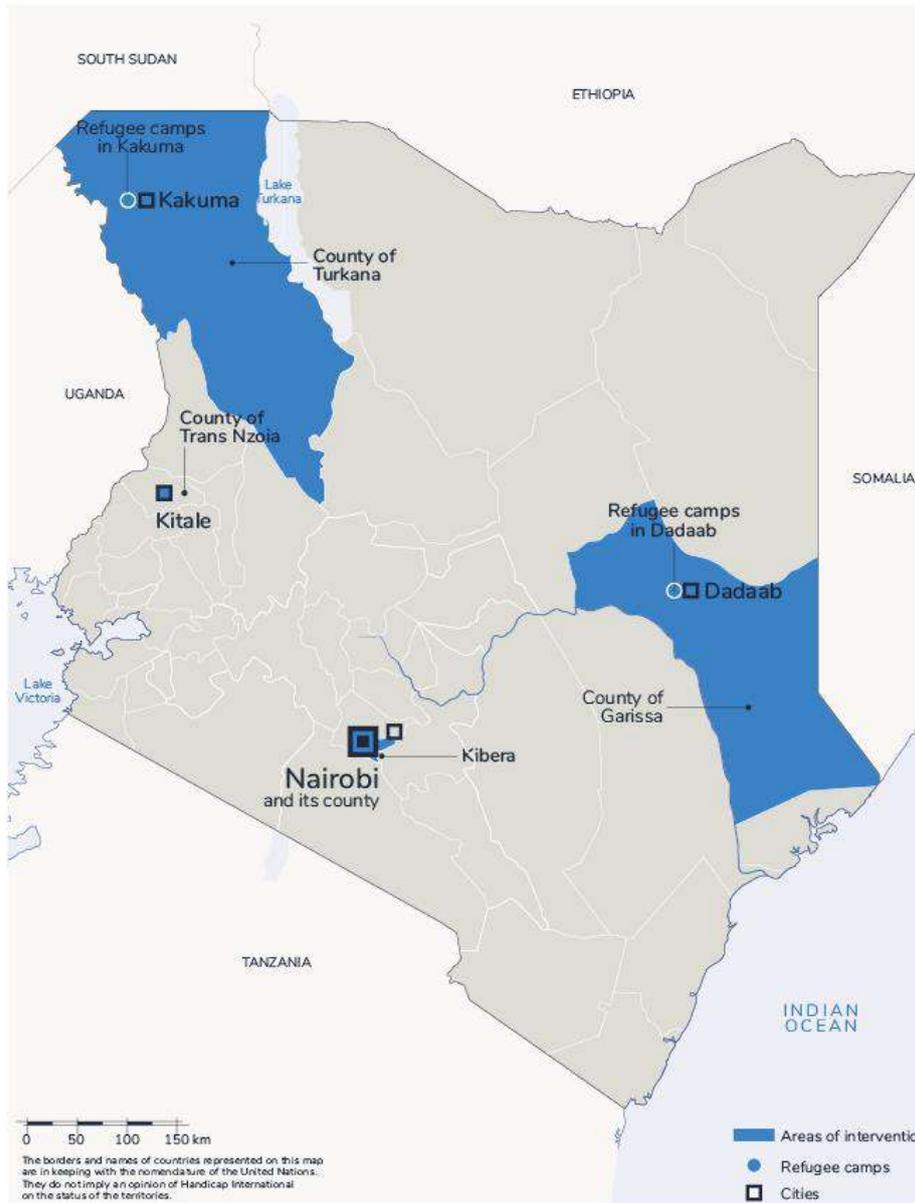
Kenya



HI team and intervention areas

The HI Kenya program has 62 staff members and is part of the East African Regional Program

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General data of the country

a. General data

DATA	Kenya	Uganda	Belgium
Population	55.1	48.6	11.8
IHDI	0.438	0.377	0.878
SIGI Score	32.9	27.4	7.4
Maternal mortality	530	284	5
GINI Index	38.7	42.7	26.6
Population within UNHCR mandate	777.324	1.702.288	222.589
Inform Index	6.2	6.5	2.1
Fragile State Index	86.5	91.1	30.3
Population covered by at least one social protection benefit (%)	7.2	2.8	100
Net official development assistance received	2.652	2.113,8	0

b. Humanitarian law instruments ratified by the country

Humanitarian law instruments	Status
Mine Ban Treaty	Signed on 05/12/1997 Ratified on 23/01/2011
Convention on Cluster Munitions	Signed on 03/12/2008
UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities	Signed on 30/03/2007 Ratified on 19/05/2008

c. Geopolitical analysis

Social/cultural/demographic elements

In 2017 and 2019, the conditions in arid regions of Kenya deteriorated significantly due to drought. There has also been a negative impact of floods and landslides on household food and income sources in various parts of the country. The region was also ravaged by the invasion of desert locusts, which affected crops and vegetation. This led to heightened food insecurity, decreased health and nutrition status at a time when political instability has also increased. Within this context, the welfare of people with disabilities and vulnerable people is at a greater risk of neglect and reduced provision of services such as education and health.

In August 2021, a long rains assessment report released indicates worsening food security and nutritional situation in 12 counties, with 23 counties recording drought. On September 8, 2021, the President of the Republic of Kenya declared the drought a national disaster.

Political context

From the 2020 Human Development report by UNDP, Kenya is ranked 143 out of the 189 countries on the Human Development Index. Increased circumstances of gender inequality have had a negative impact on inclusive human development and economic growth of population especially in areas such as the labour markets, access to education and appropriate healthcare. Correspondingly, as a recognized vulnerable group, the rights of people with disabilities are often times neglected, contributing to increased poverty and sub-standard living conditions.



Summary of HI presence in the country

In 1992 HI launched its activities in Kenya through an emergency food aid program in Garissa, following the famine and civil war in Somalia.

For the next four years, HI focused on improving surgical treatment at Garissa Provincial Hospital for refugees and support to the primary health care system in neighbouring communities.

Since 2006, HI has taken a leading role in the development of HIV&AIDS awareness, prevention and treatment for persons with disabilities in the Country. It began bolstering its support for the physical rehabilitation and education of children with disabilities in Kibera and Dandora informal settlement areas and persons with disabilities in the Dadaab refugee camps in 2007.

In 2009 HI also implemented an inclusive education project in Nairobi outskirts aimed at ensuring that marginalized children to have equal access to education opportunities.

In August 2013, the organization launched a regional project in Kenya and Tanzania, which contributes to implement the International Convention of People with Disabilities. An on-going Mother and Child Health Care Project was launched in informal settlements in 2014 which seeks to improve the health status of mothers, new-borns, and children in marginalized populations within Nairobi. In the same year an Armed Violence Project was started in North-Western Kenya in a bid to reduce the incidences of violence within the region.

In 2016, a Road Safety Health and prevention project was also introduced to advocate for legislation ensuring the safety of children on Kenyan roads.

As of 2021 and 2022 HI implements projects in inclusive employment, gender equality, inclusive rehabilitation and a professional Fellows program in the Nairobi County. HI is also working with individuals in Kakuma and Dadaab refugee camps supporting inclusive education, livelihood and protection programming.

In 2023 HI became an Implementing Partner of UNHCR in both Dadaab and Kakuma implementing projects supporting Refugees and Asylum Seekers (Persons with specific needs, elderly, persons with disabilities), youth empowerment/engagement, community-based complaints mechanisms, Community Empowerment, Youth and LGBTI including Mental health and Psychosocial Support & rehabilitation. This is in addition to rehabilitation and inclusive education.

In 2023 HI acquired funding from CDCS for rehabilitation activities in both Kakuma and Dadaab making HI Kenya a partner of the French Embassy in Kenya.



Overview of ongoing projects

Sectors where HI conducts projects and focuses on beneficiaries and operational partnerships

Project title and main sector(s) of intervention	Main activities	Beneficiaries	Partner(s)	Location	Project start and end date	Donors who finance the project
Professional Fellows Program on inclusive civic engagement Inclusive Governance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outreach activities to reach a diverse pool of applicants, especially persons with disabilities. • Applicant screening & candidate selection • Pre-departure orientation for the Fellows until their departure to the US • Support to Fellows after returning to home country. • Support to US Fellows with outbound visits to African Fellows host countries. 	Participants include approximately 12 mid-level professionals working in the disability field from Kenya, Uganda, Ethiopia and Tanzania	University of Massachusetts Boston Institute for Community Inclusion	Kenya, Uganda, Ethiopia and Tanzania. (target countries for recruitment of Fellows)	01.2023-12.2024	Education Cannot Wait (ECA)
Promoting access to quality inclusive education in protective learning environments in Kakuma, Dadaab refugee camps and Kalobeyei Reception Center. (PIPLE) Inclusive Education, Protection against violence and abuse	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enhanced access to inclusive quality formal and non-formal education learning opportunities • Improve quality of learning for children with and without disabilities • Strengthened child protection response in and outside learning environments for children • Provide rapid responses to emergency situations and/or crisis enabling beneficiaries to access lifesaving services 	16,225 beneficiaries	Terre des Hommes & Finn Church Aid Save the Children (lead in the consortium)	Dadaab & Kakuma refugee camps	01.2023 – 12.2025	Directorate-General for European Civil Protection and Humanitarian Aid Operations (ECHO)



<p>LNOB</p> <p>Build stronger foundations for inclusive education to enhance learning and social outcomes for all children with and without disabilities in Kakuma and replicate good practices in influencing systemic change in education system in Kenya.</p> <p>Physical and functional rehabilitation, Inclusive Education, Early Childhood Development</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teachers' capacity assessment • Provide teacher professional development materials • Conduct an assessment to examine the change of teachers' performance. • Support Kenya Institute of Curriculum Development to develop teacher educators handbook on inclusive education • Develop the roll out plan • Facilitators guide development • Train quality assurance officers • Support data collection • Workshop to share best practices • Strengthen the role of organizations of people with disabilities in inclusive education 	<p>Direct beneficiaries:</p> <p>1,174</p>		<p>Kakuma refugee camp.</p>	<p>12.2023 11.2027</p>	<p>Porticus</p>
<p>Build Micro-entrepreneurs's capacity</p> <p>Economic Inclusion</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Micro-Entrepreneurs selection and mobilisation, development of action plans • Identify and Train Business Development Service providers • Disability Inclusion Facilitators recruitment and training • Public & Private Institution identification, onboarding, engaged with micro-entrepreneurs during business exhibitions • Link Micro-Entrepreneurs to financial institutions • Conduct annual market assessments • Kakuma InBusiness Steering Committee Advocacy Initiatives & Private Sector Engagement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 75 Micro-Entrepreneurs to be on boarded in two cohorts each, 11.5 months each and to receive business, technical and compliance training. Provision of business growth kits. • 4 new Public & Private Institution to be onboarded and 8 to be followed up • 5 Business Development Service 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inbusiness Committee • Private sector & Entrepreneurship partners in Kakuma: organisations of persons with disabilities, Kenya National Chamber of Commerce & Industry, Private & Public Institutions, 	<p>Kakuma refugee Camp & Turkana West Sub County</p>	<p>01.2022 – 06.2025</p>	<p>Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (FCDO DID)</p>



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quarterly Kakuma InBusiness Steering Committee Meetings • Organisations of persons with disabilities advocacy training, advocacy plan development, capacity building • Participation in the disability inclusive working group • Fact sheet produced on InBusiness model • Facilitate monthly data collection • Organize and facilitate quarterly sharing, learning and self-advocacy at counties and national level 	<p>providers to be recruited and trained on business development services</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Train 2 disability inclusion facilitators • Provision of assistive devices/reasonable accommodation to 37 Micro-Entrepreneurs • Train 4 new Public & Private Institutions on disability inclusion 	<p>United Disabled Persons of Kenya, National Council for Persons with Disabilities</p>			
<p>Community-Based Protection-Dadaab</p> <p>Protection, Physical and functional Rehabilitation</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 awareness trainings on the rights and inclusion of persons with specific needs • Identify, and assess the need of self-reported cases of LGBTI, chronically ill persons and survivor sex workers for assistance or referral • Identify, assess and provide direct rehabilitation or referral to persons with disabilities and all older persons • Manage 4 rehab centers • Provision of assistive devices and mobility aids • Establishment of a functional rehabilitation centre and service point tents for persons with specific needs • Transport assistance to vulnerable cases on need basis to access rehab • Train partners inclusion focal points on inclusive humanitarian assistance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Persons with Disabilities • Older Persons • Youth, • Women at Risk, • LGBTIQ <p>Direct Beneficiaries: 26,560</p> <p>Indirect Beneficiaries: 132,800</p>	<p>UNHCR, Departement of Refugee Services, Danish Refugee Council, Lutheran World Federation, International Rescue Committee, Terres Des Hommes, International Rescue Committee, Medecins Sans Frontières Kenya Red Cross</p>	<p>Dadaab Refugee Camp, Garissa County.</p>	<p>01.2024 – 12.2024</p>	<p>United Nations High Commissionner for Refugees (UNHCR)</p>



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support the coordination of the existing Inclusion Taskforce • Procure basic hygiene kits for older persons • Procure Assistive devices and learning aids for inclusive education, including hearing aids • Provide one off emergency cash assistance to 60 vulnerable persons with specific needs • Attend monthly cash working group meeting with partners • Conduct awareness sessions 		Society, Film Aid Kenya.			
<p>Mental Health and Livelihoods Intervention for refugees and hosts in Turkana County</p> <p>Mental Health and psychosocial support, Economic Inclusion</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Training of 920 caregivers on mental health and psychosocial support, psychological first aid and other related interventions • Training for 920 caregivers on economic empowerment • Cash-Based Intervention • Psychiatric services 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 920 caregivers of persons with mental illness anxiety and depression • 460 caregivers • Persons with anxiety and depression 	United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, INKOMOKO	Kakuma Camps, Kalobeyei settlement and Host community	01.2024 – 12.2024	United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)
<p>Strengthening Inclusive Protection, Rehabilitation and mental health and psychosocial support project-Kakuma and Dadaab</p> <p>Protection, Mental Health and psychosocial support, Physical and functional Rehabilitation</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identification and service provision, individual assessment of functional and protection needs by trained professionals and community workers. • Holistic case management services for children at risk of abuse, violence, neglect, or exploitation. • Facilitate referral for beneficiaries for protection assistance. • Train caregivers on positive and inclusive parenting practices and support foster parents with one-off cash-based support • Train community structures to inclusively identify, prevent, and respond to protection risks 	8,000 direct beneficiaries (7,000 in Kakuma and 1,000 in Dadaab, both persons with and without disabilities).	UNHCR, Departement of Refugee Services, Refugee Consotium of Kenya, Terres Des Hommes.	Dadaab Camps, Kakuma camps and Kalobeyei settlement and their host communities	09.2023 – 09.2024	Centre de Crise et de Soutien – Ministère des Affaires Etrangères (CDCS)



	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Establish and equip child-friendly spaces and girls' safe spaces• Enhance inclusion initiatives in the operations of partners and other humanitarian actors.• Provide effective, inclusive, and child-friendly information to enhance awareness, access to services, meaningful participation and community empowerment.					
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Donors

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<p>UNHCR</p>  <p>UNHCR The UN Refugee Agency</p>	<p>Porticus</p>  <p>PORTICUS</p>	<p>CDCS</p> <p>Avec la participation de</p>  <p>MINISTÈRE DE L'EUROPE ET DES AFFAIRES ÉTRANGÈRES <i>Liberté Égalité Fraternité</i></p>