

ROMANIA

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Key figures

83,452 refugees currently in Romania (as of 5 October 2022).

73,544 refugees registered for temporary protection in Romania (as of 5 October 2022).

22,143 refugees supported with multi-purpose cash assistance.

42,894 refugees provided with information and counselling in person or over the phone.

13,003 refugees supported to travel to Romania from Ukraine-Moldova border through fast-track transfers.

Highlights

On 4 October, the Inter-Agency Coordination in Romania, released the [recalibration of the 2022 Refugee Response Plan \(RRP\)](#). The recalibration exercise was conducted within Romania and in all countries that are part of the regional RRP. The updated plan aims at revising needs and activities of the 22 appealing partners and represents a progressive transition from acute emergency to longer-term protection and inclusion of refugees in Romania. The RRP seeks US\$ 226.6 M for Romania and is currently funded at 79 per cent. The recalibration in Romania notably intends to support the protection and inclusion of refugees in line with the National Plan of Measures.

Response

UNHCR continues to support refugees from Ukraine by delivering core-relief items (CRIs) to the free-shop of the Municipality of Bucharest. On 7 October, UNHCR contributed with hygiene items, towels, and winter clothes for children to the shop that is located within RomExpo -close to the UNHCR multi-purpose centre- that provides humanitarian aid to over 1,000 refugees daily. This batch of in-kind contributions from UNHCR will support approximately 15,000 refugees living in an around Bucharest that need core-relief items during fall and winter.

UNHCR is engaging with partners and authorities to implement quick impact projects (QIPs) in Romania. QIPs are small, rapidly implemented projects intended to further strengthen the relation between refugees and their hosting communities, and the resilience of these communities. In addition to benefiting refugees and host community members, QIPs will also promote the inclusion of refugees in the different projects. UNHCR through its field offices is now collecting the needs of communities in Suceava, Galati and Iasi, as well as in Bucharest and Brasov. Some areas being explored include improvement of access to childcare services, employment opportunities, and local integration of refugees.

UNHCR continues to monitor the needs of refugees in remote locations in Maramures and Satu Mare counties as many are hosted within the local communities. During the monitoring visits, UNHCR delivered family hygiene kits to refugee families hosted in a local church and within communities.

Capacity Building

UNHCR together with the Sensiblu Foundation facilitated a capacity building training in Bucharest on "Psychosocial intervention in the case of asylum-seekers, survivors of sexual and gender-based violence". The training was attended by 26 representatives from the Romanian Police, public social services, and NGOs that support refugees from Ukraine. The course addressed concepts of sexual and gender violence, challenges for refugee women and girls, and issues related to effective support.



UNHCR delivering hygiene items and winter clothes for children at the shop in RomExpo, Bucharest, Romania ©UNHCR

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