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ABOUT US

| The Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC) is a global humanitarian organisation helping people forced to flee.

We provide emergency assistance and protect people's rights in the world's most dangerous and difficult crises.

Our scale and expertise mean we can reach and assist millions in areas where others cannot. Humanitarian principles are at the core of our mission.

Supporting us enables your organisation to enact your strategy and create sustainable impact for displaced people, contributing to lasting global solutions.

Together, we save lives and rebuild futures.



WHERE WE WORK

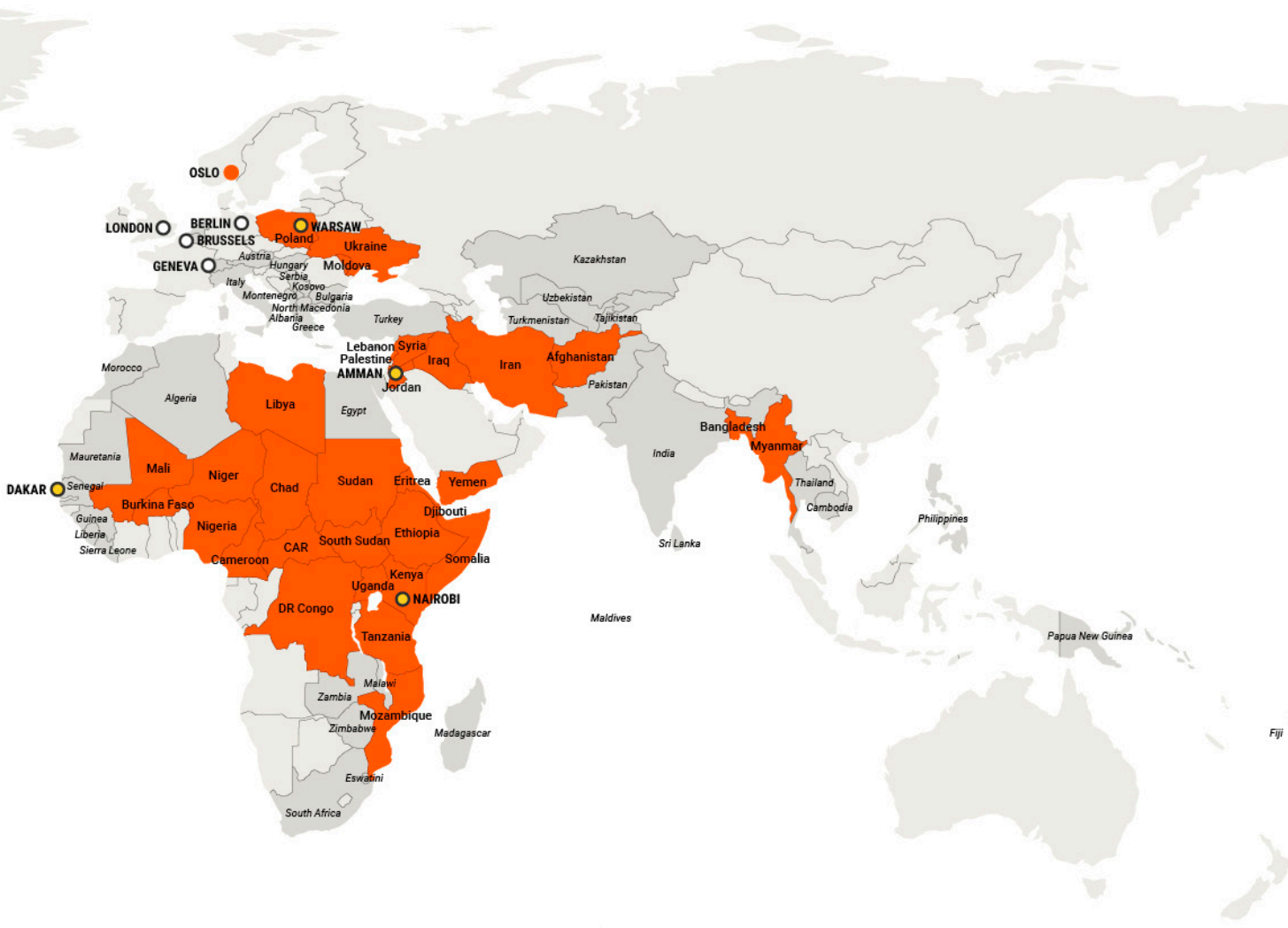


“It is a privilege to be a humanitarian worker because we can see that we make a difference. Over half of the displaced communities we serve are difficult to access due to conflict and insecurity in parts of the world where international humanitarian law and principles are not respected. The vast majority of my colleagues are local field workers who work continuously, often on the front lines, helping people trapped in hopelessness. Together we share a common motivation: the joy of seeing that help reaches those in need. And that we make a difference.”

Jan Egeland

Secretary General of the Norwegian Refugee Council





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- NORCAP deployments 2023
- Regional offices
- Representative offices

WHAT WE DO

PROTECTION FROM VIOLENCE

Protection is about safety, dignity and rights. It is about people being safe from violence or abuse during an armed conflict or natural disaster. We work to reduce risks for displaced people and strengthen their capacity for self-protection. From providing lighting in a camp to resolving violence through mediation, we strive to ensure that displaced people can live in safety and dignity, with access to impartial assistance.

We help ensure displaced people and communities are protected by preventing and responding to violence, coercion, and actions taken by others to deny them their rights.

EDUCATION

When a crisis hits, a school can be a safe place that gives children an important sense of normality in everyday life. NRC runs educational projects in conflict areas around the world. Our projects offer protection and stability as well as essential knowledge and skills.

We build classrooms, supply learning materials and make sure that students have the equipment they need – everything from pencils and rulers in the classroom to footballs in the schoolyard.

For children and young people who have missed out on school, we offer an intensive course so that they can catch up with their peers. NRC is a driving force for the right to education for children and young people who have been forced to flee. We were one of the first humanitarian organisations to include education as an important part of the emergency aid we provide.

FOOD SECURITY

Not having enough food to eat is a daily reality for many people who have been forced to flee. Food security means having steady access to safe and nutritious food. NRC offers refugees and people displaced in their own country a “safety net” against food shortages. We also support them as they find new livelihood strategies.

Through dialogue with people who have been forced to flee and the host communities where they live, we supply food that is adapted to local needs and cultural preferences. Our food security experts work in emergency aid situations and in protracted crises. When conditions permit, we distribute cash or food vouchers so that people can buy the food they want to eat.

LEGAL ASSISTANCE

Whether they have just fled from their homes, have been displaced for a long time and are considering staying where they are, or are preparing to return home, displaced people often experience violations of their rights. NRC's information, counselling and legal assistance (ICLA) programmes support displaced women and men to claim their rights. Our legal experts help with obtaining identity documentation, applications for refugee status, the registration of internally displaced people, and land and property rights. We also assist with dispute resolution, offer legal representation when needed and provide advice on legal issues related to being forced to flee, such as birth certificates for newborns.

CLEAN WATER

For many displaced families, access to safe water and sanitation is a daily struggle. Disease prevention hinges upon access to clean water, culturally appropriate sanitation facilities, waste management and positive hygiene practices. In a camp, the simple practice of washing hands with soap and water can prevent many dangerous diseases from spreading. A well can save residents in remote villages from hours-long trips to fetch water. NRC works to ensure that people can access water and sanitation facilities within – or right next to – their homes, schools and communal institutions. It is important to us that the facilities we build provide the best possible security and can be accessed and used by people with disabilities. We also support the local population in building facilities with durable and hygienic materials.

SHELTER

One of the most important things for a family that has been forced to flee their home is to have a safe roof over their heads. It allows them to continue living their lives in safe, secure and dignified surroundings. NRC's shelter projects aim to provide both physical and social protection. Our teams build homes for families and community buildings for the local population. For a community of displaced people, having a school, a doctor's surgery, markets, sanitary facilities and community centres can make a big difference to their quality of life.



AN ORGANISATION YOU CAN TRUST

At NRC, we base all our work on humanitarian principles. Most importantly, those who receive help from us should know that they can trust us. We also focus on ensuring that our partners and our donors can be confident that we will keep our promises.

NRC is an independent organisation that provides help and protection to people who have been forced to flee, regardless of gender, ethnic origin, religion and political beliefs. We don't take sides in conflicts and focus on providing humanitarian assistance to civilian survivors on all sides of a conflict.

We are open about where and how we work, and our open information policy ensures that the details of our work are accessible and visible. We have systems in place to fight corruption, and we publish an annual overview of the corruption cases that were closed the previous year. We demand equally high standards from our partners.

NRC is committed to being a cost-effective organisation, and we make sure that the money we receive is spent on those who need our help the most. Over 90 per cent of our income is directly spent on helping people who have been forced to flee.

We have thorough quality assurance procedures and conduct regular evaluations of the work we do in the field to make sure we are as efficient as possible.

WE MAKE A DIFFERENCE

We are facing a historic global refugee crisis. Over 100 million people are fleeing war, conflict and persecution. Half of these are children. At the same time, we see that the assistance we provide helps millions of people have better lives.

In many parts of the world, people live in fear and are forced to leave their homes and loved ones. Many refugees have lost hope that they will one day return home and are living a life with few rights, with no control over their own situation. NRC wants to give them back their hope and dignity.

Almost 10 million people experience a better life because of the help we provide. Over 1.2 million children have the chance to go to school, nearly 1.5 million displaced people have a roof over their heads, 1.5 million receive legal assistance, and 1.5 million receive food or assistance to buy their own food. We help nearly 3.4 million displaced people gain access to clean water and improved sanitary conditions.

NRC works to save lives and help people who have been forced to flee. We defend their rights and help them find a better future.

Figures from NRC's annual impact report.





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