Key messages

• Security situation: While the overall security situation in Rwanda remains stable, the proximity to persistent conflicts in eastern Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) and Burundi.

• Refugees in Rwanda: Currently, Rwanda hosts an estimated 174,922 refugees (figures as of 30 October 2017), of these over 54.3% are from Burundi while, slightly over 45.3% are from the DRC and the rest of from other nationalities.

• Threat of refugee influx from the DRC: Due to violence and political tensions in the DRC ahead of the December elections, there are concerns of influx of refugees into Rwanda. The UN Refugee Agency (UNHCR) estimates that 30,000 refugees will flee to Rwanda within the next 12 to 24 months.

• Contingency plans: In view of this, World Vision is strengthening its relationship with key partners and developing a contingency plan with UNHCR, so as to providing a comprehensive response to the refugees.

• World Vision aims to scale up response: To meet the overwhelming needs of the refugees, World Vision’s response programme in Refugee camps is seeking US$2.6 to reach the 76,000 most vulnerable groups in five refugee camps hosting DRC refugees.

Gaps and needs

• Funding for education programmes is less than 20% funded causing large gaps in students ability to learn.

Humanitarian needs

- 75,262 people in need of humanitarian assistance
- 38,299 people are in need of education assistance

Response highlights

WATER, SANITATION & HYGIENE

• 29,682 refugees living in Mugombwa and Kigeme refugee camps have access to clean water.
• World Vision supported the maintenance of sanitation facilities in Kigeme and Mugombwa refugee camps.
• World Vision conducted hygiene promotion campaigns in Mugombwa and Kigeme refugee camps.

EDUCATION

• 27,326 refugee children in the five Congolese refugee camps received learning materials and school feeding. Refugee students sitting for examinations were supported to register for their examinations, and refugee teachers, were provided with assistance during the exam period.

Response achievements

- 29,712 reached with education assistance
- 29,352 people reached with clean water and sanitation

Funding needs

- Water, sanitation & hygiene
  - USD 562,000 (15%)
  - Funding received: USD 2.9 M (85%)

- Education
  - USD 760,000 (72%)
  - Funding received: USD 347,000 (38%)

- TOTAL
  - USD 1.4 M
  - USD 3.4 M

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