



UGANDA

2024 IFRC Network Mid-Year Report, January – June

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IN SUPPORT OF THE UGANDA RED CROSS SOCIETY



51

National Society
branches



1

National Society
local units



450,000

National Society
volunteers



244

National Society
staff

PEOPLE REACHED

Climate and
environment



400,728

Disasters
and crises



508,229

Health and
wellbeing



118,123

Migration and
displacement



144,394

FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

in Swiss francs (CHF)

Country	Funding Requirement	21.1M
IFRC Secretariat	Longer-term Funding Requirement	7.9M
	Funding	Not reported
	Expenditure	Not reported
Participating National Societies	Funding Requirement	6.2M
	Funding	849,000
	Expenditure	1.6M
HNS other funding sources	Funding Requirement	7.1M
	Funding	Not reported

The Uganda Red Cross Society

Overview

Funding 7.2M

Expenditure Not reported

Funding Sources

IFRC Secretariat Not reported

Participating National Societies Not reported

HNS other funding sources Not reported

Appeal number **MAAUG002**

*Information on data scope and limitations is available on the back page

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

Climate and environment	National Society is implementing nature-based solutions (including those with a particular focus on the planting of trees and mangroves).	0
	National Society is supported in developing and implementing strategies and plans that address rising climate and environmental risks.	0
	Number of people reached with activities to address environmental problems.	401,000
	Number of people reached with activities to address rising climate risks.	401,000
Disasters and crises	Number of people reached with disaster risk reduction.	508,000
Health and wellbeing	Number of people donating blood	2,000
	Number of people reached by National Societies with contextually appropriate health services.	118,000
	Number of people reached by National Societies with contextually appropriate water, sanitation and hygiene services.	32,000
	Number of people trained by National Societies in first aid.	18,000
Migration and displacement	Number of Humanitarian Service Points (HSPs) that provided assistance and/or protection to people on the move along land based migration routes.	0
	Number of migrants and displaced persons reached with services for assistance and protection.	144,000
Values, power and inclusion	National Society reports that they have integrated and institutionalised Community Engagement and Accountability in their policies, operations, and procedures (with clear benchmarks).	Yes

ENABLING FUNCTIONS

Strategic and operational coordination	Number of formal interagency/international coordination platforms the IFRC Network is part of.	0
National Society development	National Society develops and/or implements a strategy for strengthening their auxiliary role	Yes
	National Society has created and implemented youth engagement strategies.	Yes
	National Society has One National Society Development country plan created.	Yes
Humanitarian diplomacy	National Society has domestic advocacy strategies developed aligning, at least in part, with global IFRC advocacy strategies	Yes
	National Society is participating in IFRC-led campaigns.	Yes
Accountability and agility	National Society has a functioning data management systems that inform decision making and support monitoring and reporting on the impact and evidence of the IFRC network's contributions.	Yes
	National Society has a Protection of Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (PSEA) policy to enforce prevention and support survivors.	Yes
	National Society has a PSEA Action Plan to enforce prevention and support survivors (cumulative).	Yes
	National Society has implemented a digital transformation roadmap in line with the IFRC strategy.	Yes
	National Society has strengthened their integrity risk mechanisms.	Yes

IFRC NETWORK SUPPORTED ACTIVITIES

National Society	Bilateral Support						
	Funding Reported	Climate and environment	Disasters and crises	Health and wellbeing	Migration and displacement	Values, power and inclusion	Enabling Functions
Austrian Red Cross	80,000						
Netherlands Red Cross	769,000						

Total Funding Reported **CHF 849,000**

OVERALL PROGRESS

Context

Uganda, a landlocked country in East Africa, is bordered by Kenya, South Sudan, the Democratic Republic of Congo, Rwanda and Tanzania. It is situated within the African Great Lakes region and the Nile basin, with a substantial portion of Lake Victoria in the south. The population of Uganda in 2023 was 48.5 million. The northern and northeastern regions of the country lag behind in development due to prolonged conflict, inter-communal violence and periodic natural disasters.

Economically, Uganda experienced a strong rebound in 2023, with GDP growth reaching 5.3 per cent. However, the country faces challenges, including a widening current account deficit and a shift in spending priorities, with infrastructure receiving more attention than social sectors, affecting social indicators.

Uganda is highly vulnerable to natural hazards exacerbated by climate change and hosts over 1.5 million refugees, mostly from South Sudan and the DRC. In the first half of 2024, it faced a [surge in Sudanese asylum seekers](#) following the escalation of the Sudan crisis, overwhelming the Kiryandongo refugee settlement and exacerbating gaps in water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH), healthcare and protection services. Uganda has also been beset by a plethora of disasters in the hotspot regions of Kasese, Bunyangabu, Namisindwa, Sironko and Kamuli, among others. In [April 2024](#), heavy rainfall in the Eastern Uganda-Elgon region caused flooding, hailstorms and landslides, affecting 18,323 people, displacing families and destroying 1,129 houses, crops and infrastructure in areas including Mbale, Kapchorwa and Bududa.

Key achievements

Climate and environment

For the period January to June 2024, the Uganda Red Cross Society worked extensively in the Mount Elgon region, which continues to suffer from the effects of climate change. The National Society supported the development of gender-sensitive disaster contingency plans and disaster risk reduction budgeting in several districts. This was undertaken under the Directorate-General for European Civil Protection and Humanitarian Aid Operations – IFRC Pilot Programmatic Partnership ([DG ECHO – IFRC PPP](#)). It also led a youth-driven tree planting campaign and advocated for the National Disaster Preparedness and Management Bill. Further, the National Society planted 57,500 tree seedlings in key districts and marked World Environmental Day with the planting of an additional 5,000 trees. Through the [Water at the Heart of Climate Action](#) initiative, the Uganda Red Cross Society continued efforts to mitigate climate change impacts, utilising both local knowledge and global technologies to address water-related risks.

Disasters and crises

During the reporting period, the Uganda Red Cross Society provided timely and effective support to disaster-affected communities, including prepositioning prefabricated shelters and establishing two shelters for families impacted by land and mudslides. The National Society also formed kitchen gardening groups in refugee settlements, enhancing livelihoods and financial resilience. It expanded its multi-purpose cash transfers programme and facilitated gender-inclusive disaster contingency planning in various districts. By maintaining well-stocked warehouses and installing [early warning systems](#) such as community radios and hydrological flood sensors, the Uganda Red Cross Society ensured prompt responses to emergencies. The National Society also carried out essential assessments to ensure high-quality disaster responses.

Health and wellbeing

For the period January to June 2024, the Uganda Red Cross Society continued its critical health and emergency response services, providing free 24-hour ambulance services and conducting road safety awareness campaigns. It also trained Village Health Teams, boda boda cyclists, taxi drivers and community volunteers to enhance [first aid](#) capabilities. The National Society supported communities with water, sanitation and hygiene ([WASH](#)) initiatives and provided menstrual hygiene management support to girls in refugee settlements. The Uganda Red Cross Society also conducted blood donor drives and implemented risk communication measures to manage a local [anthrax outbreak](#).

Efforts to improve water, sanitation and hygiene services were expanded, including piloting environmentally friendly handwashing facilities in refugee settlements and promoting renewable energy through waste recycling.

Migration and displacement

For the reporting period, the Uganda Red Cross Society continued to assist communities affected by displacement due to armed conflict, particularly the ongoing attacks by CODECO rebels. It facilitated the relocation of individuals to safer areas and provided [Restoring Family Links](#) services, achieving a high success rate in reconnecting separated families. Additionally, the National Society focused on the identification and registration of unaccompanied minors, ensuring ongoing family tracing efforts for displaced individuals, particularly those from the Democratic Republic of Congo.

Values, power and inclusion

During the reporting period, the Uganda Red Cross Society reviewed its [safer access](#) framework, protection, gender and inclusion (PGI) and community engagement and accountability (CEA) strategies to ensure a unified and effective approach to engaging with communities. The National Society conducted training sessions on prevention of sexual and gender-based violence and on integrating PGI principles into its operations. It also maintained a toll-free line for public feedback and communication on emergencies. The Uganda Red Cross Society worked closely with community leaders and stakeholders to enhance referral pathways and community engagement, reaching over 5,000 individuals across Uganda. Furthermore, it ensured that all genders and age groups were represented in its responses and assessments.

Enabling local actors

During the reporting period, the Uganda Red Cross Society focused on advancing its policy and advocacy efforts, holding high-level meetings with parliamentary committees to expedite the disaster bill and orienting Members of Parliament on anticipatory actions and forecast-based financing. It also participated in key policy discussions, including the United Nations Cooperation annual review and the civil society organization pre-budget dialogue for the 2024/25 financial year. The National Society strengthened partnerships with the Safety Awareness Organization Uganda and Hope for Road Traffic Victims for road safety campaigns and collaborated with the Ministry of Water and Environment and the Uganda National Meteorological Authority on weather forecasting. Internally, the National Society maintained its commitment to accountability and values, with the protection, gender and inclusion unit addressing staff and volunteer complaints and the planning, monitoring, evaluation and reporting unit introducing a project close-out checklist to enhance financial and procurement processes. Additionally, the Uganda Red Cross Society advanced its [digital transformation](#) by piloting the Performance Monitoring Information System, with plans to integrate it into the broader Management Information System, Volunteer Management System and Business Central Financial System.



*Uganda Red Cross Society team assessing the condition of the existing latrine at a camp for internally displaced persons
(Photo: Uganda Red Cross Society)*

IFRC NETWORK ACTION

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES



Climate and environment

Progress by the National Society against objectives

During the reporting period, the Uganda Red Cross Society continued its efforts to assist districts in the Mount Elgon region, which remain significantly affected by climate change. The Uganda Red Cross Society supported the development of gender-sensitive disaster contingency plans and disaster risk reduction (DRR) budgeting in the districts of Bududa, Mbale, Butaleja, Sironko and Namisindwa. This was undertaken under the Directorate-General for European Civil Protection and Humanitarian Aid Operations – IFRC Pilot Programmatic Partnership ([DG ECHO – IFRC PPP](#)). Training sessions helped strengthen local capacity for disaster preparedness. Additionally, through the DG ECHO – IFRC PPP, youth in Isingiro participated in a tree planting campaign as part of a 1 million tree initiative, contributing to climate change adaptation. They also advocated for the National Disaster Preparedness and Management (NDPM) Bill.

The Uganda Red Cross Society also planted 57,500 tree seedlings in Sironko, Mbale and Namisindwa districts, including along riverbanks and community open spaces. This initiative aimed to raise awareness about environmental conservation and disaster prevention. Additionally, the Uganda Red Cross Society planted 5,000 tree seedlings of various species in honour of World Environmental Day, contributing to the restoration of lost vegetation cover. It collaborated with the National Environment Management Authority, local governments and the Uganda National Meteorological Authority for these activities.

With weather patterns increasingly unpredictable due to climate change, the Uganda Red Cross Society incorporated climate adaptation into its programmes. It also developed environmentally friendly handwashing facilities in Kyangwali refugee settlement, improving hygiene without harming the environment. Additionally, the Uganda Red Cross Society maintained the exchange of resources and weather-related disaster management through alerts generated by the Integrated Flood Early Warning System, improving its ability to respond to emergencies.

The [Water at the Heart of Climate Action \(W@H\)](#) is an ambitious partnership between the IFRC, the Netherlands Red Cross, the Red Cross Red Crescent Climate Centre, the United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction, the World Meteorological Organization and the Systematic Observations Financing Facility, which combines local knowledge and global technology to help communities understand and reduce the water-related risks they face - before they become disasters. The five-year partnership is supported by financial contributions from the Government of the Netherlands. Through the W@H initiative, the Uganda Red Cross Society aims to further mitigate the adverse effects of climate change in specific districts.

IFRC network joint support

The IFRC provided the National Society with technical and financial assistance in the implementation of its activities to mitigate climate change impacts. It also provided support through initiatives such as the [Water at the Heart of Climate Action](#) and the [DG ECHO – IFRC PPP](#).



Disasters and crises

For real-time information on emergencies, see IFRC GO page [Uganda](#)

Between January to June 2024, the IFRC Disaster Response Emergency Funds ([IFRC-DREF](#)) was approved for a flood emergency.

NAME OF OPERATION	Uganda Floods
MDR-CODE	MDRUG050
DURATION	6 months (22 May 2024 to 30 November 2024)
FUNDING ALLOCATION	CHF 479,715
PEOPLE TARGETED	19,098 people
LATEST OPERATIONAL UPDATE	Operational Update No. 1

The DREF allocation of CHF 479,715 in May 2024 supported the Uganda Red Cross Society in aiding 19,098 people affected by episodic floods, hailstorms and landslides in various areas, including Mbale, Kapchorwa, Bulambuli, Bukedea, Butaleja, Sironko, Bududa and Namisindwa. The support included shelter kits and essential household items as well as cash support to affected communities. Other support included distribution of hygiene kits and installation of water tanks in flood-impacted areas.

Progress by National Society against objectives

The Uganda Red Cross Society continued to support crisis and hazard-affected populations by providing and prepositioning prefabricated shelters, ensuring faster recovery for disaster-impacted communities. This was undertaken through the DG ECHO – IFRC PPP. The project also included the establishment of two prefabricated shelters to accommodate families affected by land and mudslides in June.

The Uganda Red Cross Society formed kitchen gardening groups in Zone II, Imvepi settlement, with. The groups were trained in good farming practices, provided with tools and seeds and introduced to the structure of village savings and loans associations, enhancing both their livelihoods and financial resilience. The INFLAHE project provided financial literacy training, village savings and loans activities and the construction of Lorena stoves. The Uganda Red Cross Society also expanded its multi-purpose cash transfers programme, establishing cash and voucher assistance as a standard tool for supporting communities in crisis.

The Uganda Red Cross Society facilitated the development and updating of gender-inclusive district disaster contingency plans in several districts, including Amolatar, Mbale, Kaberamaido, Namisindwa, Sironko, Bukedea and Arua. To ensure a timely and coordinated response, it maintained warehouses in Yumbe, Kitgum, Kabarole and Mbale, prepositioned with essential items. The National Society also installed community radios and hydrological flood sensors in Kaberamaido, Amolata and Kayunga to support [early warning](#) and flood forecasting.

The Uganda Red Cross Society's planning, monitoring, evaluation and reporting (PMER) units continued to provide expertise in emergency needs assessments, environmental impact assessments and post-distribution monitoring. This work was critical to ensuring high-quality responses.

IFRC network joint support

The IFRC provided support to the Uganda Red Cross Society through its Disaster Response Emergency Fund mechanism. It also provided financial and technical assistance to the National Society in the implementation of its activities.

The **Austrian Red Cross** supported the Uganda Red Cross Society by funding the formation of kitchen gardening groups in Imvepi settlement, providing tools and seeds for household-level backyard gardening and improving the livelihoods of the participants.

The **Belgian Red Cross** continued to support the Uganda Red Cross Society by providing cash and voucher assistance to households in Kyangwali refugee settlement, strengthening their coping mechanisms. Additionally, the Belgian Red Cross supported the Humanitarian Protection II project, helping to develop the capacity of the National Society staff and volunteers in cash and voucher assistance.

The **German Red Cross** provided support to the National Society through the INFLAHE project, which provided financial literacy training, village savings and loans activities as well as assistance with stove construction.

The **Netherlands Red Cross** contributed to the Uganda Red Cross Society's disaster preparedness and response activities through its partnership with the ECHO-funded project. It assisted in the installation of community radios and

hydrological flood sensors for early warning and flood forecasting in Kaberamaido, Amolatar and Kayunga districts. Additionally, the Netherlands Red Cross supported the development and updating of gender-inclusive district disaster contingency plans and assisted with warehouse management in key districts, ensuring a coordinated and timely response to disasters.



Health and wellbeing

Progress by the National Society against objectives

For the reporting period, the Uganda Red Cross Society actively addressed public health emergencies across Uganda. The ambulance team responded to emergencies, including road traffic accidents and other critical cases, while maintaining free 24-hour ambulance services and commercial [first aid](#) services nationwide. It carried out extensive road safety awareness campaigns in multiple districts, reaching a wide audience. Additionally, the National Society conducted training sessions to strengthen first aid capacities among Village Health Teams, boda boda cyclists, taxi drivers and community volunteers, ensuring timely and effective emergency response.

The Uganda Red Cross Society empowered communities by forming hygiene and sanitation groups and conducting training sessions. Hygiene promotion activities included door-to-door visits, while cash and voucher assistance supported menstrual hygiene management for girls in refugee settlements. The National Society also organized blood donor drives to strengthen emergency health services and implemented risk communication measures to manage an [anthrax outbreak](#).

The National Society improved water, sanitation and hygiene ([WASH](#)) services in refugee and crisis-affected communities despite challenges such as the influx of new arrivals. It maintained operations at the faecal sludge treatment plant, facilitated waste management training and piloted hand-washing facilities in refugee settlements to promote hygiene practices. Additionally, it also developed a water treatment plan, ensuring safe drinking water access for vulnerable communities. Institutional latrines were constructed and enhanced vulnerability and capacity assessments ([eVCA](#)) were conducted to inform future water and sanitation interventions. These efforts were complemented by initiatives to produce renewable energy through waste recycling and to promote sustainable livelihoods.

IFRC network joint support

The **IFRC** supported the Uganda Red Cross Society in constructing institutional latrines in Palabek refugee settlements under the DG ECHO- IFRC PPP to improve community sanitation. The IFRC also supported the National Society in conducting enhanced vulnerability and capacity assessments ([eVCA](#)) in the Kamuli and Pakwach districts to identify water, sanitation and hygiene ([WASH](#)) needs and development strategies. Additionally, its mechanism of the Disaster Response Emergency Fund (IFRC-DREF) assisted the National Society in conducting risk communication and mitigation measures during the [anthrax outbreak](#) in Kyotera district.

The **Austrian Red Cross** supported the National Society in developing a water treatment plan to provide safe drinking water to individuals in the Nakivale refugee settlement. It also supported menstrual hygiene management for girls and women in crisis-affected populations through the provision of menstrual hygiene kits.

The **Belgian Red Cross** funded [first aid](#) training sessions in schools in the Kikuube and Hoima districts, contributing to the National Society's efforts in strengthening emergency preparedness.

The **British Red Cross** provided financial assistance to a study conducted by the Uganda Red Cross Society and the African Population and Health Research Centre to determine the impact of providing hand-washing facilities on hygiene practices in crisis-affected communities. The study involved piloting hand-washing facilities for households in the Kyangwali refugee settlement.

The **Netherlands Red Cross** supported the National Society in conducting enhanced vulnerability capacity assessments ([eVCA](#)) in Kamuli and Pakwach.



Migration and displacement

Progress by the National Society against objectives

From January to December 2024, the Uganda Red Cross Society received new arrivals at the Kagoma reception centre following continued attacks by CODECO rebels. The National Society also relocated individuals to the villages of Bukinda, Kitooro and Kentomi. It facilitated numerous phone calls to reconnect separated families, achieving a success rate of over half, which led to the initiation of tracing cases, primarily involving Congolese nationals. Additionally, the National Society identified, located and registered unaccompanied minors, with the provision of [Restoring Family Links](#) services ongoing.

IFRC network joint support

The IFRC provided support to the Uganda Red Cross Society in the relocation of individuals to the villages of Bukinda, Kitooro and Kentomi.

The ICRC provided the National Society with financial support for the reception of new arrivals at the Kagoma reception centre. It also supported the Uganda Red Cross Society in the initiation of phone calls to reconnect separated families and the registration of unaccompanied minors, enabling family tracing efforts.



Values, power and inclusion

Progress by the National Society against objectives

The Uganda Red Cross Society began the process of reviewing its [safer access](#) framework, protection, gender and inclusion (PGI) and community engagement and accountability (CEA). This review aims to ensure a unified approach to the National Society's engagement and accountability towards individuals and communities. The National Society has committed to creating a secure environment free from sexual exploitation, abuse, discrimination, fraud and child abuse by carrying out a staff and volunteer training initiative. This training provides participants with the skills and knowledge to integrate protection, gender and inclusion, community engagement and accountability, alongside the implementation of the safer access framework.

Additionally, the Uganda Red Cross Society conducted a PGI training and a training for the prevention of sexual and gender-based violence (SGBV) targeting water user committees and community leaders. As part of its commitment to community accountability, the National Society maintained a 24-hour toll-free line to receive feedback and communicate about emergencies and traffic accidents. Uganda Red Cross Society staff members also attended a training in facilitating accountability and feedback in refugee settlements.

The Uganda Red Cross Society also enhanced referral pathways and community engagement, providing continuous orientation to community representatives and other stakeholders. The National Society also conducted [CEA](#) sessions across settlements in Uganda, reaching more than 5000 individuals. As part of its approach, the Uganda Red Cross Society ensures that all genders and age groups are represented, recording their perspectives through various responses, distributions and post-distribution monitoring activities.

IFRC network joint support

The IFRC supported the Uganda Red Cross Society in its capacity building efforts, including the training sessions conducted in partnership with the Belgian Red Cross. Additionally, the IFRC continued supporting the National Society in the successful execution of the toll-free line operations and the community sessions.

The **Austrian Red Cross** supported the National Society in conducting the PGI and SGBV training targeting water user committees and community leaders.

The **Belgian Red Cross** provided financial assistance to the Uganda Red Cross Society for the staff and volunteer training initiative aimed at integrating the approaches of protection, gender and inclusion and community engagement and accountability, along with the implementation of the safer access framework.

ENABLING LOCAL ACTORS



Strategic and operational coordination

IFRC membership coordination

IFRC membership coordination involves working with member National Societies to assess the humanitarian context, humanitarian situations and needs; agreeing on common priorities; jointly developing common strategies to address issues such as obtaining greater humanitarian access, acceptance and space; mobilizing funding and other resources; clarifying consistent public messaging; and monitoring progress. This also means ensuring that strategies and programmes in support of people in need, incorporate clarity of humanitarian action, links with development assistance and efforts to reinforce National Societies in their respective countries, including through their auxiliary role.

The Uganda Red Cross Society is part of the four IFRC pan-African initiatives focusing on Tree Planting and Care, Zero Hunger, Red Ready and National Society development. These initiatives are reflected under the relevant sections of this plan.

The Uganda Red Cross Society National Society is also part of the global [Pilot Programmatic Partnership \(PPP\)](#) between the Directorate-General for European Civil Protection and Humanitarian Aid Operations of the European Commission (DG ECHO) and IFRC, with implementation support from the Netherlands Red Cross as lead EU National Society and the Austrian Red Cross. The IFRC is providing technical support in the green response and overall coordination support.

During the reporting period, the National Society received support from the **Austrian Red Cross, Belgian Red Cross, British Red Cross, German Red Cross** and **Netherlands Red Cross**.

Movement coordination

The Uganda Red Cross Society ensures regular exchanges with the IFRC, the International Committee of the Red Cross and participating National Societies, for the alignment of support and action between Movement partners. In times of emergencies, closer coordination is organized. This is carried out in line with the Strengthening Movement Coordination and Cooperation (SMCC) principles and the newly-adopted [Seville Agreement 2.0](#).

In Uganda, **the ICRC** contributes to addressing the humanitarian needs of people who have fled situations of violence in neighbouring countries and detainees. It also supports the integration and promotion of international humanitarian law, notably for troops deployed in operations abroad.

External coordination

The Uganda Red Cross Society, throughout the reporting period, worked with various implementing partners at local, national, regional and international levels. These partnerships have been crucial in enabling the National Society to extend humanitarian aid to all affected communities across Uganda.

In collaboration with the Ministry of Health and the Uganda Blood Transfusion Services, the Uganda Red Cross Society successfully conducted blood donor campaigns, collecting a total of 61,008 units of blood. In addition, counselling services were provided to 840 individuals. Partnerships with Bunyoro Kitara Kingdom and the Omugo Development Foundation contributed an additional 1,201 units of blood.

Through collaboration with the Ministry of Health, other health actors such as Medical Teams International and the community, the National Society enhanced the quality of its first aid and ambulance services, with particular attention given to refugee settlements.

Working together with the Ministry of Health, Uganda Police and Kampala Capital City Authority, the Uganda Red Cross Society established an effective partnership that significantly improved the efficiency of emergency response to road accidents, providing [first aid](#) and ambulance services. These services were utilized at events such as the World International Literacy Day 2023 celebrations, the consecration ceremony of Bishop Moses Odong at Kololo Ceremonial Grounds, the agro-business expo in the districts of Mubende, Kasanda, Kyankwanzi, Kiboga and Mityana, the celebration of Katonga Heroes and the President's 79th birthday at Kololo Ceremonial Grounds.

The Uganda Red Cross Society also strengthened its collaborations with the National Forestry Authority and the National Environmental Management Authority to protect the environment and mitigate the effects of climate change. During the reporting period, a total of 78,465 trees were planted through these partnerships.



National Society development

Progress by the National Society against objectives

The Uganda Red Cross Society focused on holding high-level meetings with parliamentary committees to expedite the disaster bill. It oriented over 80 Members of Parliament were oriented about anticipatory actions and forecast-based financing. The National Society also made efforts to strengthen the skills of its volunteers and staff in data collection, protection, gender and inclusion as well as community engagement and accountability.

IFRC network joint support

The IFRC provided the National Society with technical and financial support in the implementation of its objectives.



Humanitarian diplomacy

Progress by the National Society against objectives

The Uganda Red Cross Society, during the reporting period, participated in the United Nations Cooperation annual review, supported the analysis of the 2024/25 ministerial statement and took part in the civil society organization pre-budget dialogue for the 2024/25 financial year through its policy and advocacy unit. The primary aim of these engagements was to advocate for the budget position.

The National Society also established partnerships with the Safety Awareness Organization Uganda and Hope for Road Traffic Victims to strengthen road safety awareness campaigns. Additionally, collaborations with the Ministry of Water and Environment and the Uganda National Meteorological Authority are ongoing to jointly develop and disseminate seasonal and monthly weather forecasts.

IFRC network joint support

The IFRC provided the Uganda Red Cross Society with financial resources and technical expertise in strengthening its advocacy efforts. The IFRC also played a key role in advancing the National Society's capacity to engage in policy dialogue and advocacy, ensuring alignment with global humanitarian standards and contributing to the effectiveness of the Uganda Red Cross Society's involvement in national and international initiatives.



Accountability and agility (cross-cutting)

Progress by the National Society against objectives

During the reporting period, the Uganda Red Cross Society maintained its commitment to accountability and its values to stakeholders, including the government, staff and volunteers. The protection, gender and inclusion (PGI) unit effectively addressed staff and volunteer complaints, collaborating with the disciplinary committee to ensure policy adherence. Additionally, the Planning, Monitoring, Evaluation and Reporting (PMER) unit introduced a project close-out checklist, facilitating efficient completion of financial and procurement activities.

The National Society also focused on digital transformation by advancing development and piloting of the Performance Monitoring Information System (PMIS), with plans for integration into the Management Information System, Volunteer Management System and Business Central Financial System.

IFRC network joint support

The IFRC provided technical and financial support to the Uganda Red Cross Society in the development and piloting of the Performance Monitoring Information System (PMIS). Additionally, it contributed to strengthening the monitoring and evaluation processes.



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DATA SCOPE AND LIMITATIONS

- **Timeframe and alignment:** The reporting timeframe for this overview is covering the period from 1 January to 30 June 2024. However, due to the diversity of the IFRC and differences in fiscal years, this coverage may not fully align for some National Societies. Mid-year reporting data may have been based on estimations, with plans to submit more robust numbers at the annual reporting stage.
- **Financial overview:** This overview consolidates data reported by the National Society and its IFRC network partners, as well as data extracted from IFRC's financial systems. All reported figures should include the administrative and operational costs of the different entities. The financial data with a light grey background is solely reported by the National Society, including the funding sources. Financial reporting is often times estimated depending on availability of financial figures, closing of financial periods, and may be incomplete. "Not reported" could sometimes mean "not applicable."
- **Missing data and breakdowns:** National Societies have diverse data collection systems and processes that may not align with the standardized indicators. Data may not be available for some indicators, for some National Societies. This may lead to inconsistencies across different reporting tools as well as potential under or over estimation of the efforts led by all.
- **Reporting bias:** The data informing this Federation-wide overview is self-reported by each National Society (or its designated support entity) and which is the owner and gatekeeper, and responsible for accuracy and updating. IFRC tries to triangulate the data provided by the National Societies with previous data and other data in the public domain.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- [IFRC Uganda Mid-Year 2024 Financial Report](#)
For information on the ongoing emergencies for the period January to June 2024, see: [MDRUG050](#)
- [IFRC network country plan](#)
- [Subscribe for updates](#)
- [Live Disaster Response Emergency Fund \(DREF\) data](#)
- Operational information: [IFRC GO platform](#)
- National Society data: [IFRC Federation-wide Databank and Reporting System](#)
- [IFRC Evaluation and Research Databank](#)

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