



KYRGYZSTAN

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IN SUPPORT OF RED CRESCENT SOCIETY OF KYRGYZSTAN



46

National Society
branches



3,282

National Society
volunteers



295

National Society
staff

Data taken from published 2024 IFRC network country plan

PEOPLE REACHED

Climate and
environment



1,260

Disasters
and crises



27,859

Health and
wellbeing



6,295

Values, power
and inclusion



76,422

FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

in Swiss francs (CHF)

Country	Funding Requirement	9.2M
IFRC Secretariat	Longer-term Funding Requirement	1.9M
	Funding	Not reported
	Expenditure	Not reported
Participating National Societies	Funding Requirement	1.4M
	Funding	150,000
	Expenditure	150,000
HNS other funding sources	Funding Requirement	5.9M
	Funding	Not reported

Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan

Overview

Funding	Not reported
Expenditure	Not reported

Funding Sources

IFRC Secretariat	Not reported
Participating National Societies	Not reported
HNS other funding sources	Not reported

Appeal number **MAAKG002**

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

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

Climate and environment	National Society is implementing environmental or climate campaigns focused on behaviour change, plastic reduction or clean-ups.	Yes
	National Society is implementing nature-based solutions (including those with a particular focus on the planting of trees and mangroves).	Yes
	Number of people reached with activities to address environmental problems.	342
	Number of people reached with activities to address rising climate risks.	1,000
Disasters and crises	Number of people reached per year with support services, in-kind, cash and voucher assistance for emergency response and recovery.	28,000
	Number of people reached with disaster risk reduction.	15,000
	Number of people reached with livelihoods support	4,000
Health and wellbeing	Number of people reached by National Societies with contextually appropriate water, sanitation and hygiene services.	6,000
	Number of people reached with psychosocial and mental health services.	720
	Number of people trained by National Societies in first aid.	846
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
	Number of people reached by protection, gender and inclusion programming.	76,000

IFRC NETWORK SUPPORTED ACTIVITIES

National Society	Funding Reported	Bilateral Support					
		Climate and environment	Disasters and crises	Health and wellbeing	Migration and displacement	Values, power and inclusion	Enabling Functions
Italian Red Cross	150,000						
Swiss Red Cross							
Turkish Red Crescent Society							

Total Funding Reported **CHF 150,000**

OVERALL PROGRESS

Context

Kyrgyzstan is a landlocked, lower-middle-income country in Central Asia, bordered by Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan, Tajikistan and China. With a population of 6.8 million and a GDP of 10.93 billion USD in 2022, it remains one of the poorest countries in the region, with a third of the population living below the poverty line. The country's economy is heavily reliant on imports, particularly food staples such as wheat, vegetable oil and sugar. The ongoing Russia-Ukraine conflict has further strained Kyrgyzstan, driving up food prices and reducing remittances, which are crucial for the country's economy. Additionally, border tensions with neighboring Tajikistan, local conflicts over resources, and the changing political landscape in Afghanistan pose further challenges to stability. Demographic shifts, such as an ageing population and increasing numbers of people with disabilities, have heightened the need for proper healthcare and social services. The COVID-19 pandemic has also exacerbated these issues, particularly affecting the elderly. A significant portion of the population depends on labour migration, with about one million Kyrgyz citizens working abroad, leaving children in vulnerable situations. Humanitarian needs in Kyrgyzstan are further compounded by rising food prices, socio-economic instability, disease outbreaks and recurrent natural hazards. In response, the Kyrgyz government has adjusted laws affecting NGOs and resource mobilization, while efforts to promote small businesses and address poverty continue. Despite these challenges, the country has seen a reduction in inflation rates in 2024, providing some economic relief.

Key achievements

Climate and environment

During the reporting period, the Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan made significant strides in addressing climate and environmental challenges. The Society developed and endorsed an Early Action Protocol (EAP) for Heatwave and Cold Wave. The Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan integrated climate-smart programming and environmental sustainability into its initiatives, collaborating with local partners to improve access to forecast information and conducting a Climate Risk Assessment to enhance climate resilience. The National Society actively participated in the Climate Reference Group and worked with UNICEF on raising climate and disaster management awareness among schoolchildren, including those with disabilities. Additionally, the Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan developed its vision for climate change and green response activities, aligning with its 2022-2026 strategy.

Disasters and crises

In the first half of 2024, the Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan focused on enhancing community resilience through emergency preparedness, response and recovery initiatives. Partnering with organizations such as the UNICEF, the Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan developed community-specific emergency plans and established Local Disaster Management Committees (LDMCs). The National Society's mitigation projects also led to key infrastructure improvements, reducing risks from natural hazards like avalanches, mudflows and earthquakes. Additionally, the Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan participated in training programmes such as the enhanced vulnerability and capacity assessment (eVCA) and implemented the Preparedness for Effective Response (PER) plan. During significant mudflows in multiple regions, the Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan responded with two DREFs, providing cash and voucher assistance (CVA) to over 1,000 families affected by the disasters..

Health and wellbeing

By mid-2024, the Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan made significant progress in improving public health and strengthening community resilience. Key initiatives included the 'Integrated Home-Based Care' project, which provided essential medical and social services through mobile health teams in underserved areas. The Society also collaborated on a heart surgery project for children with congenital defects and launched an eye care project that delivered awareness sessions and cataract surgeries. In communicable disease prevention, efforts focused on tuberculosis (TB) and HIV, with campaigns to reduce stigma and promote treatment adherence. Additionally, the National Society ran an immunization campaign with UNICEF targeting measles and rubella, reaching wide communities with vaccination awareness and prevention measures. Community-based surveillance (CBS) training was also implemented to help identify and report health threats, supported by collaborations with government health departments. These efforts collectively contributed to improving healthcare access and promoting better health practices across Kyrgyzstan.

Migration and displacement

During the reporting period, the Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan made significant strides in addressing migration and displacement issues. The organization focused on restoring family links (RFL) services and conducted an assessment with international experts across Central Asia to strengthen RFL efforts. Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan also participated in training on the humanitarian service points (HSPs) toolkit, aiming to enhance support for vulnerable populations in high-migrant areas, including refugees and internally displaced persons (IDPs). The National Society plans to pilot the HSP model in one branch and conduct a migration assessment for further refinement. Additionally, the National Society was elected chair of the Central Asian Migration Working Group, solidifying its leadership in addressing migration challenges in the region.

Enabling local actors

By mid-2024, the Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan strengthened its organizational capacity. Key achievements include the drafting of a national contingency plan, and the near completion of its Disaster Management Vision. The Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan is actively developing its National Society development plan for coming years. The National Society also developed both internal and external Communication Strategies to enhance cohesion, engagement and growth. The National Society refined its commercial first aid training programmes and Ambulance Mobile Team services with the support of a marketing expert. The Fundraising Development Strategy for 2024-2026 was drafted to expand individual giving and corporate partnerships. The Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan worked on institutionalizing its policy with support from the Central Asia Regional Delegate for Humanitarian Diplomacy. As the Secretariat for the ERNA network, the Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan strengthened coordination by appointing a new technical secretary, updating the ERNA member focal points, and preparing key documents. Furthermore, the Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan organized regular training and a workshop on internal audit and investigation.



Kyrgyzstan Red Crescent teams provide critical assistance, including food, water and hygiene items to households affected by mudflows in several regions, while also supporting clean-up efforts in April 2024. (Photo: Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan)

IFRC NETWORK ACTION

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES



Climate and environment

Progress by the National Society against objectives

During the reporting period, the Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan developed and endorsed an Early Action Protocol ([EAP](#)) for Heatwave and Cold Wave. The EAP, with a budget of nearly CHF 500,000 allocated for each of the next five years (2023-2028), is designed to assist 16,200 individuals, focusing on vulnerable groups such as families, children in orphanages and the elderly in care centers, to mitigate the impacts of extreme temperatures.

As part of its commitment to addressing climate change, the Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan integrated climate-smart programming and environmental sustainability into its initiatives. By mid-2024, aimed at introducing global innovations in Kyrgyzstan, the Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan continued integrating [climate-smart programming](#) and environmental sustainability into its initiatives. The National Society collaborated with local hydro-meteorological service and other partners to improve accessibility to forecast information for communities. This project aligns with the Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan's goal of promoting [environmentally sustainable practices](#) and strengthening resilience to climate change. A key activity under this initiative was conducting a Climate Risk Assessment to inform the National Society's vision on climate resilience.

The Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan is also an active participant in the Climate Reference Group, where it shares experiences and challenges with other National Societies, learning from best practices and contributing its insights. Additionally, the Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan collaborated with UNICEF on an educational initiative to raise climate and disaster management awareness among schoolchildren, including those in specialized schools for children with disabilities, to encourage a deeper understanding of these vital issues..

IFRC network joint support

The IFRC supported the Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan's efforts to integrate climate change adaptation and mitigation in disaster preparedness and risk reduction activities. The National Society received assistance to integrate climate change adaptation into [community-based disaster risk management](#) activities; support climate adaptation in communities, considering their specific context and needs; and draw on participatory scenario planning to identify future climate risks and responses. The National Society was supported in identifying positive environmental practices for replication and integrating climate change adaptation and environmental protection into training modules for staff and volunteers.

IFRC mechanisms such as the Disaster Response Emergency Fund (IFRC-DREF) and Emergency Appeals will be drawn on as needed for the National Society to respond to the adverse effects of climate change. In line with this, in August 2023, IFRC approved a [DREF Early Action Protocol for Heatwave](#).

The [EAP](#) was designed with the support of the **German Red Cross**, the [Red Cross Red Crescent Climate Centre](#), key ministries and agencies (Ministry of Emergency and Ministry of Health, and Kyrgyzhydromet), as well as local municipalities and community leaders. It follows a previous heatwave protocol in place since 2021, which supported 496 unaccompanied children and children with disabilities, and 258 elderly people, as well as 7,320 children in targeted families, in a [DREF EAP in 2022](#).

The Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan is part of the global [Pilot Programmatic Partnership](#) between the IFRC and the European Commission's Directorate-General for European Civil Protection and Humanitarian Aid Operations (DG ECHO) with support from the **German Red Cross**, the **Italian Red Cross** and the **IFRC**. With support from the IFRC, the National Society is incorporating principles of the [green response](#) and green supply chain management into its operations.



Disasters and crises

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

By mid-2024, the IFRC Disaster Response Emergency Fund ([IFRC-DREF](#)) was approved for one emergency in Kyrgyzstan comprising flood and mudflow: .

NAME OF OPERATION	Floods Kyrgyzstan 2024
MDR-CODE	MDRKG019
DURATION	4 months (May 2024 to September 2024)
FUNDING ALLOCATION	CHF 389,148
PEOPLE TARGETED	4,200

The [IFRC DREF](#) allocated CHF 389,148 to support the Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan in assisting 4,200 vulnerable individuals. Heavy rains in Kyrgyzstan between June and April caused flooding across several provinces, including Batken, Jalal-Abad, Naryn, Osh, Talas and Osh City. The intense rainfall, strong winds and mountainous terrain led to landslides and flooding in multiple villages. The disaster damaged roads, residential and non-residential buildings and arable land. Additionally, it disrupted drinking water supplies in the Kadmazhai district, impacting local water distribution networks.

The Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan actively responded to the floods by conducting mitigation works in Kulanak village, Naryn province and in Talaa-Bulak village, Jalal-Abad province, reducing the impact of the floods. Local Disaster Management Committees (LDMCs), in collaboration with the Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan and the Ministry of Emergency Situations, have supported clean-up efforts and distributed essential items such as 315 hygiene kits, 160 kitchen kits, 63 mattresses and 160 blankets in Osh province, along with 100 kg of chlorine for disinfection. In Jalal-Abad province, 60 hygiene and kitchen kits were distributed, while in Talas province, 150 hygiene kits and 60 mattresses were provided. In Batken province, 21 hygiene kits, 42 jerrycans, 42 grain bags and buckets were distributed. The Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan also coordinated with local authorities and sharing situational reports with partners to avoid duplication. The NDRT continues to assess needs, with a particular focus on hygiene kits, kitchen sets, mattresses and blankets for affected families.

Progress by the National Society against objectives

Throughout the first half of 2024, the Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan has been committed to strengthening community capacities in emergency preparedness, response and recovery. To achieve this, the Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan partnered with key organizations including the UNICEF to implement a variety of initiatives aimed at enhancing resilience. These collaborative efforts resulted in the development of community-specific emergency preparedness plans and the establishment of Local Disaster Management Committees (LDMCs) across various regions. Additionally, the Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan's mitigation projects led to significant infrastructure improvements, reducing the risks of natural hazards such as avalanches, mudflows and earthquakes that frequently affect the country.

The Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan continued to build its disaster management capabilities by actively participating in training programmes, such as enhanced vulnerability and capacity assessment ([eVCA](#)), and implementing the Preparedness for Effective Response ([PER](#)) plan of action.

IFRC network joint support

The IFRC supported the Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan in strengthening its disaster preparedness and response throughout the first half of 2024. Since 2021, efforts focusing on enhancing local and national emergency preparedness have been implemented through the IFRC Central Asian programme, funded by USAID's Bureau for Humanitarian Assistance (BHA). This programme is being implemented in close collaboration with IFRC and UNICEF, strengthening disaster response and resilience capacities in Kyrgyzstan.

Participating National Societies including the **German Red Cross**, the **Italian Red Cross**, the **Swiss Red Cross**, the **Spanish Red Cross** and the **Turkish Red Crescent** also support the National Society, in collaboration with the ICRC and the UNICEF in implementing a range of initiatives aimed at strengthening disaster resilience.

The IFRC also supported the Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan with a [DREF allocation](#) for the flood and landslide in the country during the reporting period.



Health and wellbeing

Progress by the National Society against objectives

By mid-2024, the Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan focused on both non-communicable and communicable diseases, while strengthening community resilience and the overall healthcare system. One of the key projects, 'Integrated Home-Based Care,' aimed at providing medical services in underserved areas, notably in Bishkek, where mobile health teams delivered essential medical and social services, including home care, chronic disease treatment and mental health and psychological support ([MHPSS](#)). Over 2,800 medical examinations were conducted, with mobile teams offering emergency medical response, routine check-ups and medical support at public events. These services helped reduce dependence on emergency medical services by preventing disease exacerbation and providing early intervention.

The Salvation Army project, in collaboration with the Research Institute of Heart Surgery, provided high-quality medical care for children with congenital heart defects, completing 11 surgeries with post-surgery rehabilitation. The Eye Care project reached over 42,000 people with awareness sessions and conducted more than 1,380 cataract surgeries, while also providing eye screenings to children and training specialists in treating retinopathy.

In the area of communicable disease prevention, the Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan focused on combating tuberculosis (TB) and HIV. The 'Support to TB Patients' project, funded by USAID and LON, provided vital support to 224 TB patients, including the distribution of material assistance, and conducted awareness campaigns to reduce stigma and promote treatment adherence. For HIV prevention, the Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan offered testing and consultations to 708 individuals, supported 80 self-support groups and identified 11 new HIV cases, ensuring those individuals received appropriate treatment.

The Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan also launched an immunization campaign with UNICEF, focusing on measles and rubella vaccination, involving 30 trained volunteers who conducted information sessions and identified unvaccinated children. The project also engaged 185 volunteers in social mobilization efforts across seven regions, reaching over 67,500 people to raise awareness about vaccination and zoonotic diseases. During European Immunization Week, the Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan conducted activities to educate communities on vaccine-preventable diseases and promote vaccination. The focus was on vaccine-preventable infections, particularly measles, due to its high prevalence in the country during this period. Community members were educated not only on recognizing the symptoms of measles and its prevention but also on other infectious diseases and vaccines. Volunteers worked closely with parents of zero-dose children to emphasize the critical importance of measles vaccination, helping them make informed decisions. Household visits were also conducted to address zoonotic diseases, aiming to prevent outbreaks in areas with active livestock farming, particularly in the northern regions.

During European Immunization Week from 22 to 30 April 2024, vaccine awareness campaigns were held across all seven regions and Bishkek, reaching 1,056 people to promote the importance of childhood immunizations. Staff and volunteers organized information sessions on vaccine-preventable diseases, sports events for health workers, children's performances by animators, and "Congratulations on the First Vaccination" campaigns to raise awareness in local communities.

Additionally, from April 24-26, 2024, the Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan hosted a Community-Based Surveillance (CBS) Training of Trainers (ToT) in Bishkek, where the Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan staff from the headquarters and regional branches were trained to identify and report health threats. The training included practical exercises, and participants were introduced to the NYSS platform. CBS cascade training was later conducted in the Talas pilot region, with 30 volunteers receiving training between May and June 2024. The Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan also signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the Department of Disease Prevention and the State Sanitary

and Epidemiological Surveillance under the Ministry of Health, as well as the Veterinary Service under the Ministry of Agriculture, to further support the implementation of CBS. Jalal-Abad will be the next pilot district for CBS.

IFRC network joint support

The IFRC supported the Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan's health initiatives in collaboration with the **Swiss Red Cross**, the **German Red Cross**, USAID, FHI-360, and UNICEF, to implement various initiatives to improve public health and well-being across the country. The collaborations facilitated the implementation of the 'Integrated Home-Based Care' project, the TB and HIV prevention programmes, and the immunization campaigns. The IFRC also provided technical expertise and resources to strengthen local healthcare services and increase community resilience.

Under the global [Pilot Programmatic Partnership](#) between the IFRC and the Directorate-General for European Civil Protection and Humanitarian Aid Operations (DG ECHO), and with implementing support from EU National Societies, the **German Red Cross** and the **Italian Red Cross**. The Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan will continue [community-based disaster risk reduction](#) activities in target communities under this project. The German Red Cross is providing technical assistance to the National Society in epidemic and pandemic preparedness and response.



Migration and displacement

Progress by the National Society against objectives

Under this strategic priority, the Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan implemented several initiatives related to the restoring family links (RFL) services. The National Society helped and provided support to individuals in need, with an assessment involving international experts on RFL across Central Asia, where National Societies were the primary counterparts. The results of this assessment will be integrated into discussions at the Council of Delegates to further strengthen the RFL component.

The Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan participated in training sessions to enhance its capacity to address migration challenges. This included training on the humanitarian service points (HSPs) toolkit, aimed at equipping the branches in high-migrant areas to deliver essential services such as information, referrals and workshops tailored to refugee and internally displaced persons (IDP) camps. These efforts focused on supporting vulnerable groups, particularly individuals with special needs.

In 2024, the Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan plans to conduct further training on HSPs and pilot the model in one of its branches. Additionally, a migration assessment is scheduled to provide insights for refining the approach.

The Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan was also elected chair of the Central Asian Migration Working Group, reinforcing its leadership in the region and ensuring a unified approach to migration issues.

IFRC network joint support

The IFRC supported the Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan's migration and displacement initiatives by providing strategic guidance and facilitating collaboration within the Central Asian region. The IFRC's regional support helped the Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan enhance its capacity for addressing migration issues in alignment with international standards and best practices.

The **Italian Red Cross** supported the Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan in its migration and displacement efforts under the [DG ECHO-IFRC Pilot Programmatic Partnership](#) by conducting a series of training sessions focused on enhancing the capabilities of the Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan staff and volunteers in delivering migration-related services. A migration assessment, to be jointly conducted with the Italian Red Cross, was also planned to guide further activities and adjustments.

The ICRC provided critical support to the Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan in [RFL](#). With ICRC funding and technical assistance, the Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan conducted various initiatives to assist individuals in need of family tracing and reuniting services. The ICRC also conducted an assessment with international experts on RFL within Central Asia, including key counterparts including National Societies, and the results were set to be integrated into discussions at the Council of Delegates.



Values, power and inclusion

Progress by the National Society against objectives

The Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan remained committed to advancing the values, power and inclusion strategic priority during the reporting period by actively supporting the most vulnerable communities and groups.

ENABLING LOCAL ACTORS



Strategic and operational coordination

IFRC membership coordination

IFRC membership coordination involves working with National Societies to assess the humanitarian context, agree on common priorities and jointly develop common strategies. This includes addressing issues such as obtaining greater humanitarian acceptance and access, mobilizing funding and other resources, clarifying consistent public messaging, and monitoring progress. It also entails ensuring that strategies and programmes in support of people in need incorporate clarity of humanitarian action while linking with development assistance and contribute to reinforcing National Societies in their respective countries, including through their auxiliary role.

The Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan is part of the global [Pilot Programmatic Partnership](#) between the DG ECHO and IFRC, and as such, is receiving the implementation support of the German Red Cross and the Italian Red Cross, as well as the coordination support of the IFRC.

The **German Red Cross**, with a regional office in Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan, has a long history of collaboration with Central Asian National Societies, supporting community-based disaster risk reduction, climate change adaptation and development projects. In the past five years, it has focused on innovative programmes such as cash and voucher assistance (CVA) and forecast-based action for heat and cold waves. Additionally, the German Red Cross provided significant support during the COVID-19 pandemic and advocates for gender equality, as well as the protection of people with disabilities, particularly women and girls. It also prioritizes the development and capacity building of field branches within the National Societies.

The **Italian Red Cross** has been engaging with National Societies in the region through projects and activities for more than ten years and has had its own permanent office in Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan since 2018. In Kyrgyzstan, it has supported the National Society in the development of its legal framework, in promoting women empowerment in the country through economic and social inclusion, and in enhancing its disaster preparedness and response capacities.

This partnership meets the realities of extended crises with longer-term predictable funding, facilitating actions and processes with the potential for greater, longer-term impact. It leverages the IFRC's global network and unique access to people and communities, and it helps to fulfil the ambitions of the European Union as the world's biggest international donor for humanitarian assistance. The partnership is scheduled to end in mid-2025.

During the reporting period, key partners, including representatives from the [DG ECHO-IFRC Pilot Programmatic Partnership](#), the IFRC, the **Canadian Red Cross**, the **German Red Cross**, the **Italian Red Cross**, the **Norwegian Red Cross** and the **Swiss Red Cross** visited Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan to discuss and enhance ongoing and future collaborations to support the National Society's humanitarian mission.

In addition to peer-to-peer collaboration between the Central Asian National Societies, the Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan partners with several National Societies remotely, including the Red Cross Society of China, the Qatar Red Crescent, the Saudi Arabian Red Crescent and the United Arab Emirates Red Crescent, and National Societies with presence in the region. The long-term support from sister National Societies includes:

The **Qatar Red Crescent** supports the National Society with food vouchers for low-income families during Ramadan month.

The **Spanish Red Cross** has been supporting the volunteering model of National Societies in Central Asia. It is also supporting the Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan with community-based disaster risk management in Bishkek, Talas and Osh provinces.

The **Swiss Red Cross** has been collaborating with the Kyrgyzstan National Society since 2014, driven by a common goal around the sustainable implementation of programmes in support of the most vulnerable people in Kyrgyzstan. Current partnership projects are aligned with the National Society's strategic priorities in social care, public health, disaster risk reduction and organizational development. The multi-year partnership framework agreement covers the areas of fundraising, volunteer management and institutional preparedness for effective emergency response.

The **Turkish Red Crescent** established its delegation for Central Asia in 2019. Based in Bishkek, its aim is to extend its level of partnership with National Societies in the region. It cooperates with the Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan to improve its preparedness in the fields of disaster management and social development, in line with the National Society strategic plan.

The **Red Crescent Society of the United Arab Emirates** supports the Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan in providing financial assistance to orphans, children from low-income families and multi-child female headed households. Funds are mobilized through charity campaigns.

Movement coordination

The Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan 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. The Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan actively participates in the Working Group on Volunteer Law and IDRL. Technical efforts for the implementation of these documents are currently being carried out in collaboration with key stakeholders, including the Ministry of Culture and Youth and the Ministry of Emergency Situations (MoES). This is carried out in line with the Strengthening Movement Coordination and Cooperation ([SMCC](#)) principles, and the newly adopted [Seville Agreement 2.0](#).

In Kyrgyzstan, **the ICRC** helps victims of violence, visits detainees, promotes international humanitarian law (IHL), renovates and supplies health facilities, works with the authorities on the issue of missing persons and helps train the Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan. The ICRC's support for Kyrgyzstan is covered by its regional delegation in Uzbekistan.

External coordination

During the reporting period, in line with its [auxiliary role](#), the Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan maintained close collaboration with key government bodies, including the Ministry of Emergency Situations, Ministry of Labour and Social Development, Ministry of Health and the State Agency for Youth Affairs. The Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan played an active role in coordination bodies such as the risk communication group during the COVID-19 pandemic, which included representatives from government ministries and international partners such as UNICEF and WHO. The National Society also worked with various external partners, including USAID, UNDRR, IOM, UNHCR, UNFPA and OSCE, to enhance the implementation of key programmes.

The Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan led coordination efforts within the Movement and with other international organizations. This included regular coordination meetings with partner National Societies and government partners for projects focused on health, disaster preparedness, migration and National Society development. The Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan worked with the Canadian Red Cross on developing and revising disaster management strategic documents and policies, with support from the Swiss Red Cross to improve logistics management. Additionally, the Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan engaged with multiple US-based organizations on tuberculosis projects, contributing to the development of proposals.

The Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan continued to collaborate with the Ministry of Culture, Information, Sports and Youth Policy on volunteer activities and the development of related bylaws. The National Society also supported the Ministry of Emergency Situations in conducting simulation exercises and responding to natural disasters, such as the summer floods, ensuring that by-laws were followed. Regular partnership meetings and coordination with the Disaster Response Coordination Unit (DRCU) were held to strengthen disaster response. Furthermore, the Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan participated in the ERNA Network's annual meeting, focused on public health issues

such as tuberculosis, HIV and drug abuse. The National Society also initiated strategic discussions with the Qatar Embassy and hosted an open-door event in May 2024 to showcase its achievements and foster further collaboration.



National Society development

Progress by the National Society against objectives

By mid-2024, the Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan continued strengthening its organizational capacity by optimizing internal operations, developing key policies and advancing communication and fundraising strategies. A national contingency plan was drafted, aligned with the latest IFRC standards, and will include various emergency scenarios. The Disaster Management Vision is near completion, with results to be shared in the next reporting period.

The Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan also developed both internal and external Communication Strategies, which will play a vital role in strengthening organizational cohesion, strengthening its brand and reputation, increasing public engagement, supporting humanitarian diplomacy and driving overall growth and innovation. Several initiatives were carried out in line with the Organizational Capacity Assessment and Certification (OCAC) results plan, including a preliminary assessment of the Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan's logistics management. The Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan also planned activities for financial management, with activities expected to begin soon.

The Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan also continued to enhance its internal communication system through the optimization of the Bitrix-24 programme, improving document-sharing capabilities across departments and branches. The focus during the reporting period was on the development of Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan's database. Additionally, the National Society worked to develop income-generating activities by strengthening its commercial first aid training programmes and Ambulance Mobile Team services. To support these efforts, the Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan collaborated with an expert and a local marketing specialist to assess and refine business models for these initiatives.

The National Society also drafted its Fundraising Development Strategy for 2024-2026, which outlines plans for expanding individual giving, corporate partnerships and professionalizing its income-generating activities with clear qualitative and quantitative targets.

IFRC network joint support

The IFRC supported the Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan in line with the OCAC results plan. This included a preliminary assessment of the Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan's logistics management, carried out by an expert from the **Swiss Red Cross**.

The Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan also focused on enhancing its income-generating activities during the reporting period and collaborated with a **Netherlands Red Cross** expert to assess and refine the business models for these initiatives.

The **Norwegian Red Cross** has also shown interest in assisting with improvements to the National Society's financial management, with activities set to commence soon.



Humanitarian diplomacy

Progress by the National Society against objectives

The Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan advanced its humanitarian diplomacy efforts by mid-2024 by undertaking various initiatives aimed at developing and institutionalizing its humanitarian diplomacy policy. Key activities included the visit of the Central Asia Regional Delegate for Humanitarian Diplomacy, along with several online discussions, during which a Model HR Policy was presented. The Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan aims to finalize and adopt its Humanitarian Diplomacy Policy by the end of 2024, which will define the National Society's vision and approach to humanitarian diplomacy.

In addition, the Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan played a vital role as the Secretariat for the ERNA network. During the reporting period, several important actions were completed to enhance the network's activities. This included appointing a new technical secretary, updating the list of focal points for ERNA members, preparing the 2023 information bulletin and updating the network's website. Furthermore, the Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan organized and hosted an online ERNA Governing Board meeting, ensuring continued coordination and engagement within the network.

IFRC network joint support

The IFRC provided technical guidance to the National Society in developing its humanitarian diplomacy policy. The IFRC also organized online discussions with the Central Asia Regional Delegate for Humanitarian Diplomacy for the Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan.



Accountability and agility (cross-cutting)

Progress by the National Society against objectives

By mid-2024, the Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan enhancing its accountability and agility by conducting regular training sessions as part of the annual plan, focusing on key areas such as first aid, mental health and psychosocial support (MHPSS) and other specialized topics aligned with the National Society's four main directions. In June 2024, an important workshop on Internal Audit and Investigation was organized for the Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan management, branch directors and key staff members. This workshop covered critical topics, including audits, compliance with donor requirements, risk management and the protection against sexual exploitation and abuse (PSEA) and harassment. These efforts are expected to improve the Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan's adherence to donor standards, mitigate risks and strengthen its ethical framework, thus enhancing its operational credibility.

The Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan continues to optimize its financial management system, implementing a visual financial monitoring system to improve cash flow control and align financial and programmatic aspects. The National Society also focused on its digital transformation, enhancing the 1C accounting system, customer relationship management (CRM), warehouse management, website, and staff and volunteer management systems. In terms of policy development, the Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan finalized and approved the community engagement and accountability (CEA) and protection, gender and inclusion (PGI) policies. Additionally, the PSEA package was developed, establishing protocols and guidelines to safeguard the well-being and dignity of all individuals involved with the Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan.

IFRC network joint support

The IFRC provided technical support to the Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan through expert-led workshops, including the Internal Audit and Investigation workshop. The IFRC also supported the National Society's financial management improvements, assisting in the development of systems to enhance financial transparency and alignment with programmatic goals. The IFRC played a key role in the development and approval of the Red Crescent Society of Kyrgyzstan's CEA, PGI and PSEA policies, ensuring that RCSK meets the highest standards of accountability and protection.



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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 Kyrgyzstan mid-year 2024 financial report](#)
Note: For emergencies for which financial report is not yet available, see: [MDRKG019](#)
- [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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