

# Qatar

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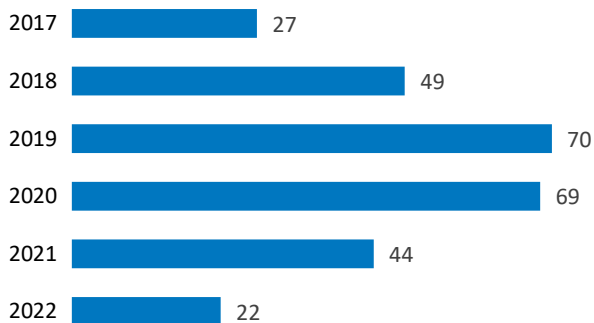
Qatar has been a **prominent actor on both the regional and global humanitarian stage**. It has a population of some 2.9 million, including a significant expatriate community in the country, and a thriving business and economic sector. Qatar’s humanitarian and development programmes have expanded significantly since the beginning of 2010.

Qatar remains a strong partner to UNHCR and a **top donor** in the Gulf, with significant income from both government and private donors. It has consistently ranked in the top 10 donors per capita to UNHCR globally since 2019 and has also been a member of the USD 20 million club through its core contribution and funding from the Qatar Fund for Development (QFFD).

Qatar has funded numerous UNHCR **programmes globally** in support of refugees and IDPs, with a focus on the Afghanistan, Iraq, Syria and Yemen situations, as well as the Rohingya and COVID-19 emergencies. Their priority areas include health, winter and cash assistance, education, shelter, livelihoods and climate change.

## QATAR FUNDING IN THE PAST 6 YEARS

Funding in US\$ millions

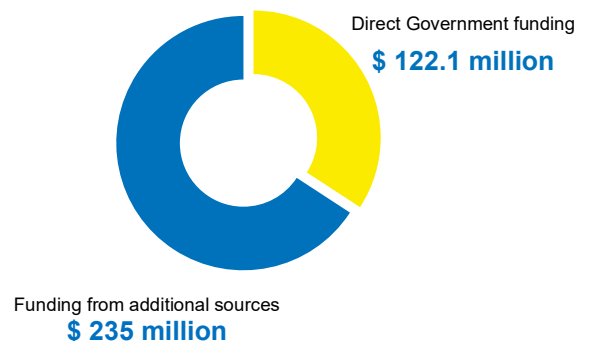


\* Note: 2022 funding figure is as of 28 February 2022.

## FUNDING CONTRIBUTED 2010-2022

**\$ 357.1 million**

as of 28 February 2022



## UNHCR PRESENCE

### Staff:

4 National Staff

4 International Staff

### Office:

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs is working towards providing a UN House in Doha for all UN agencies based in Qatar. UNHCR’s office is expected to be operational sometime in 2022.

## Partnerships

- UNHCR's main government partners are the **Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MoFA)** and the **Qatar Fund for Development (QFFD)**. UNHCR maintains a close and strategic partnership with both MoFA and QFFD in support of refugees and displaced persons around the world. Since 2018, QFFD has supported UNHCR's work with flexible funding, as well as, the provision of education, health care, winter cash assistance and shelter for Syrian refugees in Jordan and Lebanon, Rohingya refugees and internally displaced Iraqis.
- UNHCR engages with other government entities including the **Regulatory Authority for Charitable Activities**, which is an independent governmental body that regulates all fundraising activities in Qatar, as well as the **Ministry of Interior** and the **National Human Rights Committee**.
- UNHCR has received more than USD 100 million from H.E. Sheikh Thani Bin Abdullah Al Thani through the **Sheikh Thani Bin Abdullah Bin Thani Al-Thani Humanitarian Fund** and his previous entities. H.E. Sheikh Thani is UNHCR's largest individual donor globally and was named 'UNHCR Eminent Advocate' in 2019.
- UNHCR has partnered with **Educate A Child (EAC)**, a global programme of **Education Above All (EAA) Foundation**, since 2012. The programme aims to significantly reduce the number of children missing out on their right to primary education globally.
- A strategic partner to UNHCR is **Qatar Charity (QC)**, one of the largest charitable non-governmental charities in the MENA region.
- UNHCR has received several contributions from the **Qatar Red Crescent Society (QRCS)** since 2014, with support provided to operations in Djibouti, Lebanon and Turkey.
- **Eid Charity**, a strong supporter of UNHCR, has funded projects to assist refugees in Bangladesh and Lebanon, as well as IDPs in Yemen and Iraq.
- UNHCR collaborates with **Silatech**, an NGO dedicated to empowering the economic empowerment of youth worldwide through improved access to employment and enterprise development.
- In early 2022, UNHCR renewed its partnership with **Qatar Airways**, Qatar's state-owned flag carrier, for two additional years, allowing use of their fleet for shipment of core relief items to country operations around the world.

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