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KEY FIGURES

- Cluster partners: 58

**People**

- In need: 1.0 M
- Targeted: 0.5 M

**Funding**

- Total funding required: $149.0 M
- Funded: 11%

**Source:** OCHA Financial Tracking Service

KEY DATES

- **December 2018:**
  - In 2017 the cluster received 5% of the USD $68.4M it required. As of December 2018 the cluster had received 11% of the USD $149M it required. This means a 200% increase in terms of % of funding and a 500% increase in terms of total funding received.

KEY LINKS

- Country page on ReliefWeb
- Country Shelter response strategy
- Country page on Shelter Cluster Web Site

HIGHLIGHTS

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NEED ANALYSIS

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RESPONSE

- **The NFI / Shelter Cluster in DRC responds to the need of population victim of two type of crisis: forced displacement and natural disasters. The response strategy is based on identification of population’s vulnerability according to the Cluster’s standards. Responses modalities include in-kind distributions and vouchers and cash-based approaches. Additionally the Shelter Sector promotes innovative solutions based on owner and community driven construction and local building practices.**
- **From January to December 2018, 40 humanitarian actors provided 1,460,182 persons (292,500 households) with NFI (53% of the HRP target); 56.7% were assisted via voucher and fairs; 43.3%, through direct distributions.**
- **Of the NFI beneficiaries to date, 60% were displaced; 31% returnees; 9% host families.**
- **Four organizations assisted 38,405 persons (7,681 households) with distribution of tarpaulins (9% of the HRP target). However, the Shelter Sector ardently promotes local construction techniques (in lieu of tarpaulins) and market-based approaches to achieve more diversified shelter assistance modalities with communities at the heart of the response.**
- **Ten organizations reached 68,297 persons (13,660 households) to ameliorate their shelter (with local construction techniques and materials) – 6.3% of the HRP target.**

GAPS / CHALLENGES

- According to various humanitarian multi-sectorial assessments, the Shelter is the first priority of returnees with NFI following closely.
In relation to the Government led closing of IDP sites in Tanganyika, returns and secondary displacements continue with a major need in Shelter.