

UNFPA Response in Haiti

Situation Report

October- December 2023



Fast facts*

-  **5.2 million people** in need of humanitarian assistance
-  **3.2 million people** targeted in the HRP 2023
-  **506K** in need of life-saving GBV information and services
-  **810,000** women of reproductive age (15-49 years)
-  **630,000** adolescents (10-19 years)
-  **58,500** pregnant women
-  **6,600** pregnant women will suffer obstetrical complications in the next 9 months
-  **3,500** newborns will experience complications in the next 3 months
-  Between **730 and 2,200** pregnant women will need a C-section in the next 3 months
-  Around **110,000** adults currently living with a Sexually Transmitted Infection (STI)
-  **243,000** women with unmet needs for family planning
-  **51/1000** Adolescent Fertility Rate
-  **529/100,000** Maternal Mortality Ratio

Context

- The deteriorated humanitarian situation in Port-au-Prince remains the same due to the violence of armed gangs who continue to kill, rape, torture, and loot. As a result of the violence, many people have been forced to flee their homes and stay with host families, seek refuge in churches or schools, or move to displacement sites.
- During November-December 2023, armed attacks took place in Tabarre, carrefour, Cité Soleil, affecting several neighbourhoods. These clashes resulted in the displacement of approximately more than 3,000 people.
- According to the IOM DTM, more than 330,000 people are displaced across the country – 56% are women and girls.
- The recent assessment and safety audit conducted by UNFPA partner teams in Port-au-Prince revealed that risks of violence against women and girls within some displacement sites remain high. These relate to risks when women are going to collect food, water and firewood; overcrowded conditions; and toilets that are not separated by gender and do not have adequate lighting. There continues to be huge needs for access to safe water, food, protection, and health care.
- A hospital supported by UNFPA in Cité Soleil has been attacked, part of the hospital was burned down. GBV and SRH service provision was suspended for several weeks.
- The border between Dominican Republic and Haiti was partially open on 11 October 2023. It had been closed since 15 September 2023. This impacted the implementation of activities and delayed the delivery of procured items and supplies – medical supplies are procured from the Dominican Republic.
- In October, the UN security council announced the deployment of a Kenyan-led multi-national security force to support the Haitian police. A total of 1,000 troops will be deployed by the first quarter of 2024. The situation became even more complex with the arrival of the security support mission.

* Haiti Humanitarian Response Plan, April 2023

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 Strengthen the capacity of front-line responders and health practitioners for the **provision of life-saving SRH services**, including safe delivery, emergency obstetric care (EmONC), clinical management of rape (CMR), family planning, and STI prevention and care.

 Improve access to essential SRH services, including CMR, through the delivery of **technical support** and essential medicines and commodities to national stakeholders in the form of **Inter-Agency Reproductive Health kits**.

 Work with **local partners** with a **high level of acceptance** at community level to provide **life-saving GBV services and information**, including case management, psychosocial support and / or psychosocial first aid (PFA).

 Enhance **coordination of GBV and SRH response**, referral systems, and service delivery in prioritised areas, in collaboration with national and international stakeholders.

 Strengthen **humanitarian access** in line with the Humanitarian Access Plan of the Humanitarian Country Team.

UNFPA is working closely with the larger humanitarian actors around access negotiations, security and logistics.

Highlights of UNFPA Response October-December 2023

 <p>23 mobile clinics deployed which reached 4,137 people (1,998 women, 895 girls, 608 men and 636 boys) with life-saving health, information and psychosocial care in the Metropolitan Zone of Port-au-Prince.</p>	 <p>26 health facilities received post-rape kits and medical supplies in Port-au-Prince and Artibonite.</p>	 <p>500 vulnerable women and girls benefited from humanitarian cash assistance to respond to their basic needs.</p>	 <p>5,383 people were reached including 3,264 women, 836 girls, 927 men and 356 boys by awareness raising on GBV, available services and how to access them.</p>
	 <p>UNFPA held the GBV sub-cluster monthly meeting in which organizations and institutions were represented.</p>	 <p>980 women and girls participated in psychosocial support activities provided in the WGSS, and received psychosocial support.</p>	 <p>121 displaced pregnant and lactating women received maternity kits via the Implementing Partner Centre pour le Développement de la Santé (CDS) in Port-au-Prince.</p>

Prioritised areas for UNFPA interventions



SRH interventions:

- Areas along the border with the Dominican Republic: Anse-a-Pitre, Belladere, Ouanaminthe
- Great South Department: Grande-Anse, Nippes, Sud
- Metropolitan Area of Port-au-Prince



GBV interventions:

- Metropolitan Area of Port-au-Prince



Funding status

As of December, UNFPA Haiti was able to mobilize and secured **61%** of required funding as follows:

Funding source	Amount
Central Emergency Funds(CERF)	2,900,000 USD
BHA/USAID	1250,000 USD(First year)
Canada	925,000 USD
Emergency Funding	835,000 USD
	5910,000 USD

Key challenges

The challenges remain the same as previously reported, including:

- The security situation delays some planned activities.
- An increase in gang violence in many parts of the capital has caused new displacements of people and increased humanitarian needs, while the response capacity of humanitarian actors remains limited.
- The continued displacement of people creates new needs that GBV actors must respond to despite their limited operational and financial capacities.
- There continues to be a large unmet need for safe shelter services.

In the news



GBV sub-cluster meeting, Artibonite, 10 October 2023



Focus group discussion with IDPs, Inter-Agency Rapid Needs Assessment, Artibonite



Carrefour-Feuilles displacement sites. Awareness raising on GBV services with outreach officer and case workers from MDM GBV Mobile team



Mobile clinic activities supported by UNFPA in displacement site, Port-au-Prince