

Keeping migrants, refugees, elderly and vulnerable women and girls in the center of our interventions



How we work

UNFPA response to Libya's protracted crisis is built around the humanitarian-development-peace nexus and entails a progressive shift from a focus on service delivery to institutional capacity building programmes, supporting policies, systems and standards for service provision, including primary health care centers, women safe spaces, non-formal education and youth centres, adopting a community based approach that engages youth and women as part of medium and longer term development for peacebuilding and gender equality.

UNFPA is currently implementing programmes across the East, West and South of Libya, in partnership with several line ministries, municipalities, Libyan civil society organizations, NGOs and UN Agencies.



www.unfpa.org
For contact: ksalman@unfpa.org

Delivering a world where every pregnancy is wanted, every childbirth is safe and every young person's potential is fulfilled





Population Dynamics

UNFPA Libya contributes to Humanitarian Programme Cycles with the Common Operational Dataset for Population Statistics (COD-PS). CODs are authoritative reference datasets needed to support operations and decision-making for all actors in a humanitarian response. For Libya, the COD-PS is based on 'best available' datasets validated with the Bureau of Statistics and Census (BSC) that ensures consistency and simplifies the discovery and exchange of key data.

UNFPA Libya and BSC have initiated the preparatory work for a national demographic survey. The demographic survey will include a population estimation survey and should allow for updating the 2006 Census demographic data at municipality and national levels.

BSC in collaboration with the National Centre for Disease Control (NCDC) and UNFPA have initiated an in-depth trend analysis of previous household surveys conducted in Libya between 2014 and 2018. The trend analysis should help determine key social, health and demographic changes that affected the Libyan population during the years of conflicts and political instability.

In collaboration with OECD - Paris 21 and the African Union, UNFPA is supporting the Ministry of Planning and the Bureau of Statistics and Census in reviewing the current National Strategy for Development of Statistics.



Gender-based violence (GBV) prevention and response and women's empowerment

UNFPA's helpline "1417" provides psychosocial support, legal counseling and referral to the immediate health services for the people in need. So far, by virtue of the helpline, over 7,000 women have been provided needed support with the above-mentioned services.

UNFPA four Women and Girls Safe Spaces in Tripoli, Sabha and Benghazi provided remote and in-person services to women and girls through awareness sessions on gender-related topics along with livelihood and life skills trainings.

To date, more than 15,000 women and girls have benefitted from services in WGSS and more than 14,000 have received kits containing items for female hygiene and wellbeing distributed in the centres and in several IDP camps.

UNFPA has also supported in building the capacities of the service providers in collaboration

with line ministries involved to ensure GBV multi-sectoral services provided to the survivors. UNFPA has been helping to structure a solid basis of intervention involving main governmental institutions and actors, including the Ministry of Social Affairs and Ministry of Health.

UNFPA has conducted the first-ever GBV situation analysis in Libya and is working with partners to support the establishment of a GBV Information Management System.

UNFPA is providing a set of services and activities in different regions throughout Libya, including GBV services, psychosocial support, livelihood activities, awareness raising, social media campaigns and dignity/hygiene kits reaching thousands of people.



Sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR)

UNFPA increased access for women and girls to high quality reproductive health services, with a focus on people affected by the humanitarian context in Libya. It has served over 7,000 people through mobile medical teams deployed in Tripoli, Sabha and Ghat.

UNFPA provided direct consultations, counselling and awareness sessions on SRH issues to another 5,000 women and girls.

To strengthen the resilience of healthcare facilities in the face of conflict and COVID-19 restrictions, UNFPA supplemented the service of 23 Health facilities with the provision of essential reproductive health (RH) kits throughout Libya benefitting over 7,500 individuals.

To achieve increased demand for SRH services, awareness raising activities reached out to over 11,000 persons, whereas 12,000 consultations were provided to different population groups at the community level, including migrants and IDPs. In one year, over 100,000 Libyans received RH

awareness through social and electronic media.

UNFPA improved the capacity and resilience of health systems with the provision of integrated RH services, including to most vulnerable populations by building the capacity of over 900 frontline health care providers on SRH service provision.

UNFPA helped establishment of technical guidelines for midwifery and nursing, RH, clinical management of sexual violence and protocols for referral pathways.

With the support of mother and child health (MCH) and other trainings, over 200 nurses and midwives were capacitated on communication and community engagement through GBV sensitive messages in combating COVID-19 and provision of SRH services to women and girls.



Youth development and participation

UNFPA Libya along with other partners have launched various projects to involve young men and especially women in the peacebuilding and political process, fight against COVID-19 along with providing them with livelihood opportunities and microgrants to showcase their potential.

UNFPA Libya works on strengthening the organizational capacity and outreach of youth networks in Libya along with building capacity of young activists and journalists. UNFPA is also working with other development agencies on enhancing youth

entrepreneurship.

Recently UNFPA Libya worked with more than 20 youth initiatives to raise awareness on COVID-19 in different locations and communities across the country.

UNFPA has launched a training package aimed at supporting young women in their economic and political empowerment across Libya.

Furthermore, it has provided 35 grants to different CSOs to implement projects across Libya.