



Akelius doubles all donations to UNHCR

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The Akelius Foundation is doubling every one-time donation made during December. The initiative will strengthen the work of the UN refugee agency UNHCR for people fleeing the rapidly escalating crisis in Sudan.



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Sudan is the world's largest refugee crisis, with nearly 12 million people displaced, most of whom remain in the country. The war has led to a sharp increase in violence in Darfur and Kordofan in recent weeks, forcing over a hundred thousand people to flee.

– If people donate a thousand kronor, we add another thousand. If a company donates a million, we also double it. The situation in Sudan is terrible and I feel a responsibility to do my part to alleviate the terrible need that exists, says Roger Akelius, founder of the Akelius Foundation.

The doubling applies to all one-time donations during December. Akelius' portion is earmarked for UNHCR's urgent work in Sudan and the region.

– Sudan stands out in a world that is already in the midst of an enormously difficult refugee crisis. We are incredibly grateful that the Akelius Foundation has once again chosen to get involved with people on the run. The support makes a huge difference on the ground and that we can step up our work for those who have been hit so hard and lost everything because of the war in Sudan, says Åsa Widell, Secretary General for Sweden for UNHCR.

UNHCR's efforts in the country include emergency shelter, mobile health teams, clean water, support for survivors of sexual violence and protection for unaccompanied children. UNHCR is present in large parts of Sudan and in neighboring countries to protect those forced to flee.

Footnote: Akelius Foundation also doubles one-time donations to the following organizations within its collaboration: Act Church of Sweden, Doctors Without Borders, Save the Children, Unicef and SOS Children's Villages.

About the Akelius Foundation:

The Akelius Foundation is an important partner of Sweden for UNHCR. Since 2019, the foundation has contributed to the work of protecting people on the run around the world.

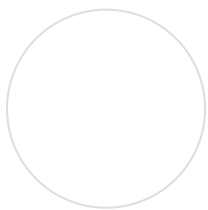
Education for children and young people

Together with UNHCR, the Akelius Foundation has previously run several educational projects to give refugee children better prospects and a brighter future.

When war breaks out and families are forced to flee, children are the hardest hit. Many lose their families, and are forced to leave their schooling and security behind.

Today, nearly 120 million people are displaced in the world – and about 40 percent are children. Without an education, children risk falling into poverty and being exposed to violence and abuse.

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