

# STRENGTH FOR FAMILIES

Burundi: 2022 ALWS Action Plan



## You work in the poorest areas

Burundi is one of the 5 least developed countries in the world. Through ALWS, you work in Cankuzo and Ruyigi Provinces, the country's poorest.

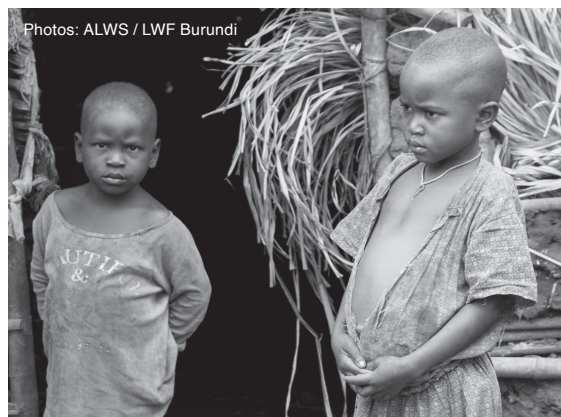
Despite poverty, the people here host refugees returning from camps in Tanzania, where they were cared for by Lutheran-supported teams.

2022	Children under 5	Children 5 - 18	Women	Men
Returnees	427	946	565	538
Displaced people	142	316	188	179
Host Community	2275	5049	3014	2867
People with disability	825			
<b>TOTAL PLAN</b>	<b>16,506 people</b>			

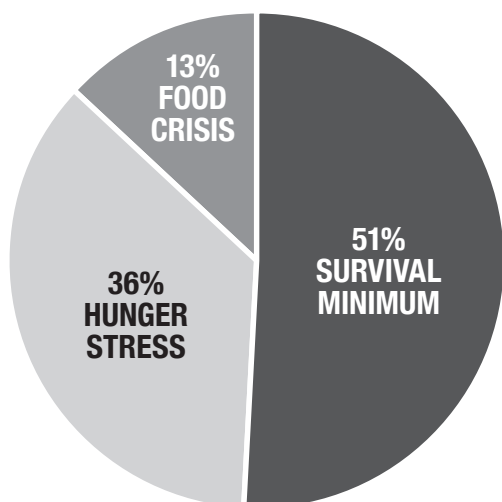
## You help those in most danger

Your 5:1 ALWS action is focused on people who are the most vulnerable, and in danger of being forgotten:

- people with disabilities
- elderly
- children
- families displaced from their homes
- female-headed households (widows, abandoned mothers)
- Batwa – an ethnic minority, previously referred to as 'pygmies': they own no land, and are marginalized from the community



## HUNGER means you are needed now



The war in Ukraine has disrupted grain supplies from Russia and Ukraine to Africa. The threat of hunger in places like Burundi increases, as you can see:

**FACT:**

**Burundi scored worst in 2018 World Food Security Report.**

**FACT:**

**Only 1 in 100 families eat 3 meals per day.**

**FACT:**

**Children who suffer hunger before age 5 risk permanent developmental damage.**

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# Your 5:1 ALWS action



## FACT:

**93% of families in Burundi depend on farming to survive, yet only have 0.5 hectares.**

## GOOD NEWS:

You support Agricultural Groups where farmers learn techniques like mulching, compost and planting in rows ... and receive farm tools and improved seed varieties.



## FACT:

**One in 5 refugee families returning to Burundi live in houses made of straw and mud.**

## GOOD NEWS:

Our aim through ALWS is to supply 80 of the most vulnerable families with the tools, training and supplies they need to build their own safe secure house.



## FACT:

**HALF of all families in Burundi earn no income beyond their farms.**

## GOOD NEWS:

You help families improve their income by showing them how to rear healthy livestock - chickens, cows, goats - and use the manure for no-cost fertiliser.

**AVERAGE COST TO HELP ONE PERSON: \$29**

## How your 5:1 Grant works

Every 5 years ALWS must be reaccredited by the Australian Government.

This rigorous process checks ALWS is efficient and effective in supporting development aid and enables ALWS to receive 5:1 Government Grants\*.

ALWS was successfully reaccredited at the end of 2021. This now means:



The official wording the Australian Government uses to describe these grants is:

Every donation you make to this project will be combined with funding from the Australian Government to reach more people. ALWS has committed to contribute \$1 for every \$5 received from the Australian government. Your donation will allow us to extend our programs.

\* In 2021, these grants totalled more than \$2.8 million, including \$938,164 for PNG.



**“I dream of being able to build a decent home so my children and I can live in dignity.**

**I want us to be self-sufficient in nutrition.**

**If these two needs can be met,**

**I can find the strength**

**to work harder**

**so my children can stay in school.”**

Sylvie, Burundi

## RICHEST

Australia  
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Burundi  
#186

## POOREST

The Human Development Index (HDI) measures the health, wealth and education of 189 countries. South Sudan, where you also work through ALWS, is #185.