20.7 MILLION
People in need

14.8 MILLION
People lack access to basic health services

2.2 MILLION
Women and girls of reproductive age

1.1 MILLION
Malnourished pregnant women

52,800
Pregnant women at risk of developing complications during child birth

2017 FUNDING REQUIREMENTS
Total required: US$ 11.5 MILLION
Funded: US$ 7.0 MILLION

In crisis situations, one in five women of childbearing age is likely to be pregnant. Without access to reproductive health (RH) services, these women face an increased risk of life-threatening complications. Many women also lose access to family planning, exposing them to unwanted pregnancies in perilous conditions. Women and young people also become more vulnerable to sexual violence, exploitation and HIV infection. And the hygiene needs of women and girls are often neglected.

UNFPA, the United Nations Population Fund in Yemen works closely with governments, UN agencies, community-based organizations and other partners to ensure that reproductive health is integrated into emergency responses.

UNFPA, the United Nations Population Fund, delivers a world where every pregnancy is wanted, every birth is safe, every young person’s potential is fulfilled.

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INTERVENTIONS
• Providing emergency reproductive health kits and life-saving emergency obstetric care medicines and equipment to health facilities: These supplies help in saving lives of women and new-borns during deliveries, managing miscarriages, and treating infections and rape. A total of 133 health facilities have been supported so far. Reproductive health kits are also available in cholera treatment centres.
• Mobile medical teams and clinics: They provide reproductive health services that include safe deliveries, in remote conflict-affected areas, including referral of complicated deliveries. The teams compose of 1 doctor, 1 midwife and 1 lab technician. These have been integrated with nutrition services for pregnant women and cholera prevention information targeting women and young girls.
• Improving capacities of health providers: To increase the efficiency of health professionals and effectiveness of the emergency RH kits, trainings are be supported for doctors and midwives in the application of the Minimum Initial Service Package on reproductive health.
• Support for scaling-up human resources: Unemployed midwives are being supported to set up home-based clinics to fill the gap in the provision of timely assistance during home deliveries. UNFPA has supported 120 such clinics so far.
• Supporting the establishment of reproductive health information management system during emergencies: This will assist in the management and planning of the national family planning and reproductive health programme.
• Supporting re-establishment of RH supply chain management: UNFPA is supporting the re-establishment of the Yemen supply chain management system for reproductive health commodities within the current humanitarian context and beyond. A needs assessment has been completed with a costed strategic action plan.
• Support development of national RH Strategy 2017-2021: UNFPA is supporting the Population Sector of the Ministry of Public Health and Population to develop a National Reproductive Health Strategy for the period 2017-2021 and a Five-Year Plan for its implementation. The new strategy will have dedicated chapters on reproductive health in emergency as well as on reproductive health commodity security.
• Supporting humanitarian RH coordination: Support is being provided to strengthen Inter-Agency Working Group (RH IAWG) under the Health Cluster to ensure that interventions among all partners are well interlinked and implemented according to plan and gaps are addressed.
• Ensuring the availability of family planning methods: UNFPA supports in ensuring family planning methods are accessible to people in health facilities and mobile clinics.