



## International Rescue Committee (IRC) in Sudan

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The International Rescue Committee (IRC) is unique amongst international NGOs because of its Sudan-wide presence. We have been operating in Sudan since the early 1980's, providing humanitarian relief and post-conflict recovery to war-affected populations throughout Sudan. Our major donors include USAID, OFDA, DFID, EuropeAid, ECHO and SV/Dutch Government.

### **What is IRC doing in Sudan?**

We operate programs in the northern Sudan (GOS-controlled) and in Southern Sudan, as well as in the northeast (from a base office in Eritrea). IRC's overall program approach for 2004-2005 is committed to building strong foundations for peace and development by facilitating durable solutions for IDPs, returnees, and war-affected communities. To decrease vulnerability and encourage recovery, IRC is working closely with beneficiaries and partners, implementing peace building and protection activities and mobilizing communities to build local capacity and civil structures, as well as responding to ongoing health, shelter, and water/sanitation needs.

#### **North Sudan** (operating from Khartoum since 1981)

Programs managed from Khartoum currently operate in 12 regions of Sudan: Khartoum state; the garrison towns of Wau, Raja, Aweil, and Gogrial in Bahr-el-Ghazal; northern Upper Nile State; government- and opposition-held areas of Nuba Mountains (South and West Kordofan); Red Sea state; Kassala state; Gadaref state; Bahr-el-Jebel state; and, in a major response to the current emergency, North, South, and West Darfur.

**Current Budget:** USD 32 million

#### **Programs:**

- ∅ Civil Society Empowerment
- ∅ Youth Peace Building
- ∅ Human Rights & Role of Law
- ∅ Water/Sanitation/Hygiene Promotion.
- ∅ Reproductive Health
- ∅ Poverty Alleviation and capacity building
- ∅ Emergency Multi-sectoral Assistance

#### **South /Northeast Sudan** (operating from Nairobi, Kenya since 1989)

**Current Budget:** USD 4,6 million

#### **Programs and Locations:**

- ∅ Primary Health Care: Bahr Al Ghazal (Aweils), Lakes (Rumbek, Billing), Ganyliel, North East Sudan (operating via Eritrea)
- ∅ Youth Programming and Vocational Skills: Bahr Al Ghazal (Aweils)
- ∅ HIV/AIDs: Bahr Al Ghazal (Rumbek and Aweils)
- ∅ Health capacity-building and training: Jongli (Ganyiel), Equatoria
- ∅ Water/Sanitation: North East Sudan (operating via Eritrea)
- ∅ Civil Society Empowerment: multiple sites

### **Building a Unified Sudan Program**

Since 2003, IRC has been building a unified Sudan program through joint funding, programming, advocacy and post-peace planning. Some of the initiatives IRC's respective Sudan programs have undertaken together are:

1. Civil Society Empowerment program (began in February 2004, funded by DFID)
2. Protection assessment (conducted in March 2004) and joint protection/rule of law program development
3. Coordination for reintegration and return (ongoing)

4. Member of Sudan Advocacy Coalition (counterparts in North and South, ongoing)

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### LOCATIONS of OPERATION

