



AFRICAN INITIATIVES FOR RELIEF AND DEVELOPMENT

Republic of Congo
Program

Empowering Communities, Growing Together

**Established in 2006,
our mission is to enable the compassionate movement of those
displaced by natural or man-made disasters to safety, and providing
them and their host communities with opportunities to build their
lives and thrive for the long term.**



**As long as there are displaced people,
AIRD will lend a helping hand.**

Empowerment comes not only from providing critical relief items, but also through sustainable opportunities that lead to more resilient communities. This encourages the growth of enterprising spirits, and a sense that a bright future is still possible. AIRD cares because collective community growth is only possible if everyone is given an equal opportunity to participate.

Impact across our programs in 2019

Workshop Management



- 66 work shops repairing assets
- 17,953 job cards completed
- 3 days average for asset repair

Construction, Infrastructure and Rehabilitation



- 2,635 transitional shelters built
- 356 kilometres of road rehabilitated
- 290 latrines with sanitary facilities built



Fleet Management

- 997 light vehicles repaired
- 706 motorbikes fixed and in service
- 640 generators repaired and providing power

Our Impact in 2019



Our growth and progression is not only in the countries where we serve, but also in the services we are able to provide to those that need them the most.

- 69 warehouses in place
- 1,407,284 tons of Non-food Items (NFIs) stored
- 185,144(m3) storage capacity in warehouses and rub halls

Warehouse Management



- 65 fuel stations managed
- 11,623,823 litres of diesel issued
- 177,482 litres of petrol issued



Fuel Management

- 1,407,284 tons of Non-Food Items transported
- 200,323 displaced people transported with compassion



Refugee and NFI transportation

Our Operations

AIRD RoC was there to support and compassionately transport many of those displaced to safety, while providing goods and services to further build hope and resilience as they come to terms with having been forced to flee their homes.

The needs for safe accommodation for displaced people is great. In 2019 alone, AIRD RoC built **887** emergency shelters, distributed **300** transitional shelters, and constructed **180** latrines with sanitary facilities. The team also supported with repatriation of **5,721** refugees in 2019.

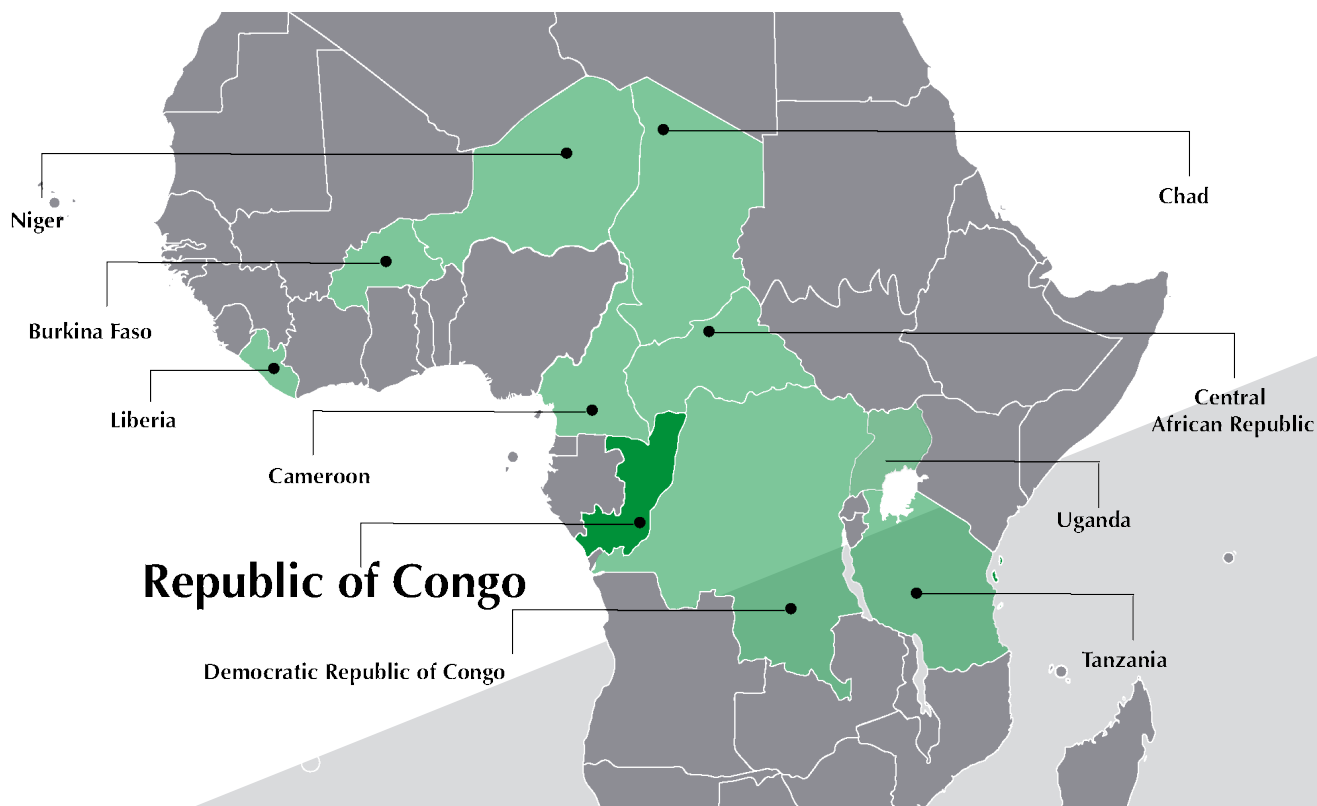
Transporting basic Non Food Items (NFIs) further enables displaced people to restart their lives. 135 tons of NFIs were transported by the team in 2019. Storage of these items is possible at 3 warehouses and with a capacity of **2,704** m³ in different locations in the country. Trucking of **399,000** litres of water also helped to narrow a large gap experienced in camps.

Fuel Management is a critical function that keeps the vehicles and assets going that serve partners and AIRD staff in the various camps and settlements. **161,616** litres of diesel and **52,186** litres of petrol were issued and consumed for these purposes within the year at 4 fuel stations.

In line with the overall goal of the organisation to do more for Persons of Concern, AIRD RoC intends to explore sustainable livelihood, WASH and environmental sustainability initiatives to promote resilience and empowerment for displaced people and their host communities.



Where we work



At the end of 2019, UNHCR reported that the Congo was host to some **25,700** refugees and **14,400** asylum-seekers. More than **6,200** refugees, mainly from the Central African Republic (CAR) chose to return to their country of origin.

Over **300,000** people were internally displaced in the Congo. There were still some **134,400** IDPs in the south-east as a result of previous conflict, with returns ongoing. These numbers represent individuals forcefully displaced and looking for safety and hope for a future.

We want to do even more...

By delivering **excellent humanitarian logistics, construction and infrastructure** support to donors, agencies and governments.

As conditions in camps and settlements stabilise, including to the point of return for some refugees, AIRD will become increasingly connected to the host communities, IDPs & refugees, through the provision of **sustainable livelihoods, WASH and environmental assistance** to build their resilience, and to help those not in their usual place of abode to return home well and equipped to enhance their own communities.

AIRD also will proactively seek to **grow operational programmes** by considering supporting work in countries neighbouring existing field activity sites as well as those further afield.

Business development will be considered to evaluate the merits of establishing AIRD's logistics, vehicle maintenance etc as a business.

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