


# Joint Sport Pledge Update 2024

The Joint Sport Pledge aims to mobilize resources, expertise or networks to promote access to, and opportunities through sport for, and with, displaced people and host communities, contributing to more inclusive and cohesive societies.

Out of the 143 entities who committed to the Joint Sport Pledge at the Global Refugee Forum in 2023, 76 reporting this year have supported...

**>445,000**  
**people**   
affected by displacement to access sport and/or play-based activities.

The commitments have been implemented in

**82 countries**



The following actions have contributed to the overall reach



**6,394**

people have been **trained** to deliver sport-based activities.



**109**

**sporting spaces** have been created or refurbished to improve access to safe sport.



**2,253**

sports clubs, organizations and initiatives **supported to help extend access** to sport.



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**statutes or regulations** changed to enable the participation in events and competitions.


Learn more about the **Sport for Refugees Coalition** [here](#).


## Meaningful engagement

At the core of our commitment is the voice and leadership of displaced people, with the aim of ensuring their inclusion in decision-making processes that directly affect their lives.

Out of the 76 reporting entities, 69 explicitly cited examples of meaningful engagement of refugees in their pledge implementation. Specifically...

 **44** put mechanism in place to actively shape the programme design.

 **34** offered leadership positions and/or coaching roles.

 **9** provided platforms for advocacy and media engagement.

## How can you get involved?



**Secure funding and/or operational support**

38 entities have reported a lack of financial and/or human resources, while 13 have highlighted a shortage of sport facilities and equipment.



**Remove barriers preventing access to displaced people**

20 entities have faced difficulties accessing targeted beneficiaries due to bureaucracy, transport, and language and cultural barriers, while 9 entities encountered security and safety risks.



**Strengthen partnerships within and across sectors**

13 entities have faced challenges in building and/or maintaining a network of organizations to expand their impact.

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