

# Assisted Voluntary Return and Reintegration Programme in Somalia

As a rejected asylum seeker in Denmark from Somalia (phase 3) you can apply to be a part of an assisted voluntary reception and reintegration programme in Somalia. The objective of the programme is to provide sustainable and dignified reintegration of individuals who voluntarily decide to return to Somalia.

The programme is funded by the Danish Ministry of Foreign Affairs and runs until May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

## The project applies to Somali citizens, who

- have had their asylum case processed in Denmark and have a final rejection (phase 3)
- do not have a legal stay in any other country than Somalia
- have not previously participated in a return program or received financial support to return

## DRC's return policy

- only voluntary return
- returnees need family or clan support for reintegration
- no returnees with a criminal background
- no unaccompanied minors
- no returnees who suffer from serious medical conditions



## The project offers

- Immediate cash assistance: 1.200 US dollars
- Temporary accommodation upon arrival (if necessary), and onward transportation to area of return
- Individual counselling and information session
- Vocational skills training (VST), including startup kit and/or job placement or business skills training and in-kind business assistance: max. 3.600 US dollars
- Access to returnee mentors, monitoring and continuous counselling

## Areas of return

- South and Central Somalia (Baidoa, Dollow, Kismayo, Mogadishu, Beletwyene)
- Puntland (all regions)
- Somaliland (all regions apart from Sool and Sanaag)

## Want to know more about the project?

- Contact the Danish Refugee Council (tel: 33735000, email [return.advice@drc.dk](mailto:return.advice@drc.dk)) or the staff at your asylum center. The Danish authorities will not be informed about your interest, unless you are accepted for the programme.
- If interested fill out the application form with contact details and send it to Danish Refugee Council, Borgergade 10, 1300 København K, Att.: Asylum Department or email: [return.advice@drc.dk](mailto:return.advice@drc.dk)