

Jordan: RRP5 Update - September 2013

Food Sector



RRP5 TARGET

(assumes 1 million refugees by end 2013)



895,000

individuals receive food assistance in camp & urban areas through in-kind food, vouchers, & cash assistance for food



GAM

(Global Acute Malnutrition)

5.8% in camps

5.1% in communities

Current Planning Figures



529,839

Total Persons of Concern as of 1 October 2013



257 M

USD required budget

NEEDS

Syrian refugees fleeing from poor Governorates in Syria (Daraa, Al Suwayda, Al Hasakeh, Aleppo) are extensively settling in the poverty-hit and highly populated rural areas in northern Jordan. This in turn impacts food security and livelihoods as agriculture is the primary source of income for 60% of those living in small towns and villages.

According to the WFP/UNICEF Nutrition Survey, 23% of community-based refugees were found to have a 'poor' or 'borderline' Food Consumption Score compared to 18.5% in the camp community. 4% of Syrian children under the age of five need treatment for moderate acute malnutrition, recommending the provision of specialized nutritious food to malnourished young children and pregnant and nursing mothers.

Assistance to refugees living outside camps will be increasingly targeted to identify and reach the most vulnerable based on conclusions drawn from the Participatory Assessment and the Joint Assessment Mission.

OBJECTIVES (as per RRP5)

Save lives and protect livelihoods in emergencies, through:

- 1) Enhancing food and nutrition security;
- 2) maintaining appropriate, consistent food support to Syrian refugees in urban/rural areas, camps and transit centres;
- 3) initiating food assistance, livelihood support, self-reliance and food production programmes to most vulnerable Jordanians affected by the Syrian Crisis;
- 4) integrating cross-cutting themes such as gender, environment and social protection in food security and livelihood interventions;
- 5) enhancing enrolment and attendance of Syrian schoolchildren in the camp schools;
- 6) preventing deterioration of nutritional status of young children and women by introducing supplementary feeding programmes to malnourished children under the age of five and pregnant and lactating women in camps and local communities.

ACTION/OUTPUTS

- Distribution of in-kind food (welcome meals, general food rations, date bars in schools) and value-based vouchers
- Planned distribution of SuperCereal Plus for moderately malnourished children
- Income-generating activities for Jordanian households in poverty pockets
- Enhancing income generation and nutritious food production, including increased egg production and small scale food processing
- Improved animal health services (i.e. surveillance, vaccination campaigns, quarantine facilities)
- Improved food quality control services along the Jordanian/Syrian border
- Vulnerability mapping and profiling
- Monitoring of all programme activities including distribution process, household satisfaction, impact of assistance and voucher redemption in shops as well as market prices

KEY SEPTEMBER DEVELOPMENTS, MONITORING & PLANNING

- RRP6 Planning including UNICEF/UNHCR/WFP Needs Assessments
- Voucher introduction in Zaatri Camp of JOD 6/individual/month (plan to double voucher value in Oct.)
- Local Jordanian business has opened a bakery in Zaatri camp, supplying a portion of the daily WFP bread
- 15 local Community Based Organizations (CBO) shops are operational with the WFP voucher programme in Zaatri camp, and two supermarkets have been contracted
- In the urban areas, additional shops have opened bringing the total number of voucher partner shops to 61
- WFP in agreement with Emirati Red Crescent will pilot school feeding programme in the EJC
- WFP prepared for opening of Azraq camp – food will be dispatched within a 48-hour notice
- Plan to conduct pilot for new e-voucher modality end of Oct. (200 families in Amman, Mafraq and KAP)

MONTHLY ACHIEVEMENTS



347,071 individuals received food assistance through food vouchers in Jordanian communities

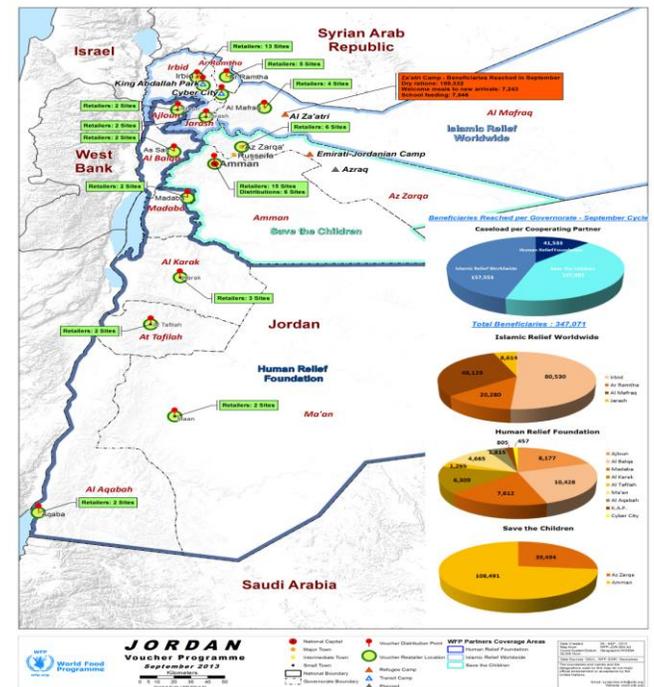


109,332 individuals in camp received food assistance through in-kind general food distribution and partial vouchers in Zaatri



7,846 school children received date bars in camp schools

September food and voucher assistance to registered Syrians refugees in Jordan



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