

Shelter + NFI Sector WG: Athens Hub

Date:	05 May 2016	
Participants:	Catholic Relief Services (CRS), Danish Refugee Counsel (DRC), Mercy Corps, Caritas Athens, CARE, Oxfam, IOM, Salvation Army (Salvos), Samaritan's Purse (SP), Solidarity Now (SN), UNHCR	
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Agenda	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Introduction and Welcome. 2. Update on blanket NFI distribution across mainland sites. 3. Outstanding action points from last meeting: 4. Final Revised RRM RP April – Dec 2016 5. WG ToR + technical guidance library 6. 4W updates/KMZ 7. Summer NFI items 8. Communal Kitchens in sites. 9. AOB. 	
Agenda item	Key: CWC = Communication with Communities. CWG = Cash Working Group. PoC = people of concern (refugees & migrants). SMS = Site Management Support. ToR = Terms of Reference.	
Welcome / Introduction	Introduction of new participants: No items to add/subtract/amend to meeting agenda.	
Agenda item	Discussions	Action points
Update on NFI distribution	UNHCR, SP and Oxfam continue the mainland wide distributions. Central Greece has been completed and Attica will be completed by the end of this week. Northern Greece has an aimed completion date of May 17 th . No update on the completion of distributions for western Greece. Kitchen sets continue to be the main item that is not granted permission for distribution.	SP to complete all mainland distributions in central, Attica and northern Greece. OXFAM to update on distributions in the west.

Outstanding action points from last meeting:	Connection with Salvation Army has not been established by Solidarity Now; however, they are looking into alternate avenues to distribute NFIs on the mainland.	
Update and explanation of RRMRP progress	Regional Refugee and Migrant Response Plan = RRMRP. There have been delays in finalization of the RRMRP. One the final version is received from headquarters; it will be disseminated to the group by UNHCR.	WG Chairs to ensure all WG members receive final RRMRP document for April – Dec 2016 once approved by HQ.
WG ToR + technical guidance library	The first draft of the Shelter ToR is still in process. UNHCR will distribute draft next week first to the SAG, then to the WG.	Any organizations that have guidelines to help formulate the ToR are asked to submit to the Athens Chair this week.
KML File details	Organizations received link for KML and some had difficulty accessing. The question was raised if the KML platform is best used given UNHCR IM has other platforms. Salvation Army expressed interest in being trained in KML uploading.	Salvation Army to connect with WG Chair next week to be trained.
4W Updates	IOM has plans to distribute NFIs in several locations across the mainland, but cannot share the locations at this point. Oxfam: Will send update this week. SP continues mainland distributions for UNHCR.	
Communal Kitchens	<p>UNHCR: Communal kitchen discussions have been happening internally amongst the different sectors to weigh the pros and cons. There is not green light received from the government, but UNHCR is actively looking into what can be done.</p> <p>DRC: suggested that a design committee immediately be formed to create 2-3 designs to help negotiate approval with the government. They expressed concern for lack of government buy in and suggest the designs will help negate the permissions necessary. Research on EU build standards might be necessary along with options of temporary versus permanent design. The decrease in trash contribution was expressed as a benefit by DRC.</p> <p>Concerns for appropriate wash facilities and refrigeration for food was suggested to the group.</p> <p>SP offered to host the committee early next week in order for the design committee to be able to present their designs at the working group on Wednesday. DRC, SP, UNHCR, and Oxfam all expressed interest in the design committee.</p>	Design committee meet on Tuesday at 1:00pm in the SP office. Committee will then present to the group on Wednesday their designs.

<p>AoB</p>	<p>As a whole, most organizations are moving towards cash based interventions for NFIs – including UNHCR. Several actors from the Cash WG were present to understand the current NFI needs in country. The concern was raised that from SP that the islands might still need additional NFIs as populations are not moving as they were before.</p> <p>OXFAM was refused entrance to camp to dig trenches around tents to prevent flooding. Brought question to the group if anyone else had similar issues. UNHCR was requested to look into digging trenches around the Elliniko baseball pitch due to similar flooding issues.</p> <p>UNHCR is addressing the urban population by looking into cash for rent possibilities. They will pursue conversations with the government to this regard.</p> <p>Salvation Army expressed concern regarding the congestion in Victoria Square, and are currently conducting an assessment for the 900 plus PoC in the area. Current reports are that some apartments are renting or have people squatting with very large numbers crammed into small rooms. UNHCR reports that they have heard of similar issues in Polycastro.</p>	<p>UNHCR advocate with the government for cash for rent opportunities.</p>
<p>The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 11 May 2016 at 14:30 hrs. Venue = Samaritan’s Purse Office; 1st Floor Conference Room, 15 Kleisthenous, Athens 105 52</p>		