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ABOUT

The Regional Refugee and Resilience Plan



is a **strategic coordination, planning, advocacy, fundraising and programming platform** with around **230** humanitarian and development partners across four countries.



has **channeled over US\$ 26 billion** since its inception in 2015.



is a **regionally coherent plan** that adopts a tailored approach to bring out country-specific needs and priorities.



consists of **one regional plan and four standalone country chapters**, which align with existing government-led national response plans (e.g., JRP and LRP).



is **centered on national leadership and capacities** to achieve resilience for all, guided by the principle of 'leaving no one behind'.



has been integrating, since 2025, a **return preparedness component** to support a structured, inter-agency approach for voluntary, safe, dignified, and well-informed returns, while maintaining critical support to refugees and host communities.

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Strategic Regional Engagements

Following the 2023 planning parameters, in 2024, the Regional Refugee and Resilience Plan (3RP), has continued to serve as the main coordination, planning, and advocacy platform addressing the Syrian refugee crisis across the region. As pressures deepened on host countries and refugees alike, the 3RP focused on driving coherent, regional-level responses through inclusive dialogue, joint planning, and evidence-based advocacy. Three key regional milestones demonstrated the 3RP’s strategic engagement:



- [2024 RSO Key Messages](#)
- [Event Summary](#)

Launch of the 2024 Regional Strategic Overview

6 March 2024

Held on the 13th anniversary of the Syria crisis, the launch of the 2024 Regional Strategic Overview (RSO) brought together over 130 stakeholders and reaffirmed the importance of sustained collective action. The event highlighted resilience, inclusion, and systems strengthening as key pillars of the regional response, while drawing attention to the lowest funding year on record.



- [Brussels VIII Conference Key Messages](#)
- [Event Summary](#)

Brussels VIII Conference Side Event

22 May 2024

Opened by Shoko Noda (UNDP) and Ruvendrini Menikdiwela (UNHCR), and co-hosted with the Syria INGO Regional Forum, this side event focused on sustaining inclusion and resilience in host countries. Discussions highlighted the socio-economic toll of declining international support, risks to protection space, and emerging tensions between host and refugee communities. Participants called for increased responsibility-sharing, pathways to durable solutions including labor mobility and resettlement, and programming tailored to country contexts.



- [3RP Regional Strategic Overview 2025](#)
- [Workshop Summary](#)

3RP Regional Planning Workshop for 2025

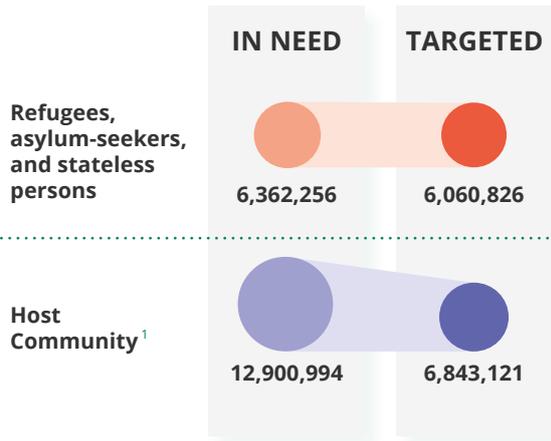
18-19 September 2024

Held in Amman with 137 participants, the workshop marked the formal start of 2025 planning. Partners validated the strategic priorities for the coming year and examined emerging risks, particularly around return dynamics, inclusion, and the broader geopolitical landscape. Donor discussions underscored the urgency of preserving protection space and advancing socio-economic inclusion, while strengthening coordination to maximize impact in a constrained funding environment.

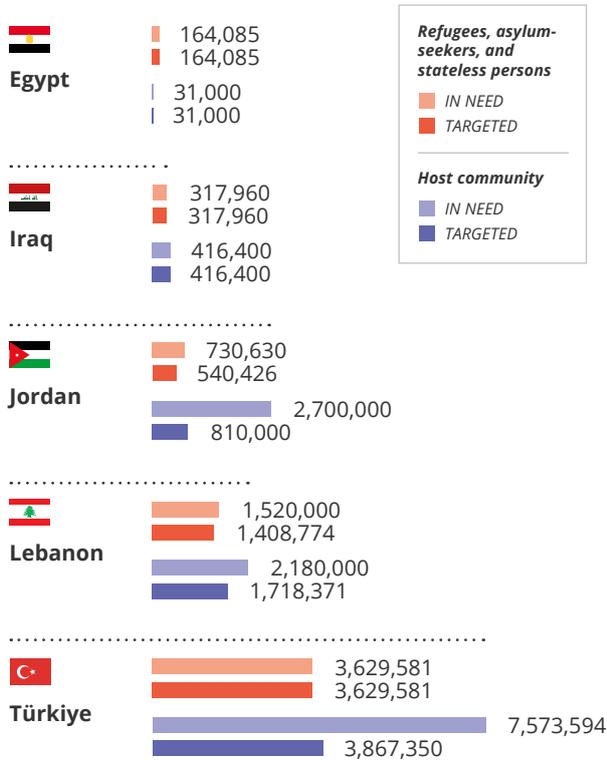
Population

Year: 2024

TOTAL



COUNTRIES



¹ The host community is defined by looking at the administrative areas where refugees are present. Host communities can be targeted not only individuals but also as communities and institutional (municipalities and government institutions) levels.

POPULATION INSIGHT

Age²

 48% of the registered Syrian refugees were children under the age of 18.

Women and Girls²

 48% of targeted refugees and asylum seekers were women and girls.

Men and Boys²

 52% of targeted refugees and asylum seekers were men and boys.

Persons with Disabilities³

 It is estimated that **over 900,000** of the targeted refugees and asylum-seekers were persons with disabilities.

² Data Source: UNHCR data portal, and Government of Türkiye.

³ The number of persons with disabilities in the region is an estimation. Persons with disabilities make up an estimated 15% of any population, with higher numbers expected in situations of forced displacement.

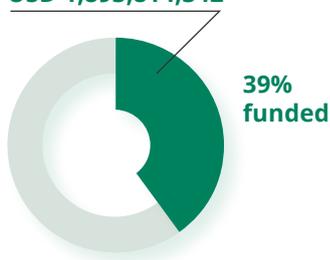
Funding

Year: 2024

2024 FUNDING: TOTAL

3RP Total Requirements
USD 4,878,300,483

Funding Received
USD 1,893,814,342



2024 FUNDING: COUNTRIES

Türkiye -----
\$914m required \$244m received **27% funded**



Lebanon -----
\$2.721 b required \$1.096b received **40% funded**



Jordan -----
\$985m required \$451 m received **46% funded**



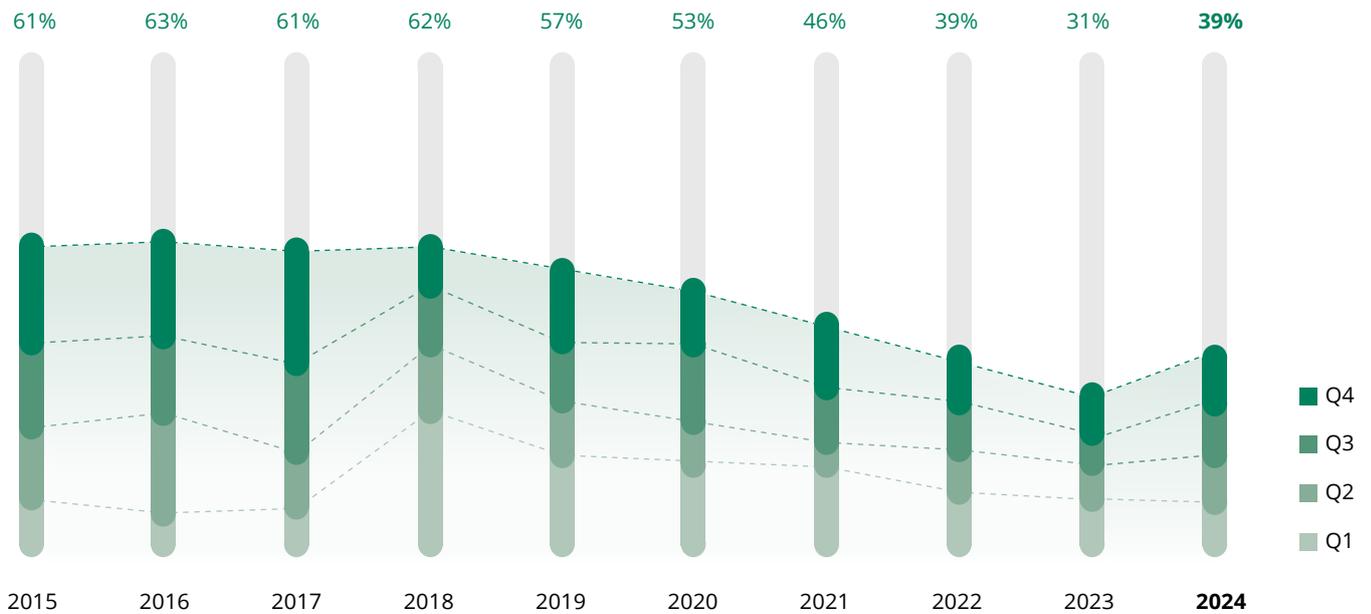
Iraq -----
\$155m required \$78m received **51% funded**



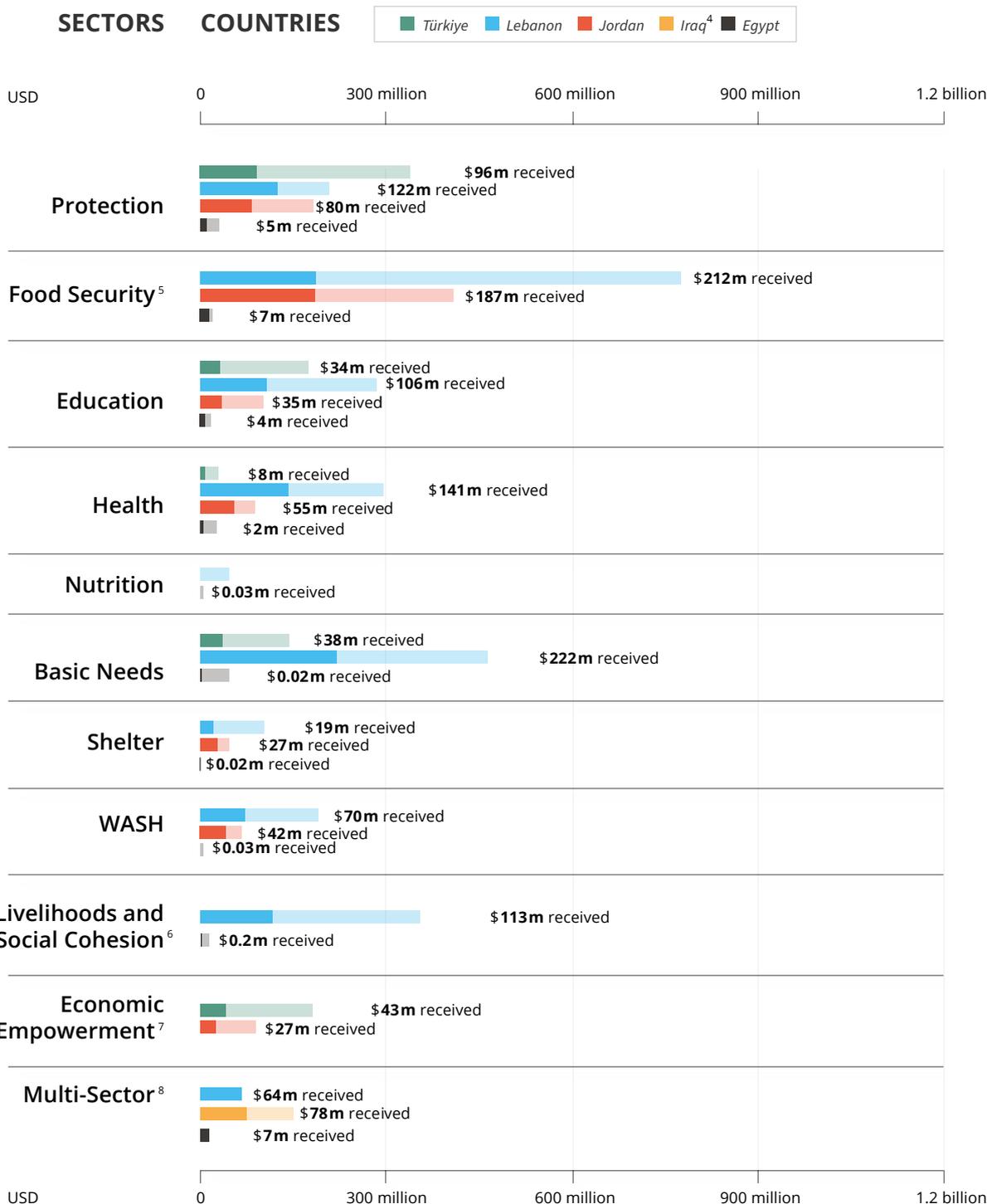
Egypt -----
\$76m required \$24m received **32% funded**



FUNDING TREND



2024 SECTOR FUNDING



Note: This breakdown does not include regional funding requirements and some other country-level requirements which have not yet been allocated to a sector.

⁴ Iraq: Remaining requirements for Iraq are listed under multi-sector.

⁵ Jordan: The amount shown for the Food Security sector in Jordan includes basic needs requirements and received funding.

⁶ Lebanon: The amount shown for the Livelihoods and Social Cohesion sector in Lebanon includes Social Stability requirements and received funding.

⁷ Economic Empowerment is a sector exclusive to Türkiye and Jordan.

⁸ Multi-sector is budget to be allocated to sectors in Lebanon and Egypt. For Iraq, all remaining requirements for Iraq are listed under multi-sector.

In support of the host countries, 3RP partners contributed towards achieving four regional strategic directions. Through all efforts, 3RP partners seek to promote resilience for all, guided by the principle of 'leave no one behind'.

Strategic Direction #1

Protecting people is critical to keeping displaced persons and vulnerable host community members safe from the harms of exploitation, abuse, violence, and the associated mental health and psychosocial risks. With this understanding, the 3RP supports the mainstreaming of protection in the planning, design, implementation, and monitoring of its interventions. It helps empower women, men, girls and boys to lead their own development in the long term, ensuring stability in social conditions and mental well-being, thus helping to guarantee that no one is left behind.

Protecting People

Access to territory, asylum and basic rights for refugees is secured

4.8 million Syrian refugees were registered



Prevent and reduce statelessness through legally recognized documentation and favourable legal provisions

96% of children in **Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, and Lebanon** have a birth document (birth notification).

Scale and scope of specialized child protection services expanded

233,281 girls and boys in **Türkiye, Lebanon, Jordan, and Egypt** received specialized child protection services.



Strategic Direction

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Paper Planes, Not War

Adam, a seven-year-old Syrian refugee, was born in Za'atari camp in Jordan. After his twin brother died of a heart condition, Adam's family fled again, this time to Egypt, fearing for his health. With his father unable to work due to a war injury, the family struggled to access care.

Through UNICEF's partnership with Caritas Egypt, Adam received both medical treatment and specialized child protection support, including psychological care and individual case management. His mother describes him as sensitive and unusually aware of conflict around him.

Adam's favorite game is football, played with a sock-ball. In his free time, he builds paper rockets. "Rockets are better made of paper," he says. "They don't hurt people."

 [Click here to read the full story.](#)



GBV is prevented and the risk of its occurrence mitigated

44,864 persons in **Türkiye, Jordan, and Egypt** benefitted from activities and awareness raising on Gender-Based Violence (GBV) prevention and empowerment of women and girls.

Expanding efforts to nurture community protection and refugee-host community cohesion

1,040,922 individuals in **Türkiye, Lebanon, and Egypt** engaged in, or benefited from the services through community outreach mechanisms, or community-led initiatives.

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Strategic Direction #2

Opportunities for enabling pathways towards durable solutions are urgently needed to allow refugees a purpose for the future that provides hope and dignity. The 3RP works towards three possible durable solutions in line with international standards and frameworks: 1) voluntary repatriation to Syria; 2) resettlement to third countries and complementary pathways; and 3) local solutions and opportunities (the latter covered by Strategic Directions 3 and 4). While a regional approach and coherence is pursued, the exact scale and scope of activities towards durable solutions varies according to the context of each 3RP country.

Supporting Durable Solutions

Durable solutions remained central to the 3RP throughout 2024. Following the collapse of the Assad government in December, 3RP partners closely monitored developments inside Syria and began assessing how future programming could adapt to emerging opportunities and risks.

While conditions for large-scale voluntary return had not yet fully materialized, refugee interest in returning increased notably. In response, 3RP partners laid the groundwork to ensure that any returns would be voluntary, safe, dignified, and based on informed decision-making.

Concurrently, the 3RP sustained a strong focus on expanding access to resettlement and complementary pathways, while also promoting local inclusion and self-reliance opportunities in host countries.

Reflecting these evolving dynamics, the 2025 Regional Strategic Overview introduced a dedicated Return Preparedness component to guide structured, inter-agency support for emerging durable solutions.



[Click here](#) to access the 3RP Regional Strategic Overview for 2025.

As of 29 December, an estimated **419,200** Syrian refugees (26% men, 28% women and 46% children) have returned to Syria since the beginning of the year.

The majority have returned to Ar-Raqqa (25%), Aleppo (20%) and Dar'a (20%). This includes **58,400** individuals have returned to Syria since 8 December.

Data source: [UNHCR RESPONSE FACTSHEET; 30 December 2024](#)



Education as a pathway to solutions

Meet Maasoum, a Syrian refugee and rising sophomore at Bennington College in the United States, where he is studying psychology and computer science through the Duolingo University Access Program.

Through partnerships with organizations like Duolingo English Test, UNHCR is helping refugees resume their education through complementary pathways in third countries. These initiatives empower young refugees to rebuild their lives, apply their skills, and contribute meaningfully to their host communities.

“Education is the key to everything,” says one program advisor. “It allows refugee scholars to pursue their dreams, develop new skills, and prepare for impactful careers.”



[Click here to learn more.](#)

Maximizing resettlement opportunities for those most in need

21,942 refugees benefitted from resettlement from a range of states (Egypt, Jordan, Iraq, Lebanon, Türkiye).

Supporting safe and dignified returns, without incentivizing other returns

38,257 refugee returns to Syria were monitored or verified by UNHCR.



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Strategic Direction #3

Amid continued displacement and the compounded impacts of regional crises, refugees and vulnerable host populations across 3RP countries face deepening challenges. In Q2 2024, 93% of Syrian refugee households in Jordan reported being in debt, most commonly to cover rent, with average debt rising to JOD 1,252, a 3% increase from late 2023. Many families resorted to harmful coping strategies, including child labour, early marriage, and withdrawal from education. Economic instability, inflation, and overstretched public systems further limited access to essential services. While progress was seen in areas such as refugee-led businesses in Türkiye, persistent underfunding, especially in livelihoods, hindered broader gains. Nonetheless, 3RP partners remain committed to helping refugees and host communities access services, build self-reliance, and live in dignity.

Contributing to Dignified Lives

Building a life through creativity

Meet Hamida, a 26-year-old Syrian refugee and photographer rebuilding her life in Amman. Her work, often exhibited publicly, explores themes of peace and displacement, drawing deeply from her own journey.

With support from IRC Jordan and Citi Foundation's Resilient Futures program, Hamida received business training and a grant to pursue her passion professionally. "My strength is in my imagination," she says.

Empowered by opportunity, Hamida is turning her creativity into a source of income, identity, and inspiration.



Minimum standard of housing of the most affected communities is improved

36,328 households in **Türkiye** in and out of camps received assistance for shelter and shelter upgrades.

Economic opportunities for refugees and host communities expanded

9,056 individuals in **Lebanon** were able through support from 3RP partners to access decent jobs, sustainable income and entrepreneurship / business opportunities.



Access to quality health care services for refugees and host communities is improved

33,666 individuals in **Egypt** benefitted from consultations in primary health care services.

7,722 individuals in **Egypt** benefitted from other health care services (e.g., referral, secondary health care, sexual and reproductive health care, mental health care), which is 94% of the target reached.

A place to belong

“Working with children is the most rewarding part of my work,” says Laila, a former teacher and now General Manager of the Nur Al-Sham center in Gaziantep, Türkiye. The center provides education, language classes, and vocational training for orphaned refugee children and single mothers, helping them rebuild identity, dignity, and hope after displacement.

Laila sees firsthand how gaps in schooling and the trauma of conflict affect children’s sense of belonging.

With support from CARE Türkiye and the U.S. Government, the center is being restored and expanded to offer displaced women and children the opportunity to heal and thrive.

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Strategic Direction #4

3RP partners continue to strengthen the capacities of national systems and local actors to deliver inclusive and sustainable services for both refugees and host communities. As displacement becomes more protracted, municipalities and local authorities face growing strain in providing infrastructure, education, health, and waste management, often with limited central support. In 2024, 3RP efforts focused on scaling up civil servant capacity, and deepening coordination with civil society and private sector actors. Strengthening these systems remains key to ensuring sustainability, social cohesion, and long-term recovery.

Enhancing Local & National Capacities



“I thought I was just trying to survive. Now I'm building something that can help others.”

Abdüllatif, a Syrian refugee in Türkiye, transformed a fast-paced lifestyle into innovation with PriFa Coffee, a startup producing 1.5-calorie, portable coffee tablets. After 11 years of displacement and struggle, he turned his passion into a growing business.

Through SPARK's NAMA entrepreneurship program, supported by Qatar Fund for Development, Abdüllatif received mentorship, business training, and seed funding. PriFa Coffee went on to win the top prize out of 800 applicants.

Now sold on Amazon, Abdüllatif plans to expand further, creating job opportunities for both refugees and host communities. “I'll always work to grow this business so others like me can find decent income,” he says.



[Click here to read the full story.](#)



Response capacities of municipalities and other local authorities to deliver basic services and foster social cohesion strengthened

222 local / municipal mechanisms in **Türkiye** for interaction and dialogue between communities were in place and supported to foster social cohesion

Capacities of businesses to create and maintain decent employment opportunities strengthened

22,398 businesses in **Lebanon and Jordan** were supported through business development services, including grants, in-kind support, and access to finance.



“We’re not just learning the system, we’re helping change it.”

In the framework of their youth volunteering program, the Anti Corruption Commission in Lebanon collaborated with AFDAL Lebanon to provide a comprehensive training on its functions & relevant laws for 23 young women & men. 10 Volunteers were selected to support the Commission in achieving its mandate.

With the EU in Lebanon & Denmark in Lebanon, UNDP is committed to supporting initiatives that strengthen public institutions while empowering the next generation of changemakers.

Strengthening Protection from the Ground Up in Türkiye



DRC in Türkiye, in collaboration with UNHCR, hosted a capacity-building training for 30 humanitarian workers in Kahramanmaraş. Topics included Safe ID & Referral, Case Management, Safeguarding, and Community-Based Protection. Funded by Swiss Development and Cooperation.

Photo and story by DRC Türkiye

Empowering Communities Through Sustainable Livelihoods

Through community-based natural resource management, UNDP in Egypt introduced beekeeping in Wadi El Gemal and the production of more than 150 handcrafted accessories and leather products, providing women with steady incomes. In 2024, revenues increased by 25%.



Photo and story by UNDP Egypt

Frontline Response amid Conflict in Lebanon



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Photo and story by Humanity & Inclusion (HI)

As conflict escalated in Lebanon in late 2024, Humanity & Inclusion (HI) quickly adapted its programming to reach displaced individuals in Beirut, Beqaa, and the south. Through local partners and mobile teams, HI provided mental health support, assistive devices, reproductive health services, and risk education, including to many persons with disabilities. HI also trained frontline workers, equipped health facilities, and supported emergency preparedness efforts with local authorities and physiotherapists, reinforcing Lebanon’s national response capacity in crisis.

Sustainable and Safe Pathways to Eliminating Child Labour

In Jordan, Save the Children trained local civil society partners to better protect children from child labour. Over two weeks, participants learned about psychological resilience, case management, and positive parenting strategies to support at-risk children and their families.

The training also emphasized community awareness and employer responsibility, reinforcing the shared duty to prevent exploitation and uphold child rights. This initiative is part of the Sustainable and Safe Pathways to Eliminating Child Labour project, supported by the European Regional Development and Protection Programme (RDPP III).



Photo and story by Save the Children Jordan

When Education Is the Only Light



Photo and story by Pedro Costa Gomes / UNHCR Egypt

After years of internal displacement, Elham, a Syrian mother of four, fled to Egypt in 2016 with her family. Today, her husband works as a tailor, their only source of income. “Tailoring was just a hobby back home. Now, it’s how we survive,” she says.

Despite economic hardship, UNHCR’s monthly education grant, delivered through Catholic Relief Services, helps keep her two youngest sons in school. “Education is the only breath of fresh air I can offer my children.” Elham says.

As of November 2024, over 78,700 refugee and asylum-seeker children in Egypt are supported through UNHCR’s education grants, alongside efforts to strengthen public schools and promote refugee inclusion.

Trained for the Job – Ready for the Future



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Photo and story by ILO Türkiye

In Türkiye, the “I Am Trained for My Job” programme, led by ILO and Youth Deal Cooperative, is transforming how young people, refugees, and jobseekers prepare for the workforce.

By combining practical skills, hands-on experience, and inclusive recruitment, the programme helps break down barriers to employment and promotes equal opportunity. Participants leave not only with a job skill, but with renewed confidence and a path toward dignity and stability.

Language and Inclusion in the Kurdistan Region



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Photo and story by UNHCR / Rasheed Hussein Rasheed

In Sulaymaniyah, Syrian refugee Dalia Mahmoud is not only teaching Kurdish Sorani, she’s living it. Once an incentive-based teacher in parallel refugee schools, Dalia is now one of 700 Syrian educators officially hired by the Kurdistan Regional Government under the Refugee Education Integration Policy (REIP).

With support from UNHCR and partners, Dalia completed a Sorani language course and now teaches in a public school alongside local educators. “Becoming an official teacher is more than a job, it means I’m part of this community,” she says.

Through shared language and learning, Dalia is building connections in the classroom and beyond.



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