

REGIONAL OVERVIEW: RRP5 Update - August 2013

SHELTER



TARGETS



1,446,575

Syrian refugees



8,160

urban dwellings repaired or rehabilitated



65,066

shelter plots developed in camps



69,242

tents distributed to new arrivals



27,637

Pre-fabricated shelters distributed



398 million

USD required

NEEDS

The shelter needs among the Syrian refugee population in host countries is one of the most pressing problems of the crisis. Families are currently accommodated in tents or containers in camp settings, in host families, rental accommodation and collective centers. An increasing number of refugees are forced to find shelter in inadequate, makeshift shelter conditions, such as vacant factories or buildings. Shelter accommodation is frequently not durable as savings are depleted, rents increased and the family is forced to move. Overcrowding, substandard living conditions and unsustainable shelter (due to rents or host fatigue) are chronic concerns.

Within the overall objective to provide the most vulnerable with adequate shelter, Shelter sector working groups have identified a number of different interventions to pursue to meet shelter needs. These include the provision or support to rent emergency shelter, provision of caravans/tents in camp settings, provision of cash assistance to support the most vulnerable families to assist in covering rental costs and basic rehabilitation to make makeshift accommodation habitable when possible.

KEY AUGUST DEVELOPMENTS

In **Iraq** the Kurdistan region hosts more than 50,000 Syrian refugees in camp situation. The Kawrgosk camp is being extended with additional land area which is under development. Qushtapa received some 1,000 refugees. The Mayor of Basirma started moving individuals from the school to the temporary site. In **Jordan** the sector has begun planning to introduce ventilation systems in camps to avoid harm from gases evaporation or fires from heating systems. Mapping of informal (tented) settlements in urban areas has also been planned. In **Lebanon** the use of authorized farms as refugee shelters has been discussed in order to increase accommodation capacities. The number of informal settlements is increasing at a rate of 30-35 per month. Currently 368 informal settlements have been identified sheltering around 10,000 refugee households.

ACHIEVEMENTS TO DATE



391,215 refugees in camp and informal settlement were assisted with tents (emergency shelter)



11,634 persons benefitted from house rehabilitation



12,327 prefabs distributed to refugees in camps.



12,504,055 m2 of camp space developed in 2013 and **35,857** shelter plots developed in camps in Jordan.



128,456 refugees and **11,898** host families were supported with cash vouchers



6,443 refugees were accommodated in collective shelters



57,756 shelters were supported with winterization and/or weather proofing assistance

Camp vs non-camp Syrian refugee population

