



TARGETS



100,000

Syrian refugees (registered or awaiting registration)



10,000

Persons unwilling to register



177,000

Affected Lebanese



60,000

Lebanese returnees



30 million

USD required

NEEDS

A recent World Bank-UN assessment estimates that the Syrian crisis has cost Lebanon billions of dollars in lost economic activity for the period 2012-14. Some 1 million Lebanese are already considered to live in poverty, with the assessment projecting that an additional 170,000 Lebanese may be pushed into poverty and up to 320,000 will become unemployed in 2014.

According to the WB-UN study 1.4-1.6 billion USD is needed until end-2014 to stabilize and restore access and quality of health, education and social safety net services to pre-conflict level. Both refugees and vulnerable Lebanese are severely affected by pressure on public services, increasing competition for job opportunities and rising prices. Tensions are increasing and the continued protection space in the country is at risk.

Planning for community support has been further developed since the launch of the RRP5 in recognition of the urgent need to support Government institutions and Lebanese communities. While a wide range of projects have been implemented to mitigate the effects of displacement, much more needs to be done build community skills to manage conflicts, address misperceptions, promote self-reliance, and reinforce physical and social services. Without greater investments in social cohesion protection space in Lebanon will be put at risk. Reinforced advocacy to promote livelihoods is also important to reduce refugees' dependence on humanitarian assistance to survive and mitigate against

OBJECTIVES

1. Social cohesion in affected communities supported
2. Self reliance, livelihoods and physical and social infrastructure in affected areas enhanced

ACTIONS/OUTPUTS

- 1 Community conflict management
- 2 Advocacy/communication and community driven solidarity projects
- 3 Income generation, employment and market opportunities
- 4 Vocational and lifeskills training; job placement and creation of services

KEY SEPTEMBER DEVELOPMENTS

- Livelihoods centres (job placement, counseling, employment services) set up in three areas in Lebanon
- Training of trainers for senior mediators concluded in Tripoli region
- 12 community support projects completed and 11 new started

ACHIEVEMENTS TO DATE



119 Community Support Projects completed or ongoing benefitting some 1,650,000 Lebanese and some 500,000 refugees



3,000 persons received vocational training (40% Lebanese)

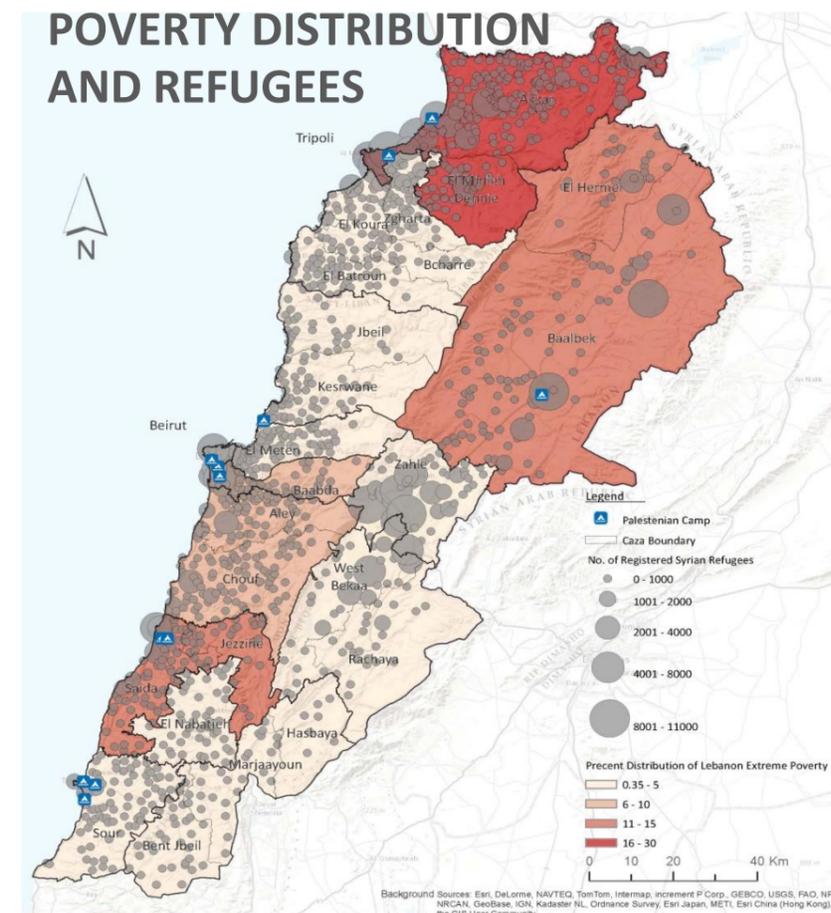


200 youth trained in conflict resolution



8 Senior mediators trained in conflict awareness and mediation

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