

# REGIONAL OVERVIEW: RRP5 Update - October 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



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 rehabilitation of collective shelters, apartments and houses, provision shelter and weather proofing kits to improve unfinished houses, 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 OCTOBER DEVELOPMENTS

In **Iraq**, the relocation of refugees to "Transit 6" from Domiz camp has been launched, with "Transit 6" now hosting 203 families. The site development for a total of 710 families is continuing. As part of winterization measures, the gravelling of roads and plots is completed in Arbat and the raising of tent floor levels has been undertaken in Al Qa'im.

In **Jordan**, site development and infrastructure upgrading works for camps continued during October with a focus on storm water control and contingency preparedness for a potential larger scale influx during the coming winter months. Support to refugees in urban settings focused on need assessments, winterization, and provision of additional shelter units.

The rehabilitation of 12 collective shelters started in **Lebanon** to accommodate 1,535 refugees. Some 38,620 refugees benefited from weather proofing in more than 100 informal refugee settlements. Site improvement ongoing in 23 flood-prone IS in Bekaa hosting approximately 8,000 refugees.

## ACHIEVEMENTS TO DATE



more than **477,000** refugees in camp and informal settlement were assisted with tents (emergency shelter)



some **85,000** persons benefitted from house rehabilitation



**12,900** prefabs distributed to refugees in camps in Jordan



more than **8,514,000 m<sup>2</sup>** of camp space developed in 2013 and over **33,000** shelter plots developed in 2 camps and 2 transit centres in Jordan.



**141,000** refugees and **13,900** host families were supported with cash vouchers



**6,750** refugees were accommodated in collective shelters



More than **79,000** shelters were supported with winterization and/or

