

## SYRIAN REFUGEE RESPONSE: LEBANON INTER-AGENCY UPDATE



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LEBANON



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*Agencies and the Government of Lebanon had requested US\$1.89 billion in the inter-agency funding appeal.*

*The mid-year review in June resulted in a downward revision of these requirements to US\$ 1.68 billion. US\$ 538.86 million - 32 per cent - has been received as of 5 August.*

### THIS WEEK'S HIGHLIGHTS

- 31,479 had access to food through e-card modality or food parcels;
- 3,160 refugees received 603 weatherproofing kits;
- 497,000 liters of water were distributed in Aarsal to benefit refugee and host communities;
- 2,682 adolescents benefited from life skills education;
- 9,855 consultations were conducted for primary and secondary health care.

## CHILD PROTECTION

25 Lebanese and Syrian girls and boys between 13 and 18 years were trained to raise awareness among their peers as part of UNICEF's prevention activities on Gender Based Violence, early marriage, access to education and hygiene promotion.

## FOOD SECURITY

18,592 Syrian refugees accessed food through the use of the electronic card. In addition, 12,887 newcomers awaiting registration received food parcels.

32,370 children under 5 have been screened by IOCC at the community level to identify children with malnutrition. 14,640 children under 5 have been screened at the primary health care centres for malnutrition.

770 children under 5 are receiving treatment for malnutrition for Severe Acute Malnutrition (SAM) without complications/ Moderate Acute Malnutrition (MAM); with the majority being identified in Bekaa. 180 children under 5 have been admitted for inpatient management of malnutrition.

9,800 children between 6-59 months of age have received sprinkles while 3,920 pregnant and lactating women have received micronutrients. *(Please note that the above paragraph on malnutrition gives cumulative figures between Jan and Jul 2014. It is a correction to figures stated in a previous thematic update on nutrition.)*

## SHELTER

Partners continue their weatherproofing activities to help prepare Syrian refugees for the coming winter season. 3,160 refugees received 603 shelter kits, mostly in the Bekaa, while rehabilitation works targeting 56 shelters continued in the South and Mount Lebanon.

## HEALTH

In coordination with the Ministry of Public Health (MoPH), 8,705 primary health care consultations were conducted in the past week including treatments, referrals, medication, antenatal care, postnatal care, family planning, child health care and diagnostic tests provided by AMEL, International Medical Corps (IMC), and UNHCR through mobile or centre-based clinics. Additionally, some 1,150 individuals were hospitalized this week, including 660 deliveries supported by UNHCR.

## EDUCATION

2,682 adolescents benefited from life skills education (bringing the cumulative total for 2014 to 20,099) and 1,008 children accessed psychosocial support in education programmes (for a total of 27,400 in 2014). Around 2,420 children were provided with non-formal learning opportunities.

## WATER, SANITATION, HYGIENE (WASH)

497,000 Liters of water were distributed by humanitarian partners in the town of Aarsal in Bekaa.

339 garbage bins (240 litres capacity each) were provided to five municipalities in South Lebanon to support them in the collection of solid waste in their respective areas by ACF.

## Soha's Story



*Soha, mid-twenties, uses one of the sewing machines at the community centre.  
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For many of the refugees displaced by the Syrian crisis, starting life from scratch was a bleak and daunting reality. Soha had fled Syria with her husband and children when the conflict started. Despite having to flee her home and take refuge in neighboring Lebanon, she remains hopeful about the future. "Life here is expensive, especially when you need to start everything from scratch. It is my duty to help my husband who struggles every day to cover basic costs".

Soha always wanted to become a seamstress, and one of her friends advised her to attend the sewing courses provided to Syrian refugees and Lebanese at the Community Centre supported by the Danish Refugee Council (DRC) in northern Bekaa.

Skills development training courses, such as the sewing course attended by Soha, give her and other Syrian refugees the opportunity to expand or adapt their skillsets and to provide for their families and the communities in which they are now living. After completing the sewing course, Soha is now equipped with not only new sewing techniques, but with the confidence to start stitching clothes for her family, friends and neighbors. She now dreams of having her own sewing business, and being able to provide a better life for her children.

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