



NFI distribution for camps focused on Islahiye 2 and Suruc camps in April and continued in the Suruc area for Non-camp Refugees.

APRIL HIGHLIGHTS:

During the month of April, through its implementing partner, IOM continued supporting 3,987 individuals living in Kirikhan in Hatay province through the provision of vouchers. IOM also continued to provide transportation assistance to 811 Syrians refugees to reach market area in Adiyaman, enabling them to purchase necessary items that are not available in the camp facilities. In Mardin, 326 Syrians refugees were also provided with transposition, to move between camps in the province.

UNFPA had completed the procurement of reproductive health and hygiene kits for Central Emergency Response Fund (CERF), specifically for Sanliurfa/Suruc Province. In addition, 300,000 revised brochures on Sanitation (hand washing) have been ordered in Arabic.

During the reporting period, UNHCR has delivered 217 WASH units (95 shower and 122 WC containers) and 136 wheel chairs to Suruc and Islahiye 2 camps. UNHCR has also delivered winterization items (HT blankets, winter clothing sets consisting of thermal tops, bottoms and anoraks and foam mattresses) to Islahiye 2 and Suruc camps as well as to ASAM and Concern for distribution in urban settlements. In addition to the WASH and winterization items, UNHCR has delivered jerry cans, kitchen cabinets, kitchen sets, sleeping mats, sanitary napkins, hygiene parcels and stoves to Islahiye 2 and Suruc camps and to non-camp refugees through ASAM and Concern.

Regarding cash/voucher assistance, UNHCR Turkey will continue with the same implementation modalities that have been used in 2014 through provision of multi-purpose vouchers as cash assistance to Syrian refugees through two partners: Support to Life (STL) and International Medical Corps (IMC). Throughout 2015, STL will provide cash assistance to 1,000 most vulnerable refugee households (est. 5,000 individuals) living in Hatay and other areas (possibly Iskenderun) and IMC will provide cash assistance to 25,000 individuals initially in Gaziantep with planned expansion to Adana, Istanbul and Izmir.

STL is still in discussion with the Government with regards to the final distribution locations, pending the approval of the expansion of assistance provision to Iskenderun. Until such time, the distribution will take place in Narlica as planned. STL has dedicated the first quarter of the year to finalise the criteria for assistance, capacity building of staff and conducting a market assessment. The distribution of the vouchers is expected to start in May.

IMC have distributed a total of 12,395 one-time vouchers (procured with funds from 2014) in 2015 in Gaziantep. The total number of individuals/HH that the vouchers have reached in 2015 is 30,942 individuals (6,019 HH). With the vouchers procured in 2015, the plan is to distribute in the following cities, starting end-May or early June; Gaziantep (6,000), Istanbul (3,000), Izmir (1,500), Adana (2,000) based on the assessed needs and capacity.

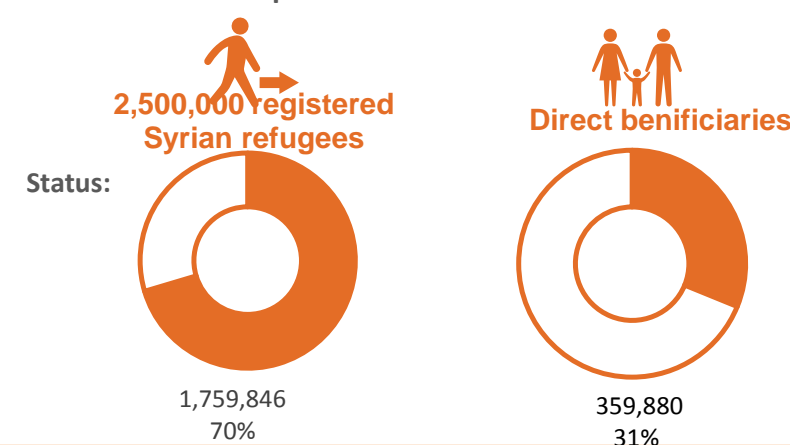
The current system IMC has in place for targeting includes mobile teams visiting, on a daily basis, the Social Solidarity Foundations (SSFs) and Mukhtars to receive a list of vulnerable Syrian refugees. These vulnerable individuals are then visited for interview and assessment by IMC social workers, and the vulnerability check-list is completed for verification. Only those families assessed as vulnerable are entitled to the voucher assistance to support their basic needs.



Syrian refugees are provided with core-relief items including cooking facilities, cupboards, blankets, heaters. @Argun, UNHCR

Key Figures:

Planned Sector Response:



NEEDS ANALYSIS:

In 2015 and 2016, the focus from the international community will be to support the Government in maintaining appropriate conditions in the camps and in ensuring sustainability of the interventions. Although the total number of people in camps remains fairly stable, new arrivals are transferred whenever space becomes available. As most of refugees have lived in the camps for over two years, maintenance and improvement of services remain critical. The Government estimates that 2.1 million refugees will be living within communities by the end of 2015. The vast majority of them have exhausted their resources while struggling to make ends meet. Therefore, there is a need to provide support to the most vulnerable refugees, who will be identified according to comprehensive and protection sensitive criteria, ensuring equitable access for all refugees to available support.

The main priorities in the basic needs sector include:

- Bedding, kitchen sets and hygiene materials in particular in camps and for new arrivals in communities through systematic standard operating procedures, ensuring equitable access for all groups;
- Shelter and NFIs to meet the needs of vulnerable persons, based on referral from local authorities and partners, whose capacity will be built to identify vulnerabilities according to comprehensive criteria and standard operating procedures, ensuring equitable access;
- The increase of cash-based assistance in partnership with the authorities and partners and the identification of the most vulnerable persons of concern;
- The provision of support to the Government in providing shelter solutions (in and outside of camps);
- The provision of winter clothes for newly arriving Syrian refugees; The maintenance of WASH services in the camps and technical support to the municipalities to enhance these services in urban areas;
- The personal hygiene needs of women and girls;
- The increase of local service delivery capacity for Syrians and host communities.

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