

International Orthodox Christian Charities (IOCC)



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About IOCC

- IOCC is a U.S.-based INGO that was established in 1992
- IOCC's headquarters is in Baltimore, MD, USA
- IOCC offers emergency relief and development programs to those in need worldwide without discrimination
- Since its founding, IOCC has worked in more than 50 countries
 - Current focus areas include: Syria, Jordan, Lebanon, Greece, Jerusalem, West Bank, Gaza, and the United States
- IOCC responds to those who are suffering and in need to enable them to continue to improve their own lives and communities and to have means to live with dignity, respect, and hope

IOCC in Jordan

- IOCC began working in Jordan in 2005
- IOCC's work has focused on those most in need, including Jordanians, Palestinians, Iraqis, and Syrians who require assistance
- IOCC has implemented projects in Jordan in both relief and development -- including projects in the health, protection, shelter, agriculture/food security, basic needs/non-food items, WASH, and livelihoods sectors
- IOCC's Jordan office is located in Amman with one staffer based in Mafraq and an office opening soon in early 2017 in Azraq refugee camp

IOCC Activities in Jordan



WASH: Hygiene Vouchers

- Helped families meet basic household needs and purchase needed hygiene items (such as soap, shampoo, and toothpaste)
 - Paired with food vouchers valued between 25 – 35 JOD, depending on family size
- In coordination with Jordan Hashemite Charity Organization and Jordan's Civil Cooperatives Association
- Voucher recipients could purchase hygiene items from 13 supermarket branches
- Amman and Zarqa
- Reached 1,200 households
- Project concluded in October 2016



Sample Hygiene Voucher Purchase

*The following is a sample of how one family of five people used its hygiene voucher (8 JD) during June 2016.
The family received the vouchers on June 22 and purchased items on June 26.*

Item	Unit Price	Units	Total Price
Shampoo Dove (400 ML)	2.890	1	2.89
Dish Cleaning Sponge	0.50	1	0.50
Wet Wipes	0.85	1	0.85
Sanitary Pads	0.65	1	0.65
Tissues	1.30	2	2.60
Sanitary Pads	0.75	1	0.75
TOTAL			8.24 JD

WASH/Health: Anti-Head Lice Treatment

- Distribution of **10,000 units** of anti-head lice treatment to children and their family members in coordination with Ministry of Health and Jordan Health Aid Society International in health clinics, schools, and other locations in need
- Distribution locations include: Amman, Irbid, Mafraq, Madaba, Zarqa, Ramtha, Zaatari refugee camp, Azraq refugee camp, Cyber City refugee camp, and Rukban



Health & Nutrition

- **Community awareness sessions** infant and young child feeding (IYCF), anemia prevention, healthy lifestyles, and other nutrition-related topics
- Distribution of **personal hygiene kits**
- **Screening** for malnutrition
- **Referral** of cases of malnutrition for follow-up assistance and treatment, if identified
- Amman, Irbid, Mafraq, and Zarqa governorates
- **3,224 people reached in 2015-2016;**
4,000 people targeted in 2016-2017



Health/Protection: Persons with Disabilities

- Project Activities
 - **Training** of community-based rehabilitation workers
 - **Screening, assessment, diagnosis** ,and **treatment** for children with hearing, visual, and mild-to-moderate mobility disabilities
 - **Provision of assistive devices**, such as hearing aids, glasses, and mobility aids
 - **Follow-up** and assistive device **maintenance**
 - **Community awareness** sessions
 - Parent/caregiver **self-help groups**
 - Sign language/basic communication skills **educational opportunities**
- Amman, Balqa, Irbid, & Mafrq governorates
- **4,540 people reached in 2015-2016;**
6,085 people targeted in 2016-2017



- IOCC is currently expanding these activities to Azraq refugee camp

Basic Needs: Winterization

- Utilizing WFP's OneCard Platform, IOCC is distributing **e-vouchers** to **220 Syrian refugees and vulnerable Jordanian households** for purchase of winterization items, such as blankets, clothes, and heaters
- Amman governorate
- Project concludes in February 2017



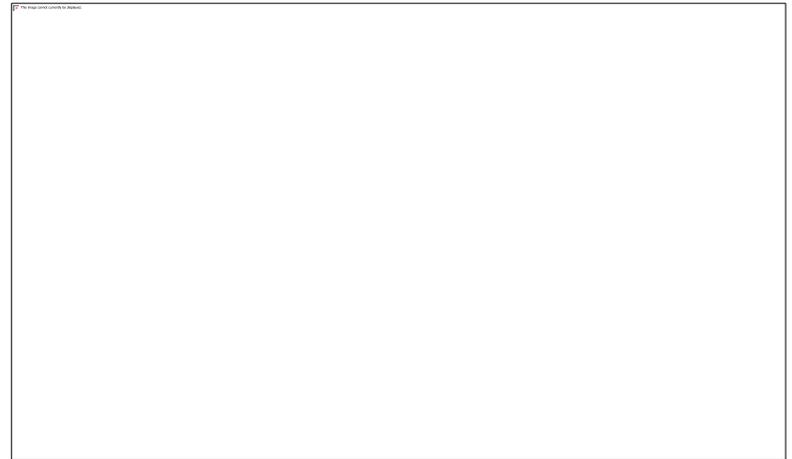
Shelter: Rehabilitation

- **Rehabilitation** of residences of Syrian refugees and vulnerable Jordanians whose homes need upgrades made to improve the **health** and **safety** of the shelter
- IOCC rehabilitated **90 households** (home to 613 people) in Irbid, Mafraq, and Zarqa
 - Coordinated with landlords of to obtain approval to beginning improvements
 - Selected local contractor to provide home repairs, including carpentry, plumbing, electrical, roofing, and/or wall repairs
- IOCC is currently completing **10 households** in Amman to conclude the project
 - IOCC's team of engineers is working directly with beneficiaries and their landlords to complete the shelter rehabilitation work



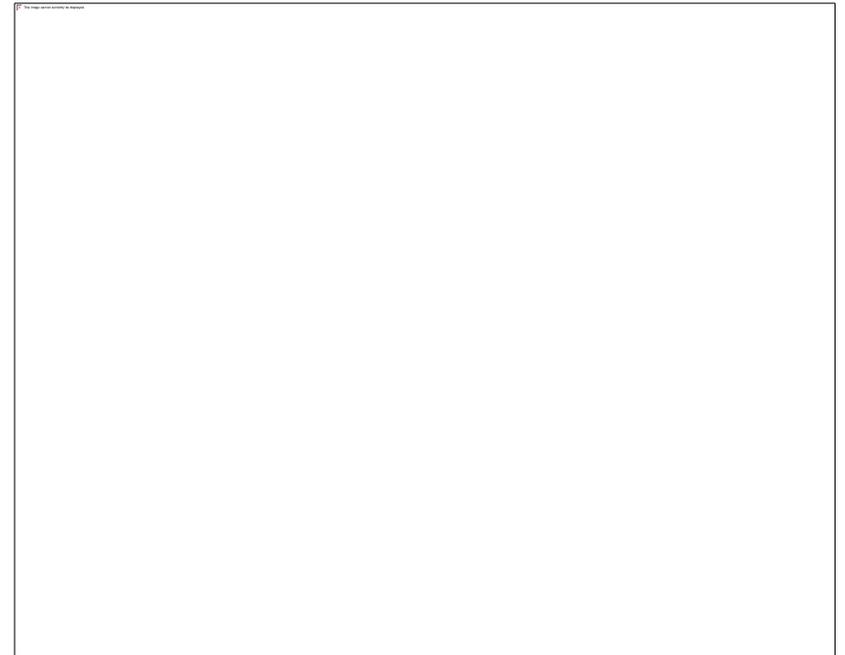
Shelter: Cash-for-Rent

- In 2016, IOCC provided cash-for-rent to **1,041 households** (composed of nearly 2,300 people) in Irbid, Mafraq, Zarqa, Amman, Madaba, Karak, and Ma'an
- Selected families received *on average* 140 JD per month, depending on needs and rent.
- IOCC coordinated with beneficiary landlords to ensure that rent prices did not increase and beneficiaries were not evicted and issued the payments via checks written out to the landlords.
- Cash-for-rent assistance was distributed to selected households for 3 months.
- Project activities concluded in January 2017



Agriculture & Food Security

- Working with vulnerable Jordanian farmers, IOCC is:
 - Establishing 25 water catchment systems
 - Training 25 farmers on water conservation
 - Distributing livestock (chickens, goats, and cows) to 40 households
 - Training 40 farmers on animal husbandry
 - Establishing 15 greenhouses
- Balqa, Jerash, and Karak governorates
- Project is currently ongoing



Other Previous & Upcoming IOCC Projects



- **PREVIOUS: Food Vouchers**
 - Amman and Zarqa
 - Targeting 1,200 families
- **PREVIOUS: Cash-for-Rent, Reaching Iraqi Refugees**
 - Amman and Zarqa
 - Targeting 175 families
- **PREVIOUS: Winterization 2015-16**
 - Amman, Mafraq, Zarqa, Madaba, and Irbid
 - Distribution of clothing, rugs, and food parcels to 3,184 households
- **UPCOMING: Shelter + Livelihoods**
 - New project will be focused on transitioning families receiving cash-for-rent to self-sustainability through training and skills development in construction and related fields

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