



This monthly update is a coordination tool that aims to improve communication between sectors and up to the Humanitarian Partners Forum. It focuses on processes, rather than achievements. The latter are covered through separate monthly sector dashboards, available through the Inter-Agency Portal and at <http://data.unhcr.org/jordan/sectors/>

I. General / Inter-Sector Update

The Financial Tracking System (FTS) report for the fourth quarter 2017 has been finalized. In 2017, the Refugee component is reportedly funded by 76% (comparatively to 94% in 2016). In 2017, the critical decrease of funds is observed in Health, Shelter, WASH and Education sectors. The Resilience component was funded 23% only (started financial tracking in 2017).

II. Sector information

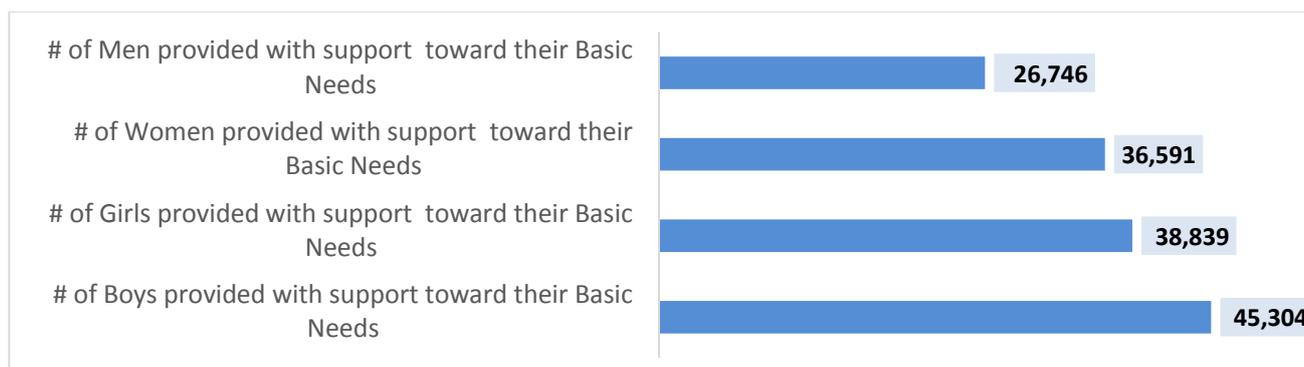


BASIC NEEDS

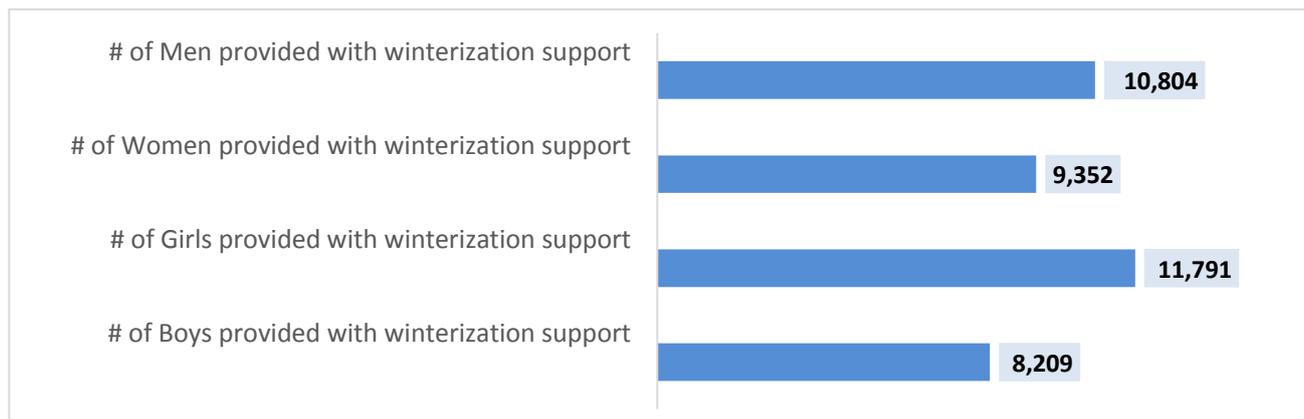
In January, the Basic Needs Working Group provided around USD 4,864,333 worth of regular cash, winterization assistance and non-food items (NFIs) to vulnerable beneficiaries in the refugee and host communities.

Urban:

Number of individuals and households provided with the basic needs support in form of regular cash and non-food item (NFIs) is as follows:



Number of individuals and households provided with winterization support in form of winterization cash and non-food item (NFIs) is as follows:



Azraq camp:

Around 8,690 women, girls, boys and men benefited from distribution of NFIs in form of life saving basic needs assistance that consists of replenishment / replacement kits and basic core relief items.

Zaatari camp:

Around 9,468 women, girls, boys and men benefited from distribution of NFIs in form of life saving basic needs assistance that consists of replenishment / replacement kits and basic core relief items.



EDUCATION

Early Child Education (ECE) Services:

UNICEF worked together with the Ministry of Education for preparation of an ECE Partnership Launching Ceremony that aims at expanding KG programme in the country by establishing public private partnership.

A consultation with UNICEF partners was organized to map capacities of education partners to scale up KG and nursery services in Makani centres within the framework of Early Childhood Development in host communities camps.

Outreach Campaign:

A “Learning For All” campaign was undertaken focusing on dissemination of key messages to improve the retention rate in public schools. It also promoted policy of the Ministry of Education to grant the 9-12 years aged out-of-school children enrolment in the catch-up classes during the second semester commencing on the 7 February 2018. UNHCR supported sending out of about two million SMS messages to different caseloads of parents of schools age children in the country.



FOOD SECURITY

WFP reached around 491,000 Syrian refugees residing in camps and host communities through the voucher programme via the cash based transfers. Around 109,000 refugees residing in camps and 207,000 extremely vulnerable refugees living in host communities receive USD 28.2 per person per month; while 175,000 refugees categorized as vulnerable to food security receive USD 14.1 per person per month.

Given the promising results of the block-chain pilot in Village 5 of Azraq camp, WFP expanded use of the innovative technology in Azraq and Zaatari camps. Over 106,000 beneficiaries can redeem their monthly entitlements through the Building Blocks.

In January, WFP continued implementation of a “Choice” modality in Balqa, Zarqa and Madaba governorates for about 60,000 Syrian refugees. During January, 50 percent of “Choice” beneficiaries chose to redeem assistance in form of an e-voucher, 39 percent as cash, 7 percent as both, while the remaining did not redeem their assistance. “Choice” is an innovative modality introduced by WFP in Jordan, allowing beneficiaries to redeem their assistance either as food-restricted vouchers or unrestricted cash, or both as per their preferred choice.



HEALTH

Reproductive Health (RH) Sub-Working Group:

Recommendation on the H services in camps emerged from the Emergency Obstetric Care (EmOC) training course and report have been discussed at the sub-sector level. The new recommendations were adopted, in comparison with the national procedures. The donors and RH partners agreed on the follow up measures.

Nutrition Sub-Sector Working Group:

The sub-sector agencies are currently updating the Malnutrition Questionnaire that will be used in the field.

UNICEF is currently finalizing a contracting process to conduct a micronutrient deficiency survey in Jordan. The survey will cover refugees and non-refugees of different nationalities.

Caritas is identified as UNHCR's partner to implement nutrition services as part of primary health care in Zarqa and in the south of Jordan.

Azraq Camp:

UNHCR is coordinating with UNFPA, UNICEF and other health partners on reopening of the Primary Healthcare Clinic in Village 2 which had been closed in December 2017. In the meantime, residents of Village 2 can receive healthcare services in Azraq camp hospital and in the Primary Healthcare Clinic in Village 3.

Zaatari Camp:

Opening of the Qatar Charity Medical center in District 12, which will be run by Arabian Medical Relief AMR. The establishment of this center came as an alternative to the old center, which was closed because it became overcrowded especially for its location inside the District 1.

The "Seasonal Influenza Treatment Protocol of 2017-2018" and was distributed in coordination with Ministry of Health (MoH) among all health facilities providing primary health care in the camp. In addition, the clinics dealing with such cases received the "Best Practice of Infection Control Guideline"; and all the health partners received the "Seasonal Flu Awareness Brochures". In accordance with the MoH seasonal flu awareness leaflets, the community health volunteers are developing the awareness raising messages regarding seasonal influenza.

Berm Situation:

The berm clinic continues to provide primary health care services and emergency life-saving referrals to the Syrian asylum seekers from Rukban. Since the 15 December 2016, there have been 21,328 visits to Rukban clinic for medical consultation, provision of essential medicines, nutrition assessment and reproductive health services. A total of 867 cases were admitted to the Jordanian hospitals till end of January 2018 through the emergency life-saving referrals.

The Jordanian Armed Forces (JAF) have allegedly suspended admission of all cases for the in country treatment at Jordanian hospitals even those requiring life-saving treatment. As a result, since 16 January 2018 only 24 cases have been allowed in.



PROTECTION

Case Management for Child Protection and SGBV:

In January, UNHCR provided refreshment on case management to the case managers, which included topics on the steps that should be taken by case managers for the SGBV and CP cases and Information Management Systems used to support data consolidation in the case management processes. The organizations were encouraged to review the Case Management guidelines and the minimum standards.

Sexual and Gender Based Violence (SGBV) Sub-Working Group:

A planning workshop brought together around 20 organizations who drafted the 2018 work plan of the sub-sector, endorsed recommendations to the SGBV gap analysis, agreed to review an inter-agency referral form and to develop guidance for safe referrals.

IRD presented a GBV good practice on data protection considerations during referrals.

The sector gender focal point presented the sector gender analysis for 2017.

Child Labour Taskforce (CLTF):

The Child Protection sub-sector working group and the Child Labour task force discussed inter-sector coordination aiming to avoid duplication of efforts. In the meantime, follow up will take place on the finalized advocacy messages developed by TDH.

Child Protection (CP) Sub-Working group:

Upon intensive consultations of the group members, the 2018 work plan of the CP SWG was finalized and endorsed. The focus of 2018 plan will be on three thematic areas: Youth and Adolescents, Child Marriage and Child Labour. As well, the group will strengthen inter-sector linkages (starting from the Livelihoods, Protection and SGBV), and enhance coordination with various task forces.

The 2018 workplan is uploaded at the UNHCR data sharing portal here: [link](#)

Mental Health Psychosocial Support Sub-Working Group:

IMC has finalized the “Understanding the Mental Health and Psycho-Social Needs, and Service Utilization of Syrian Refugees and Jordanian Nationals” assessment. The report represents a qualitative and quantitative analysis, examining coping mechanisms and help-seeking behaviors among Syrian refugees in Jordan, and identifies barriers to the services’ utilization. This assessment aims to inform a wider discussion among relevant national and international actors in Jordan on improving the mental health and psycho-social services.

Information is also presented in relation to the Jordanian host communities and their coping and help-seeking behaviors to ensure an increased understanding within the humanitarian community on the needs of vulnerable Jordanians. This report concludes with key recommendations to strengthen availability and accessibility of comprehensive and appropriate mental health and psycho-social support services in Jordan.

The report of the assessment is uploaded at the UNHCR data sharing portal here: [link](#)

The “National Mental Health and the Substance Use” plan (2018-2021) has been drafted and shared with the Ministry of Health for their review and comments. WHO will translate the finalized document into Arabic and share it officially with all the stakeholders.



Azraq camp:

In January, UNHCR Quick Fix Team continued repair and maintenance of 200 vacant and allocated shelters in Villages 2, 3, 5 and 6.

In Village 5, filing of the road with coarse aggregate is completed. Installation for three plastic pipes with 6 inches diameter is accomplished.

By the end of January, 830 shelters were upgraded and repaired in the camp.

Zatari camp:

By the end of January, 47 shelters were upgraded and repaired in the camp.



Zaatari camp:

The percentage completion of the network installation is 67%; 5,762 households are now connected to the water supply network and 1,165 households are connected to the wastewater network.

Azraq camp:

Connection to the greywater network expanded to include additional 936 shelters.

To improve cleanliness of the communal WASH blocks, UNICEF distributed 770 cleaning kits in four villages reaching out 36,631 people. During the month of January, additional 66 ramps were constructed at the WASH facilities for people with disabilities, increasing their access to WASH services.

Host Community interventions:

Totally, 10 of 13 schools and 365 surrounding households in Irbid, Ajloun, Jerash, Mafraq, and Badia governorates were connected to the existing networks reaching out 2,500 students and 2,190 local residents.



LIVELIHOODS

Since 2016, totally 87,141 work permits were issued and renewed for Syrian refugees in Jordan, of them:

- 3,634 in January 2018;
- 13,871 in the camps during February'17 – January'18.

III. Contacts and links

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- ISWG page http://data.unhcr.org/syrianrefugees/working_group.php?Page=Country&LocationId=107&Id=60