

Middle East Crisis Response

FY16 Updates & Ongoing Relief Efforts



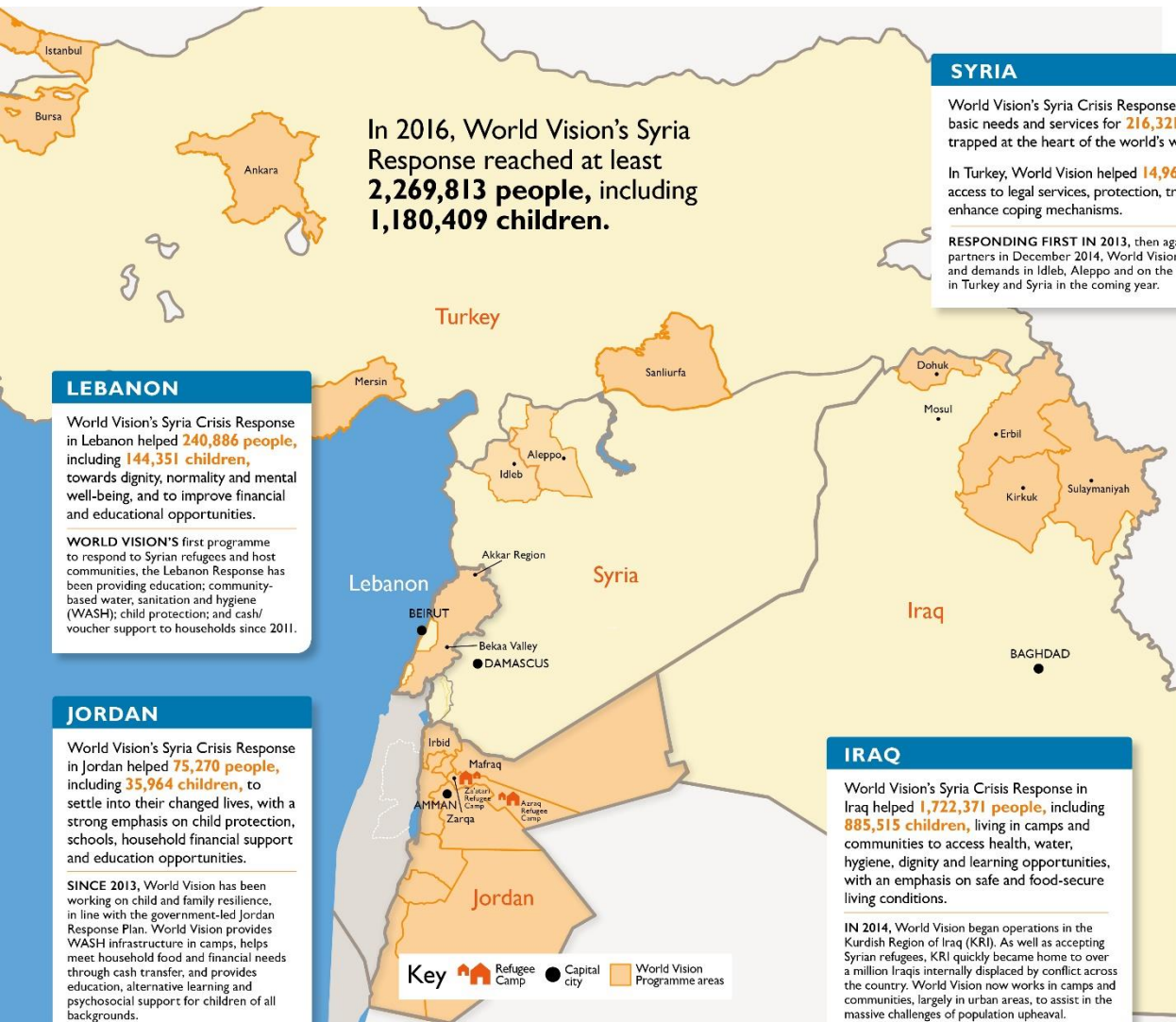
Syrian refugee-children who are now benefitting from World Vision's interventions in the Middle East

Now in its seventh year, the Syria Crisis shows no signs of abating and children are caught in the middle. Out of over 4.8 million registered refugees, over half are children.

Displaced from their homes within Syria and in neighbouring countries, these children experience chronic shortages in local shelter, clean water, primary health services, education, food and have been exposed to unimaginable terrors.

As a result, World Vision works in the affected countries, namely Syria, Iraq, Lebanon, Jordan and Turkey to help to meet the needs of the displaced children and their families.

In 2016, with your support, **2,269,813 people** were helped, including **1,180,409 children**:



In 2016, World Vision's Syria Response reached at least **2,269,813 people**, including **1,180,409 children**.

LEBANON

World Vision's Syria Crisis Response in Lebanon helped **240,886 people**, including **144,351 children**, towards dignity, normality and mental well-being, and to improve financial and educational opportunities.

WORLD VISION'S first programme to respond to Syrian refugees and host communities, the Lebanon Response has been providing education; community-based water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH); child protection; and cash/voucher support to households since 2011.

JORDAN

World Vision's Syria Crisis Response in Jordan helped **75,270 people**, including **35,964 children**, to settle into their changed lives, with a strong emphasis on child protection, schools, household financial support and education opportunities.

SINCE 2013, World Vision has been working on child and family resilience, in line with the government-led Jordan Response Plan. World Vision provides WASH infrastructure in camps, helps meet household food and financial needs through cash transfer, and provides education, alternative learning and psychosocial support for children of all backgrounds.

SYRIA

World Vision's Syria Crisis Response in-country helped to maintain or restore basic needs and services for **216,321 people**, including **114,579 children**, trapped at the heart of the world's worst humanitarian crisis.

In Turkey, World Vision helped **14,965 recently arrived refugees** with access to legal services, protection, translation and non-formal education to enhance coping mechanisms.

RESPONDING FIRST IN 2013, then again with an increased reach through local partners in December 2014, World Vision now works with rapidly changing populations and demands in Idlib, Aleppo and on the Turkish border, with plans to expand further in Turkey and Syria in the coming year.

IRAQ

World Vision's Syria Crisis Response in Iraq helped **1,722,371 people**, including **885,515 children**, living in camps and communities to access health, water, hygiene, dignity and learning opportunities, with an emphasis on safe and food-secure living conditions.

IN 2014, World Vision began operations in the Kurdish Region of Iraq (KRI). As well as accepting Syrian refugees, KRI quickly became home to over a million Iraqis internally displaced by conflict across the country. World Vision now works in camps and communities, largely in urban areas, to assist in the massive challenges of population upheaval.

People reached by sector, October 2015 to September 2016

- FOOD (DISTRIBUTION AND FOOD VOUCHER) & CASH ASSISTANCE**
 750,365 PEOPLE
 394,380 Children included
- WATER, SANITATION AND HYGIENE**
 1,532,584 PEOPLE
 816,922 Children included
- CHILD PROTECTION AND EDUCATION**
 165,165 PEOPLE
 94,788 Children included
- HEALTH**
 60,724 PEOPLE
 26,871 Children included
- WINTER SUPPLIES AND SHELTER**
 46,592 PEOPLE
 25,383 Children included

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In the last quarter of 2016, we have been working in the following areas:

Ongoing Relief Efforts



Progress in Education

- **1,306 children** enrolled in school this year in Iraq and have access to a mobile library, sports equipment and life skills training. **166 children** also participated in a Back to School Campaign to facilitate their re-enrolment into formal schools.
- **300 children** under five are attending Early Childhood Education Centres in Jordan
- **260 school bags** were distributed to children in Iraq
- **33 students groups** were established and linked up with schools
- **9 Early Childhood classrooms** in Lebanon were equipped with necessary learning materials.



"I Have to Learn"

The war in Syria was just an obstacle in the academic path of this group of Syrian refugee children who strongly believes that they have to learn. With the help of their parents, they are now pursuing their education in World Vision's Early Childhood Education (ECE) centres in Lebanon.



Progress in Emergency Relief Items

- **639,584 megatons** of rice was distributed to more than **100,000 displaced Syrians** in Jordan
- **149,205 date bars** and **153,276 juice boxes** were distributed in the school feeding programme, which benefitted more than **3,600 students** in Jordan
- **8,750 blankets** and **4,250 mattresses** distributed to displaced Syrians
- **7,906 stoves, 300 heaters, 300 tonnes of coal** and **gas replenishment** provided to households and refugee camps in preparation for winter
- **359 houses** have been repaired or are undergoing repairs in Syria



Progress in Child Protection

- **6,066 people** benefitted from psychosocial support in **3 child friendly spaces** and various other clinics in Syria. Parents stated that **99%** of their children were happy with the Child Friendly Spaces.
- **1,265 caregivers** attended monthly meetings that provided quality information on positive coping mechanisms for children and caregivers and increased child protection awareness
- **86 educators** trained on child's rights, child protection and life skills
- **40 awareness raising sessions** were conducted, including distribution of 5,500 brochures and a screening of a short film against violence towards children



World Vision staff distributes blankets to communities at A'zaz Camp near Aleppo. Heaters and fuel were also distributed to households to prepare for the coming winter



Jouri, 12, (wearing white) a Syrian refugee, and her classmates draw pictures to imagine and visualise their lives if they had a chance to "hatch" into a brand new world, part of healing therapy for the children at the Child Friendly Space and Early Childhood Education Center for Syrian Refugee children, near Zahle' in Bekaa, Lebanon.



Progress in Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH)

- **208,294 people** benefitted from the maintenance of sewage lines and water stations, and waste removal in Syria
- **2,366 hygiene kits** distributed to displaced Syrian refugees
- **14 water stations** repaired / set up and provided with fuel and generators
- In Lebanon, the average daily consumption of water per person was increased to **35 litres**, ensuring the minimum standards of 15 litres per person daily, set by WHO, were met.



Progress in Health

- **123,835 people** benefitted from health promotion activities, including education on hygiene and management of common illnesses
- **23,467 patients** benefitted from maternal and child health services in Syria
- **18,954 consultations** were done through WV supported clinics in Iraq
- **17 healthcare professionals** in Iraq including doctors and nurses underwent training in order to improve quality of healthcare
- **11 healthcare facilities** in Iraq and Syria have been supported with resources and infrastructure

Real Stories, Real Hope



“Jouri, an 11-year-old Syrian refugee attends World Vision’s Child Friendly Space (CFS) in Bekaa Valley, Lebanon. Her father went missing in Syria, and she now lives with her mother, grandmother and four siblings. When Jouri first came to the CFS, she was shy and isolated herself from other children. Her teacher at the CFS realised she had the potential to be an eloquent speaker, and encouraged her by making her the class storyteller. Jouri now readily takes part in all activities. She says, “Now I’m not so shy and enjoy my classes.”

Although there has been much improvement in the lives of the people affected by the Syrian crisis, there is still no end in sight to the conflict. Thus, we thank you for your continued support to continue helping the many other children and families who are caught in the crossfire in these turbulent times.