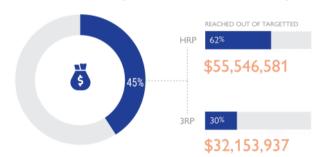


SYRIA CRISIS

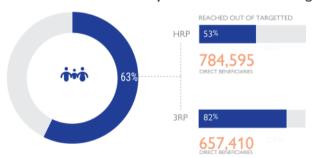
IOM YEAR IN REVIEW 2021



\$87.7 M funding received from \$195 M target



1.4 M individuals directly assisted from 2.3 M target



marked 10 years since the start of the crisis in Syria. A decade of conflict, struggle, and overlapping crises has forced nearly 7 million people to flee the country's borders and left another 6.8 million internally displaced. In the country of 21 million, the UN estimates 14.6 million people are now in need of humanitarian assistance. Access to food, water, shelter, basic services, and sustainable income remains out of reach for many. The crisis in Syria continues to be one of the worst humanitarian catastrophes of our time.

IOM and its partners continue to provide assistance to the most vulnerable, though the scale of need far outweighs available resources. In 2021, IOM appealed for \$198 million to serve conflict affected populations inside Syria as well as refugees and host communities in Turkey, Lebanon, Jordan, Iraq, and Egypt. With \$88 million raised through donors across the world, IOM and its partners were able to provide support to more than 2.3 million individuals affected by the Syria crisis.

Support ranged from the provision of lifesaving assistance such as shelter, food, water, and healthcare, to increasing access to basic services, livelihoods, education, legal aid, psychosocial support, and social cohesion. IOM partnered with more than 50 local and international organizations to provide this support, coordinating closely with the communities served while supporting the capacity of local and national institutions.

IOM also continued to advocate for greater international commitment to address the needs of those most affected by this crisis. While humanitarian needs both in Syria and in refugee hosting areas are at an all-time high, access and resources continue to decrease. IOM and its partners remain committed to deliver assistance wherever it is needed, and actively engage stakeholders at all levels to ensure the right to access assistance is upheld. IOM will further strengthen these efforts in 2022, on behalf of conflict affected Syrians and their host communities.

umanitarian needs continued to increase across the country, especially in northwest Syria (NWS), where 3.4 million of 4 million people living in the region rely on humanitarian assistance, and 2.7 million are displaced. Living conditions in displacement sites were made worse in 2021 by harsh weather conditions, increasing food insecurity and damaging shelters and infrastructure.

Throughout 2021, IOM and their partners on the ground in NWS reached an estimated 785,000 people with direct assistance. Life-saving assistance was provided in two reception centres, 11 planned camps, and 25 informal sites.

IOM through its implementing partners carried out repairs in displacement sites and provided shelter and non-food items (NFIs) to the most vulnerable households both in form of cash transfers and in-kind distributions. Additional winter assistance enabled 19,000 especially vulnerable households to purchase warm clothing, blankets, and fuel for heating. To increase access to livelihoods, IOM facilitated income-generating opportunities and business development trainings for more than 2,200 households.

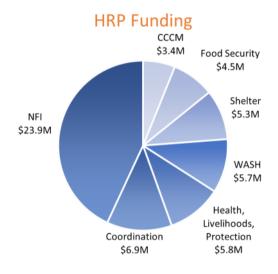
In 2021, IOM reached more than 160,000 individuals with emergency water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH) activities, including water trucking, cleaning, desludging, solid waste management and construction of latrines. Moreover, water facilities and solar infrastructure were established in 7 planned camps.

To protect the most vulnerable people inside Syria, IOM activities included gender-based violence prevention and response services, child protection services, legal counselling, individual protection assistance, and mental health and psychosocial support. IOM also continued to facilitate the interagency Protection Against Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (PSEA) Network. With more than 140 member organizations in 2021, the program expanded provision of technical and operational support to prevent and respond to incident reports.

894,596 PEOPLE SUPPORTED WITH NON-FOOD ITEMS OR CASH ASSISTANCE

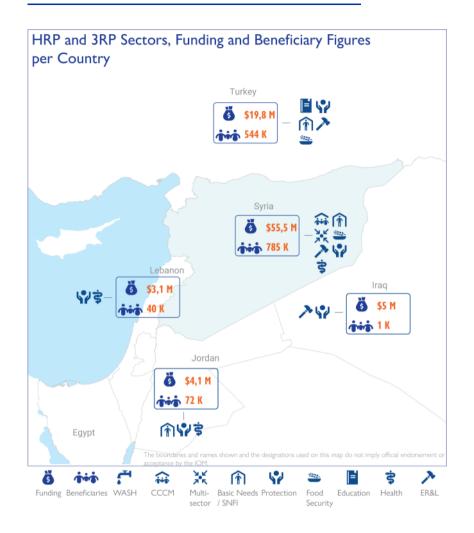
330,656 PEOPLE SUPPORTED WITH CCCM ASSISTANCE

161,572 PEOPLE SUPPORTED WITH WATER, SANITATION AND HYGIENE SERVICES

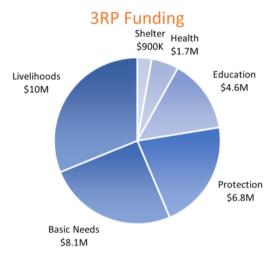












ore than 650,000 Syrian refugees and vulnerable host community members in Turkey, Jordan, Lebanon, and Iraq were provided humanitarian assistance by IOM in 2021.

Needs increased across the region as living conditions deteriorated due to protracted economic crises, extreme weather conditions and the impacts of COVID-19. NFIs and cash assistance were distributed to help secure the basic needs of more than 150,000 vulnerable households.

In Jordan, IOM provided assistance to vulnerable refugees in underserved urban areas, while in Lebanon, Turkey, and Iraq, efforts were focused in border regions hosting a high caseload of Syrian refugees.

The COVID-19 pandemic worsened already weak economic conditions, reducing access to sustainable income for many and exacerbating vulnerabilities. IOM continued to raise awareness about COVID-19, provide protective equipment and hygiene kits, and facilitate access to vaccinations.

IOM provided entrepreneurship trainings and business grants for more than 850 refugees and host community

members, particularly women, to catalyze livelihoods. In Iraq, IOM supported small and medium-sized enterprises to create employment opportunities and provided individual livelihoods assistance to support micro-businesses.

To strengthen refugees' integration into host communities, IOM organized language courses, social activities and school transportation for children. Cash for Work opportunities supported 750 Syrian refugees and enabled rehabilitation of infrastructure, public gardening and wildfire mitigation.

Migrant and community centers provided information and orientation to more than 75,000 refugees and hosts, while mobile psychosocial support and legal awareness-raising sessions were offered to 66,000 individuals in especially difficult situations, including survivors of exploitation, abuse, and gender-based violence.

IOM provided transportation assistance between refugee camps for family reunification in Jordan, and supported refugee resettlements in coordination with UNHCR and host governments in Turkey, Lebanon, Jordan, and Iraq, including orientation sessions and health screenings.

Displaced in Northwest Syria: Rebuilding a Life

t the end of 2018, Younes' life was changed when his village was hit by explosions. Younes, along with his family and many other residents of the village, was forced to flee to safety in the north of the country.

Despite the difficulties he has faced, Younes has not given up hope. At the age of 41, he has started to rebuild his life. Younes works as a construction worker to support his family and to make ends meet, as well as being a mobile barber in the off hours.

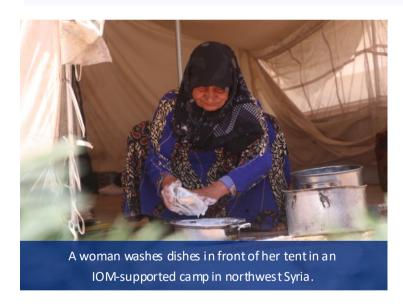
In the face of adversity, Younes and his family have found comfort in the community they now live among, and are improving their living conditions and their outlook for the future.

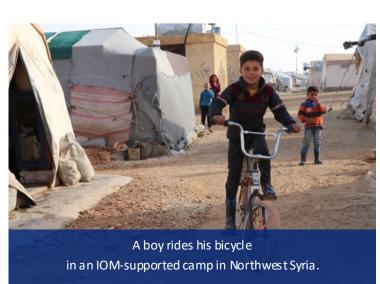
"Our lives have slowly begun to recover after we moved to the camp in 2019. My children returned to school. Here we have everything we need to feel safe and secure. There is always water available. There are toilets, bathrooms, and a kitchen. We receive monthly food baskets."

Together with its partners in Syria, IOM provides a range of humanitarian support to vulnerable populations in conflict afflicted areas: from shelter and NFIs, to WASH services, camp maintenance, food provision, and health and protection referrals, to ensure families likes Younes' receive

the aid they need to meet their basic needs as they rebuild their lives for a better and brighter future.









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