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**NOBODY  
LEFT  
OUTSIDE**

**THE GLOBAL  
SHELTER  
COALITION**

**18 MONTHS OF A SHARED  
COMMITMENT FOR REFUGEES**

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## FOREWORD

Thank you for joining the Global Shelter Coalition and committing together with other philanthropists, companies and celebrities from all over the world to invest in UNHCR's efforts to give people shelter. In the last 18 months, the 'Nobody Left Outside' campaign has raised over 16 Million USD which have helped us meet shelter needs for hundreds of thousands of people forced to flee.

Today we live in a world with immense challenges. Thousands of people continue to cross borders each day in search of protection, finding themselves in locations ranging from remote villages to sprawling cities. Often they are joining refugee communities already uprooted by earlier waves of conflict or persecution. UNHCR works with partners to provide protection and aid to people who have been forced to flee until they find sustainable solutions and are able to rebuild their lives. Providing a dry, safe place to live is at the heart of our work.

Shelter is a core component of UNHCR's protection mandate and it is also one of our most underfunded activities. The funding you have so generously provided is critical to our ability to deliver long-term and sustainable shelter solutions that allow the social inclusion and self-reliance of millions of refugees.

It is with your energy, expertise and financial support, that UNHCR can achieve its full potential to help them. As we look to 2018 and beyond, we are grateful for your continued commitment and look forward to working together to help people live safely in a dignified way after being forced to flee.

### **Kelly T. Clements**

United Nations Deputy High Commissioner for Refugees



## THE GLOBAL SHELTER COALITION FOR 'NOBODY LEFT OUTSIDE'

**As the global refugee crisis deepens, the need for public and private sector leadership becomes even greater and more urgent.**

18 months ago, UNHCR launched Nobody Left Outside, our first global campaign to mobilize the resources needed to deliver a wide range of shelter solutions to refugees, to advocate for greater access to land so refugees can return home or integrate locally and start a new life, and to mobilize society to ensure that as many people as possible understand what it means to be forced to leave your home and everything you own behind, as well as the importance of accessing the safe, dignified and sustainable shelter solutions UNHCR provides.

Today's global challenges need catalytic coalitions to help solve them – coalitions that have a grand vision and big voices. UNHCR's Global Shelter Coalition is a powerful new mechanism designed to mobilize and optimize philanthropic resources made available from leading brands and philanthropists in support of UNHCR's Nobody Left Outside campaign for shelter campaign: The agency led, collective, global effort to provide shelter to at least 2 million of the most vulnerable refugees by 2018.

By joining together at this unprecedented time for our world, where the challenges facing our communities have never been more complex or the stakes higher, Global Shelter Coalition supporters are able to achieve much greater impact than their individual investments would have enabled. Coalition members not only co-invest with UNHCR in delivering timely and impactful shelter solutions, but share expertise and insights, becoming influencers for a positive, effective and ultimately transformative change for people forced to flee.

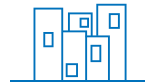
Thanks to the donations of the general public and the members of the Global Shelter Coalition, the Nobody Left Outside campaign for shelter has raised **16.09 Million USD** in the last 18 months. The funds raised have supported UNHCR's and partners' capacity to deliver timely emergency, transitional and long-term shelter solutions to more than **853,000** people forced to flee.



**128,451** emergency shelters have been delivered to **642,255** people around the world



Vital cash assistance has been provided to **32,800** of the most vulnerable refugee families in Jordan so that they can survive and avoid homelessness



**5,800** housing units have been rehabilitated in Lebanon in exchange of a rent agreement for a year for **29,000** people



**9,103** damaged homes have been repaired so **18,206** internally displaced people can restart their lives in Ukraine



Shelter kits made available for **56,000** families in Lebanon so they can be protected from extreme weather conditions



**3,500** land plots have been made available in Niger to empower **24,500** refugees to re-build their lives and futures

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## The supporters of the Global Shelter Coalition are leaders of the private sector, and play a pivotal role in UNHCR's mission and work

Support from philanthropists, corporations and foundations is catalytic for UNHCR. Public support to the campaign by private sector leadership can help to fast-track shelter solutions and raise awareness for UNHCR's work, magnifying the impact of the campaign.

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### Dato' Sri Prof. Dr. Tahir, Champion of the Global Shelter Coalition

Dato' Sri Prof. Dr. Tahir, founder and chairman of Indonesia's Mayapada Group and the Tahir Foundation, has donated USD 6 Million through the Nobody Left Outside Campaign. As the Champion of the Global Shelter Coalition he has directly supported Syrian refugees in Za'atari camp in Jordan, urban refugees in Lebanon, and unaccompanied children living in UNHCR funded safe houses in Indonesia. In recognition of his commitment, he was appointed UNHCR Eminent Advocate for Asia in November 2017.

Dr. Tahir continues with his philanthropic commitment that includes raising public awareness about global refugee issues and engaging other business leaders to support refugees.

*"The Global Shelter Coalition brings together some of the most prominent members of UNHCR's private sector community and I firmly believe that by working hand-in-hand and combining our passion, resources and expertise, we have a much greater impact. Nobody deserves to be left outside but unfortunately many still are. Join me in supporting UNHCR to shelter at least 2 million refugees."*



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**By uniting business leaders and global philanthropists, the Global Shelter Coalition will impact the lives of at least two million refugees.**

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# RUSSING

## Mr. Evgeny Tugolukov

*"We all have a responsibility to step forward and aid the victims of persecution; to ignore the plight of refugees now would be a reversal of basic decency. I am fully committed to working with UNHCR to provide and improve shelter solutions for refugees around the world."*



## Ms. Cate Blanchett

*"There has never been a more crucial time to stand with refugees and show solidarity globally. How we respond to the plight of the most vulnerable, uprooted from their homes and communities, speaks to who we are as a society. I believe we have a duty to use our voices and influence responsibly and with compassion. I am deeply proud to be working with UNHCR and, as part of my role as a Goodwill Ambassador, to have supported the Nobody Left Outside campaign to ensure that refugees receive the basic shelter and support they so desperately need. Shelter affects every single aspect in a person's life - from their health and educational achievement, to their self-esteem and security - and there is no doubt this campaign will positively impact the lives of millions of people."*



## Mr. Shih Wing-ching

*"There is an immediate need for the private sector to unite and play a more active and coordinated role in supporting people who have been forced to flee their homes."*



## Venerable Vudhijaya Vajiramedhi

*"The loving kindness is the core of Buddhist belief and constitute the essential values of Thai people. We believe that the absolute way to peace is through humanity unification. As religious people we all have the duty to shelter one another regardless of nationality, race and religion."*



- Dieci Trust Onlus
- G-Dragon
- Eagle Christian School
- Mr. Hisham Mohammed Ali Hafiz
- Mr. Kim Dohoon
- Rotary Club Genève Internationale
- Mr. Bae Kwangsu

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**Working together we can have a transformational impact in the lives of at least 2 million refugees around the world, ensuring that nobody is left outside.**

Your donations have had an immediate life-changing impact on the lives of those that have been forced to flee. These are some examples of the transformational impact of your donations in the lives of refugees in the last 18 months:



Longer-term shelter solutions require a bigger commitment on all sides. UNHCR works closely with partners, refugees, host community members and national and local Government to agree inputs and ways of working that will help build continued peaceful coexistence between host and refugees communities.

**Hamid and family:** After fleeing their home to escape armed militants Hamid, 55, his wife Fatima 42, and their children Bilal, 7, Faride, 14, Mohammed 19 now live in safety in a UNHCR Refugee Housing Unit (RHU) in Al Jamea'a camp.

*"We fled our hometown of Fallujah approximately 2 years ago because of military operations. We fled on foot. My wife, who is sick, was feeling unwell. I had to push her in a wheel barrow. We went straight to the camp and moved in on the same day. When we arrived in the camp, we were living in tents. It was so difficult. We were sweating constantly, day and night. I would try to use a fan to help Fatima, but she was feeling horrible. UNHCR provided us with air coolers and rechargeable fans but the weather this summer was just too harsh. The tent was just too small, with dust everywhere. We were so excited when we found out about the RHU. We are so grateful to UNHCR for providing us shelter. In the RHU, there is space to move unrestricted and we started to buy things to make ourselves feel at home, like a set of drawers and a TV. It provides us with more privacy. My wife and I sleep behind the curtain and my kids sleep on this side, in the main 'room'. During the floods earlier this year, all the tents were damaged. But when we were flooded again at the end of October, the RHUs were not affected at all. Our life would be so miserable and difficult without UNHCR. Our future is full of mystery. We hope to return to our old life. We belong in our neighbourhood, with our relatives."*



In urban areas in particular UNHCR furnish refugees with cash to help them buy the things that they need the most, pay rent to local landlords, buy food and consumables from local shops, and pay for local transport to school, health facilities and other locations.

**Budoor and family:** Single mother Budoor was struggling to cover the cost of the rent on the small, damp rooms where her family lived. With her son Alaa suffering from a blood disorder, the family had to live in an urban center to ensure Alaa could easily access health care. UNHCR cash assistance has helped the family move to an apartment with two rooms. The apartment is cold in winter but it is more spacious and close to the healthcare centre:

*"We crossed over the border and went first to Za'atari refugee camp but left because of my son, Alaa, who has Thalassaemia [kind of blood disorder]. He needs to have regular, special treatment and so UNHCR and other partners helped us to leave and enrol him for regular monitoring at a hospital. I spend the cash assistance mainly on rent. It means we have been able to find a better apartment in a place nearer the clinic for my son's treatment. This place is nicer but still cold. We don't mind. We have two whole rooms to use – the landlord uses the other rooms for furniture storage. The previous apartment we lived at was very damp; it was so bad and made my son very ill."*



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UNHCR supports families at all stages of the refugee journey, including those families returning home after a period of displacement. We do this by working with partners to ensure access to land, housing and legal support.

**Fati and family:** Fati, is a single mother of three children. When it was safe for her and her family to return home to Niger, Fati signed up for voluntary repatriation and with the help of UNHCR was transported back to her home. We also helped Fati by providing a portion of land to help provide an income and building a pre-fabricated shelter to provide protection from the elements.

*"We are very happy to receive this quality prefab shelter, which will be safe for our children during the coming cold period. The roof of the shelter we were in for the last two years came off. We covered it with a tarp and lived in that way for six months, during the rainy season. With this new shelter, our fears of the rain are gone. The cold and rain will not affect us and our children anymore."*



**We have identified the immediate priorities and are poised to further scale-up our work with support from Global Shelter Coalition members.**

Supporters of the Global Shelter Coalition are instrumental to forge new private sector partnerships to enhance UNHCR's mission and advance our work to deliver shelter solutions from the outset of an emergency, during the time in displacement and until refugees voluntarily return, and are resettled or locally integrated. Supporters of the Global Shelter Coalition can help us:

## Innovate

With the support of the Global Shelter Coalition UNHCR can advance in developing new concepts for settlement design, the improvement of technical specifications for shelters, and the testing of new prototypes. IKEA Foundation, Better Shelter and UNHCR collaborated to develop a new, innovative, safer and more durable shelter for refugee families around the world. The Refugee Housing Unit was launched in March 2015, it was awarded the Beazley design of the year by London's Design Museum in 2016 and its technical specifications are now being further improved. With the help of the Global Shelter Coalition supporters we aim at scaling this improved shelter solution to at least 6 additional countries hosting large long-term refugee populations.



**Refugee Housing Unit (RHU):** A sustainable, longer lasting and dignified housing solution for refugees, made available both during emergencies and in protracted situations.

## Respond more effectively

The pooled funds that Global Shelter Coalition supporters co-invest in UNHCR contribute to bring faster, more effective, sustainable and innovative settlement and shelter solutions anchoring the refugee presence within the broader context of national and local development plans, fostering community empowerment and an integrated social and economic way of life.



### Cash assistance:

Direct cash grants or vouchers, delivered through biometric technology, to assist refugee families with rental payment.



### Transitional shelter:

Construction through a range of operational modalities including self-build.



### Clean energy:

Addressing the energy needs of refugees, improving access to sustainable fuel and utilizing solar-powered lighting.

## Enable protection environments

With the help of the Global Shelter Coalition supporters, UNHCR can further invest in research and development and conduct reports that will generate an extraordinary level of media attention and influence policy discussions at the highest levels of government on the importance of developing settlement and shelter responses that enable refugees to settle in communities or facilitate the transformation of camps into sustainable settlements that are anchored within the framework of national development planning and housing, land and property.



**Support to local communities for hosting refugees:** Financial or material support to local families that host refugees.



**Local integration and promotion of peaceful coexistence:** Work with refugee and host communities for peace building.



**Legal support:** For property claims and land reacquisition to returnees.

## Advocate

Global Shelter Coalition supporters can be leaders in raising awareness of the plight of refugees and the pivotal role UNHCR plays in the provision of an array of shelter solutions to millions of forcibly displaced people around the world.



### As an UNHCR advocate:

Be a leader in raising awareness of the plight of refugees and the pivotal role UNHCR plays, especially regarding the provision of shelter.



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**We thank you for being part of the Global Shelter Coalition and joining others global leaders in doing something historic and good for families forced to flee, at their most vulnerable.**

18 months ago, UNHCR launched the Nobody Left Outside campaign at a watershed moment for the refugee cause as we witnessed the greatest forced displacement crisis since World War II. We have achieved much in the last 18 months, but at present, millions of refugees are not safe where they live, nor do they live in dignity with access to sustainable shelter possibilities. With the shared responsibility of Global Shelter Coalition members we can accomplish even more by:

- Continuing to mobilise the resources to provide a wide range of emergency, transitional and permanent shelter solutions to at least 2 million of the most vulnerable refugees.
- Investing in R&D to innovate our shelter solutions and in modernizing our working methods to implement sustainable solutions to settlement and shelter problems.
- Advocating for long term solutions, such as greater access to land, so that refugees can return home or locally integrate in order to start a new life after displacement.
- Mobilising the general public to ensure that as many people as possible understand what it means to be forced to leave your home and the importance of accessing UNHCR's safe, dignified and sustainable shelter solutions.

**With gratitude for your support.**

Thanks to the generous and loyal support of our donors we are getting closer to our vision, a world where all refugees are able to live with greater dignity and independence, in a safe and sustainable manner, as members of the community wherever they live.





# NOBODY LEFT OUTSIDE

**UNHCR**, *a mandate to protect*

The United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), is the only humanitarian agency mandated by the United Nations to lead and coordinate international action for the worldwide protection of refugees and the resolution of refugee problems. Since our creation in 1951, UNHCR has enabled more than 60 million people to rebuild their lives and has been awarded the Nobel Peace Prize twice for its work.

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