




TARGETS

As specified in the RRP5

 **350,000**
Syrian refugees
(registered or awaiting
registration)

 **50,000**
Affected host
population

 **52 million**
USD required

NEEDS

Protection concerns continue to be identified through ongoing protection monitoring, however these need to be strengthened in the new camp locations and in the expanding host communities where the majority of refugees are finding protection in Dohuk, Erbil and Sulimaniya urban locations.

Assessments conducted in some crowded camps indicate that identification and response to SGBV cases needs to be strengthened as does the capacity building of service providers and community representatives for camp management. Children are involved in a range of labour activities as are teenaged youth who can benefit from activities to ensure a protective environment, including more education space in Arabic to encourage more Syrian refugee participation. It is assessed that about 30 per cent of the urban refugee population are vulnerable and will need additional support, including cash assistance and legal support to ensure residency permits. As services increase in the camps, the most vulnerable families who cannot sustain themselves, will be recommended to move to the camps to have easy access to services, food, education, and NFI distributions. Livelihood support initiatives for both the camp and non-camp refugees will be needed.

OBJECTIVES

Ensure continuous and unhindered access for refugees to the territory of the Kurdistan Region and ensure they have access to basic services, including legal and psycho-social support.




ACTION/OUTPUTS

- Refugees have access to territory and to safety
- Quality of registration and profiling improved or maintained
- Risk of SGBV Reduced and quality of response improved
- Protection of children ensured
- Community self-management and participation improved
- Self-reliance and livelihoods improved

KEY SEPTEMBER DEVELOPMENTS

- Border monitoring of Syrian Returnees: reception of new arrivals and monitoring of spontaneous returns (counselling, monitoring of UASC and registration closure)
- Four additional permanent camps have been established in the Kurdish Region. Movement of refugees from transit locations and development of services and protection activities in these locations is ongoing.
- The main crossing point to KR, Sehela, has been closed since 14 September and thereafter opened for only one day when approximately 2,000 refugees entered. Residency permits have not been provided to new arrivals or renewed except for residents in Domiz camp and Dohuk town. Syrian refugees in the Al Obaidi Refugee Camp still have restricted freedom of movement and the Al Qa'im border remains closed. Advocacy for documentation to enable movement and access to services, including employment continues.
- Registration level 1 has been completed.

ACHIEVEMENTS TO DATE

-  **2,000** aprox. children of age 5-17 benefit from psychosocial support through child friendly spaces.
-  **90** volunteers enrolled in the Mass information campaign
-  SGBV referral mechanism established in the North and in Al-Qa'im. Listening center opened in Al-Qa'im. Safety audit conducted in Al-Qa'im
-  **194,234** individuals registered at level 2 (since March 2012) .
- 2,668** newly arrived refugees
-  Persons detained and questioned are released after Protection interventions with authorities. Deportations to Syria are prevented.
-  **607** refugees in Al Qa'im received legal assistance.
-  **23,523** spontaneous returns of individuals monitored
-  **900** non-camp refugees received cash assistance
-  **3** emergency resettlement cases departed.
-  **3** training conducted on BID
-  All **10** unaccompanied or separated children in Al Qa'im had at least a draft BID report completed.

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