

UNHCR's support to the Kurdistan Region's refugee response benefiting refugees, Kurdish communities and public service providers

UNHCR – a steadfast supporter to the Kurdistan Regional Government's refugee inclusion efforts

A committed partner to the Kurdistan Regional Government's refugee response, UNHCR has been – and continues – supporting Kurdish communities and authorities to protect and assist the Syrian refugees they generously host. Acknowledging refugees' [lack of immediate return prospects](#) given the situation in north-east Syria, and building on the KRG's exemplary refugee inclusion efforts, UNHCR has consistently increased its spending to strengthen Kurdish authorities' ability to deliver basic public services in areas with large refugee communities - also to the benefit of the local communities.

Today's investments will continue benefiting Kurdish communities for years to come, even after Syrian refugees will have safely returned to Syria.

Key investments



\$800 million invested by UNHCR since the first arrival of Syrian refugees in 2011



\$650 million invested through the Regional Refugee Response and Resilience Plan (3RP) partners since 2012



\$170 million invested by UNHCR in core refugee protection activities including registration, legal assistance and psychosocial support since 2011



\$91 million invested by UNHCR in refugee shelter upgrades and camp management support since 2011



\$145 million invested by UNHCR in public health, education and infrastructure since 2011



\$160 million in cash assistance provided to refugees since 2011, spent in the local economy



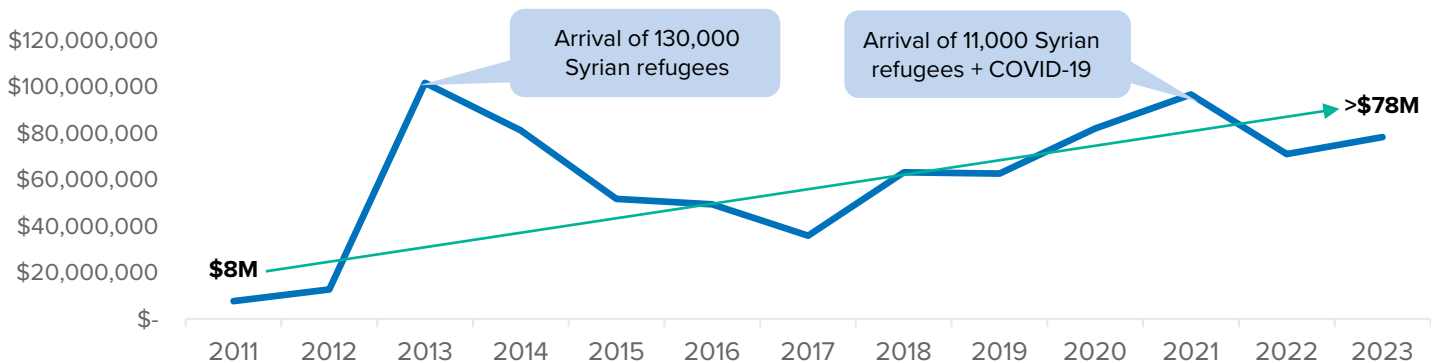
90 public healthcare centres rehabilitated and equipped since 2013



100 public school renovations completed since 2014

UNHCR's Refugee Spending in the Kurdistan Region of Iraq

2011 – 2023, Million \$



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