

Irbid and North Area Based Coordination Meeting

Irbid, Jordan

12th, September 2017

Meeting Location	UNHCR Irbid	Meeting Date	12.9.2017
Facilitator	Hani Oran (Coordinator) Mohammad Al Salem (Co-chair)	Meeting Time	10:00– 12:00
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Agenda <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Safety and security update – Hani / UNHCR 2) Winterization TF updates and SOP – Moh'd Al Salem / CARE International 3) Livelihood activities in the North area/ USAID 4) Inquiries, announcements and partners updates 5) AOB. 	
Safety and security update (UNHCR) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Security situation in the geographic locations covered by FOI remained calm and stable. 	
Winterization TF updates and SOP – Moh'd Al Salem / CARE International <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Winterization task force started to meet in July in order to revise the winterization 2017-18 standards document. The Task force agreed on the entitlement that will continue to be based on a tiered system. Tier 2 (partial package) will be provided to vulnerable families who are already supported through a regular cash programme, while Tier 1 (Full package) will be provided to vulnerable families that are not supported through a regular cash programme. The Winterization task force will continue to coordinate the assistance using RAIS winterization module. • The revised winterization 2017-18 standards document is attached for your kind reference. 	
Livelihood activities in the North area/ USAID <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Based on the previous Irbid coordination meeting at UNHCR and in order to keep all NGO's in north area updated about the activities, the group is working on coordination with JCI to implement the Spark project -which targeted Syrians and Jordanians who are interested to work in the industrial field. The first batch is expected to train three days 	For more details please contact: USAID Jordan Workforce Development Project Maram Abed AlNabi

<p>on soft skills next week, to be ready for training with the matched employer. Detailed information can be found with the below documents:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Application ○ AD 1 ○ AD 2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The Irbid Chamber (EPU) will sign the MoU next week with JRF in order to implement training and an employment project, targeting the food processing sector for Syrian refugees. 	<p>Career Guidance Counselor and EPU Coordination Officer Tel: 079-1994218 Email: Maram_Nabi@JordanWFD.org </p>
<p>Updates, Inquires, and announcements</p> <p>World Vision Japan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 2nd instalment for cash distribution for winterization 2016/2017 was implemented in August. A Post Distribution Monitoring will be conducted this month and then close of the project. ● The remedial class project is expected to gain MoPIC approval by the end of September. WVJ is planning to run remedial classes in 3 double-shift schools in Irbid, targeting a total 432 students, aged between 6-13 years old. <p>HUMANITERRA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● HUMANITERRA is a French NGO specialized in burn and reconstructive surgeries that will operate in Princess Basma Hospital in Irbid and Al Basheer Hospital in Amman. HUMANITERRA accepts patients from all the governorates. ● Surgical operations and capacity building activities are conducted in MoH facilities. Please find our surgical criteria along with contact information. ● The project targets Syrian refugees and non-insured Jordanian and number can be shared with beneficiaries. <p>INTERSOS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Intersos works with asylum seekers who have document issues as follows: Birth certificates, death certificates, marriage certificates, MOI cards and Asylum Seeker certificates. ● Financial support is provided for these cases which starts from 100 JOD up to 1200 JOD- for special cases that have charges imposed by the Court and some financial support for transportation. ● Project to start soon: CFR (cash for rent). Names are available for beneficiaries but referrals from others to this project are welcome. However, an assessment for the cases will be conducted before giving them the CFR. <p>NRC</p>	

- NRC is operating to support mostly refugees who are living in substandard shelters for better living conditions. The support provided is mostly through upgrades and improvements on the properties, which are negotiated with the landlord in exchange for some benefits for the tenants. The amount of benefits depends on the amount of work/improvement executed in the properties. The support is operated as follows:
 - NRC identifies unfinished properties and help landlords to finish them in exchange of 18 months free of rent. NRC identifies in parallel vulnerable families and offers them these properties. If they are in agreement with the location and conditions, NRC signs the agreement with the landlord and the properties are completed and the families can move in.
 - NRC identifies families living in substandard shelters. In these cases, if families are able to pay some rent, NRC can upgrade the improved shelter and reach an agreement with the landlord to reduce the rent or at least freeze it for at least 12 months (all depending on the current rent and the amount paid as an average in the area).
 - NRC can provide support to a very selected group of families with cash for rent. The idea is to support families who are going through difficulties and need expedited assistance. The objective of this support is not to create dependency or to increase the weaknesses of families; therefore NRC does not use this approach as a generalised solution. Families are supported with a 6 month cash for rent contract.
 - NRC provides support to families who live in a house without connection to the water network. This support is also negotiated with the landlord for 12 months of land tenure security and therefore freezes the rent. This approach should start by October/November this year as NRC is working with ACF for this approach with NRC covering Ramtha and ACF covering Irbid.
 - NRC provides support to families to upgrade their WASH facilities in the property they live in. This support is also negotiated with the landlord for 12 month of land tenure security and freeze the rent. This approach should also start by October/November this year as NRC is working with ACF for this approach with NRC covering Ramtha and ACF covering Irbid.
- NRC can receive referrals for all these activities, as NRC uses VAF assessment as the main tool to determine eligibility. Afterwards NRC conducts a technical assessment to evaluate viability of the property and willingness of the landlords to participate.

MECI

- Provision of Learning Support Services (LSS), Psycho-social Support (PSS) to in and out of school children aged 6 - 14, through a holistic educational program provided in the afternoon inside public schools classrooms.
- MECI currently operates the third cycle of its 2017 agreement, within 7 schools in Irbid, 3 schools in Ramtha and 2 schools in Jerash funded by UNICEF and the Malala Fund.

<p>(details of locations can be provided upon request).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MECI also offers Child Protection (CP) sessions to children and parents, life skills support and training through the Makani Approach. • An ongoing Girls Club at Nour Al Hussien School for Girls in Irbid, targeting home-bound girls is providing relevant soft skills. • On behalf of Education Sector Working Group (ESWG), an ongoing rigorous Ministry of Education (MOE) campaign for Back to School / Learning for All is taking place across the kingdom, outreaching over 30 organizations in the sector that targets out-of-school children ages 5-20 within five key messages: Formal education, Catch-up program, Drop-out program, Kindergarten schools, and Inclusive schools. 	
<p>Action Points for next meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Next meeting will be on October 3rd • TOR of the Irbid and north area based coordination group • Mercy Corps presentation about research assessment on cash in Irbid • INTERSOS documentation fact sheet presentation • Winterization 2017-18 standards document 	
<p>Participants:</p> <p>UNHCR, CARE Int'l, ICRC, ICMC, MSF OCBA, DRC, NRC, MSF France, LWF, TDH, IOCC, World Vision Japan, USAID, MSF Spain, MSF Holland, WFP, Humaniterra, INTERSOS, medecinsdumonde, IRC, MECI.</p>	