# LIVELIHOODS SECTOR Quarterly Report (October 2018 – December 2018)



This report is produced by the Livelihoods Sector Working Group in Jordan in response to the Syria crisis. It shows progresses in project implementation and funding status during the reporting period. It summarizes achievement and challenges and highlights foreseen needs for the next quarter. For the monthly update, please see the Monthly Sector Dashboard at this <u>link</u>.

# **Reporting and Monitoring Phase**

Implementation of Inter-Agency Appeal in Support of Jordan Response Plan

## Partners by Component (Total 22, Population 7,428)

**REFUGEE**: 16 Partners, 7 Governorates

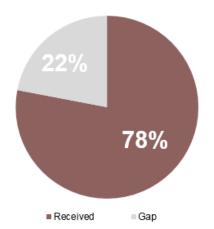
Locations: Ajlun, Amman, Irbid, Jerash, Mafraq, Aqaba

and Zarqa Governorates

#### **Funding Status (Refugee component)**

Requested: \$52,768,437 Received: \$34,576,343 Gap: \$18,292,094

Source: Financial Tracking System



#### **RESILIENCE**: 9 Partners, 9 Governorates

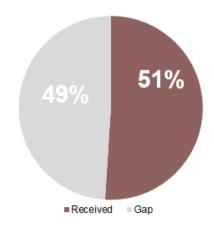
Locations: Ajlun, Amman, Irbid, AlBalqa, Jerash, Mafraq,

Karak, Madaba and Zarga

#### Funding Status (Resilience component)

Requested: \$46,846,681 Received: \$19,548,355 Gap: \$27,298,326

Source: Financial Tracking System



# **Progress against Targets: Sector Priority Indicators**





## **Key achievements**

- During September; 2000 SMS text messages were sent to Syrian refugees in Ma'an and Amman, targeted by the Jordan Chamber of Industry and Jordan Education For Employment (JEFE), informing them about vacant livelihoods opportunities in their area of residence.
- The first of a series of meetings aiming to create connections with private sector, was organized by UNHCR in collaboration with ILO, hosted at the Jordan Investors Association in Sahab Industrial Estate on August 30th 2018.
- The technical challenge in work permit/exit system in Azraq, caused by internet connectivity issues at the exit gate has been resolved.
- Work permit update:
- ⇒ A total of 33,842 (issued and renewed) during the period of January 1, 2018 June 30, 2018.
- ⇒ Breakdown by gender: 32,350 males and 1,492 for females.

# Challenges faced during the reporting period

- Mixed messages on the support to the Syrian Home Based Businesses' intervention in the JRP. Still remains an issue that has been carried on from last year. The LWG has sought clarifications from MOPIC/MoL/World Bank. The JRP/3RP draft has 4.8 million dedicated to this area of intervention.
- ⇒ GoJ are not seeing enough projects under the Resilience component and are therefore not meeting the target set for RES under the JRP.
- Lack of clarity around processes and guidelines that projects should abide by in order to ensure they are approved in a timely manner.
- Delays in JORISS approval of UNHCR and other non-UNHCR funded livelihoods project. New requirements for approval include signing an MoU with MoL, setting up an advisory board, payment of M&E to MoL are

#### Gaps and key priorities foreseen in the 3rd quarter (July- September)

#### ♦ Gaps:

- Increased collaboration needed for standard setting in agency-driven job placement and training programs.
- Increased coordination at the sub-national levels to ensure non-duplications, consistency of incentives, and targeting.

#### **♦ Key Priorities:**

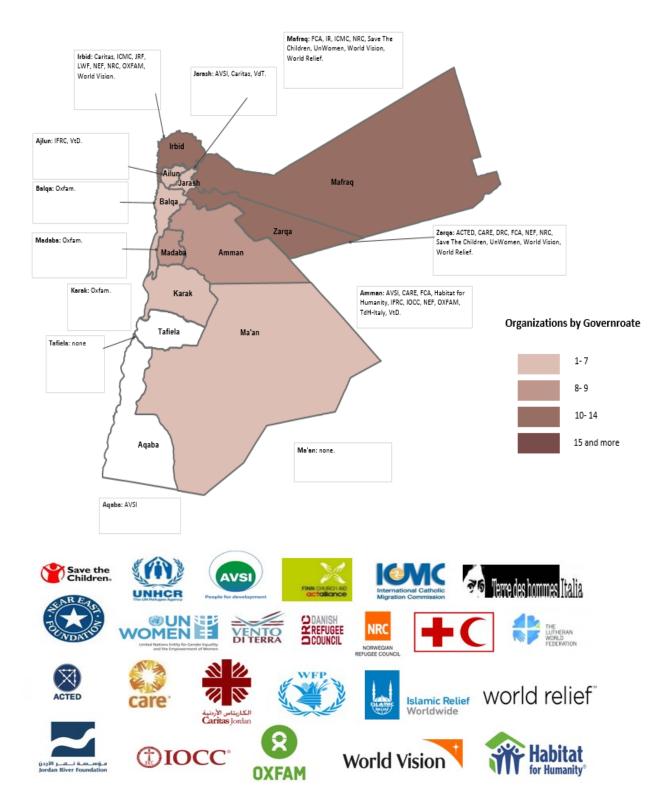
- Continue to advocate for more flexibility in occupations open to refugees, particularly within foreign worker quotas in the services sector.
- Clarify issue related to licensing and registration of HBB as they apply to Syrians.
- Work with MoPIC and MoL to streamline the project approval process.

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# Organizations and coverage

The achievements described in this report are based on the inputs provided by the following organizations through the ActivityInfo database.



For more detailed information on the services provided by sector partners, please refer to the Services Advisor: <a href="http://jordan.servicesadvisor.org/">http://jordan.servicesadvisor.org/</a>

For more information on the Livelihood sector please look at: http://data.unhcr.org/syrianrefugees/working\_group.php?Page=Country&LocationId=107&Id=73