



Distribution of sealing-off kits in Zahrani, South Lebanon. (Photo: © IOM Lebanon 2016)

Highlights

● **Syria:** In October, IOM continued its shelter response to the sudden displacement from Aleppo hot areas by providing and installing Sealing-off kits for IDPs in public shelters in Aleppo city. Moreover, IOM distributed Non-Food Items to over 43,000 vulnerable IDPs and affected people in Aleppo, Hama, Quneitra, and Rural Damascus.

● **Lebanon:** During the reporting period, vulnerable Syrian refugees and Lebanese returnees in South Lebanon, Mount Lebanon, and Beirut received rental subsidies. Households living in sub-standard shelters, those facing eviction, and other vulnerable households benefited from this programme.

● **Iraq:** IOM, in coordination with the Swedish Academy for Training is offering computer literacy, auto-mechanics, and English language courses to 136 individuals including host community members, IDPs, and Syrian refugees in Erbil.

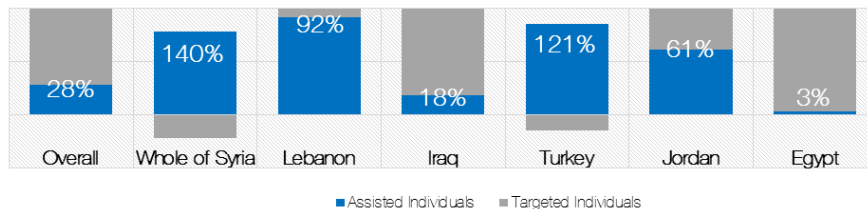
● **Jordan:** On 24 October, IOM organized a photo contest to highlight the priorities of youth regarding the five main themes for the upcoming United Nations Sustainable Development Partnership Framework for Jordanian, refugee and migrant youth as part of United Nations Day events.

● **Turkey:** As part of IOM's community stabilization project to support the well-being and cohesion of Syrian refugees and their host communities, IOM renovated and refurbished a community launderette in Kumlu, Hatay. The launderette will be open to the public from 3 November and over 140 community members of Kumlu are expected to benefit from the launderette every week.

IOM PRESENCE

6 Countries
47 Locations
794 Staff
84 International
710 National

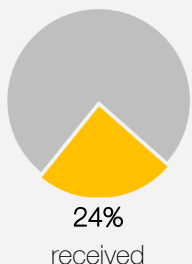
Number of Assisted Individuals (2016)



5.75 million
Targeted individuals
6,763,903
Assisted individuals
5,809,083 inside Syria

FUNDING Overview 2016

USD **254 million**
total requirements



USD **62 million**
funding received

Key Sectors of Assistance in 2016

NFI Distributions

703,498
Total individuals assisted
4,834,093 since the beginning of the crisis

Health

379,317
Total individuals assisted
1,429,338 since the beginning of the crisis

Transportation Assistance

5,216,303
Total individuals assisted
9,370,989 since the beginning of the crisis

Shelter

84,569
Total individuals assisted
305,591 since the beginning of the crisis

Psychosocial Support

26,805
Total individuals assisted
287,181 since the beginning of the crisis

Livelihood

20,364
Total individuals assisted
42,334 since the beginning of the crisis

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● WHOLE OF SYRIA OPERATIONS

Whole of Syria operations includes all activities coordinated from inside Syria and cross border activities.

6.1 million IDPs • 13.5 million Persons in Need
in Syria as of October 2016

5,809,083* Assisted | Targeted 4,154,820



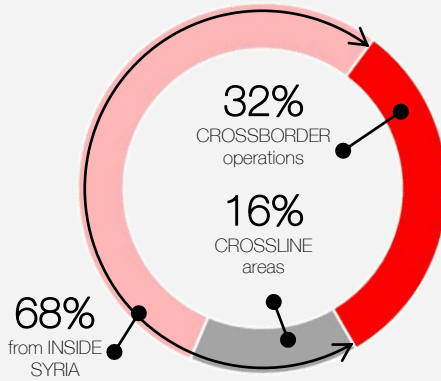
IOM PRESENCE

16 Locations
14 Governorates of Syria
2 Amman & Gaziantep

230 Staff
6 International
224 National

57 Staff
24 International
33 National

Response by number of individuals assisted with NFI distributions and **type of operations** (July 2014 - October 2016)



IOM Funding Requested	█	USD	149,712,608
Funding Received	█	USD	33,263,660

Figures reported below are from activities in 2016
(↑) indicates progress made in the reporting period

- NFI** NFI DISTRIBUTION

525,888 (85,115↑) IDPs, stranded migrants, affected population and Palestinian refugees, including distribution through cross border movements.
- SHELTER** SHELTER SUPPORTS & REHABILITATIONS

69,899 (802↑) beneficiaries, includes public shelter repair works and shelter upgrade works for displaced population in unfinished buildings, as well as provision of kits.
- HEALTH** HEALTH ASSISTANCE

49,627 (846↑) IDPs and affected individuals. Assistance includes provision of disability support items, provision of medical equipment and supplies, and establishment of primary health care units (static and mobile).
- MENTAL** MENTAL HEALTH AND PSYCHOSOCIAL SUPPORT (MHPSS)

Activities include training programmes delivered to MHPSS professionals and humanitarian workers.
- LIVELIHOOD** LIVELIHOOD ASSISTANCE

2,994 (296↑) beneficiaries. Activities include workshops for IDPs-made NFIs, cash-for-work, as well as provision of livelihood assets.
- CAPACITY** CAPACITY BUILDING

45 beneficiaries. Training programmes include humanitarian assistance, shelter management, project cycle management, and monitoring and evaluation.
- COMMON** COMMON TRANSPORT SERVICES

5,154,282 (829,505↑) direct and indirect beneficiaries. Activity includes provision of truck convoys to deliver humanitarian assistance from Jordan into Syria.
- TCN** TCN EVACUATED

158 third country nationals have been repatriated.

536,348 Individuals received NFI distributions in **hard to reach** areas (July 2014 - October 2016)

73% of NFIs distribution were directly **monitored by IOM** Staff by no. of beneficiaries (July 2014 - October 2016)

NFI and Shelter Assistance

Between 1 and 31 October, 43,791 vulnerable IDPs and affected people in Aleppo, Hama, Quneitra, and Rural Damascus received NFI items (including mattresses, hygiene kits, house cleaning kits, clothing kits, blankets, jerry cans, and baby and adult diapers) from IOM. Out of the 43,791 beneficiaries 43% were in hard-to-reach areas in Rural Damascus. Moreover, IOM also reached 497 suddenly displaced people from western Aleppo with 518 NFIs such as clothing kits, jerry cans, as well as baby and adult diapers. As winter is approaching, IOM's hub in Turkey has prepared winterization response during the month of October. The winterization assistance will begin to be provided from November, targeting four governorates in northern Syria: Aleppo, A'zaz, Hama and Idlib. The planned winterization response includes the distribution of 20,000 winterization kits, coal and stoves for 7,100 households, insulation materials for 6,000 tents, and replacement of 500 old tents.

During the reporting period, IOM continued its shelter response to the sudden displacement from Aleppo hot areas by providing and installing Sealing-off kits (SOKs) for 802 IDPs in public shelters in Aleppo city.

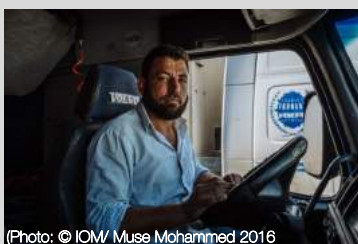


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Through Their Eyes

Murat is among the several drivers who transport shipments of humanitarian aid into severely affected neighbourhoods in need in Syria. Living in northern Aleppo, he regularly travels between Turkey and Syria under the constant threat of aerial bombings. His home has already been hit by bombs before and despite it being damaged, Murat and his family refuse to leave. "That place has always been our home and we won't ever leave it," admits Murat. "These bombings have become so regular over the years that my children have become accustomed to it."

He continues his job driving along the perilous routes out of a need to provide for his family as well as a belief that what he is doing is serving a truly important purpose. "Am I afraid? Of course I am, every time I get behind that wheel but there are hundreds of people who need the supplies that I am carrying and somebody has to do it."



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● **LEBANON**

1.02 million refugees
in Lebanon as of 30 September 2016

331,424 Assisted | Targeted 360,440



IOM Funding Requested	■■■■■■■■■■	USD	45,057,000
Funding Received	■	USD	3,673,183

IOM PRESENCE

7 Locations

143 Staff

- 17 International
- 126 National

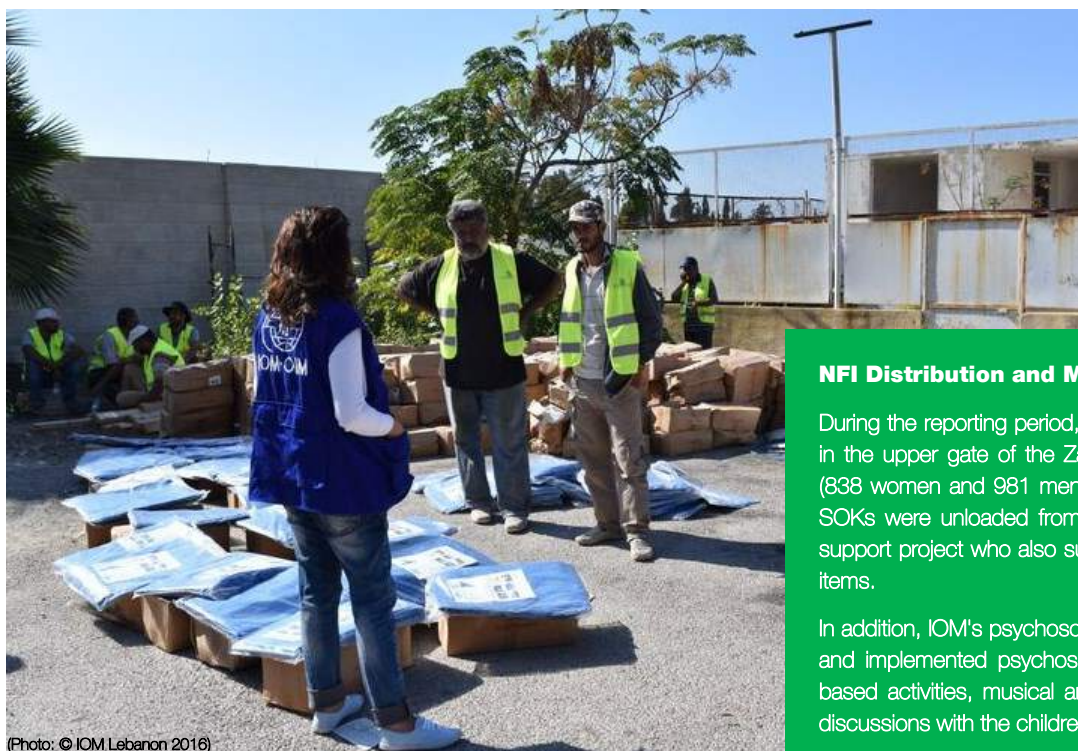
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* revised/adjusted figures from last reporting period based on retroactive database consolidation

- HEALTH ASSISTANCE**
33,311 beneficiaries
- PSYCHOSOCIAL SUPPORT**
9,583 (198↑) beneficiaries
- LIVELIHOOD ASSISTANCE**
1,724 (395↑) beneficiaries
- TON EVACUATED**
116 individuals
- PROTECTION**
Transit Assistance
544 (43↑)* beneficiaries
- NFI DISTRIBUTION**
6,234 (1,819↑) beneficiaries
- SHELTER SUPPORTS & REHABILITATIONS**
14,670 (248↑) beneficiaries
- SOCIAL STABILIZATION**
4,022 beneficiaries

Shelter Support for Syrian Refugees and Lebanese Returnees

In October, 248 Syrian refugees and Lebanese returnees living in South Lebanon, Mount Lebanon, and Beirut were assisted with rental subsidies.

Through this programme, vulnerable Syrian refugees and Lebanese returnees received rental subsidies in accordance with guidelines set by the inter-agency shelter sector working group. Priority was given to refugees living in sub-standard or hazardous shelter conditions prone to harsh weather or flooding, households facing eviction, and to those that met certain personal status criteria (single-headed households, large families with limited or no income, families with individuals who were chronically ill or disabled).



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NFI Distribution and Mental Health and Psychosocial Support

During the reporting period, two sealing-off kits (SOK) distributions took place in the upper gate of the Zahrani campsite benefiting 1,709 Syrian refugees (838 women and 981 men) living in more than 12 informal settlements. The SOKs were unloaded from the trucks by beneficiaries of IOM's community support project who also supported IOM's field team in the distribution of the items.

In addition, IOM's psychosocial team in the South came to the distribution site and implemented psychosocial activities (such as recreational activities, art based activities, musical and dancing activities) and organized focus group discussions with the children.

Through Their Eyes

Hamoud, a 26-year-old Syrian refugee from Humus, Syria, is the head of his household. Hamoud's dream job was to become a lab technician. He graduated, but due to the war he couldn't get his certificate which would allow him to practice in his intended field of work.

Hamoud, his parents and four brothers were displaced inside Syria several times when their house was bombed. In 2012, he decided to go to Lebanon alone while his family moved to another region in Syria, as he was not able to afford the living expenses for his entire family in Lebanon. Shortly after he arrived in South Lebanon, Hamoud tried to find a job as a lab technician but couldn't due to a lack of job opportunities and since he did not have his certificate. He therefore started working as a painter temporarily which allowed him to transfer some money to his family.

Two months ago, Hamoud visited the municipality of Tyr searching for a job and was referred to IOM for possible support. IOM livelihood staff in the area assessed his situation and included him in the community work programme. "My dream is to be a lab technician and I am still looking forward to it, but I'm happy now as I'm able to support my family financially".



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● **IRAQ**

225,455 refugees
in Iraq as of 30 September 2016

56,197 Assisted | Targeted 313,553



IOM Funding Requested ██████████ USD 20,434,591
Funding Received ■■■ USD 4,200,000

IOM PRESENCE

7 Locations

91 Staff

10 International
81 National

Figures reported below are from activities in 2016
(↑) indicates progress made in the reporting period

- TRANSPORTATION SERVICES**
219 beneficiaries
- NFI DISTRIBUTION**
28,621 beneficiaries
- HEALTH ASSISTANCE**
1,904 (145↑) beneficiaries
- LIVELIHOOD ASSISTANCE**
645 (32↑) beneficiaries
- COMMON SERVICES**
24,316 (3,203↑) beneficiaries

Needs and Vulnerability Assessments in Sulymaniyah and Erbil

IOM has contributed in building socio-economic infrastructure in communities where Syrian refugees are located, especially in Sulymaniyah and Erbil governorates. Quick Impact Projects (QIPs) staff conducted in-depth needs and vulnerability assessments to identify gaps in the main community services (mainly socio-economic infrastructure) in these communities. Following the assessments, IOM began implementing two QIPs projects: 1) Expansion of emergency unit at Ranya General Hospital in Sulymaniyah, targeting 4,597 individuals including 2,800 Syrian refugees in Ranya town; and 2) Construction of a sports field and rehabilitation of Hamom Primary School benefitting 447 students including 215 Syrian refugees in Koya town, Erbil.

Vocational Training at the Swedish Academy for Training (SAT)

In coordination with SAT, IOM began offering computer literacy, auto-mechanics, and English language courses to 136 individuals (67 women and 69 men) including host community members (69), IDPs (35), and Syrian refugees (32) in Erbil. The trainings are part of IOM's assistance in the framework of 3RP funded by the United States Government. In addition, each trainee is to undergo a 20-hour training on life and works skills (how to write a CV, Job interview skills, etc.), to help them increase their employability. Successful trainees who complete the training will be awarded certificates endorsed by the Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs (MoLSA), as well as start-up tools and packages that will help them to seek employment or establish their own business.



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● **JORDAN**

655,833 refugees

in Jordan as of 7 November 2016

282,632 Assisted | Targeted 464,454



IOM Funding Requested	■■■■■■■■■■	USD	7,518,000
Funding Received	■■■	USD	2,396,525


IOM PRESENCE

6 Locations

181 Staff

9 International
172 National

Figures reported below are from activities in 2016
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-  **TRANSPORTATION SERVICES**
27,017 (81↑) beneficiaries
-  **HEALTH ASSISTANCE**
255,219 (23,336↑) beneficiaries
-  **CAPACITY BUILDING**
396 (46↑) beneficiaries

Training on Humanitarian Border Management (HBM) and Counter-trafficking for Border Guards

During October, two HBM trainings with a special focus on counter-trafficking took place as part of a series of trainings for the Jordanian Border Guards, funded by the Government of Japan. The trainings took place in Shwa'er Training Centre for 46 Border Guards. These trainings covered: international legal framework for human rights and the protection of refugees; Standard Operating Procedures in Receiving Syrian Refugees; counter-trafficking; counter-smuggling; and issues related to child protection.



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United Nations Day

24 October marks United Nations Day. This was the first time IOM participated as a related organization of the UN. In honour of the event, IOM's communication team with the rest of the UN Country Team organized a photo contest to highlight the priorities of youth regarding the five main themes for the upcoming United Nations Sustainable Development Partnership Framework (UNSDPF): People and dignity; Planet; Prosperity; Partnerships; and Peace and Justice.

The photo contest was open to all youth including Jordanians, refugees and migrants under the age of 35. Additionally, IOM attended the official reception for the United Nations Day. HRH Princess Basma, IOM's Special Envoy of the Director General to combat Human Trafficking in Jordan, attended the event and delivered the awards to the winners of the photo contest.



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TURKEY

2.6^{million} refugees
in Turkey as of 19 October 2016

278,050 Assisted | Targeted 230,450



IOM Funding Requested ██████████ USD 28,060,000
Funding Received ██████ USD 17,961,777

IOM PRESENCE

8 Locations

86 Staff

17 International
69 National

Supporting the Well-being and Cohesion of Syrian Refugees and their Host Communities

In September, IOM launched a community stabilization project to support the well-being and cohesion of Syrian refugees and their host communities in Turkey by creating communal spaces where both refugee and host communities can freely gather and meet their basic needs. As part of the project, IOM renovated and refurbished a community launderette in Kumlu, Hatay, during the month of October. The launderette is now equipped with new washing machines, drying machines, a waiting area, and an ironing space. All necessary electricity and drainage works have also been completed to provide the communities with a better functioning and safe washing facility. By adopting a cash-for-work scheme, the project encouraged communities' participation and provided short-term job opportunities for 11 Syrian and 17 Turkish community members. The launderette will be open to the public from 3 November, seven days a week, and over 140 community members of Kumlu are expected to benefit from the launderette every week.



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- NFI DISTRIBUTION**
140,548 (4,510↑) urban refugees
- TRANSPORTATION SERVICES**
34,785 (1,656↑) urban refugees
- SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION**
8,834 (8,834↑) urban refugees
- FOOD ASSISTANCE**
6,000 Syrian refugees
- CAPACITY BUILDING**
159 beneficiaries
- HEALTH ASSISTANCE**
36,863 (3,336↑) beneficiaries
- PSYCHOSOCIAL SUPPORT**
16,983 (2,929↑) beneficiaries
- LEGAL ASSISTANCE**
1,687 (436↑) beneficiaries
- CASE MANAGEMENT**
2,660 (348↑) cases
- LIVELIHOOD ASSISTANCE**
14,685 (3,024↑) beneficiaries
- EDUCATION**
2,365 (2,365↑) beneficiaries
- WASH**
5,634 beneficiaries
- VOUCHER PROGRAMME**
6,847 beneficiaries

Through Their Eyes



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Lina is a lawyer working at the community centre that is run by an IOM partner, Syrian Social Gathering (SSG), where she provides legal advice for newly enrolled Syrian refugees to the centre. Specializing in gender-based violence she is often referred to Syrian women who are dealing with sensitive cases and helps them with understanding their rights, particularly under Turkish and refugee laws. "One of the most common issues that women come to me with is divorce and how to proceed with it. Many feel like they have no way out but I show them that they always have options available to them," she explains.

"I've always felt a powerful need to help those who do not fully know their rights. I have often seen too many women in situations where they feel like they have no legal recourse."

"I try my best to help them but I don't always succeed. I remember one case that stayed with me when a woman came with her husband and two children and said that she wanted a divorce. She said that the war and the struggles of living as a refugee had completely broken down their marriage and she wanted a way out. I helped her through the process but before we could finalize things, her husband took their children and ran off somewhere. We have been unable to find them even though we are pretty sure they are still in Turkey. The case broke her heart just as much as it did mine."

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