

Market Research for UNRWA Technical and Vocational Education Training Programme

UNRWA conducted a market research to assess the needs and trends of available work field at local job market in Syria and needs for the subject of vocational training, and eventually to articulate a set of suggestions to improve trainings and methods at DTC to match the needs of trainees and employers. The market research mainly recommends a continuous development of courses and curricula, that reflect the changing needs of the local labor market, establishing career counseling section that is familiar with local needs and can assess and support trainees to find suitable jobs through connecting them with companies in addition to securing job placements for distinguished trainees.

Increase in number of confirmed cases of COVID-19

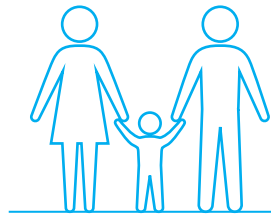
The situation in Syria remains increasingly concerned. Official numbers of new cases continued to increase over the period in October. The Syrian Government team reiterated the request for public bodies to adhere to procedures related to the mitigation of the spread of the virus. It was asked to secure sterilization supplies and face masks for workers. Mobile teams were also assigned to visit ministries and public bodies to offer COVID-19 vaccines for workers.

As a part of the UN vaccination campaign for the COVID-19 during the month of October, the UNRWA vaccination teams provided 3,210 doses of the vaccines (AstraZeneca and Johnson and Johnson) to the UN and UNRWA staff and their dependents. The vaccine is provided at six main health care centers in the field and at mobile clinics. The percentage of vaccinated UNRWA staff remains low. UNRWA announced an ongoing awareness campaign about COVID-19 and its vaccines. The campaign is targeting the UNRWA staff and Palestine refugees to improve the acceptance of the vaccination and improve their understanding of the protection measures. During the months of September and October, the health department referred 577 staff and refugees to the COVID PCR test, 227 of the tested cases were positive. Medication and follow-up were provided to all cases as needed.

438,000 Palestine refugees remain in Syria

52% female

31% children



140,000 Palestine refugees in most vulnerable category

91% of Palestine refugees in need of cash and in-kind food assistance

40% of Palestine refugees remain in protracted displacement

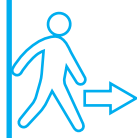
Emergency Appeal Requirements in Syria for 2021



As of 31 October 2021, a total of US\$ 95.3 million were pledged or received from donors and partners, representing 49.6 per cent of total requirements.

145 Palestine refugees returned from Lebanon, Jordan and Gaza in September & October 2021

84 Palestine refugees returned from other countries in September & October 2021



bringing the total number of returnees since January 2021 to **896**

The third round of cash assistance for 2021 was launched on 3rd October, covering five months' worth of assistance. A total of 253,213 Palestine refugees received their assistance reaching to 60 per cent of the caseload of beneficiaries by 31 October 2021.

Consultations were provided by UNRWA mobile clinics

2,480 Yalda and Yarmouk

351 Ein el-Tal camp

The first round of food distribution for 2021 was launched in April. A total of 59,530 Palestine refugees received their assistance during the reporting period, reaching to 82 per cent of the caseload of beneficiaries.

137,293 primary health consultations

82,832 female

54,461 male

4,420 individuals benefited from 1,300 microfinance loans

43% female

11% youth

9,167 diapers

176 jerrycans

189 hygiene kits were distributed

Removing the rubbles from UNRWA facilities at Ein el Tal camp and Plans to start a phased rehabilitation of parts of the Ein el Tal camp that are less damaged are ongoing.

585 individuals benefited from legal consultation services provided by six Family Support Offices

383 female

202 male

34 women benefited from awareness sessions on Gender-based violence in Sbeineh camp and Husseiniyeh.

25 young DTC graduates benefited from an UNRWA/UNDP initiative, supporting their ten pioneering ideas to develop into actual. UNDP experts equipped them with the necessary skills during 42 hours period.

14 students with disability played bowling as part of Psychosocial support (PSS) activities in Sbeineh camp.

91 PSS counselors received Non-violent communication training.

60 PSS counselors received (AVAC) Addressing violence against children training.



Psychosocial support for the elderly in Qabr Essit camp. © 2021 UNRWA Photo



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