



Lebanon Briefing Note: Inter-Agency Winterization Programme Winter of 2013/2014 – Final Figures

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Winter in Lebanon is harsh, especially in the high elevations of Mount Lebanon, in the North, and the Bekaa where nearly two-thirds of all 870,000 refugees are living. Many live in accommodation that is not insulated from the elements in informal settlements (IS), unfinished buildings, garages, work-sites or warehouses.

The inter-agency winterization programme targeted up to 60% of all refugees from Syria (including Palestinians), Lebanese returnees and some vulnerable host community families, with: (a) support to make shelters more weatherproof; (b) non-food items (NFI), such as blankets, children’s clothing, and in some cases stoves; and (c) money to purchase heating fuel for the poorest households and schools to promote attendance during the winter months.

Shelter

Shelter materials such as plastic sheeting, timber, external doors, ironmongery and tools worth about \$ 200 were distributed to 46,800 households (234,024 people) during the winter months (November to March), for refugees to improve their own shelters. With the expectation that some IS might suffer flooding, inter-agency partners worked to clear drainage channels of solid waste. An additional \$ 500,000 was available to support the most vulnerable in case of flooding.

Non-Food Items (NFI)

NFIs were provided to all registered refugees defined as vulnerable *and* living above 500 meters, any refugee or returnee living in IS and unfinished buildings, plus any other person with special needs or particular vulnerabilities. NFIs distributed include: one high thermal blanket or quilt, a stove, and \$ 100 per household per month for fuel (accessed through ATM cash cards or Fuel vouchers), at a cost per household of \$ 670 for all five winter months.

A complementary winterization in-kind assistance that consists of: blankets, mattresses, plastic sheets, heating stoves, hygiene kits, Jerry cans and vouchers for heating fuel (200 litres per family), targeted registered refugee households living above 500 meters and have not benefited from the above mentioned assistance.

In total 119,270 households (596,350 people) have received assistance through one of the above mentioned modalities; 112% of the target for the winter.

Child Protection

130,650 children under 15 living in IS across Lebanon have been provided with winter clothing kits and other donated supplies to help combat the harsh weather. In addition, more than 65,000 children living in collective centres and other vulnerable sites across the country received winter clothing vouchers valued at \$ 40 each. Overall, the project has reached over 195,600 vulnerable children across Lebanon, including Palestinian refugees from Syria.

Education

Despite early project difficulties, 100% of the 192 schools approved for Unicef targeting by the government have been supported through the Fuel-for-Schools programme that provided up to 2,000 liters per school for heating; benefiting approximately 50,600 Syrian refugee and Lebanese students, including 5 UNRWA schools in the Bekaa with 2,600 Palestinian refugee students. At the request of the Ministry of Education and Higher Education, Unicef also extended support to another 25 schools, providing fuel for the classrooms of a further 6,250 students.

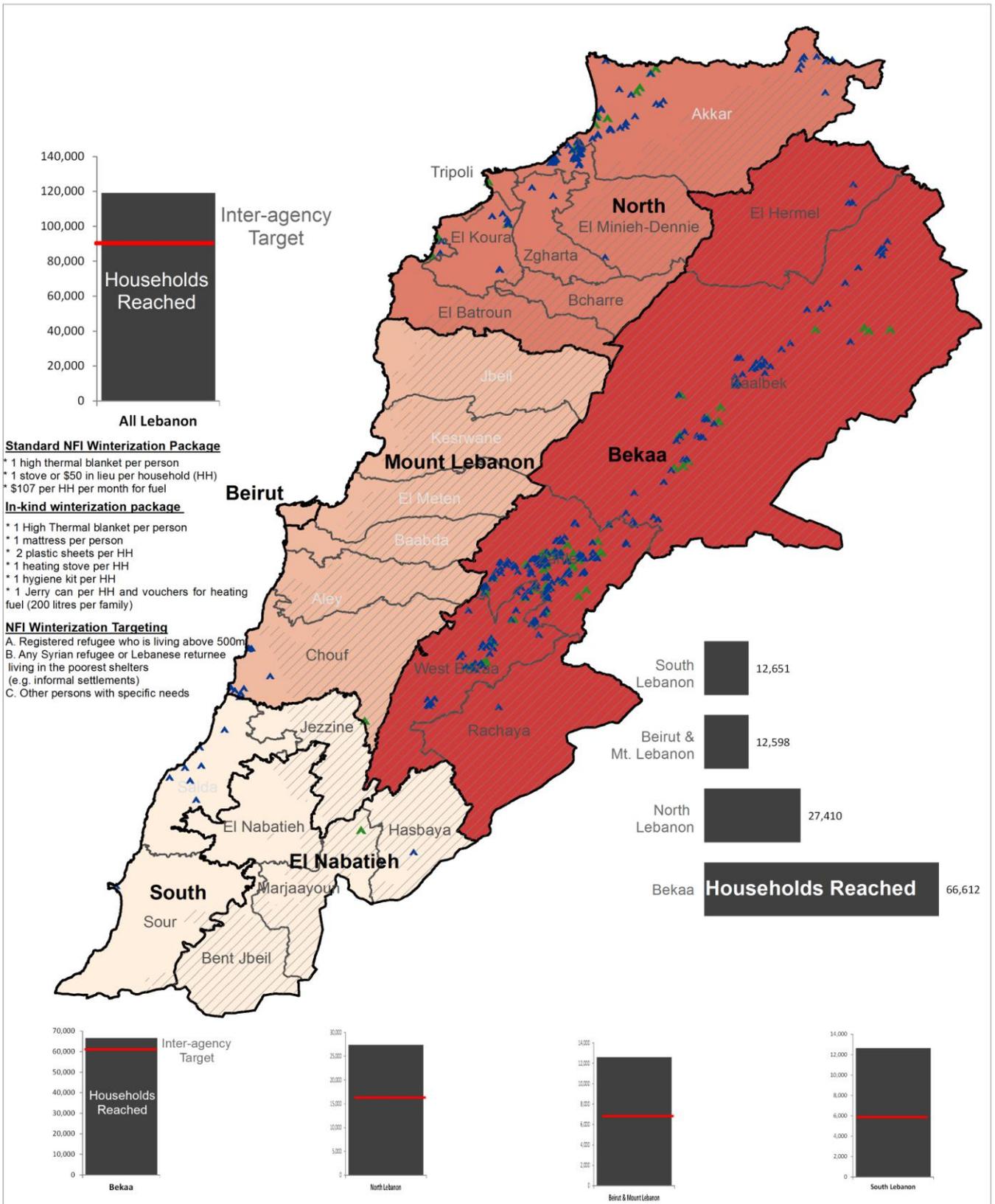
Sector Budgets, Targets & Achievements to date

Winterization Activity per Sector	Cost (USD)	# HH Targeted	Refugees Targeted	# Reached	% Achieved
Shelter Weatherproofing	\$ 7,400,000	39,000	195,000	234,024	120%
Core Relief Items (CRI & fuel for households)	\$ 71,020,000	106,000	530,000	596,350	112%
Child Protection (children’s clothing)	\$ 8,300,000	-	195,600	195,600	100%
Education (fuel for schools)	\$ 450,000	-	56,850	56,850	100%

SYRIA REFUGEE RESPONSE

LEBANON NFI Winterization Achieved

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 Registered Refugees Figures by UNHCR as of 31 March 2014.
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Areas Above 500 meters	Informal Settlements	No. of Refugees per Governorate
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