KYM REPORTING
FOR SYRIA CRISIS
Introduction

The Syrian civil, which started in 2011, has been going on for over the last three years continues with increasing intensity. Before the civil war, Syria had a population of over 20 million, now half of them require some form of humanitarian assistance. In this time period, 6.5 million Syrians are internally displaced and 3 million of them applied for refugee status in neighboring countries.

KYM Activities

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Due to Kimse Yok Mu’s large volunteer network, aid assessments were completed in less than three weeks. This ensured that families received funds quickly, before the onset of winter which would add another layer of hardship to the resettlement process. Through grants and private donations, Syrians were given 100 TL per family member per month that they could use to sustain themselves and rebuild their lives. The basic living stipend hastened the resettlement process and empowered the victims of civil war to take control of their lives.

To provide comprehensive services to the refugees, Kimse Yok Mu also sponsored the construction of schools, coordinated the donation of school supplies, food, and blankets to those who were eligible for aid. They also receive rental and utility assistance to relocate to Turkey. Because of Kimse Yok Mu’s diffuse throughout the country, if it possible to provide assistance refugees regardless of where they resettle. Due to Turkey’s proximately to the conflict, it is imperative to deliver aid buffer zone at the Turkey-Syria border. In order to help people still within Syria, Kimse Yok Mu recommends collaborating with other NGOs already at work in the area. It is difficult to establish a new program during war time and far more effective to deliver aid vis-à-vis existing programs active in the area. The use of volunteers also proved critical to program success. Volunteers assist in data collection vital to program implementation. As they are most familiar with the social landscape of their region, they can help NGOs efficiently identify which families are in need of aid and expedite its distribution.
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KYM Activities Summary Tables

330 trucks filled with emergency relief products have reached the victims of the Syria crisis.

Education is being provided to 1,500 Syrian refugee students. 5,000 students received stationery and clothing.

Hot meal is being distributed to 4,000 refugees on a daily basis.

16,750 people benefited of the cash assistance provided by UNHCR – Kimse Yok Mu partnership.

So far, the total number of beneficiaries has reached approximately +100,000 people.

Also 15,000 refugees, living outside the camps receive aid on a regularly basis.

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<th>Relief Activity</th>
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Education Centers

Kimse Yok Mu also addressed the urgent need for the education of refugee children through temporary education centers in Kilis and Hatay Yayladağı (in Turkey) where refugees densely live. The Ministry of Education names these institutions as “Temporary Education Centers.” In these schools, Syrian refugee teachers educate refugee children in Arabic by following the Syrian school curriculum. The program is also providing employment to refugees, as the principals, teachers and other employees are all from Syria as well. The stationery needs of these students are provided by KYM. KYM has partnered with NGOs from Singapore and Japan to establish these schools. In addition to courses in Syrian curriculum, children also learn English and Turkish. KYM has also partnered with UNHCR for a school in Erbil, Iraq for Syrian refugees and provided all materials and stationery necessities.

The Syrian civil war, which started in 2011, has been going on for the last four years and continues with an increasing intensity. One of the most important basic needs of Syrian refugees in Turkey is to access education. Among millions of refugees, there are thousands of school-aged children.

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KYM Education Centers for Refugees

Currently, there are 320 refugee students enrolled in Yayladağı Sakura Education Center and 200 in Kilis Temasek Education Center. The grades range from kindergarten to high school level. KYM has partnered with NGOs from Singapore and Japan to establish these schools. In addition to courses in Syrian curriculum, children also learn English and Turkish.

Hatay Yayladağı Sakura Education Center

Kilis Temasek Education Center

School in Arbil

KYM has also partnered with UN for a school of Syrian refugees and provided all materials and stationery necessities of it. The school has 12 classrooms and 1,000 square meters of space and it was submitted to Arbil Governorate after the completion of the construction.
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