SYRIA AND IRAQ CRISIS
NRC’s humanitarian response | June 2015

SYRIA
Internally displaced: 7.6 million
People in need: 12.2 million
NRC beneficiaries 2014: 553,000
Funding 2014: 22 million USD
Budget 2015: 21 million USD
Employees: 50 + partners

LEBANON
Registered Syrian refugees: 1,183,000
NRC beneficiaries 2014: 268,000 **
Funding 2014: 27 million USD
Budget 2015: 25 million USD
Employees: 440

JORDAN
Registered Syrian refugees: 628,000
NRC beneficiaries 2014: 293,000
Funding 2014: 33 million USD
Budget 2015: 33 million USD
Employees: 400

IRAQ
Internally displaced Iraqis: 2.7 million**
Registered Syrian refugees: 249,000
NRC beneficiaries 2014: 386,000
Funding 2014: 20 million USD
Budget 2015: 18 million USD
Employees: 300

Total number of NRC beneficiaries in 2014:
1,500,000

* Due to security reasons NRC does not publicise exact locations
** from recent conflicts

Our Partners

European Commission
Humanitarian Aid and Civil Protection

Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs

UNHCR

Sida

Government of the Netherlands

Foreign Affairs, Trade and Development Canada

UK Aid

unicef

Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation SFC
NRC is the lead partner of UNHCR in providing shelter and basic household items in Zaatari and Azraq refugee camps. NRC provides refugees with support upon arrival and operates the distribution area. NRC is also distributing cash and vouchers to offer beneficiaries more choice and flexibility.

NRC is working to ensure that children are able to get back to school and is also providing specialised youth programmes and catch up programmes.

NRC is providing financial incentives and support to Jordanian landlords to finish semi-constructed houses and bring new units onto the rental market, in return for housing refugee families.

NRC is providing information, counselling and community support activities to refugees in urban and camp settings.

NRC is the main provider of shelter solutions to refugees from Syria. NRC upgrades existing properties owned by Lebanese families who in turn host refugees rent-free for 12 months.

Through community centres and outreach activities, NRC provides information on how to access services, and one-to-one advice and legal assistance on housing, land and property issues, legal status and civil documentation (e.g. birth certificates).

NRC’s education programmes include catch-up classes to support the integration of Syrian refugee children into Lebanese public schools, and non-formal programmes for children who are not yet able to access formal schooling.

In informal settlements NRC integrates water and sanitation, shelter and education programmes, and is involved in community capacity building.

More than 14 million people are now displaced as a result of the conflicts in Syria and Iraq.

The humanitarian appeals for Syria and neighbouring countries in 2015 is only 22% funded.

Faced with limited international support and huge strains on their economies, the countries neighbouring Syria are increasing the entry restrictions for Syrian refugees and people are being turned back at the borders.

More than 12.2 million people inside Syria are in need of assistance – many of them receive only sporadic or no support. Despite repeated UN resolutions meant to secure people access to humanitarian assistance, bureaucratic and administrative challenges created by authorities, attacks on humanitarian workers and active conflict continue to hamper the relief effort, according to the NRC report “Failing Syria”.

Also in Iraq many civilians in conflict areas have limited access to assistance.