The Syria crisis, now in its tenth year, has left millions displaced from their homes, seeking refuge from the violence of war. As of April 2021, Jordan is officially hosting 665,834 registered Syrian refugees, although the total number of Syrian refugees in the country is thought to be more than double. In Jordan since 2012, the Lutheran World Federation (LWF) responds to the crisis, assisting Syrian and Iraqi refugees and vulnerable local communities. In 2020, the country program supported more than 71,000 individuals through protection and social cohesion, livelihoods, and quality services, primarily in education. LWF had a Covid-19 specific response with two main strategic priorities: help contain the spread of the pandemic and decrease the deterioration of human assets, social cohesion, and livelihoods. Under these priorities, LWF Jordan distributed hygiene kits, produced and distributed face, and distributed cash to vulnerable families.

LWF at a glance

Population outreach

Gender & age Group The program mainly supports:

- Syrian and Iraqi refugees
- Local communities affected
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Our work

Since the opening of the program in 2012, LWF Jordan has built up a track record in three programmatic areas: Livelihoods, Quality Services (Education) and Protection & Social Cohesion, targeting Syrian and Iraqi refugees and vulnerable Jordanians. For the period of 2019-2024 and in line with its country strategy, LWF Jordan aims to economically empower and increase the resilience of vulnerable and marginalized households and communities by increasing market-based, transferable, safe and sustainable income generation opportunities, particularly for women and youth. In 2020, the program also focalized on a response to the COVID-19 pandemic through protection and quality services activities.

Voices from the field

Tens of thousands of Jordanian and Syrian students are reaping the benefits of a more positive school environment, thanks to a project pioneered by Canadian Lutheran World Relief (CLWR) and the Lutheran World Federation (LWF), with support from Global Affairs Canada and in partnership with the Jordanian Ministry of Education. The four-year project, called ‘Improved Learning Environments for Children’, has provided practical renovation of school buildings and classrooms, as well as training for staff and students in a range of skills to address bullying, conflict, absenteeism and under-performance. It also works to support schools that are striving to become more inclusive for children with all kinds of disabilities. Esra’a, a mother of two girls studying at the school, agrees that the project has boosted motivation and self-esteem for her children. “These days, my girls come home to show me the paintings they have drawn, or the letters they cut out from papers and scissors. For me, this is an opportunity I never had as a child, and I’m so happy to see it for my girls,” she says.

Key results

2020

- of those accessing LWF Jordan psychosocial support services report an increased sense of well-being
- of our participants in LWF Jordan livelihood projects have improved access to food
- schools benefitted from an improved learning environment through LWF Jordan’s education program

Projects turnover

2020

- Protection and social cohesion: 598,312 €
- Quality services: 520,540 €
- Livelihoods: 297,987 €
- Systems & Practices for Quality Programming: 5,961 €

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