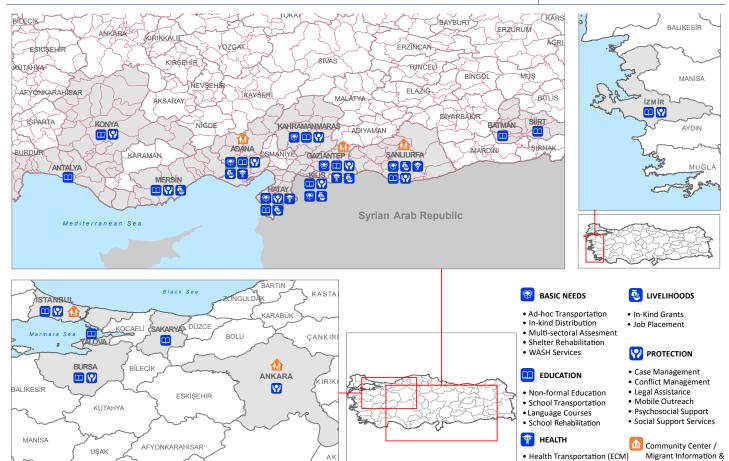
REFUGEE RESPONSE OPERATIONS



MAY - JULY 2019



According to the Turkish Directorate General of Migration Management, there are currently over 3.6 million Syrians Under Temporary Protection in Turkey who fled as a result of the ongoing conflict. Since March 2012, IOM Turkey has been part of a coordinated effort of UN Agencies, NGOs and government partners, providing humanitarian assistance including basic health and social services to

help migrants, refugees and the host community live a better and more stable life. Through strong partnerships with municipalities across 17 provinces, IOM's initiatives are fostering greater social cohesion among migrants, refugees and host communities. Through these efforts, IOM is actively developing the capacity of government partners to create sustainable solutions for managing migration in Turkey.

Medical Assistance (ECM)

1,628,903

Data Source: IOM Turkey May - July 2019 Baseline Source: OCHA - UNHCR

BENEFICIARIES

ASSISTED IN TOTAL

SINCE

THE OPERATIONS BEGAN

BENEFICIARIES THIS QUARTER:

20,879

GAZIANTEP
SUB-OFFICE

14,613

HATAY
SUB-OFFICE

11,215

SUB-OFFICE

Coordination Center

75,280

PROTECTION 56.749

BASIC NEEDS & ESSENTIAL SERVICES

EDUCATION 6,273

LIVELIHOODS & FOOD SECURITY







HIGHLIGHTS

ŞANLIURFA METROPOLITAN MUNICIPALITY MIGRANT INFORMA-TION & COORDINATION CENTRE

- The centre provided counselling, social cohesion activities, job placements, education and information sessions to 4,569 migrants from May to July. On the 2nd of June, a network of municipal centres organized a "Science, Culture, Art and Sport Festival" for 152 beneficiaries from both host and refugee communities.
- The centre is providing Turkish language courses and special events such as art activities and museum visits to bring the community together.

GAZÍANTEP METROPOLITAN MUNICIPALITY 'ENSAR' CENTRE

- 3,588 people benefitted from education courses, social cohesion activities and have attended art and sports courses during this quarter.
- During this period, the center conducted 54 Turkish language sessions for refugees and migrants, and 45 Arabic language sessions for the host community in addition to 15 **English language sessions** for both refugees and the host community.

SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION

Up to 6,228 students used school transportation services offered by IOM in Adana, Sakarya, Yalova, Siirt, Antalya, and Batman during this quarter, connecting people with 64 schools and running 403 buses.

ADANA METROPOLITAN MUNICIPALITY MIGRANT COORDINATION & HARMONISATION CENTRE

- During this period, Adana Centre offered 3,060 different services to 2,732 beneficiaries.
- The services included counselling and referral services, awareness sessions, social cohesion activities, info desk and translation services to Syrians under Temporary Protection, various application processes with the Provincial Directorate of Migration Management, capacity building trainings such as computer classes and Turkish language courses.
- The centre held an "Intercultural Activity for Social Cohesion" to showcase different cultures from Syria, Iran, Afghanistan, Turkey and Iraq.

COMMUNITY STABILIZATION AND SHELTER

- **4,142** individuals from host and refugee communities have benefitted from shelter rehabilitation in Hatay, Şanlıurfa and Kahramanmaraş and a further 8,955 people from community stabilization projects to date.
- The District Governor, Migration Director and the District Director of National Education attended a ceremony where IOM provided 37 schools in Kahramanmaraş Province with essential sports and learning equipement.
- At the Tosyalı center for unaccompanied children in İskenderun, high level dignitaries such as the FLSS Hatay Provincial deputy manager, SASF Manager as well as IOM representatives attended an event conducted for unaccompained children.
- Kumlu Sub-governor, Deputy Mayor, Provincial Directorate of Associations, and IOM representatives witnessed the opening of Kumlu Park. Entertainment activities were organized for the children during the ceremony.

LIVELIHOOD SUPPORT

- About 629 beneficiaries have been served by the livelihoods team during this phase, including grants to get businesses off the ground, job placement programmes, entrepreneurial grants and training workshops.
- Entrepreneurship trainings began in Hatay and Adana with a total of **47 young people** from migrant and host communities. Two winning teams were selected for their projects in agriculture, interior design and human resources.

PROTECTION SERVICES

- 426 cases, supporting 443 individuals were taken on since May 2019 to support with complex and exceptional circumstances. Medical assistance made up over 85% of the caseload.
- IOM's mobile psychosocial support (PSS) teams covered 19,756 people since May through information and awareness sessions, and socio-cultural recreational activities targeting Syrian refugees and Turkish host communities with an aim to promote participation, interaction, and longer-term integration.
- In Gaziantep, İzmir, Şalıurfa and Hatay, the Mobile PSS teams held Iftaar events which reached at least 450 people per event. The events brought together both refugee and host communities to celebrate similarities in traditions and customs.

HUMAN INTEREST STORY

Duran, 63, lived a quiet life in his village in Lattakia Province where he had a beekeeping hobby which he loved. However, his 100 beehives were destroyed when his village was attacked and destroyed in 2012. In pursuit of safety, Duran and his family had to flee to Turkey. He now lives in Islahiye, Gaziantep with his wife and three sons. A friend, told him about an IOM agricultural project which aimed at training Syrians on different agricultural activities. The project equipps Syrians with the necessary skills for them to be self-sufficient and boost the

agricultural activities of the areas they live in. Duran, was trained in beekeeping and received nine bee hives to start up his business. "I feel very happy," he expressed. "I really wanted my own bee hives like the ones I had in Syria but I couldn't afford it." Duran produces 25 kilograms of honey which he sells to earn money for his family. He has increased his hives to 16 and hopes to have about 50-60 hives next year. "I want to have my own farm and train others. I am 63 but I still have the energy to achieve what I am dreaming of," expressed a delighted Duran.





