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Project Factsheet

EUTF support for an integrated Solid Waste Management system in Syrian refugee camps and neighbouring communities affected by the Syria Crisis

OBJECTIVE

Guaranteeing better living conditions by developing improved solid waste management and waste water treatment in both refugee camps and local communities in Jordan, while providing job opportunities.

EXPECTED RESULTS

- Enhanced waste collection, separation and processing of recyclable and organic waste in refugee camps and host communities.
- Access to short-term job opportunities (through Cash for Work) in the field of Solid Waste Management for vulnerable Jordanians and Syrian refugees, in refugee camps and host communities.
- Reduced conflict potential within the scope of inadequate Solid Waste Management.
- Improved environmentally friendly and cost-efficient sludge management in Za'atari camp.

BUDGET

EUR 39 million (EU)
EUR 6 million (BMZ)

START DATE
05/12/2019

DURATION
36 months

BENEFICIARIES

542,573

Syrians & Jordanians
benefitting from
waste collection & disposal

7,500

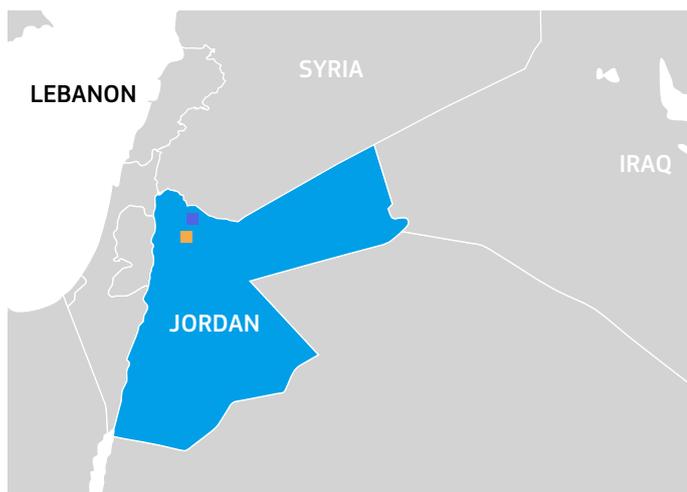
Syrians & Jordanians
benefitting from
job opportunities

IMPLEMENTING PARTNERS

Implemented by



PROJECT LOCATIONS



JORDAN

Mafrqa Governorate

Zarqa Governorate

OUR IMPACT



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Nader, 44, is from Deraa, Syria, and has been living in Jordan for almost 9 years. He lives in Za'atari camp with his wife and children and works as a technical team leader for Oxfam. "I have different responsibilities [...]: managing workers, overseeing them and make sure they are in charge of sorting [waste], and supervising all the machines and tools we have," he explains.

Oxfam is part of a consortium led by GIZ implementing a project in Za'atari camp whose objective is improving living conditions of refugees, by developing a more efficient solid waste management system and waste water treatment in the camp. The project is also implemented in the refugee camp in Azraq and in other parts of Jordan so that local communities can also benefit from more effective waste management practices.

Nader is part of the cash-for-work component of this project, which focuses on giving access to employment opportunities to vulnerable Jordanians and refugees in the field of solid waste management.

"I am very happy at work," he says. "It allows me to provide for my family, I don't have any other work. [...] I have two diplomas, a Masters' in social science and [...] a diploma in mechanical engineering," he continues. "This qualifies me to do this job, also taking into consideration the experience I had in Syria."

Nader explains how positive the impact of this project is on the environment but especially on the community living in the camp. "Oxfam is working towards a future vision for recycling in the camp and hopefully [this system] will be implemented everywhere in Jordan and in the Arab world. [...] We can say that 97% of the [people living in the camp] cooperate, they are recycling and sorting their waste."

Chaikha, 45, mother of 5, is also from Syria and, like Nader, she lives in Za'atari camp with her family. For the past year, she has been working at the sorting station. "Our job is to get the organic waste and put it on the table to be sorted," she explains. Before being able to work at the station, her family's situation was difficult. Her husband was unable to work due to a broken arm. "If I needed something for the house, I couldn't buy it. Now, whatever we need, I can get."

Chaikha is very happy to be able to provide for her family. The job "had a big impact on my life. [...] I was just sitting at home, I wasn't working. This job changed my whole life!"

More than 500,000 vulnerable Lebanese and Syrian refugees benefit not only from safer and healthier living conditions, but they have access to short-term job opportunities that allow their families to live more decently.