

Refugee camps*: Winter response

Theme: Shelter / refugees

Country: Lebanon

Timeline: 6 months

Key objectives:

- Preparing camps* hosting Syrian refugees to winter conditions through provision of winter preparedness shelter kits

Key activities:

- Procurement and delivery of shelter kits, in accordance with UNHCR / Shelter Sector specifications, comprising of:
 - Plastic sheets (3-6 per tent)
 - Timber pillars and reinforcements
 - Door and ironmongery (in selected cases)
- Target population: 6,300 families / 31,500 Syrian refugees in 160 camps (Informal Settlements) in the mountains of Lebanon
- Separate budget for improvement of living conditions in the camps (site improvement).
- Fire prevention programs
- Donor logo can be displayed on the plastic sheets.

Project rationale:

Lebanon is hosting almost 1 million Syrian Refugees. Thousands of them fled Syria as early as in 2011, while majority reached Lebanon in 2013 and 2014. Since then, some 250,000 Syrian Refugees live in tented camps, set up in the mountains and coastal areas of Lebanon. PCPM focuses particularly on the cluster of 160 camps in the vicinity of Aarsal, in the mountainous region on the border of Syria and Lebanon. The camps are located at the altitude of 1,500 meters above sea level, with winters lasting over three months.

Related PCPM activities:

- Since 2018, PCPM has provided every camp in the cluster of 160 refugee camps in Aarsal with a comprehensive package of winterization assistance, in full coordination with UNHCR.
- The winterization assistance is based on tent-by-tent assessment, undertaken in July - August each year.
- The winterization assistance should be supplemented with provision of heating oil - either in-kind or through cash assistance.
- Largest program to prevent refugee camps' fires in Lebanon

Indicative budget for 160 refugee camps* (USD)

Shelter winterization kits for 6,300 families	\$800,000
Distribution and operating costs	\$200,000
TOTAL	\$1,000,000

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* - The Government of Lebanon does not accept any formal refugee camps in its territory. Over 4,000 camps for the Syrian refugees are referred to as "Informal Settlements".

