



DONOR REPORT

REFUGEE CRISIS IN EUROPE
2016



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ABOUT THE SITUATION

In 2015 and 2016, violence and poverty have pushed more than 1 million people to leave their homes in the Middle East and Africa and seek refuge in European nations—many of them through a dangerous sea route. Many people are calling this the largest refugee crisis since World War II. About half of the refugees are from Syria, with others coming from countries including Afghanistan, Eritria and Iraq.

The refugees' journey is dangerous. Thousands of people have died or gone missing in the Mediterranean . Those who arrive still have a difficult path ahead, walking many miles to find a place to seek asylum. Many of the refugees are families with small children.

The refugees in Europe are in dire need of humanitarian assistance. Most have spent nearly every penny they could save to make the journey, and they're arriving with little more than the clothes they're wearing. They have no food—nothing except the few belongings they can carry. They have no way to work yet to get the things they need. They don't even understand the languages they're hearing. They left everything behind for the sake of peace and a chance at a more secure life for their families, but the road to that life is long and daunting.

RECENTLY COMPLETED PROJECTS

- **IMMEDIATE RELIEF TO REFUGEES IN SERBIA—FOOD, CLOTHING, HYGIENE KITS AND BABY ITEMS**
- **MEDITERRANEAN REFUGEE CRISIS IN ITALY—INFORMATION, FOOD, WATER, CLOTHES AND HYGIENE ITEMS**
- **EMERGENCY RESPONSE IN MOLYVOS, GREECE—INFORMATION, TRANSLATION, EMERGENCY ITEMS**
- **SUPPORTING REFUGEES IN GERMANY—HYGIENE KITS**
- **SUPPORT REFUGEES IN GERMANY—EID GIFTS**
- **SUPPORT REFUGEES IN GERMANY—QURBANI MEAT**

ONGOING PROJECTS

PHASE 4 EMERGENCY BASIC AID TO MIGRANTS—MEDITERRANEAN REFUGEE CRISIS, MACEDONIA (ON HOLD)

FEBRUARY 2016-MARCH 2016

LOCATION: Gevgelija (point of entry) and Kumanovo (point of exit).

PROJECT ACTIVITIES:

The following items are being distributed:

- 6,000 refugees provided with food aid containing an apple, 0.5 liters of water, 0.5 liters of fruit juice, 200 ml of milk chocolate, 60 grams biscuits, one packet sesame sticks, 110 grams chocolate croissant, 125 grams of canned fish, packaged cheese, and 150 grams of bread.
- 1,710 young children provided with diapers as appropriate
- 1,560 women provided with sanitary and hygiene kits
- 750 migrants provided with blankets
- 900 young children provided with winter coats
- 1,500 refugees provided with hats and socks