

# SYRIA - COMPLEX EMERGENCY

FACT SHEET #3, FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2015

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## NUMBERS AT A GLANCE

**12.2 million**

People in Need of Humanitarian Assistance in Syria  
U.N. – November 2014

**7.6 million**

Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) in Syria  
U.N. – November 2014

**3.3 million**

Syrian Refugees in Neighboring Countries  
Office of the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) – December 2014

**1.1 million**

Syrian Refugees in Lebanon  
UNHCR – December 2014

**1.1 million**

Syrian Refugees in Turkey  
UNHCR – November 2014

**620,400**

Syrian Refugees in Jordan  
UNHCR – December 2014

**228,500**

Syrian Refugees in Iraq  
UNHCR – November 2014

**137,700**

Syrian Refugees in Egypt  
UNHCR – December 2014

## HIGHLIGHTS

- U.N. World Food Program (WFP) announces resumption of food assistance to Syrian refugees following fundraising campaign.
- Western governments pledge to increase the number of Syrian refugees accepted through resettlement programs.
- U.N. cross-border deliveries from Turkey and Jordan reach thousands of conflict-affected households in Syria.
- USAID/OFDA partners provide essential health services and winter supplies to internally displaced persons (IDPs) and host communities; target vulnerable populations with water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH) programs.

## HUMANITARIAN FUNDING TO SYRIA HUMANITARIAN RESPONSE FY 2012 – FY 2015

USAID/OFDA <sup>1</sup>	\$570,037,037
USAID/FFP <sup>2</sup>	\$1,104,580,890
State/PRM <sup>3</sup>	\$1,371,725,086
<b>\$3,046,343,013</b>	
TOTAL U.S. GOVERNMENT (USG) ASSISTANCE TO THE SYRIA HUMANITARIAN RESPONSE	

## KEY DEVELOPMENTS

- U.N. Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator (ERC) Valerie Amos briefed the U.N. Security Council on November 25 regarding the implementation of U.N. Security Council Resolutions (UNSCR) 2165 and 2139. ERC Amos underscored that UNSCR 2165 has allowed U.N. agencies to access nearly all U.N.-identified hard-to-reach areas in the governorates of Aleppo, Al Qunaytirah, Dar'a, and Idlib, yet approximately 212,000 people remain besieged in the country and the U.N. has not reached more than two besieged locations during a single month since the July adoption of the resolution. ERC Amos requested that the Security Council continue to call for an end to bureaucratic challenges that hinder the delivery of humanitarian assistance, push for the inclusion of medical supplies in humanitarian convoys, and advocate for an end to all sieges.
- Following its recent fundraising campaign, WFP announced that its regional operation for the Syria crisis no longer faces imminent funding gaps that would have affected approximately 1.7 million refugees in countries neighboring Syria. The campaign, which raised more than \$88 million, received a \$52 million contribution from the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, as well as commitments from several other donors and approximately \$1.8 million from members of the public.

<sup>1</sup> USAID's Office of U.S. Foreign Disaster Assistance (USAID/OFDA)

<sup>2</sup> USAID's Office of Food for Peace (USAID/FFP)

<sup>3</sup> U.S. Department of State's Bureau of Population, Refugees, and Migration (State/PRM)

## HUMANITARIAN ACCESS & POPULATION DISPLACEMENT

- A renewed outbreak of heavy fighting and mounting insecurity in Al Qunaytirah, Dar'a, and Rif Damascus governorates resulted in the displacement of thousands of households in late November, the U.N. reports. More than 40,000 civilians fled western rural Dar'a due to shelling and clashes, with many households seeking refuge in surrounding villages and residing in temporary shelters or among host families. Non-governmental organizations (NGOs) continue to assess humanitarian needs on the ground and respond as security and access permit. In addition, armed conflict in northwestern Al Qunaytirah has caused significant displacement, with humanitarian organizations reporting that an estimated 7,500 people have fled to surrounding rural areas in the governorate and in neighboring Rif Damascus. The U.N. expects additional displacement in the coming weeks as fighting continues to escalate.
- According to a recent U.N. Children's Fund (UNICEF) report, security incidents that have resulted in road closures between the city of Idlib and other parts of Idlib Governorate continue to hamper humanitarian assistance efforts in the area. Ongoing fighting and limited transit routes have also led to increased commodity prices, further straining the coping mechanisms of vulnerable communities. In addition, IDPs continue to arrive in Idlib Governorate, including 3,500 households from Hamah. According to humanitarian organizations, the most pressing needs of IDPs in Idlib are blankets, food, hygiene kits, mattresses, and plastic sheeting.
- Continued clashes in recent weeks near the city of Ayn al-Arab—known as Kobani in Kurdish—have displaced approximately 540 households to Al Hasakah Governorate in northeastern Syria, according to UNICEF. Following clashes between armed groups, an additional 800 households fled villages in southern Al Hasakah for areas farther north near the border with Iraq.
- USAID/FFP partner WFP continues to target more than 4 million people throughout Syria per month but notes that insecurity continues to hinder food deliveries in some areas, particularly in Dayr az Zawr and Ar Raqqa governorates, where ongoing conflict has interrupted road access to the entirety of both governorates since May and June, respectively. WFP also reports similar recent constraints in Syria's southern governorates, where November deliveries in many areas of Al Qunaytirah and Dar'a governorates could not take place due to intense fighting. Nonetheless, WFP continues to deliver food supplies to U.N.-identified hard-to-reach areas wherever possible, including in Aleppo, Al Qunaytirah, Dar'a, and Idlib governorates. WFP's replenishing operations have complemented the organization's operation inside Syria; between November 11 and 20 WFP delivered more than 2,650 metric tons (MT) of food commodities—including rice, flour, and food parcels—from Turkey to Syria through the Nusaybin–Qamishli border crossing. During the week of November 30, WFP accessed the Bab al-Hawa–Reyhanli and Bab al-Salaam–Kilis crossing points from Turkey to deliver food commodities to Aleppo and Idlib governorates benefitting 20,000 households.
- For the first time in nearly two years, U.N. interagency humanitarian convoys on November 27 and 30 delivered food and other relief supplies to western Harasta, Rif Damascus Governorate. In addition to WFP food assistance, the World Health Organization (WHO), in collaboration with an NGO, delivered 6 tons of medicines and WASH items to approximately 2,200 households in Harasta. WHO reports that the delivery marks the first time medical assistance has reached the area since October 2011.
- Despite access constraints in many areas, the U.N. and implementing partners continue to deliver assistance where possible. The U.N. Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) reports that cross-border operations into northern Syria, authorized by UNSCR 2165, benefitted approximately 107,500 people in Aleppo, Hamah, and Idlib governorates between November 8 and 21. In addition, a November 25 convoy from Jordan delivered winter relief items, including thermal blankets and children's clothing, and medical supplies to households in Dar'a Governorate. Since the July passage of UNSCR 2165, more than 665,200 people in northern Syria and more than 122,000 people in Dar'a and Al Qunaytirah in southern Syria have received U.N. assistance.
- In November, State/PRM partner the U.N. Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA) completed its third round of 2014 cash assistance distributions, reaching more than 469,000 Palestinian refugees throughout Syria. Also in November, UNRWA distributed 17,679 food parcels to Palestinian refugees in Syria, including the delivery of 2,400 food parcels to households in the Yarmouk neighborhood of Damascus. In addition, UNRWA has distributed more than 41,000 blankets and mattresses to Palestinian refugees as part of its winterization campaign. UNRWA remains concerned about the level of access and humanitarian aid reaching Palestinian refugees in Syria, including in the Yarmouk, Khan Eshieh, areas of Rif Damascus, and villages west of Dar'a.

## FOOD SECURITY

- Following a recent WFP fundraising campaign, the agency reports that it raised sufficient funds—more than \$88 million—to ensure that its food voucher program for Syrian refugees in five neighboring countries will continue through December and partly into January. The USG, which has provided nearly \$935 million to WFP for emergency food assistance since the crisis began and remains the largest donor to WFP’s food assistance programs for Syria, notes that WFP’s Syria operations—both inside Syria and regionally—will continue to require sustained donor commitment to prevent recurrent funding gaps.
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## HEALTH & WASH

- A USG-supported NGO reports continued efforts to provide assistance in Syria across lines of conflict while pressing all parties to facilitate the delivery of humanitarian relief to people in need. On November 25, the NGO and another organization delivered water purification supplies to opposition-held areas of Al Rastan and Talbiseh in Homs Governorate, supporting access to clean water for an estimated 70,000 people.
  - From October 14 through November 12, USAID/OFDA partner UNICEF provided critical hygiene supplies—including family and baby hygiene kits—to 36,300 people in Hamah, Homs, Latakia, and Rif Damascus governorates, bringing the total number of people reached with UNICEF hygiene items and hygiene promotion messages to more than 748,400 since January.
  - During November, USAID/OFDA partner UNFPA provided reproductive health care services, including emergency obstetric care, reproductive health vouchers, and family planning activities, for approximately 18,500 women in Syria. UNFPA also delivered reproductive health supplies to Aleppo Governorate to enable an estimated 72,000 people to receive higher quality reproductive health services, including emergency obstetric care and safe delivery services.
  - A USAID/OFDA NGO partner currently supports the operations of 30 primary health care facilities and 38 trauma care facilities in northern Syria. Medical staff at these health centers carried out more than 1,380 major and 1,980 minor surgeries between November 27 and December 3. In addition, the NGO is supporting essential WASH services at more than 20 IDP camps in Syria, reaching more than 70,700 people.
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## RELIEF COMMODITIES

- Humanitarian organizations continue to supply seasonally appropriate relief items to displaced populations in Syria and refugees in the region. As of December 1, USG partner UNHCR had provided winter assistance to more than 30,000 households in Syria. UNHCR plans to reach up to 3 million people—including 280,000 households or 1.4 million people in Syria—with seasonally appropriate assistance before the end of the winter season.
  - In addition, UNICEF plans to reach 400,000 children with winter clothing kits in Aleppo, Al Hasakah, Dar’a, Dayr az Zawr, Hamah, Homs, Idlib, Latakia, and Rif Damascus governorates. As of mid-November, UNICEF had procured more than 217,600 winter clothing kits for children, including an estimated 130,000 kits procured locally through partnerships that generate income opportunities for IDPs.
  - During the week of November 30, a USAID/OFDA partner distributed approximately 6,200 seasonally appropriate relief item kits—including blankets, plastic sheeting, carpets, and winter clothing—benefitting more than 16,700 people in Aleppo Governorate. Through 18 partners, USAID/OFDA is supporting the distribution of seasonal relief commodities to respond to the needs of an estimated 1.5 million Syrians during the winter months.
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## REFUGEE ASSISTANCE

### *Regional*

- At a December 9 UNHCR-hosted conference in Geneva, Switzerland, western governments vowed to increase the number of Syrian refugees accepted through resettlement mechanisms, pledging to make 100,000 places available for Syrian refugees in the coming months. UNHCR estimates that more than 10 percent of the 3.3 million refugees in countries neighboring Syria are acutely vulnerable and require resettlement outside the region. At the conference, U.S. Assistant Secretary of State/PRM Anne Richard announced that the United States plans to lead in resettling Syrian refugees, noting that the USG—currently reviewing approximately 9,000 recent UNHCR referrals from Syria—receives approximately 1,000 new Syrian refugee referrals each month.

- A new partnership agreement between Intel and UNRWA will improve access to UNRWA's innovative learning materials for thousands of Palestinian refugee students and teachers. With \$100,000 from the Intel Foundation, UNRWA will create an online portal to serve as a central gateway for all UNRWA students and teachers, particularly the more than 67,000 refugee students affected by the conflict in Syria, to access educational materials in times of emergency. The portal will connect students to UNRWA's comprehensive self-learning program, which includes lessons broadcast on UNRWA's satellite and YouTube channels, as well as a web-based Interactive Learning Program (ILP), to address the learning needs of Palestinian refugee students.

### *Iraq*

- More than 2,870 Syrians displaced from Ayn al-Arab and surrounding areas in Syria arrived in the Iraqi Kurdish Region (IKR) in the second half of November, entering from Turkey through the Ibrahim Khalil border crossing or from Syria through the Peshkhabour border crossing. The new arrivals bring the total number of Syrian refugees to the IKR since September 25 to 21,970 people. IOM continues to transport new arrivals from Syria to the four refugee camps—Basirma, Darashakran, Kawergosk, and Qushtapa—in Erbil Governorate.
- As of December 1, UNHCR had distributed winter kits to more than 6,000 Syrian refugee households in Iraq—nearly 38 percent of the 16,000 targeted. UNHCR provided the kits, which consist of high-thermal blankets, plastic sheeting, and water containers, to vulnerable Syrians in camps and those living in urban and rural host communities. UNHCR has also provided 870 newly arrived refugee households with tent insulation kits.

### *Jordan*

- On December 3, UNHCR transferred \$5 million in cash allowances for the winter period to nearly 21,000 Syrian refugee households in urban areas of Jordan, all of which are receiving monthly cash assistance. In Za'atri refugee camp, UNHCR—in collaboration with implementing partners and camp supermarkets—plans to provide all 16,500 households with vouchers to purchase heating items, including heaters and fuel. To date, an estimated 9,000 of 30,000 targeted refugee households in Jordan have received winter kits comprising heaters, fuel, thermal blankets, and plastic sheeting. UNHCR expects to complete distributions by the end of December.
- UNICEF continues daily WASH services for more than 93,000 refugees in Azraq, Cyber City, King Abdullah Park, and Za'atri camps. The UNICEF services include water delivery, desludging, solid waste management, and hygiene promotion services. In Azraq camp, the installation of pumps, generators, and water-filling points is underway to provide water for up to 50,000 people. UNICEF and its partners are also supporting 10 water and sanitation rehabilitation projects in Irbid, Mafraq, and Zarqa to benefit approximately 700,000 Syrian refugees and Jordanians.

### *Lebanon*

- UNRWA, a USG-supported organization, is collaborating with partners to mobilize resources to address the needs of Palestinian refugees from Syria in Lebanon. All Palestinian refugees from Syria in the Bekaa Valley, as well as those living at higher altitudes, will receive one \$550 debit card per household to purchase fuel and winter relief items. In addition, UNHCR is targeting approximately 250,000 Syrian refugees in Lebanon for a winter cash supplement, which the agency expects to distribute by December 22.
- UNHCR distributions of 45,200 winter family kits are ongoing, targeting newly arrived and vulnerable refugees. Additionally, more than 23,000 of 37,200 refugee households—an estimated 186,000 people—living in informal settlements and unfinished buildings in Lebanon have received weatherproofing materials.
- With USG support, UNICEF provided access to safe drinking water to approximately 15,000 people and hygiene awareness messaging to more than 87,000 people in Lebanon in October. To date in 2014, UNICEF has reached an estimated 493,000 people, including refugees and host community members, with safe drinking water and nearly 318,000 people with hygiene awareness messaging.

### *Turkey*

- The Turkish Disaster Management Authority (AFAD) plans to replace up to 7,000 tents and 5,500 electric heaters in AFAD-managed refugee camps in Turkey, according to UNHCR.
- UNICEF and the Turkish Ministry of Education jointly announced that they would begin providing salaries to volunteer Syrian teachers in Turkey using international donor funds provided to UNICEF. The 13-month initiative targets 3,000

Syrian teachers—selected by the Ministry of Education—and provides \$150 per week to teach in refugee camps and \$220 per week to teach in urban settings. The program is the first formal remuneration opportunity for Syrian teachers in Turkey.

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## OTHER HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE

- The European Commission’s Directorate-General for Humanitarian Aid and Civil Protection (ECHO) has made an additional contribution of nearly \$5 million to UNICEF to respond to the needs of conflict-affected children in Syria and to assist Syrian refugees in Jordan. The new funds will support an integrated package of health and WASH interventions for IDPs in Syria, as well as ongoing WASH programs in Jordan.
- In addition, the European Commission announced €180 million—approximately \$223 million—in humanitarian assistance for Syria, Jordan, and Lebanon on December 4. The funding will support international NGOs and the U.N. to increase access to basic services—particularly education—for Syrians, Palestinian refugees, and host communities affected by the Syria crisis.
- On December 3, Foreign Minister of the Republic of Germany Frank-Walter Steinmeier announced a €15 million contribution—nearly \$19 million—to WFP following the agency’s December 1 suspension of its refugee food voucher program due to funding shortages. The contribution will support food assistance in Syria, Jordan, and Turkey. Foreign Minister Steinmeier also announced €25 million—approximately \$31 million—for U.N. agencies and NGOs to support winter assistance, polio vaccinations, and other humanitarian activities in response to the Syria crisis.

### CONTEXT

- Following the commencement of peaceful demonstrations against the Syrian Arab Republic Government (SARG) in March 2011, President Bashar al-Asad pledged legislative reforms. However, reforms failed to materialize, and SARG forces loyal to President al-Asad began responding to demonstrations with violence, leading armed opposition groups to retaliate.
- At a November 2012 meeting in Doha, Qatar, Syrian opposition factions formed an umbrella organization—the National Coalition for Syrian Revolutionary and Opposition Forces, also known as the Syrian Coalition (SC). The USG recognized the coalition as the legitimate representative of the Syrian people on December 11, 2012. On March 19, 2013, the SC established the Syrian Interim Government, which opposes the SARG and is based in decentralized locations throughout opposition-held areas of Syria.
- Shortly after its formation, the SC established the Assistance Coordination Unit (ACU) to coordinate humanitarian aid to Syria. The USG, other donors, and NGO representatives meet with the ACU on a regular basis to share information regarding identified needs, current and planned assistance, and challenges to providing aid.
- The U.N. Security Council adopted UNSCR 2139 on February 22, 2014, pressing the SARG and other armed actors to allow unfettered humanitarian access for relief aid workers in Syria. The resolution identified priority areas for emergency relief aid, and the U.N. is releasing monthly reports tracking progress on implementing the resolution’s objectives and access gains, as well as persistent access impediments.
- On July 14, 2014, the U.N. Security Council unanimously adopted UNSCR 2165, authorizing U.N. cross-border and cross-line delivery of humanitarian aid to conflict-affected populations without SARG approval. The new resolution permits the U.N.’s use of four border crossings from Turkey, Jordan, and Iraq—in addition to other crossings already in use by U.N. agencies—for delivery of humanitarian assistance into Syria. The resolution also establishes a monitoring mechanism—under the authority of U.N. Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon and with the consent of the neighboring countries—to ensure that deliveries across these border points contain only humanitarian items.
- UNRWA has registered approximately 560,000 Palestinian refugees in Syria, with more than 80 percent living in and around Damascus. Intense fighting in and around Palestinian camps and neighborhoods has significantly affected Palestinian refugees in Syria. UNRWA estimates that over 50 percent of Palestinian refugees are displaced within Syria, with a further 14 percent displaced to neighboring countries. Syria also hosts an estimated 39,500 Iraqi refugees, primarily in the greater Damascus area.

**USG HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO SYRIA AND NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES PROVIDED IN FY 2015<sup>1</sup>**

IMPLEMENTING PARTNER	ACTIVITY	LOCATION	AMOUNT
<b>USAID/FFP</b>			
NGO Partners	Food Assistance	Syria	\$5,000,000
U.N. Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) and NGO Partner	Agriculture and Food Security	Syria and Neighboring Countries	\$2,865,873
WFP	Syria Emergency Operation (EMOP)	Syria	\$55,000,000
WFP	Regional EMOP	Egypt	\$4,828,656
WFP	Regional EMOP	Iraq	\$5,143,575
WFP	Regional EMOP	Jordan	\$22,604,125
WFP	Regional EMOP	Lebanon	\$26,806,994
WFP	Regional EMOP	Turkey	\$10,616,650
<b>TOTAL USAID/FFP ASSISTANCE</b>			<b>\$132,865,873</b>
<b>STATE/PRM</b>			
UNDP	Education, Health, and WASH (supporting communities hosting Syrian refugees)	Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon, Turkey	\$10,000,000
Public International Organization (PIO) Partner	Food Assistance	Turkey	\$1,860,000
<b>TOTAL STATE/PRM ASSISTANCE</b>			<b>\$11,860,000</b>
<b>TOTAL USG HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO SYRIA AND NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES IN FY 2015</b>			<b>\$144,725,873</b>

**USG HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO SYRIA AND NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES PROVIDED IN FY 2014**

IMPLEMENTING PARTNER	ACTIVITY	LOCATION	AMOUNT
<b>USAID/OFDA<sup>2</sup></b>			
NGO Partners	Agriculture and Food Security, Economic Recovery and Market Systems, Health, Humanitarian Coordination and Information Management, Logistics Support and Relief Commodities, Nutrition, Protection, Risk Management Policy and Practice, Shelter and Settlements, WASH	Syria	\$244,584,485
PIO Partner	Health, Logistics Support and Relief Commodities	Syria	\$2,000,000
U.N. Department of Safety and Security (UNDSS)	Humanitarian Coordination and Information Management	Syria	\$500,000
FAO	Agriculture and Food Security	Syria	\$1,000,000
UNICEF	Health, Nutrition, Protection, WASH	Syria	\$24,500,000
OCHA	Humanitarian Coordination and Information Management		\$3,000,000
UNFPA	Health, Logistics Support and Relief Commodities, Protection	Syria	\$4,500,000
WFP	Logistics Support and Relief Commodities	Syria	\$2,500,000
WHO	Health, Humanitarian Coordination and Information Management	Syria	\$13,000,000
	Administrative and Support Costs	Syria	\$2,466,370
<b>TOTAL USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE</b>			<b>\$298,050,855</b>
<b>USAID/FFP</b>			
NGO Partners	Food Assistance	Syria	\$86,015,896
WFP	Syria EMOP	Syria	\$182,845,900
WFP	Regional EMOP	Egypt	\$18,500,000
WFP	Regional EMOP	Iraq	\$10,500,000

WFP	Regional EMOP	Jordan	\$106,250,000
WFP	Regional EMOP	Lebanon	\$108,750,000
WFP	Regional EMOP	Turkey	\$28,500,000
<b>TOTAL USAID/FFP ASSISTANCE</b>			<b>\$541,361,796</b>
<b>STATE/PRM<sup>3</sup></b>			
IOM	Relief Commodities, Border Transport, Health	Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon, Turkey	\$13,800,000
NGO Partners	Health, Protection, Education, WASH, Shelter, Psychosocial, Mental Health	Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon, Turkey	\$70,780,865
PIO Partner	Health, Relief Commodities, Shelter, WASH, Capacity Building	Syria, Egypt, Jordan, Lebanon	\$43,800,000
UNFPA	Mental Health, Capacity Building, Protection	Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon, Turkey	\$7,100,000
UNHCR	Protection, Camp Management, Shelter and Settlements, WASH, Education, Relief Commodities	Syria, Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon, Turkey, Regional	\$371,400,000
UNICEF	Education, WASH, Child Protection, Health	Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon, Turkey	\$115,600,000
UNRWA	Food, Health, Education, Relief Commodities, Shelter, WASH	Syria, Jordan, Lebanon	\$101,900,000
WHO	Health	Turkey	\$400,000
<b>TOTAL STATE/PRM ASSISTANCE</b>			<b>\$724,780,865</b>
<b>TOTAL USG HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO SYRIA AND NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES IN FY 2014</b>			<b>\$1,564,193,517</b>

#### USG HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO SYRIA AND NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES PROVIDED IN FY 2013<sup>1</sup>

<b>TOTAL USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE</b>	<b>\$252,290,317</b>
<b>TOTAL USAID/FFP ASSISTANCE</b>	<b>\$383,353,221</b>
<b>TOTAL STATE/PRM ASSISTANCE</b>	<b>\$582,724,280</b>
<b>TOTAL USG HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO SYRIA AND NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES IN FY 2013</b>	<b>\$1,218,367,818</b>

#### USG HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO SYRIA AND NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES PROVIDED IN FY 2012<sup>1</sup>

<b>TOTAL USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE</b>	<b>\$19,695,864</b>
<b>TOTAL USAID/FFP ASSISTANCE</b>	<b>\$47,000,000</b>
<b>TOTAL STATE/PRM ASSISTANCE</b>	<b>\$52,359,941</b>
<b>TOTAL USG HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO SYRIA AND NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES IN FY 2012</b>	<b>\$119,055,805</b>

<b>TOTAL USG HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO SYRIA AND NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES IN FY 2012, FY 2013, FY 2014, and FY 2015</b>	<b>\$3,046,343,013</b>
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<sup>1</sup> Year of funding indicates the date of commitment or obligation, not appropriation, of funds. Approximately \$12.8 million in funding was committed in FY 2012 and obligated in FY 2013.

<sup>2</sup> USAID/OFDA funding represents anticipated or actual obligated amounts as of December 12, 2014.

<sup>3</sup> Total includes \$10 million announced in FY 2013 for obligation by State/PRM in FY 2014.

## PUBLIC DONATION INFORMATION

- The most effective way people can assist relief efforts is by making cash contributions to humanitarian organizations that are conducting relief operations. A list of humanitarian organizations that are accepting cash donations for disaster responses around the world can be found at [www.interaction.org](http://www.interaction.org).
- The USG encourages cash donations because they allow aid professionals to procure the exact items needed (often in the affected region); reduce the burden on scarce resources (such as transportation routes, staff time, and warehouse space);

can be transferred very quickly and without transportation costs; support the economy of the disaster-stricken region; and ensure culturally, dietary, and environmentally appropriate assistance.

- More information can be found at:

- The Center for International Disaster Information: [www.cidi.org](http://www.cidi.org) or +1.202.821.1999.
- Information on relief activities of the humanitarian community can be found at [www.reliefweb.int](http://www.reliefweb.int).

USAID/OFDA bulletins appear on the USAID website at

<http://www.usaid.gov/what-we-do/working-crises-and-conflict/responding-times-crisis/where-we-work>