Syria Türkiye Earthquake Response (STER)



6 Months Update



World Vision is responding through

Syria:

Donors: 10

Ongoing Projects: 15

Projects in the pipeline: 4

Completed projects: 3

Türkiye:

Donors: 8

Ongoing Projects: 8

Projects in the pipeline: 5

Completed projects: 1



World Vision's Syria and Türkiye Earthquake Response has reached



949,397 beneficiaries

SYRIA



TÜRKIYE



Women 245,610

Girls 278,658



Women 221,703

Men 151,309





Girls 35,292

Bovs 33,015

TÜRKIYE Adiyaman Gazientep • Aleppo Hatay 🧐 Idleb Map of our focus SYRIA locations for the earthquake response **JORDAN**

^{*}Donors include private non-sponsorship funds

Response highlights



Strategic Objective 1: Deliver timely, life-saving, in-kind and cash assistance to people affected by the Earthquake to meet their emergency needs while reducing the risk of negative coping mechanisms for the affected population in Syria and Türkiye.



547,006

People provided with clean and safe water through water trucking and/or installing new water points.



21,857

Families received Multi-purpose cash assistance to cover their basic needs, such as food, shelter, and WASH items



11,463

Beneficiaries provided with ready-to-eat meals to ensure safe and dignify access to food in areas where food items were neither not available nor affordable



2,000

People have access to emergency latrines



Strategic Objective 2: Support affected women and children, with education, protection, health, nutrition and psychosocial support services (MHPSS) and prevent and protect against sexual exploitation and abuse (SEA) with due account to age, gender and disability.



144,769



People reached by health consultations



36,517

Children were reached by supporting affected schools with learnings materials by providing support to schools or temporary learning centers



32,603

Children received Psychosocial support kits



17,344

Girls and boys benefited from Fuel and heaters provided to the schools affected by the Earthquake



Strategic Objective 3: Provide support and basic services in areas affected by the Earthquake and help re-establish essential services rapidly.



22,466

People have access to rehabilitated health centres



20,000

People have access to the rehabilitated water stations



Context & needs overview

The Earthquakes on 6 February had a devastating impact on both Northwest Syria and Türkiye. World Vision's response, and that of the wider humanitarian community, is vital in restoring essential services in sectors like WASH and education and helping people to recover from the trauma and destruction it caused.

In **Türkiye**, the most affected provinces were Adıyaman, Hatay, Kahramanmaraş, Kilis, Osmaniye, Gaziantep, Malatya, Şanlıurfa, Diyarbakır, Elazığ and Adana in Southern and Southeastern Türkiye. More than 50,000 people lost their lives, including 7,000 refugees. More than 100,000 people were injured. 9.1 million people were affected by the earthquake disaster, 3 million people were displaced, and 298,000 buildings were destroyed.

Approximately half of the displaced people have returned to their homes. Those with relatives or opportunities settled in cities like Ankara, Istanbul, and Antalya, whilst tens of thousands remain in informal tented settlements or government-provided temporary housing such as the container camp in Hatay that World Vision helped to support. Many needs remain. In informal settlements, key needs include access to adequate water supply and sanitation, social protection programmes, psychosocial support services to deal with trauma and information on available public services.

In **Northwest Syria**, the Earthquake resulted in more than 4,500 deaths and 10,400 injured. More than 10,600 buildings have been destroyed, including at least 1,000 primary and secondary schools. Seventy health facilities were damaged. More than 850,000 people – 20 per cent of the population - had their homes damaged. 265,000 people lost their homes and have been in need of dignified shelters.

Whilst 66,000 individuals live in established reception centres in the wake of the earthquake, these are due to close over the coming months, with displaced people expected to return to their original location and/or continue displacement into camps and/or setting up new informal ones.



Our Response

World Vision's response is based on an area-based structure in which Area Managers oversee field operations for each geographical region. For the Earthquake response, this includes Northwest Syria and Türkiye – the two areas most affected by the 6 February Earthquake. This area-based structure enables us to develop expertise in the context and oversee project implementation with a thorough understanding of the needs and context.

World Vision is currently implementing 15 projects (operational) in NWS as part of the STER response that covers these needs across Idlib, Afrin, Azaz and Aleppo. These projects are focused on the provision of health services, comprehensive WASH services, Multi-purpose cash assistance, rehabilitation of schools, supporting running costs of schools and school personnel, conducting back-to-learn campaigns, identification of individuals in need of specialised protection services and referrals, structured and non-structured psychosocial support, shelter rehabilitation, Cash for Work and various distributions of NFI/GIK.

World Vision's funding strategy is to utilise STER funding from institutional donors, coalitional funding and Support Offices to leverage longer-term institutional funding relationships for the wider Syria Response. Overall humanitarian funding is decreasing, and World Visions' prominent position as a major Earthquake response actor allows it to position itself to compete for further institutional funding.



Success story from NWS

Surviving an Earthquake isn't the End of the Story: Qamar's* Resilience

"I just don't want anything more than being like other children"

Qamar is only 10, but what did she go through to say such a thing?

She opened her eyes to a country ravaged by war for the past 12 years, and so did seven million other children



But she never thought it would escalate as it did in 2016. A state of forced evacuation was declared. This meant they had to leave, and the city became a ghost town.

Somehow, the family managed to secure a tiny room in a displacement camp. Things were far from perfect, "we lost everything, we couldn't [still can't] afford food. Sometimes my children sleep feeling hungry," the mother shares. The father couldn't secure a job due to health problems. The mother wasn't able to support either due to stressful living conditions. Meanwhile, Qamar was witnessing this drastic change helplessly.

This affected her on multiple levels; her body weakened from lack of food, and later developed a growth deficiency disorder. She shares, "We need many things my parents can't provide. I want to grow up healthy, just like my friends".

On 6 February, the family rushed outside, "we spent nine nights under the rain out in the cold. My siblings and I clenched around our mother. We couldn't stop crying".

Seeing their child curled up into a dark space broke her family's heart. So, they headed to World Vision's protection centre. Slowly, Qamar began participating in the psychological support sessions. She learned to understand her emotions instead of bottling them up. Qamar began shining, as her name entails in Arabic [moon], made friends and became outgoing. She also received a referral to a medical centre to follow up on the growth deficiency she suffers from.

*Name has been changed to protect identity

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