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The conflict in Syria continues to disrupt the lives of civilians, resulting in death and injuries, internal displacement, extensive damage to civilian infrastructure and persistent humanitarian needs. Affected communities suffer indiscriminate violence, restrictions on their freedom of movement and continued violations of international humanitarian and human rights law.

Palestinians are among those worst affected by the conflict. Of the estimated 438,000 Palestine refugees remaining inside Syria, over 95 per cent (418,000) are in critical need of sustained humanitarian assistance. Almost 254,000 are internally displaced, and an estimated 56,600 are trapped in hard-to-reach or inaccessible locations.

More than 120,000 Palestinian refugees from Syria have fled the country, including around 32,500 to Lebanon and 17,000 to Jordan. Many face a precarious and marginalized existence due to their uncertain legal status and limited social protection mechanisms, making them heavily reliant on UNRWA for their basic needs.

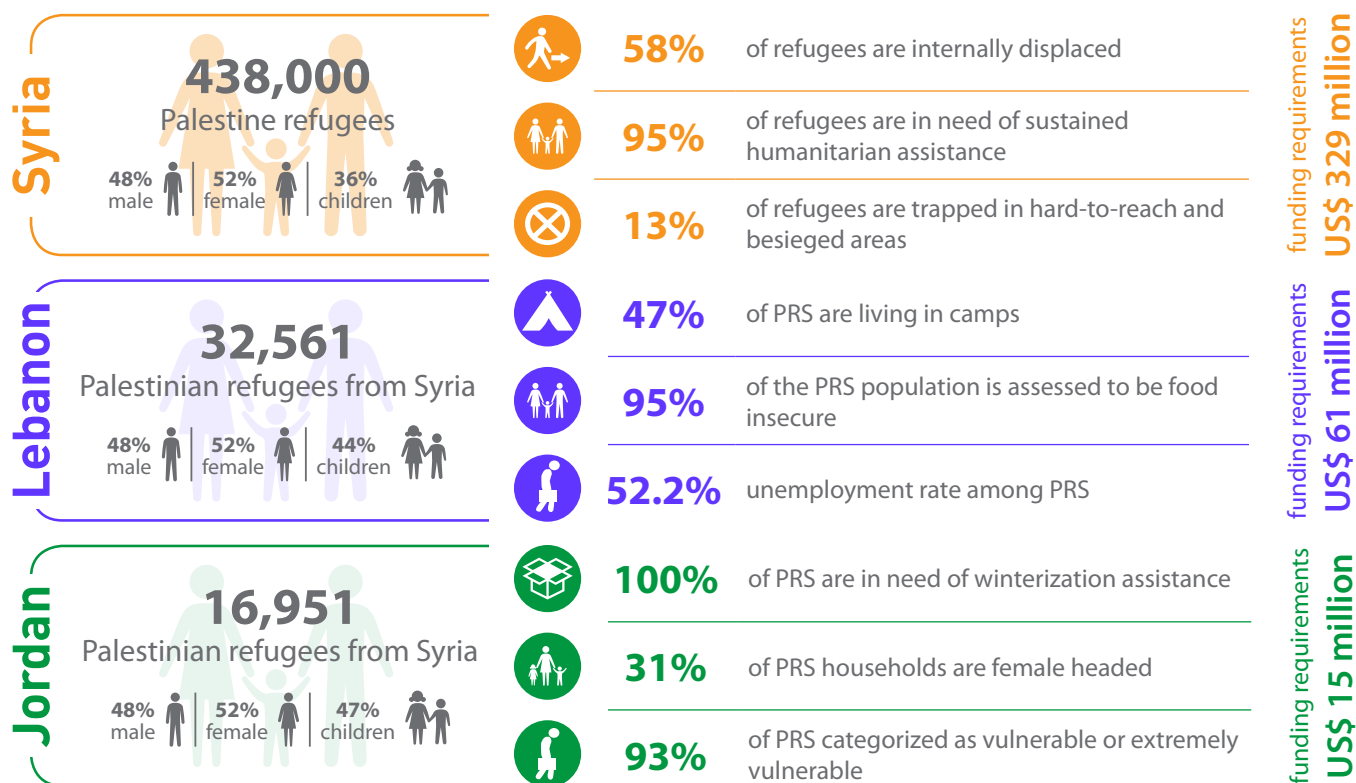
In 2018, UNRWA requires US\$ 409 million for its humanitarian response to the Syria regional crisis. The Agency's humanitarian response will be guided by the following three strategic priorities:

- **Strategic Priority 1:** Preserving resilience through the provision of humanitarian assistance in the form of cash, food and relief items.
- **Strategic Priority 2:** Contributing to a protective environment for Palestine refugees by maintaining access to basic services, including education; health; water, sanitation and hygiene; and livelihoods, and promoting respect for international humanitarian law (IHL) and international human rights law (IHRL) through monitoring, reporting and advocacy.
- **Strategic Priority 3:** Strengthening humanitarian capacity, coordination and management to improve the effectiveness and efficiency of emergency programme delivery.

The 2018 Syria Emergency Appeal is available at <https://www.unrwa.org/resources/emergency-appeals>

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total funding requirements: US\$ 408,958,394¹



UNRWA Emergency Interventions in Syria, Lebanon and Jordan in 2018

Cash Assistance	Cash assistance to 418,000 Palestinians in Syria, 34,000 Palestinian refugees from Syria (PRS) in Lebanon, and 17,100 PRS in Jordan to meet a range of food and non-food needs.
Food Assistance	Six rounds of food parcels distributed to 418,000 Palestinians in Syria covering one third of daily caloric needs.
Shelter and Non-Food Items	Support for up to 1,500 refugees in collective shelters in Syria and 34,000 basic relief items for Palestinians in Syria.
Livelihoods	Microfinance loans to 11,000 Palestine refugees and Syrians in Syria and vocational training to some 2,000 Palestinian youth in Syria, Lebanon and Jordan.
Health	Access to basic health care for all Palestine refugees in Syria and PRS in Jordan and Lebanon.
Education in Emergencies	Access to education for over 48,000 Palestinians in Syria, 5,482 PRS in Lebanon and 1,396 PRS and Syrian children in Jordan.
Protection	Enhanced protection environment for Palestine refugees and continued advocacy for respect for IHL and IHRL.
Environmental Health	WASH services provided in 100 per cent of accessible Palestine refugee camps in Syria and improved solid waste management inside UNRWA camps in Lebanon and Jordan.
Safety and Security	Interventions to ensure the safety and security of staff and beneficiaries.
Repair and Maintenance of UNRWA Installations	Rehabilitation and maintenance of UNRWA installations affected by the conflict in Syria, ensuring continued service provision.

¹ This amount includes the following funding requirements: Syria (US\$ 329,167,855); Lebanon (US\$ 61,118,441); Jordan (US\$ 15,217,565); Regional response (US\$ 3,454,534).

² PRS: Palestinian refugee from Syria



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UNRWA is a United Nations agency established by the General Assembly in 1949 and mandated to provide assistance and protection to some 5 million registered Palestine refugees. Its mission is to help Palestine refugees in Jordan, Lebanon, Syria, West Bank and the Gaza Strip achieve their full human development potential, pending a just and lasting solution to their plight. UNRWA services encompass education, health care, relief and social services, camp infrastructure and improvement, protection and microfinance.

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