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REHABILITATION OF SYRIAN COMMUNITY IN ALBANIA

Summary

Now nine years after the start of the current crisis, Syria is bogged down in a bloody conflict that has claimed more than 586,100 lives. Fighting is taking place in residential areas, with no distinction made between civilian and military targets, causing so millions of people to leave their homes in search of a safe haven. Fleeing for their lives (more than 6.2 million people have fled Syria), refugees are forced to leave all that they have behind. This fund will provide emergency assistance and ongoing support to those who chose Albania as their new home.

Challenge

Since the beginning of the Syrian Civil War in 2011, the ongoing conflict involving the government of Syrian President Bashar al-Assad, Syrian opposition forces, and ISIS has resulted in more than 400,000 deaths and caused more than half of the country's 22 million citizens to flee their home, to neighboring countries, making it the largest exodus of refugees in more than two decades.

As their displacement becomes increasingly protracted and the crisis shows no signs of abating, humanitarians have highlighted the increasing need to shift focus to social cohesion and rehabilitation efforts with an eye toward long-term development. Today, this is especially true not only for the countries immediately surrounding Syria, but also for Balkan Countries and European Union.

Solution

This fund will support life-saving assistance and relief efforts for Syrians displaced by conflict, in Albania. As the crisis drags on, integration is impeded by numerous protection challenges in the official camps, informal tented settlements, and host communities where refugees have taken shelter. Your support will help survivors and victims' get necessary immediate relief supplies like food and hygiene kits, as well as provide long-term support through activities such as building water systems, providing school supplies, job training, and public outreach to increase awareness and understanding of the crisis.

Long-Term Impact

Our partners are working to ensure that Syrian refugees and their families can lead safe, hopeful, and productive lives, creating a new and prosperous life in Albania.

