WINTER EMERGENCY

18-19 Syria Winter Distribution
PROJECT OVERVIEW

PROJECT SUMMARY

**Duration:**
2 Months

**Start Date:**
December 15, 2018

**End Date:**
February 15, 2019

**Location:**
Raqqa and Deir

**Output:**
Food packs and hygiene kits were distributed to 710 Households across Raqqa NES

**Total number of beneficiaries**
3,630 individuals (3,550 direct and 80 indirect)

PROJECT ACHIEVEMENTS

After 8 years of conflict, the humanitarian situation in Syria reached unprecedented levels of need. The winter is especially difficult for families that have been displaced, with weather conditions being wet and reaching temperatures below freezing. Of the 6.2 million internally displaced peoples (IDPs), most are without adequate housing or their basic needs met. Lack of adequate shelter makes these families particularly

* 3,550*

**Total Benefitted:**

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<th>Women</th>
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* Both direct and indirect | 120 Elderly & 550 Orphans benefitted. Indirect beneficiaries were the locally hired workers (data collectors, truck drivers, kit distributors, and the local suppliers of the goods and their families). This totaled 80 individuals.
vulnerable to adverse weather conditions and the freezing temperatures. Penny Appeal USA partner, SR conducted a rapid needs assessment, and identified the major needs of the winter season. This included participation from the local communities and local authorities in various locations around Al-Raqqah. Through Baitulmaal and Penny Appeal USA's combined efforts, 710 households across Al-Raqqah were provided adequate winterization items (winter clothing and blankets) and food and hygiene kits.

As the majority of the families were living in makeshift accommodation, which is often only protected by plastic sheets and lack adequate insulation from the cold, it was essential to provide the families with heavy-duty blankets (2800 gr in weight, and 250 by 160 cm to provide extra installation and basic winter clothing (winter gloves, scarves and winter socks).

Most of the families living in these settlements work as daily workers in the fields around Raqqa. During the winter seasons however, they either have a significant lack of income due to limited employment options, infrequent income or not at all. The greatest needs for these families are access to adequate amounts of nutritious food which also helps supports their daily caloric needs. As a result, Penny Appeal's funds were partially used to procure and distribute food baskets.
The Hygiene Kits Provided:

- 6 bars of hand soap
- 1 jar of shampoo
- 1 jar of liquid dish-washer
- 1 bag of clothing detergent
- 3 tubes of tooth paste
- 3 tooth brushes
- 2 packs of tissues
- Black plastic trash bags
- 1 kg of bath soap

The project was a short-term intervention, which aimed to relieve the immediate needs of the beneficiaries, so they can allocate their resources to other needs such as medical expenses, tent insulation and other preparations for the coming months.

As a result of the immediate need of securing food and shelter, personal hygiene and hygiene items are deprioritized by households due to lack of funds. Lack of basic hygiene places households at greater risk of infection and disease, and further exasperates the level of suffering experience by the individual due to a perceived loss of dignity. With these considerations in mind Syria Relief provide each of the same households with hygiene kits to help provide and immediate but short-term solution.