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DSPR Jordan is a non-profit organization founded in 1951 to provide services to Palestinian Refugees residing in Jordan. It continues its mission today by offering vocational training, education, direct assistance, and psychosocial services to Palestinian, Iraqi's and Syrian refugees through its centers located around the country.
This newsletter provides an update of activities conducted in June 2016.

Ramadan Food Distribution Campaign

As quick response to providing Syrian refugees and needy people with their needs of food during the holy month of Ramadan and with the support of DSPR's partner ACT for Peace-Australia. DSPR launched its food distribution campaign, where it distributed (2645) food parcels on (7) governorates for (15870) individuals. The distribution process was based on aiding the most vulnerable through DSPR's voluntary teams, and networking with women programs centers, JHCO, civil society institutions, DSPR centers, and churches.

In addition to food distribution, DSPR Jordan conducted (18) training workshop on health and nutrition during the holy month. The following table shows statistics of the campaign and workshops:

Quality Indicator	Quantity Indicator
Food Parcels	2645
Food Parcels Weight	92575 KG
Number of benefitted families	2645
Average of family members	6
Number of families members	15870
Distribution events	13
Number of targeted governorates	7
Number of Volunteers	145
Number of Trainers	28
Number of training workshops	18
Number of participants in training workshops	720
Number of refugees applied for registration	15000
Number of Syrian families benefitted from the campaign	1322
Number of needy families benefitted from the campaign	1322
Number of networked NGO's	22

Training Workshops within Palestinian refugee women empowerment of vocational training and Health education within Christian World Service Grant – New Zealand

Through this program, DSPR Jordan conducted (7) training workshops titled "Infections" within Health education program at Baqa', Jerash, Zarqa, and Hitteen camps with participation of (280) Housewives in addition to (3) training workshop on " Jam production" within vocational training Program with participation of (120) housewives at Baqa',Gaza, and Zarqa Camps

Feedback workshop was conducted to evaluate conducting such workshops especially health and it showed the need f other workshops on personal hygiene and birth spacing.

Church of Sweden Team meeting with Syrian Refugees

On June 4th, DSPR Jordan arranged an interviews with (20) Syrian refugees of both genders based on the request of Church of Sweden represented by Mrs. Ulrika person and Rev. Erik Johnson. The interviews inclu group of questions about challenges facing Syrian refugees, how they are treated in Jordan, how civil society institutions are dealing with them, and what are their prospects for the future especially returning to Syria. The discussion focused on their situation before , during, and after the war in Syria.

Photography Team of ACT For Peace Australia Visit to Jordan

In continuation for their work last October 2015, Photography team from ACT For Peace-Australia visited DSPR Jordan to produce media coverage of Ramadan campaign that DSPR Jordan conducted that will help supporting food ration challenge campaign in Australia and secure fund to SYR161. The team joined DSPR team in the food distribution campaign and collected several stories through direct participation in the distribution process and conducting home visits to the beneficiaries

Voluntary teams Initiatives

During the holy month of Ramadan, DSPR Jordan voluntary teams were active in conducting several programs towards children and women during the holy month of Ramadan. The teams conducted several Iftars for about (1080) children and their mothers in addition to conducting educational workshops on health for (630) Syrian Palestinian women.
Also the teams managed to distribute clothes on (320) Syrian families that were collected by initiatives of the voluntary teams.

ACT/JSL Forum Monthly Meeting

DSPR Jordan represented by its chairperson and executive director participated at ACT/JSL Forum monthly meeting held in Lebanon on June 27th, 2016. Several points were discussed in the meeting such as coordination mechanism, advocacy workshop, appeal fund, recruiting new forum coordinator process, assigning sub committees and other issues.

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