



Ministero degli Affari Esteri e della Cooperazione Internazionale



## ASSISTANCE AND SUPPORT SERVICES FOR SYRIAN REFUGEES AND JORDANIANS WITH DISABILITIES

AICS Amman works jointly with Jordanian Institutions on:



HEALTH

- Provision of medical equipment and supplies
   Capacity development on MHPSS
   Establishment of new health facilities
- Provision of services for people with disabilities Mental health

## **PROGRAMME SUMMARY**

The influx of Syrian refugees has placed a relevant pressure on the Jordanian national health and welfare systems and has exacerbated pre-existing socio-economic challenges. The experience of conflict, losses, displacement and traumas, as well as the current poor living conditions in Jordan, have moreover contributed among Syrian refugees to an increased incidence of non-communicable diseases (NCDs), disabilities and mental health issues.

The challenges brought by the new social setup had a serious impact on the services and the resources available for people with chronic conditions, people with disabilities, amongst others. A recent study highlighted that 22.9% of Syrian refugees aged 2 years and above, have one or multiple disabilities, while 62% of Syrian households includes at least one member with disabilities. Having ratified the Convention of the Rights of Persons

with Disabilities, and more recently issued a specific national Law on Disability, the Government of Jordan, has therefore asked for the support of the international community to scale-up and improve services for persons with disabilities.



SECTOR | HEALTH/DISABILITY
STATUS | ONGOING

**FUNDED IN** | 2019 **BUDGET** | € 900,000.00

**IMPLEMENTING PARTNER** | AIDOS, INTERSOS

BENEFICIARIES | 3,000 PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES IN THE GOVERNORATES OF AMMAN, IRBID AND KARAK; 1,100 PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES AND 500 FAMILIES IN THE GOVERNORATES OF AMMAN AND ZARQA

Within this framework, the Programme aims to improve quality of life of people with disabilities, through strengthening the access to quality and inclusive care services as well as to promote the socio-economic inclusion of Syrian refugees and Jordanians with physical and mental disabilities in the most disadvantaged and least served areas of the Country.

The Programme is implemented in cooperation with two CSOs, and includes activities such as:

- Provision of assistance, psychosocial support and rehabilitation services to persons with disabilities;
- Provision of medical and assistive devices for people with disabilities (mobility, hearing, vision, etc.);
- Specific training for parents and community members;
- Support to the establishment and active engagement of Disabled People's Organizations (DPO);
- Awareness raising activities at community-level;
- Creation of a network of service providers for the exchange of experiences and good practices.
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## 2 INTERVENTION 5 LOCATIONS health care equipment supply skills development and training 5,16% 5,16%

AICS Amman's investment in **Health** expressed

as a percentage of the total budget 2016-2019





The CSO **INTERSOS** works in the Governorates of Amman, Irbid and Karak, to support people with disabilities and caregivers and to involve communities in contributing to the creation of a more inclusive society in the long term. The action focuses on strengthening individual and community social protection factors through artistic and cultural activities and the use of new technologies. In collaboration with the local CSO Haya Cultural Centre, the action also entails the use of a Mobile Library to reach out disabled children into their communities. Activities include:

- Provision of PSS to children with disabilities and their parents through the use of cultural and artistic tools;
- Support local CBOs in the provision of inclusive services by promoting the use of IT tools to enhance the access of people with disabilities;
- Establishment and support three Disabled People's Organisations (DPO);
- Provision of education and awareness session on sexual and reproductive health to girls with disabilities

The CSO **AIDOS** supports service delivery and inclusion of people with disabilities in the Governorates of Amman and Zarqa, through the following actions:

- Delivery of healthcare and rehabilitation services for people with disabilities through two clinics managed by the local partner Noor al Hussein Foundation
- Provision of assistive devices (hearing devices, eyeglasses, mobility aid devices, etc.)
- Provision of technical assistance and capacity building for NHF staff on disability and gender issues;
- Training and awareness raising activities for caregivers and community members.

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