### for every child, warmth

# **UNICEF WINTER APPEAL** 2018-2019

EGYPT, IRAQ, JORDAN, LEBANON, SYRIA, STATE OF PALESTINE, TURKEY

**UNICEF** IS FACING A **US\$ 33 MILLION** GAP NEARLY **1 MILLION** CHILDREN COULD BE LEFT OUT IN THE COLD unicef @

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**Out in the cold:** Harsh winter for children affected by crises in Syria and neighbouring refugee hosting countries, Iraq and the State of Palestine

Freezing weather is sweeping the Middle East and North Africa, once again this winter. Temperatures drop to zero and below in several areas. Children in the region get sick, stop going to school and are at risk of dying.

Millions of vulnerable children in Syria, Iraq, Lebanon, Jordan, Turkey, Egypt and the State of Palestine will have little protection against the cold this coming winter. Most have fled violence with almost nothing. In those countries alone there are nearly 4 million internally displaced children and 3.5 million children living as refugees. Last winter, two Syrian children died from the cold as they fled the war in Syria in attempt to reach safety in neighbouring Lebanon. Prolonged conflicts and subsequent displacement have made humanitarian needs more acute than ever, with families living in shelters without heating or protection from the cold. Families struggle to afford the most basic supplies - including clothes, scarves, gloves and shoes – to keep their children warm.

### NO TIME TO LOSE

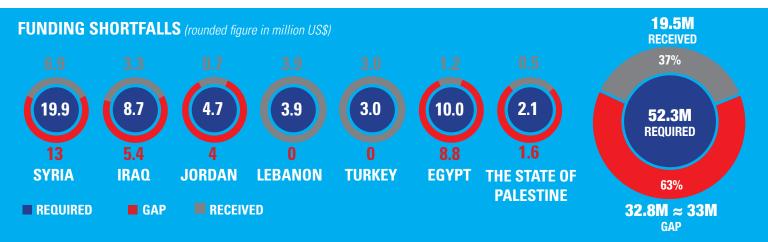
With your support, UNICEF can help protect children in the Middle East and North Africa from the cold, through winter clothing kits, blankets, cash to heat their houses and buy essential items, medical supplies and services.

Overall, UNICEF plans to reach nearly 1.3 million children with a large winter response. Our priority is to reach the most vulnerable children, including the youngest, displaced, poorest and those living in hard-to-reach areas. However, funds are needed now, as the cold sets in and puts thousands of children at risk. UNICEF is facing a **US\$ 32.8 million** funding gap - 63 per cent of the total appeal - which threatens to leave nearly **1 million** children out in the cold.

#### WHAT WILL CHILDREN RECEIVE FROM UNICEF FOR WINTER?

Winter clothing kits include a set of warm clothes, gloves, hats, boots, socks, scarves and thermal blankets. UNICEF will also provide families with cash assistance and vouchers to address the most urgent needs for their children. Funding received will also help keep children warm and continue attending schools; provide water and sanitation services and items; medical supplies and services.

UNICEF thanks all donors and its national committees around the world for their continuous support to children in the Middle East and North Africa.



# **EVERY DOLLAR MAKES A DIFFERENCE FOR CHILDREN**

## HOW MUCH DOES IT COST TO **KEEP A CHILD** IN THE MIDDLE EAST AND NORTH AFRICA **WARM** THIS WINTER?

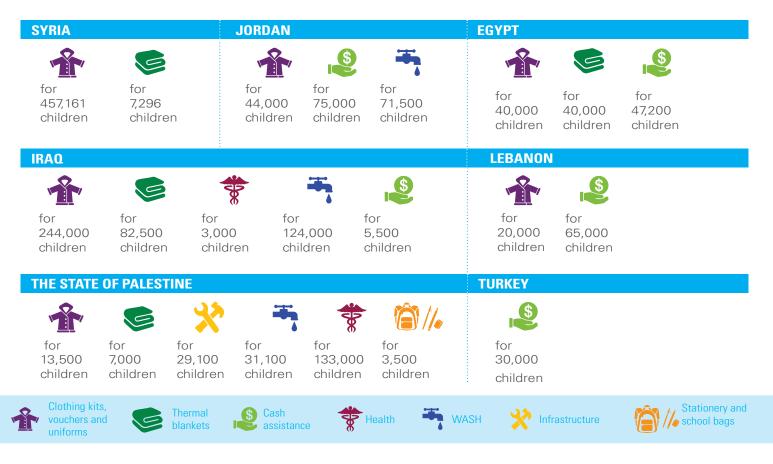


Clothing Kit: a set of winter clothes, gloves, hats, boots, socks, scarves and thermal blankets

\* These are calculated average costs with 10% transportation cost included

# Planning for children in the Middle East and North Africa: UNICEF needs your support now to protect children from winter

### OVERVIEW OF UNICEF'S WINTER RESPONSE IN THE MIDDLE EAST AND NORTH AFRICA (2018-2019)



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