The housing need in Jordan

Located at the heart of a region riddled with political and economic conflict, the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan has been sought as a safe haven by citizens displaced by wars and unrest in neighboring countries. The housing market has been stressed by the arrival of refugees from Iraq and Syria following decades of conflict. Approximately 1.3 million Syrian refugees live in Jordan.

The Comprehensive Vulnerability Assessment 2016 developed by the Ministry of Planning and International Cooperation and the Jordan Response Platform for the Syria Crisis Secretariat, which identifies vulnerabilities, needs and gaps in assistance, has estimated a gap of over 100,000 housing units and an acute shortage of affordable housing.

HABITAT FACTS:

• Habitat started in Jordan in 2002.
• Individuals served in FY2019 – 49,155
  o Through new construction – 120
  o Through repairs and rehabs – 3,095
  o Through market development – 44,835
  o Through professional services – 1,105
• Volunteers hosted in FY2019 – 1,165

COUNTRY FACTS:

Capital city -- Amman
Population – 10.4 million
Life expectancy – 75 years
Unemployment rate – 18.3%
Below poverty line – 14.2%
How Habitat addresses the need

Upgrading substandard homes
Habitat Jordan helps improve the living conditions, and ultimately the self-reliance, of vulnerable Syrian refugees and host community members through grants to assist those who are under the poverty line.

Improving communal projects
We aid entire communities through improved quality of and access to infrastructure and services. Such interventions enhance relations among the inhabitants and contribute to improved social cohesion.

Building new homes
Habitat Jordan supports low-income families struggling to make ends meet with facilitative loans to finance owner-driven construction new homes or shelter improvements.

Volunteer opportunities
Habitat Jordan welcomes volunteer groups from different parts of the world (such as the U.S., Canada, United Kingdom, United Arab Emirates, etc.), and hosts them during their stay as they support low-income families and help them build their homes.

Locally, Habitat Jordan contributes towards fostering a volunteering culture amongst Jordanian youth by working with local schools and encouraging students above the age of 16 to participate in building and home rehabilitation works for low-income families.

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