

### **About us**

After being present from 1952 to 1974, the Lutheran World Federation (LWF) resumed its support to Syria in 2020. Following a partner scoping assessment and field visits, LWF decided to work primarily through local partner Caritas Syria. LWF and partners aim to reduce the vulnerability and develop the resilience of the most vulnerable among internally displaced, hosts and returnees through food security, water, hygiene and sanitation (WASH), protection & psychosocial support, and education. LWF is currently assessing potential additional partners in underserved parts of Syria.

When the 2023 earthquake hit Turkey and Syria, LWF immediately prioritized delivering essential aid to the impacted areas. Through rapid on-site assessments and consultations, a streamlined and effective support strategy was established. LWF further strengthened its efforts by broadening its partnerships and intensifying relief measures in the most devastated regions.



Aleppo Governorate

Amman (Jordan)

## Who we work with

In 2022, LWF supported more than **2,100** Persons of Concern (PoC) in Syria.





Najeeb, a young syrian, used to struggle at school and to express little interest in learning as well as a lack of attention during class. The LWF and Caritas team noticed his aggressivity and his conflictual attitude towards other children during psychosocial support sessions. The team contacted his parents and together they worked on a cooperation plan to support Najeeb. After several sessions, his behavior and well-being had improved. This had a positive impact on his education as he started doing his homework daily and handing them in on time.

# **Our impact**

The work in Syria aims to contribute to reducing the vulnerability and developing the resilience of affected people, supporting them towards a safer and dignified life. To achieve this objective, LWF and partners are committed to a "Do No Harm" approach, mainstreaming protection throughout all our work. Activities are currently centred around two of the three programmatic areas defined by the 2019-2024 World Service Global strategy: Protection and Social Cohesion and Quality Services (including emergency relief, education and WASH). The income over this period equals EUR 1,013,000. For 2022, the investments and results per programmatic area are as follows:







#### **PROTECTION & SOCIAL COHESION**

815 conflict affected children/youth engaged in social initiative sessions 499 children were supported with NFI vouchers (winter clothes and boots)



#### **EDUCATION**

**538** children accessed educational activities and daily meals



#### **WASH**

**310** distributing hygiene kits to children



### **CROSS-CUTTING FOCUS AREAS**

Humanitarian principles Do-no-harm approach Rights-based approach Gender justice & women's empowerment Climate justice



"The most important needs to cover after the earthquake are food and shelter. Due to high prices, people cannot afford to buy food anymore. After the earthquake, they lost the houses they lived in during the war. It is difficult for many of them to prove that their homes were completely damaged because they lack the necessary documents."

Saksarkis, Communications Officer at Caritas Syria, described people's conditions and needs after the earthquake.

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# **Our partners**





















