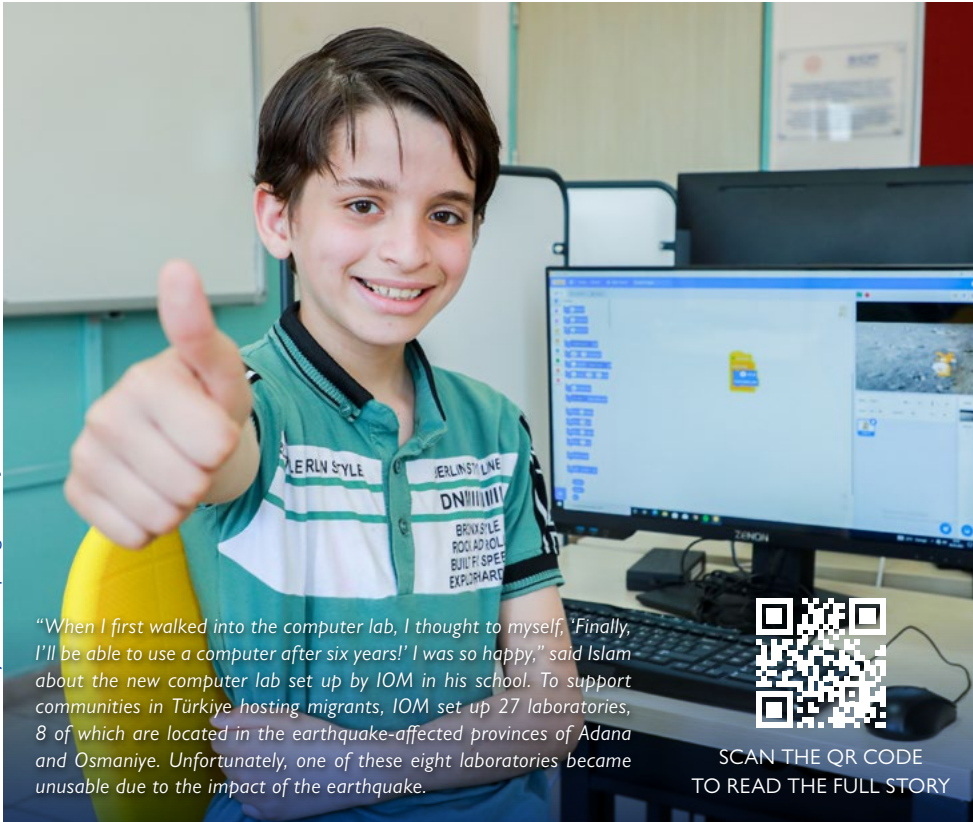


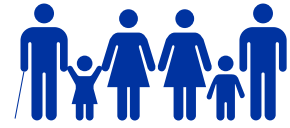
REFUGEE RESPONSE OPERATIONS

JULY – SEPTEMBER 2023



"When I first walked into the computer lab, I thought to myself, 'Finally, I'll be able to use a computer after six years!' I was so happy," said Islam about the new computer lab set up by IOM in his school. To support communities in Türkiye hosting migrants, IOM set up 27 laboratories, 8 of which are located in the earthquake-affected provinces of Adana and Osmaniye. Unfortunately, one of these eight laboratories became unusable due to the impact of the earthquake.

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191,989

BENEFICIARIES

ASSISTED SINCE THE
BEGINNING OF 2023



3,646,371*

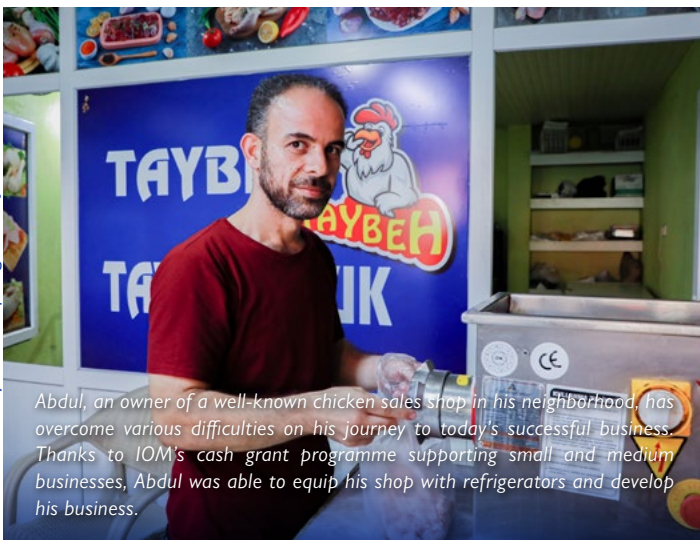
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*This number includes host community members as well as beneficiaries who have received multiple services over the years from IOM, and approximately 40% are non-unique beneficiaries

SUMMARY

In response to the devastating earthquakes, IOM continued efforts to meet humanitarian needs, promote self-reliance and improve the living conditions of affected communities. IOM collaborated with local authorities in Adana, Adıyaman, Hatay and Malatya to provide shelter, hygiene, food and non-food items assistance, while renovating houses in Şanlıurfa. Additionally, IOM empowered individuals in Adıyaman with special in-kind grants for small businesses, offered multi-purpose cash assistance to vulnerable households in all affected provinces and provided a water filtration system in Antalya. Furthermore, IOM continued programming to reduce protection risks, increase community resilience and enhance social cohesion. With the school year resuming, IOM supported the 'Back-to-School Campaign' to ensure children's access to education, especially for migrant and refugee children. IOM also distributed stationery materials to students and helped organize the Migration and Resilient Cities – International Summer Academy.



Abdul, an owner of a well-known chicken sales shop in his neighborhood, has overcome various difficulties on his journey to today's successful business. Thanks to IOM's cash grant programme supporting small and medium businesses, Abdul was able to equip his shop with refrigerators and develop his business.



Tayba, among 120 vulnerable families, has benefited from IOM's livestock projects in Gaziantep and Şanlıurfa since 2020, gaining an additional source of income.



PROTECTION SERVICES: MENTAL HEALTH AND PSYCHOSOCIAL SUPPORT, EMERGENCY CASE MANAGEMENT, EDUCATION

IOM's Psychosocial Mobile Teams (PMT) conducted diverse mental health and psychosocial support (MHPSS) and awareness-raising activities, reaching 8,239 individuals (4,771 migrants and refugees and 3,468 host community members) to bolster individual and community resilience, particularly focusing on psychosocial well-being post-earthquake. In addition, 626 non-food items (NFIs) were provided to local authorities in İzmir and Muğla, which included PSS kits, stationary school kits and school uniform kits to support those who had left earthquake-affected areas. Through the education teams, 116 students accessed Turkish language courses and 154 (93 male, 61 female) migrant and refugee children with disabilities benefitted from specific education support in Gaziantep, Adana, Kilis, and İzmir. Meanwhile, 139 students were supported through school transportation services which resumed with the start of the school year. During this quarter, Emergency Case Management (ECM) continued to deliver individual protection assistance to 572 individuals (283 male, 289 female).



MUNICIPAL MIGRANT AND COMMUNITY CENTRES

The Municipal Migrant and Community Centres (MMCCs) provided counseling, referral, direct assistance, and socio-cultural activities to all individuals in the respective cities. In the six locations, the MMCCs reached a total of 31,925 individuals during this quarter. The MMCCs in Mersin, Adana, Ankara, Şanlıurfa, and Kilis played a key role in supporting the 'Back-to-School campaign' prior to the start of school semester. MMCCs assisted children who face challenges in school registration to address these access issues working in close coordination with the relevant PDoNEs (Provincial Directorates of National Education). In addition, Mersin MMCC focused on building strong partnership with the Organizations of Persons with Disabilities at the local level through various social-cultural activities. In Gaziantep, the MMCC provided textile, sewing workshops, and knitting (Amigurumi) handicraft workshop in an effort to enhancing access to livelihood opportunities. Adana and Şanlıurfa MMCCs arranged diverse social activities, particularly for women and girls during this reporting period.



Belqis, originally from Afghanistan, has been residing in Adana, Türkiye for several years. But it's only recently that she learned about IOM's and the Adana Metropolitan Municipality's Migrant and Community Centre, prompting her to sign up for a sewing class. In addition to acquiring new skills, Belqis and her classmates are forming connections and providing support to one another.



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SHELTER AND NON-FOOD ITEMS (NFIs) SUPPORT

In close cooperation with local authorities in Adana, Adiyaman, Hatay and Malatya, IOM delivered essential support to earthquake-affected communities, with a significant focus on shelter and the provision of NFIs. IOM delivered 600 shelter containers, 500 tents and 1,180 pallets, ensuring secure and safe accommodation for those in need. IOM also distributed a variety of hygiene items to 2,060 households, addressing the critical need for sanitation and personal care products during this challenging period. As part of ongoing shelter rehabilitation, IOM rehabilitated two shelters in Şanlıurfa, aiming to provide safer and more dignified living conditions for 12 individuals, ensuring increased privacy and protection against severe weather.



EARLY RECOVERY AND LIVELIHOODS

To empower vulnerable families on their path to self-reliance, IOM offered in-kind grants tailored to their specific needs and skill sets, thereby promoting income-generating initiatives. This strategic approach was designed to support small business start-ups, aligning with the unique capabilities and aspirations of the recipients. Seven individuals in Adiyaman received support. Additionally, as part of community stabilization support, IOM supported the organization of the Migration and Resilient Cities – International Summer Academy, provided a water filtration system to an entity in Antalya province, and supported 1,300 students in Adana, Antalya, Gaziantep and İzmir with various stationary items.



MULTI-PURPOSE CASH ASSISTANCE (MPCA)

To meet humanitarian needs of earthquake affected individuals including those with disabilities and special needs and displaced, through contributing to the efforts of the Government of Türkiye and other humanitarian partners in improving the living conditions of affected population; IOM delivered Multi-purpose Cash Assistance to 1,619 vulnerable households, representing over 11,000 individuals. The value of one-off MPCA assistance was decided based on the Cash Working Group (CWG) recommendation and the amount wastailored to cover a family’s needs in food and consumables for a month and will focus on beneficiaries in emergency conditions.



FOOD SECURITY AND AGRICULTURE

IOM extended its humanitarian efforts by distributing food kits to 1,800 individuals in need throughout Antalya province.



IOM delivers living containers to earthquake-affected areas. These resilient 21-square-meter containers come equipped with a fully functional kitchen, bathroom, living area, and heaters, ensuring both privacy and protection.



In Kahramanmaraş, 50 individuals from migrant and local communities completed a business development training. Successful trainees will receive a grant to purchase machinery and equipment, to help kickstart their ventures.

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