UNICEF’s work in humanitarian situations
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Humanitarian action is central to UNICEF’s work

Children and women are the most affected by humanitarian situations

UNICEF is on the ground before, during and after emergencies.

Humanitarian action is central to UNICEF’s equity refocus.
UNICEF’s Core Commitment for Children

- Health
- Nutrition
- Water, Sanitation & Hygiene
- Education
- Child Protection
Scope of UNICEF humanitarian action

UNICEF supports countries to respond to over 250 humanitarian situations per year on average

UNICEF humanitarian situation responses, 2004-2011*

Results in 2011

Supporting national and local systems to reach children in emergencies:

- **1.8 million** severely malnourished children aged 6–59 months through therapeutic feeding programmes
- **52.3 million** children aged 6 months to 15 years vaccinated for measles
- **Over 18.5 million** people with access to safe water to agreed standards
- **Over 2 million** children with safe access to community spaces for socializing, play, learning, etc.
- **8.76 million** school-age children, including adolescents receiving formal and non-formal basic education
- **835,000** pregnant women with access to prevention, care and treatment including PMTCT
Updates on major responses

In the Syria Crisis

- In 2012, UNICEF has reached approximately 1.8 million people in the region.
- In Syria, over 263,000 vulnerable people (half are children) reached through UNICEF-supported winterization response.
- Over 1 million children vaccinated against measles and polio.

In the Sahel

- In 2012, 850,000 children under 5 were admitted for SAM.
- The number of health facilities providing nutrition services increased to 5,200 in 2012, compared to 3,100 in 2011.
Drawing upon lessons from large-scale emergencies
Global Operation Mechanism

**UNICEF NYHQ**
- Office of Emergency Programmes
- Emergency Response Team
- Global Support for Programme Areas
- Global Cluster Support

**UNICEF GENEVA**
- Partnerships with other UN agencies
- Fundraising
- Global Cluster Support

**COPENHAGEN SUPPLY DIVISION**

**PANAMA SUPPLY HUB**
- Regional Offices (7 locations)
  - Guidance and direct support

**DUBAI SUPPLY HUB**

**SHANGHAI SUPPLY HUB**

**County Offices**
- Emergency Response Plan
- Stockpiling supplies
- Working with partners
Better organizing ourselves to help partners in Level 3 responses

For LEVEL 3 Emergencies:

• Criteria: scale, urgency, complexity, capacity, reputational risk.
• Single chain of command
• Simplified standard operating procedures
• Clear roles and accountabilities
• Immediate Response Team and streamlined surge deployments
• Prioritized global support
We have used knowledge gained from past emergencies:

- To accelerate emergency deployments
- Rapidly deliver life-saving supplies
- Improve results-based monitoring
- Mainstream gender into humanitarian programming
- Invest in community resilience
Supporting humanitarian reform

Strengthening existing government systems and national capacities

Supporting the inter-agency Transformative Agenda:

• UNICEF model for Level 3 response
• Cluster accountabilities
• Results-based monitoring
Challenges

- Timely action and further accelerating programme scale-up
- Maintaining operations in high-risk environments; Shared risk
- Mainstreaming disaster risk reduction
- Funding in a challenging financial environment
Moving forward

- Key opportunities: new MTSP and post-2015 agenda
- Building resilience through equitable social service provision, social protection and local capacity development
- Further simplifying procedures for humanitarian situations
- Helping to improve inter-agency response to non-Level 3 emergencies
Income, Expenditures and Appeal

- **2011 UNICEF OR-Emergency Income**: US$ 963 million (approximately 2/3 comes from Government donors, and 20% comes from the private sector donors (such as through National Committees))

- **2011 OR-Emergency Expenditures**: US$ 999 million (approximately 1/4 of UNICEF’s total expenditures)

- **2012 UNICEF OR-Emergency (provisional as of 31 October)**: US$664 million

- **2013 UNICEF Appeal (indicative)**: US$ 1.4 million
Thank you

Shown below: UNICEF emergency response countries, 2011