Libya

After five years of conflict, the Libyan people are experiencing a steady deterioration in the humanitarian situation, with a reported increase in grave protection and human rights violations. An estimated 1.33 million people, including 439,000 children, require humanitarian assistance. As a result of armed conflict and violence, nearly 250,000 people, including 80,000 children, have been forced to leave their homes and have lost their livelihoods due to economic crisis and inadequate access to basic social services. In addition, Libya is hosting an estimated 195,000 vulnerable migrants and 100,000 refugees from the Middle East and Africa. Conflict and displacement have left children vulnerable to psychosocial trauma, grave child rights violations such as recruitment into armed groups, exploitation and gender-based violence. Access to education, health care, water, sanitation and social services remains inadequate.

Humanitarian strategy

The UNICEF humanitarian strategy aims to provide immediate life-saving assistance to conflict-affected children and their families, while simultaneously building the mid- to long-term resilience of affected communities and local institutions. UNICEF leads the water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH) and education sectors and the child protection sub-sector. International staff coordinate the response from Tunisia, while national staff and consultants support the programme from Libya. UNICEF will continue to deliver humanitarian assistance in Libya in partnership with line ministries, municipalities and non-governmental organizations. Some 80,000 children will receive education materials and 35,000 will benefit from safe access to quality education and learning spaces. In WASH, UNICEF will provide 95,000 people with access to safe drinking water and essential sanitation facilities. A total of 1.4 million children will receive vaccination against polio and measles. UNICEF will reach 33,500 children with psychosocial support, child-friendly spaces and specialized psychosocial services and will also continue to support the release and reintegration of children associated with armed groups.

Results from 2016

As of 31 October 2016, UNICEF had received US$92.24 million against the US$19.3 million appeal (48 per cent funded). Cash liquidity problems postponed the implementation of activities, including WASH, particularly in hard-to-reach areas. In 2016, UNICEF worked with partners to respond to emergencies by strengthening the provision of WASH, health, child protection and education services. Despite a challenging operating environment and high levels of insecurity, UNICEF and partners successfully provided life-saving emergency assistance and expanded access to services. UNICEF and the Ministry of Health vaccinated 1.36 million children against polio, ultimately reaching universal coverage. In WASH, more than 20,000 people received hygiene items, 12,000 people benefited from access to safe drinking water and 5,000 displaced people accessed improved sanitation facilities. Approximately 11,000 affected school-aged children benefited from catch-up classes, particularly in Benghazi and Sabha. School rehabilitation was delayed due to tribal conflicts in South Libya but activities are now underway. Some 11,500 children participated in structured and sustained child protection and psychosocial services. A total of 2,155 children and their parents directly affected by violence benefited from specialized services.

Humanitarian Action for Children

2017 programme targets

Health
• 1.4 million children aged 0 to 6 years vaccinated against polio
• 1.2 million children aged 9 months to 6 years vaccinated against measles

WASH
• 95,000 people accessing water for drinking and sanitation facilities
• 10,000 children accessing WASH facilities in their learning environments

Education
• 35,000 school-aged children accessing formal or non-formal education
• 80,000 children having received essential learning materials and supplies

Child protection
• 30,000 children receiving psychosocial support
• 3,500 child survivors of gender-based violence receiving specialized care

Total people in need:
1.33 million
Total children (<18) in need:
439,000
Total people to be reached in 2017:
1.45 million
Total children to be reached in 2017:
1.4 million
HEALTH
Children under 5 covered with appropriate vaccination

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WATER, SANITATION AND HYGIENE
People provided with the minimum amount of safe water in line with international standards
People provided with gender-appropriate sanitation facilities

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CHILD PROTECTION
Children participating in structured, sustained child protection or psychosocial support programmes (girls and boys)
Children supported with specialized child protection services (girls and boys)

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EDUCATION
Out-of-school children (disaggregated by gender and age) who benefit from safe learning spaces
Teachers trained in conflict-affected areas

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Results are through 31 October 2016 unless noted.
(i) Since the polio vaccination was the first in two years, it has been agreed that the campaign will cover all children in Libya under 6 years, which was the reason for the over coverage.
(ii) At the beginning of 2016, there were no other sector partners for WASH. Therefore UNICEF targets and sector targets are the same.
(iii) During the planning stage, UNICEF was the only partner, but was later joined by Save the Children for very limited activities.

Funding requirements
In 2017, and in line with the country’s inter-agency Humanitarian Response Plan, UNICEF is requesting US$14,976,800 to meet the urgent humanitarian needs of vulnerable children and their families in Libya in 2017. This includes US$864,000 to provide family-based care for refugee and migrant children in Libya that have to be released from detention.