UNICEF Libya
Urgent funding needs for Life-Saving Services and Supplies*

Introduction:
Due to the escalation of violence in southern Tripoli on 05 April 2018, around 500,000 children in Tripoli and tens of thousands more in western areas are at direct risk and are in urgent need of health and nutrition, Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH), child protection and emergency education.

Disproportionate and indiscriminate use of explosive weapons have been reported in highly inhabited areas/urban settings. As a result as of 09 April 4,475 individuals (895 families) have displaced from conflict-affected areas to other areas in Tripoli, Msallata, Garaboli, Gheryan, Bani Waleed and Tarhuna. While most families are staying with private families, 130 IDPS are located in collective shelters in Tajour and Ain Zara.1 Reports of schools being used to host Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) have been received.

In addition 30 families have displaced to a secondary school in Azzara2 and 1,300 migrants are located in Qasr Ben Gashir Detention Center and Ain Zara Detention Center in areas close to conflict in Tripoli.3 By 10 April water cuts were reported in the international airport area.

Current Response
- UNICEF has established an emergency response plan to provide life-saving services and supplies to support 290,600 people with health and nutrition, WASH, child protection and education support.
- As part of the inter-agency Rapid Response Mechanism, 100 Hygiene kits are in the process of being distributed to Ain Zara. UNICEF has also prepositioned 3,000 family hygiene kits for 15,000 people and 2 million aquatabs for water treatment for 16,000 people. 12,000 High Energy Biscuits were prepositioned to support 24,000 children for one month.
- On 09 April, UNICEF delivered emergency medical kits to Zentan hospital that can treat up to 10,000 individuals.
- UNICEF through mobile teams with local partners are assessing and implementing psycho-social support, recreational activities and referral to specialized services in key areas affected by the conflict and displacement shelters.
- Emergency education supplies have been prepositioned in a warehouse in Tripoli for up to 13,800 children.

Estimated funding requirements

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The main planned interventions are:

WASH:
UNICEF will ensure that up to 48,100 people in Libya have access to clean water and adequate sanitation facilities through:
1) Provision of drinking water through trucks;
2) Provision of and installation of water storage tanks in addition to aquatabs;
3) Installation and rehabilitation of water and bathing facilities;

HEALTH AND NUTRITION:
Up to 32,000 children will receive health and nutrition support through:
1) Pre-positioning of Ready to Use Therapeutic Food and micronutrients for children and Pregnant and Lactating Women (PLW) for treatment of SAM and prevention of micronutrient deficiencies and High Energy Biscuits for prevention of malnutrition.
2) Provisions of essential medicines and equipment to PHC facilities to support responsive maternal and child health care.
3) Support to treatment/case management for diarrhoea and pneumonia.
4) Promotion of health and nutrition awareness messages.

CHILD PROTECTION:
Up to 181,200 children will receive child protection support:
1) 137,774 girls and boys will receive psychosocial support and recreational activities in schools, community centres and child-friendly spaces.
2) 4,000 boys and girls will be supported with specialized child protection services.
3) Child protection monitoring to violations of child rights will be maintained.
4) 40,000 children reached with mine/UXO risk awareness and other child protection messages.

EDUCATION:
Up to 23,000 children will receive education support:
1) UNICEF is ready to provide non-formal education and educational supplies for about 23,000 children affected by the conflict.
2) UNICEF is coordinating with the Ministry of Education (MoE) to ensure rapid training for teachers and provide emergency education supplies.
UNICEF ADVOCACY MESSAGES IN SUPPORT OF ALL CHILDREN IN LIBYA:

- Over 500,000 children living in Tripoli are at immediate threat and tens of thousands more in other areas potentially affected.

- We call on member states with influence over parties to the conflict to advocate for parties to refrain from grave violations of child rights, including recruitment and use of children to fight.

- We are extremely concerned by the disproportionate and indiscriminate use of explosive weapons in highly inhabited areas/urban settings, and call parties to prevent impact on civilian infrastructure such as water and sanitation installations, schools, medical facilities, humanitarian warehouses, power stations.

- Also in line with IHL, aid-workers and health personnel should be protected by belligerent parties at all times and should never be a target.

- We call on authorities on the ground to refrain from using schools and health facilities to host IDPs, as alternative options should be sought.

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