

## What is the situation?



More than **70 per cent** of the discharged **sewage is untreated**, causing pollution <sup>1</sup>



**Limited** power supply reducing the efficiency of the infrastructure from **53 per cent** to **20 per cent** <sup>2</sup>



**Limited operations and maintenance** reduce life expectancy of systems and render repairs less durable



Nearly **half of** the people rely on alternative and often **unsafe water** sources <sup>1</sup>



WASH sector brain drain: **40 per cent** of staff (especially in mid-management) left the public service over the last **10 years** <sup>3</sup>

## What are our priorities?

- Focus on both WASH and electricity for true impact.
- Continuous support to operate larger systems for more beneficiaries.
- Generation of national/sub-nation data for early recovery planning to ensure equity.
- Simultaneously support the three critical pillars of WASH, infrastructure, human resources, and recurrent operations and maintenance for sustainable performance.

<sup>1</sup> Humanitarian Needs Overview 2023

<sup>2</sup> UNICEF - supported survey

<sup>3</sup> Every Day Counts, UNICEF, 2022

## What are we doing?



Helping to reduce deterioration of the water, sanitation, and hygiene systems through partially restoring their functionality. This is done by using cost effective interventions to provide more children and families in Syria access to clean water and reliable sanitation.

Undertaking data collection and analysis in anticipation for prospective early recovery plans.

Ensuring delivered water is safe for drinking.

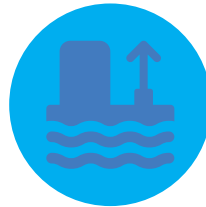


## What are our targets for 2023?



**2.3 million**

people are accessing WASH non-food items.



**5.3 million**

people supported with improved water supply services.



**14.3 million**

people have access to disinfected drinking water because of a sustained supply of chlorine.



**2.3 million**

people supported with improved access to sanitation services.

## What are the gaps?

In 2023, the WASH programme needs **US\$ 115.6 million**. The funding gap at the end of June 2023 was **44.9 per cent**.

Going beyond light rehabilitation of essential WASH infrastructure and supporting the larger scale rehabilitations to stop and ultimately reverse the deterioration of WASH services calls for sustainable investments.

