The EU Facility for Refugees in Turkey is the answer to the EU Member States’ call for significant additional funding to support refugees in the country, and manages a total of €6 billion, to be mobilised in two tranches. The first tranche serves to fund projects that run until mid-2021 latest (most projects will finish earlier). The second tranche serves to fund projects which run until mid-2025 latest (most projects will finish earlier). The main focus areas are humanitarian assistance, education, health, municipal infrastructure, and socio-economic support.

Both tranches combined, all operational funds have been committed, €5.1 billion contracted and €3.9 billion disbursed. The publication of the third annual report on the EU Facility for refugees in Turkey gives evidence of the results achieved so far, and how vital the Facility is in supporting refugees and host communities in Turkey.

For more information on Facility projects, please refer to our interactive map: https://ec.europa.eu/neighbourhood-enlargement/news_corner/migration_en

Turkey’s geographical position makes it a first reception and transit country for many refugees and migrants. As the result of an unprecedented influx of people seeking refuge, the country currently hosts 3.6 million Syrian refugees (out of a total of over 4 million refugees) and is making commendable efforts to provide them with humanitarian aid and development support. The EU is committed to assisting Turkey in dealing with this challenge.

EU assistance is aimed at supporting refugees who have fled violence in their country, in particular those living outside of camps and in vulnerable situations, while supporting also their host communities in providing access to quality education, health, protection and livelihoods, as well as other local services.

HOW DOES THE EU FACILITY FUNCTION

To ensure the coordination, complementarity and efficiency of the assistance, the Facility Steering Committee provides strategic guidance on the type of actions to be financed, with what amount, and through which financing instruments. The Steering Committee is chaired by the European Commission and composed of EU Member State representatives, with Turkey sitting in an advisory capacity. Decisions are taken on the basis of an assessment of needs and following the procedure of the financing instruments mobilised.
HUMANITARIAN SUPPORT UNDER THE EU FACILITY

- **1.7 million** refugees receiving support for basic daily needs
- **685,000** refugee children supported to attend school
- **Over 2 million** ante-natal consultations delivered

*Source: ECHO factsheet https://ec.europa.eu/echo/where/europe/turkey_en
EDUCATION, HEALTH AND SOCIO-ECONOMIC SUPPORT UNDER THE EU FACILITY

Education Sector

- Training delivered to over 170,000 education staff
- 320 new schools in the process of being constructed to respond to education needs
- Over 80,000 children benefitting from back-up and catch-up classes
- 42,000 children benefitting from school transportation services

Health Sector

- Close to 12 million primary health care consultations delivered
- Over 3.5 million vaccination doses provided to refugee infants and pregnant women
- Provision of 178 migrant health centres under way
- Over 3000 health workers employed

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