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International Blue Crescent Relief and Development Foundation (IBC)

Project Name

Improved Protection, Education, and Social Cohesion Services for Refugees and the Host Community in Kilis and Konya

Cocation Kilis, Konya, Türkiye

Intervention Areas

Protection, social cohesion, non-formal education

Target Audience Refugees under Temporary and International Protection and members of the host community

About the Organisation

For over 20 years, the International Blue Crescent Relief and Development Foundation (IBC) has been providing support to individuals living in disadvantaged regions worldwide. IBC offers assistance in accessing emergency aid, healthcare, education, and rehabilitation without discrimination based on nationality, religion, language, or other characteristics. With a commitment to gender equality, IBC has engaged in activities ranging from education psychosocial support to livelihood and social cohesion programmes.

www.ibc.org.tr

About the Project

The project aims to enhance protection services and life skills for vulnerable refugees and members of the host community, empowering them for better access to basic social services. Operating in Kilis and Konya, the project focuses on improving protection services for disadvantaged communities, enhancing language skills through language courses, and facilitating children's access to education through Educational Informatics Network (EBA) support activities. Its objectives include enhancing the well-being and socioeconomic status of strengthening knowledge levels, safeguarding access to services, and promoting social cohesion.

Activities



- Protection: Legal counselling, case management, translation, transportation, psychosocial counselling (PSS), gender-based violence (GBV) prevention, child protection.
- Social Cohesion: Strengthening community bonds and fostering cultural understanding among diverse groups.
- Non-Formal Education: Providing language and vocational courses to enhance skills and employability.
- Mentoring for ADA Türkiye: Mentoring activities for the peer support network to facilitate coordination and support mechanisms.

Cash Response Programme:

Location: Adıyaman, Gaziantep, Hatay, Kilis

Objective: This programme is designed to provide severely impacted by earthquakes. The aim is to offer

Activities: Needs assessments in Turkish, Arabic, and Farsi to understand the specific needs of affected families via phone calls, one-off cash support to identified vulnerable households, post-distribution monitoring, and evaluating.

Earthquake Intervention (Completed):

Location: Adıyaman, Diyarbakır, Gaziantep, Hatay, Kilis

Objective: Delivering immediate relief and support to communities devastated by the earthquake to address urgent needs and facilitate early recovery.

Activities: Protection activities (PSS, needs assessments, case management, child protection), child activities, non-formal education activities, distribution of essential learning materials like textbooks for university exams, distribution of blankets, hygiene kits, electric ventilators, şalvar, baby kits and winter clothing for children, and distribution of canned foods and the provision of hot soup services.















Young Life Foundation



Project Name

Everyone Included



Location

Sakarya, Türkiye



Intervention Areas

Protection, social cohesion, non-formal education



Target audience

Refugee and host community children and their parents.

About the organisation

Since 2008, Genc Hayat Foundation has been at the forefront of developing educational models for youth aged 11-18. aiming to nurture self-confident, expressive individuals aware of their rights and the importance of diversity, human rights, democracy, non-violent communication, and environmental consciousness. The foundation supports children and youth through various projects and scholarships, focusing on preventing child labour, enhancing 21st-century skills, promoting social cohesion, and empowering girls.

www.genchayat.org

About the Project

Everyone Included is committed to keeping children in education, combating child labour, and fostering social cohesion in Sakarya. The project prioritises the protection and service access for children and women under International and/or Temporary Protection, identifying at risk or working children, promoting educational engagement, and raising awareness among families and stakeholders.



- Protection: Case management, psychosocial support (PSS), legal counselling and service referrals.
- Social Cohesion: Resilience and cohesion workshops.
- Non-Formal Education: Coding and twin workshops for children.
- Awareness Raising and Advocacy: Awareness raising seminars and capacity building for volunteers, health training, positive parenting and anti-child labour workshops, and stakeholder engagement activities.















Afghan Refugees Solidarity Association (ARSA)



Project Name

Enhancing Resilience Among Refugee Communities in Kayseri



Location

Kayseri, Türkiye



Intervention Areas

Protection, social cohesion



Target audience

Refugees and members of the host community

About the organisation

Founded in 2014 by a diverse group of professionals, ARSA is dedicated to supporting refugees and asylum seekers through social assistance, education, and social cohesion activities, alongside psychosocial support, protection services, and advocacy to ensure access to basic needs and rights.

www.arsa.org.tr

About the Project

The project aims to improve awareness of rights and services among refugee communities, foster intercultural dialogue, and enhance communication between refugees and the host community in Kayseri. It includes individual counselling, social and legal information sessions, and referrals to local services based on individual needs and vulnerabilities.



- Protection: Case management, psychosocial support (PSS), counselling on social and legal rights, referral to public services and NGOs.
- **Social Cohesion:** Kite festival for children, Soğanlı Valley tour, International Women's Day event on March 8th, and speaking clubs.
- Awareness Raising and Advocacy: Information sessions on social and legal rights.















Local Educational Active Partnerships in Development (LEAP)



Project Name

Increasing Resilience and Fostering Peaceful Coexistence in Corum



Location

Çorum, Türkiye



Intervention Areas

Protection, social cohesion, non-formal education



Target audience

Syrian and non-Syrian refugees and asylum seekers and vulnerable members of the host community

About the organisation

LEAP is an organisation which specialises in protection (gender-based violence, child protection, social cohesion), education. livelihood (women's socio-economic empowerment), food security and agriculture. LEAP considers building capacities as the key to increase resilience of refugees and vulnerable host community members and promote peaceful coexistence. Known for its effective interventions tailored to the local context, LEAP has reached over 300,000 direct beneficiaries across multiple regions in Türkiye. LEAP's specific knowledge of the local context of Corum and its skills in protection and building local ownership makes its interventions more effective.

www.leap.org.tr

About the Project

The project aims to enhance the resilience of the community through social cohesion activities, non-formal education, and protection interventions, promoting a harmonious coexistence within Çorum. The project focuses structured social cohesion activities bringing refugee and host community members together in a cohesive environment and positive messages delivered on peaceful coexistence. By providing protection measures individuals are empowered to access rights and services.



- Protection: Case management, and referral services.
- Social Cohesion: Events to unite communities.
- Non-Formal Education: Turkish language courses.
- Awareness Raising and Advocacy: Information sessions, advocacy, and exchange meetings.















SENED Association (SENED)

Project Name

Makany 2

Adana, Gaziantep and Şanlıurfa (only mobile protection services), Türkiye

Intervention Areas

Protection, social cohesion, non-formal education

Target Audience

Persons with disabilities, their caregivers, and other vulnerable groups

About the Organisation

Founded in 2013, SENED in Türkiye supports people with disabilities and their families. By providing training, psychosocial support, vocational activities, and equipment, SENED aims to empower vulnerable individuals. The organisation is also active in advocacy for the rights of people with disabilities, promoting their societal reintegration.

www.sened.ngo

About the Project

Makany 2 is designed to improve communication abilities among refugee persons with disabilities, thereby enhancing social cohesion and reducing barriers to interaction with host communities. The project offers a range of services to support individuals with and without disabilities, focusing on psychosocial support, parenting sessions, mobile protection in Ṣanlıurfa, Turkish language education, social cohesion efforts, and awareness sessions on disability. Additionally, SENED supports NGOs in including people with disabilities in their projects through coaching and sharing expertise.

Activities



- Protection: Case management and mobile protection services, psychosocial support (PSS) and gender-based violence (GBV) interventions and referrals.
- Social Cohesion: Social cohesion initiatives and community-based small interventions.
- Non-Formal Education: Turkish language courses and English speaking clubs.
- **Awareness Raising and Advocacy:** Information sessions, disability awareness sessions, parenting and special needs support sessions, advocacy for inclusion and rights of persons with disabilities and empowerment programmes for adolescent girls and boys.
- **Mentoring for ADA Türkiye:** Mentoring activities for the peer support network to facilitate coordination and support mechanisms.

Cash Response Programme:

Location: Adana, Adıyaman, Gaziantep, Hatay Kahramanmaras, Van

Objective: Meeting the basic needs of earthquake affected populations by delivering one-time Multi-Purpose Cash Assistance to support recovery and stability.

Activities: Needs assessments in Turkish, Arabic, and Farsi to understand the specific needs of affected families via phone calls, one-off cash support to identified vulnerable households, post-distribution monitoring, and evaluating.



Earthquake Intervention (Completed):

Location: Gaziantep

Objective: Enhancing the resilience of those severely impacted by the earthquakes and delivering timely emergency assistance to the most vulnerable groups.

Activities: Rapid need assessments, information dissemination, distribution of hygiene kits, special need items for persons with disabilities, staff care activities, counselling for affected people and transportation support.













Gökkuşağı Association



> Project Name

Support for Earthquake Survivors: Protecting, Empowering, and Looking Towards the Future with Hope!



Location

Adıyaman, Türkiye



Intervention Areas

Protection, non-formal education



Target audience

Syrian and non-Syrian refugees, earthquake survivors

About the organisation

With its field work on refugees, Gökkuşağı Association focuses on supporting refugees in Adiyaman, aiming to enhance their access to rights, services, and overall welfare, with a special emphasis on disabled refugees and their caregivers. The Association's mission entails increasing the social cohesion and participation disabled refugees and their refugee caregivers, mobilising relevant institutions, making more specific efforts to raise awareness in the local and refugee community about the disabled individuals and ensure equality.

www.gokder.net

About the Project

This project aims to enhance the well-being of earthquake-affected individuals by meeting their basic needs and improving physical, mental, emotional, and social health. It aims to empower vulnerable groups by improving their access to rights, services, and education, fostering social connections, and addressing trauma. Additionally, the project activities are designed to support gender-based violence survivors, at risk children, and advocate for safe living conditions.



- Protection: Advisory on psychosocial support (PSS), individual consultancy on legal and social rights, gender-based violence (GBV) response and individual/group psychological counselling, case management, including for educational needs. Referral to external services.
- Non-Formal Education: Vocational and language courses to support skill development and integration.
- Awareness Raising and Advocacy: Information sessions, awareness raising, advocacy and empowerment on "Child Rights", "Gender-Based Violence and Coping Mechanisms".















Van Hearing-Impaired Persons and Their Families Association (VIED)



Project Name

Counselling and Training Centre for Disadvantaged Individuals



Location

Van, Türkiye



Intervention Areas

Protection, social cohesion. non-formal education



Target audience

Disabled Afghan and Iranian refugees and members of the host community

About the organisation

Since 2007, VIED has dedicated efforts to improve access to rights and services for disabilities, persons with combating discrimination, and ensuring respect for their rights. The organisation strives to provide equal opportunities and enhance collaboration and knowledge sharing among NGOs, serving all individuals regardless of language or religion in a region with an increasing refugee population.

www.vanisitmeengellilerdernegi.org.tr

About the Project

This project seeks to enhance the accessibility of services for disabled refugees and host community members in Van, offering a holistic approach that includes protection, non-formal education, and social cohesion. Targeting Afghan and Iranian refugees alongside locals with disabilities, the project aims to empower these communities and their families.

- **Protection:** Psychosocial support (PSS), legal counselling, case management and referrals.
- **Social Cohesion:** Social cohesion to foster community integration.
- **Non-Formal Education:** Sewing course.
- **Awareness Raising and Advocacy:** Awareness raising and gender mainstreaming activities.















Mavi Kalem Association (Mavi Kalem)



Project Name

Women Consultation Centre



Location

İstanbul, Türkiye



Intervention Areas

Protection, social cohesion, non-formal education



Target audience

Syrian and non-Syrian refugees

About the organisation

Mavi Kalem is dedicated to empowering women and children, facilitating their access to fundamental rights and services, and providing rights-oriented support to populations affected by disasters and emergencies. With a focus on child safety, gender sensitivity, and equality, Mavi Kalem has been actively involved in humanitarian work for 20 years. The organisation ensures quality through interdisciplinary collaboration and engagement, conducting awareness-raising empowerment activities through a participatory approach. Operating in Istanbul and Kocaeli provinces, Mavi Kalem offers counselling services via a free hotline, catering to beneficiaries from all over Türkiye.

www.mavikalem.org

About the Project

The project aims to enhance the social and economic resilience of women and men from refugee and host communities, particularly in Istanbul's Esenyurt district. Through support in accessing protection services, non-formal education, and social cohesion initiatives, the project seeks to promote gender equality, disseminate women's perspectives, protect vulnerable groups, and foster community integration.



- Protection: Individual and group psychosocial support (PSS), legal counselling, case management, and referral services.
- **Social Cohesion:** Art and sports events, together we are strong! activities, and community-based interventions.
- Non-Formal Education: Structured language acquisition sessions through Public Education Centres.
- Awareness Raising and Advocacy: Awareness-raising, risk assessment, SGBV prevention and response and gender mainstreaming activities. Exchange and information meetings for advocacy, staff self-care and supervision, skill development workshops and fostering volunteer networks.
- Mentoring for ADA Türkiye: Mentoring activities for the peer support network to facilitate coordination and support mechanisms.















Malatya Ya-Şam Association



> Project Name

Protection Support, Non-formal Education, and Social Cohesion for People Affected by Earthquake in Malatya



Location

Malatya, Türkiye



Intervention Areas

Protection, social cohesion. non-formal education



Target audience

Syrian and non-Syrian refugees and members of the host community affected by the earthquakes

About the organisation

Since 2015, Malatya Ya-Şam Association has provided humanitarian assistance to refugees in Malatya, aiming for a dignified life and coexistence within a community environment of dignity, safety, and prosperity. The association focuses on improving refugees' access to their rights, economic stability, and social wellbeing in Türkiye. Operating in remote districts, towns, and villages in Malatya, Malatya Ya-Şam reaches the most vulnerable refugees through various activities.

www.malatyasam.com

About the Project

The project seeks to enhance the capacities of the most vulnerable refugees and members of the host community in Malatya through protection, social cohesion, and non-formal education activities, promoting resilience and harmonious living.



- Protection: Counselling services on social and legal rights, psychosocial support (PSS), and case management services. Group PSS sessions for children and adults affected by the earthquake, as well as at risk children and their caregivers and referrals to external services.
- Social Cohesion: Film workshops, table tennis and football events, and activities for the International Student Club. Community-based interventions such as mass tree planting.
- **Non-Formal Education:** Language and vocational training courses.
- Awareness Raising and Advocacy: Information sessions, GBV prevention and response measures, awareness-raising, advocacy, and empowerment activities.















Association for Social Development and Aid Mobilization (ASAM)

Project Name

Empowering Refugees and Promoting Social Cohesion in Ankara

Location Ankara, Türkiye

Intervention Areas

Protection, social cohesion, non-formal education

Target Audience

Syrian and non-Syrian refugees

About the Organisation

Established in 1995 in Ankara, the Association for Social Development and Aid Mobilization (ASAM) is an independent, impartial, and non-profit organisation. ASAM operates across Türkiye with over 2,000 full-time employees and 55 offices in 30 provinces. Guided by the principle of solidarity, ASAM addresses the needs of women, children, youth, persons with disabilities, asylum seekers, refugees, and migrants, regardless of their background, seeking solutions within the laws of Türkiye and international humanitarian principles. Following the earthquakes in February 2023, ASAM mobilised over 800 staff for search, rescue, and humanitarian aid operations in affected regions, coordinating relief efforts from compounds in Hatay, Kahramanmaraş, Adıyaman, and Malatya.

www.sgdd.org.tr

About the Project

The project aims to enhance the resilience of refugee communities by facilitating access to rights, services, protection interventions, and promoting social cohesion since 2016. Additionally, it supports small-scale NGOs in migration-related fields through mentoring sessions under the CLIP 2 project. The Ankara Community Centre promotes social cohesion, language proficiency, and self-reliance among refugees and the host community through Turkish Speaking Clubs, language courses, and social cohesion activities. It enhances protection and wellbeing through advisory-information, psychosocial support (PSS), and awareness-raising activities. The project also provides mentoring services to ADA Türkiye, ensuring equalised protection capacities among mentee organisations.

Activities /



- Protection: Counselling services on social and legal rights, psychosocial support PSS, referrals, and case management services.
- **Social Cohesion:** Facilitating social cohesion through various activities.
- Non-Formal Education: Language and vocational training courses.
- Awareness Raising and Advocacy: Information and awareness raising sessions and establishing refugee committees and solidarity groups.
- Mentoring for ADA Türkiye: Mentoring activities for basic protection and capacity-building support.

Cash Response Programme:

Location: Ankara, Hatay, Kahramanmaras, Malatya

Objective: Addressing the immediate needs of earthquake survivors, with the aim of empowering individuals and supporting community resilience.

Activities: Needs assessments in Turkish, Arabic, and Farsi to understand the specific needs of affected families via phone calls, one-off cash support to identified vulnerable households, post-distribution monitoring, and evaluating.

Earthquake Intervention (Completed):

Location: Adıyaman, Hatay, Malatya

Objective: Addressing the urgent basic needs that have emerged in the earthquake-affected areas, adapting to the varying environmental and climatic conditions to provide targeted support.

Activities: Search and rescue operations, distribution of clothing and hygiene kits, provision of water, distribution of tarpaulins, and ventilators.















Ankara Vocational Training, Education, Culture, Art and Tourism Association (MESEDER)



Project Name

Strengthening Women's and Youth's "Not in Education, Employment, or Training" (NEET) Economic Prospects Through Education and Awareness Raising



Location

Ankara, Türkiye



Intervention Areas

Protection, social cohesion, non-formal education



Target audience

Refugees and members of the host community

About the organisation

The Ankara Vocational Training, Education, Culture, Art, and Tourism Association (MESEDER) is dedicated to vocational training and employment, believing that diversity and equal participation are essential for improving access to opportunities. With 13 years of experience in Ankara, MESEDER specialises in vocational education, employability, and job placement, with a focus on disadvantaged groups in various locations across Türkiye, including Kırıkkale, Bursa, and Mersin.

www.meseder.org

About the Project

The project aims to enhance social cohesion among vulnerable members of the host community and refugee women and youth, promoting social inclusion and addressing protection needs. By providing basic language and vocational skills, the project seeks to increase employability, raise awareness of rights, and improve overall wellbeing. It emphasises the importance of economic empowerment for women and youth, fostering resilience and development efforts. The project also aims to enhance employment prospects for refugees and vulnerable members of the host community aged 18 to 29 through vocational education and certification programmes.



- **Protection:** Legal consultancy, case management services and referrals to external services.
- **Social Cohesion:** Events such as "Recipes from Home" kitchen workshops and picnics to promote community integration and rebuild lives.
- Non-Formal Education: Vocational competence certification, vocational courses approved by the
 Ministry of National Education, Turkish language courses, entrepreneurship courses, sewing
 courses, and hygiene training and certification. Assisting beneficiaries with vocational training
 and vocational qualification certificates in registering to İŞKUR system, facilitating employment
 opportunities, and conducting seminars on interview techniques and CV preparation.
- Awareness Raising and Advocacy: Informative seminars and conflict management and mediation sessions for awareness raising.















Cappadocia Women's Solidarity Association (KAPKAD)



Project Name

Strengthening Refugee Rights and Raising Awareness



Location

Nevşehir, Türkiye



Intervention Areas

Protection and social cohesion



Target audience

Refugees and vulnerable members of the host community

About the organisation

The Cappadocia Women's Solidarity Association (KAPKAD) has served as the representative of the Nevşehir Governorship Provincial Women's Rights Coordination Board and Equality Unit for 14 years. KAPKAD has partnered with various organisations in Nevşehir, particularly those focusing on women, to implement numerous activities aimed at promoting women's rights and empowerment.

kapadokyakadin@hotmail.com

About the Project

The project aims to reduce the challenges faced by refugees and the members of the host community in Nevşehir and foster social cohesion by empowerment. It focuses on strengthening refugee rights, supporting their integration into society, and providing psychosocial support. Additionally, the project includes programs to help children understand and cope with emotions while improving their Turkish language skills, and to create safe spaces for refugee and host women who have experienced violence and discrimination.



- Protection: Psychological support (PSS), legal and social counselling and guidance, case management and referrals.
- **Social Cohesion:** Promoting community integration and solidarity through various events and initiatives.
- Awareness Raising and Advocacy: Information sessions to increase understanding of gender-based violence and discrimination about rights, services, and available resources.















Human Resource Development Foundation (HRDF)



Project Name

Improved Services for Refugees and Peer Networks



Location

İstanbul, Türkiye



Intervention Areas

Protection, social cohesion



Target audience

Refugees and members of the host community

About the organisation

HRDF (Human Resource Development Foundation) aims to positively impact human development by conducting studies on health, education, and employment to support social development. Since 1989, HRDF has been implementing various migration projects focusing on protection and social cohesion, supported by UNHCR. HRDF operates in seven provinces and has 8 representatives, with HRDF's Esenler Multi-Service Centre specifically targeting Syrian refugees since 2014.

www.ikgv.org

About the Project

The project aims to enhance social cohesion between host and Syrian communities by improving the well-being of Syrian refugees through protection services and fostering social interaction opportunities for the host community. Activities at the Esenler Centre focus on providing Syrian refugees with information and support to integrate into social life, access basic services, and learn about Istanbul's culture, administration, and social features. By project completion, mutual understanding, respect, solidarity, and trust between refugees and the host community will be enhanced, promoting self-reliance and active participation in Istanbul.



- **Protection:** Case management, guidance and support to vulnerable individuals and referrals.
- **Social Cohesion:** Initiatives to promote interaction and unity between refugees and members of the host community.
- **Awareness Raising and Advocacy:** Strengthening relations with public authorities. Information and awareness raising sessions about rights and available services.
- **Mentoring for ADA Türkiye:** Mentoring activities for the peer support network to facilitate coordination and support mechanisms.















Charity and Solidarity Foundation (SEVKAR)



Project Name

Better Together



Location

İstanbul, Türkiye



Intervention Areas

Protection, social cohesion, non-formal education



Target audience

Refugees and members of the host community

About the organisation

Charity and Solidarity Foundation (SEVKAR) is a humanitarian organisation dedicated to providing services to refugees and asylum seekers. SEVKAR's mission is to support disadvantaged social groups, victims of natural disasters, wars, and other social crises, addressing poverty and social challenges. While SEVKAR assists all those in need without discrimination, its primary focus is currently on refugees. SEVKAR's services are provided in Turkish, Arabic, Persian, Kurdish, and English, with additional languages as needed, prioritising vulnerable groups such as children, the elderly, persons with disabilities, women, and LGBTIQ+ individuals.

www.sevgivekardeslikvakfi.org.tr

About the Project

The project aims to facilitate access to protection, basic rights, and essential services for refugees and host community members in Türkiye, fostering their well-being and self-reliance through community-based interventions. Psychosocial support, both individual and group-based, will enhance the well-being and coping mechanisms of those facing protection issues. Social cohesion activities will combat discrimination, social exclusion, and inequalities, enhancing social awareness and community integration. Non-formal education initiatives will enhance the life skills of women from both refugee and host communities. Referrals to SEVKAR Commercial Enterprise will facilitate access to income-generating activities and meet basic needs.



- **Protection:** Case management, psychosocial support (PSS), information dissemination, referrals.
- Social Cohesion: Community service activities
- Non-Formal Education: Life-skill trainings
- Awareness Raising and Advocacy: Information and awareness raising sessions.















Refugees Association (RASAS)

Project Name

Providing Integrated Social Services to Refugees and the Host Community Through Community Centre Structure

Location İstanbul, Türkiye

Intervention Areas

Protection, social cohesion, non-formal education

Target Audience

Refugees under temporary and international protections, and members of the host community

About the Organisation

RASAS has been assisting Syrians and refugees in the Sultanbeyli district of Istanbul since 2014. It is one of the leading organisations providing comprehensive and integrated community-based services for refugees, including health services, translation, legal assistance, shelter, and employment support, among others.

www.multeciler.org.tr

About the Project

The project aims to support vulnerable refugees and host community members in accessing existing social services and to provide needs-based protection programmes to enhance living conditions, well-being, and promote social cohesion. In Sultanbeyli, while social cohesion activities are designed to foster cultural dialogue and positive interactions, Turkish language courses and other non-formal education activities to improve social cohesion, increase access to the labour market, and enhance resilience protection activities aim to improve the quality of life. Additionally, informational sessions and awareness-raising activities empower both groups by increasing their capacities and overall resilience.

Cash Response Programme:

Location: İstanbul, Sakarya

Objective: To support well-being by providing cash support to earthquake survivors outside the earthquake region.

Activities: Needs assessments in Turkish, Arabic, and Farsi to understand the specific needs of affected families via phone calls, one-off cash support to identified vulnerable households, post-distribution monitoring, and evaluating.





- Protection: Case management, psychosocial support (PSS), Social Market, counselling, and referrals.
- Social Cohesion: Community service activities, refugee councils and child friendly area.
- Non-Formal Education: Turkish language courses.
- Awareness Raising and Advocacy: Information and awareness raising sessions, outreach.
- Mentoring for ADA Türkiye: Mentoring activities for the peer support network to facilitate coordination and support mechanisms.















Hayata Gülümse Association



Project Name

Enhancing the Resilience of Refugee Communities



Location

Aksaray, Türkiye



Intervention Areas

Protection, social cohesion, non-formal education



Target audience

Refugees and members of the host community in Aksaray

About the organisation

Founded in 2018 in Diyarbakır, Hayata Gülümse Association is committed to improving access to rights and benefits for vulnerable groups, integrating them into economic and social life, and developing rights-based solutions.

www.hayatagulumse.org.tr

About the Project

The project aims to foster social cohesion among Afghan refugees in Aksaray, enhancing their living conditions and resilience through various activities. The project focuses on overcoming challenges such as prejudice and social exclusion to promote peace and integration.

Activities (Activities



- **Protection:** Counselling services, case management, and both group and individual psychosocial support (PSS), legal counselling, access and referral services to public services
- Social Cohesion: Interaction and dialogue sessions, workshops on social acceptance and mentoring programmes
- **Non-Formal Education:** A1 level Turkish Language Education (136 hours)
- Awareness Raising and Advocacy: Information sessions and seminars on key topics like gynaecology, personal care, and effective parenting.









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