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WFP News Video  
Syrian refugees in Lebanon  
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**(On request, surnames and some faces of refugees were not identified for their protection)**

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Syrian border area where thousands of refugees mostly from Homs area in Syria have crossed into Lebanon frequently on foot during the night Bekaa Valley, Lebanon  
Shot 26/27June 2012

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33 Syrian Refugee families living in tents outside mosque near Arsal, Lebanon  
Shot 27June2012

:39-:59

Rima X fled Homs in March 2012 with 5 children when rockets destroyed her house. They crossed the border on foot with only the clothes on their backs. She is living in a house under construction with another refugee family owned by a Lebanese family. Her children say they miss their school and friends back home.  
Shot Arsal, Lebanon  
27June2012

:59-1:09

SOT Rima (Arabic)

"We heard gun shots and bombs exploding so, we started running as fast as we could..I was afraid for the children.."

Shot Arsal, Lebanon  
27June2012

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New refugees arriving in Lebanon are registered by UNHCR before they are given WFP food vouchers.

Shot Aarsal, Lebanon

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Fatimah X from near Homs escaped in February 2012 with 4 children leaving her husband behind. She receives a monthly voucher from WFP allowing her to buy food in local Lebanese shops.

Shot Aarsal, Lebanon

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1:45-1:49

SOT Fatimah X

"we didn't bring anything with us..we left with just the clothes we had on."

Shot Aarsal, Lebanon

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SOT Laure Chadraoui, WFP Spokesperson (English)

"The World Food Program is using vouchers here in Lebanon to assist the Syrian refugees. This is also an innovative system that helps the local economy and alleviates the burden on the local host communities"

Shot Chtoura, Lebanon

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Fatimah X's family eating

Shot Aarsal, Lebanon

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**WFP Regional Syrian Refugee Response(Lebanon, Jordan, Iraq)**  
**Geneva 28 June 2012**

WFP is launching a regional emergency operation to cover the food needs of vulnerable Syrians in Lebanon, Jordan and Iraq. Recent joint needs assessments showed that food was a priority need.

Many Syrians left with few assets and little cash and have now depleted their savings and are increasingly dependent on host communities and humanitarian assistance.

WFP's operation, aligned with the United Nations Regional Response Plan, will help them meet immediate food needs using an innovative food



voucher system. In Lebanon, for example, throughout June and July, WFP will assist around 27,000 Syrians through food vouchers in the Bekaa Valley. With the vouchers, beneficiaries can buy their own food from local shops when and as they need, choosing from a varied food list which includes fresh produce such as dairy products (cheese, milk, yogurt) and eggs, which are not normally included in food rations. WFP often uses vouchers when food is available in the market but people do not have enough money to buy it. The use of vouchers also boosts the local economy.

This intervention also complements the generosity of the hosting governments and communities that have exerted immense efforts to alleviate their suffering since the onset of this conflict.

Hot meals and other food assistance will be provided for new arrivals and those in transit centers, such as in Jordan. In Iraq, food assistance will be provided until vouchers are introduced in September.

The WFP operation covers six months, beginning with 67,000 beneficiaries in July and increasing gradually to reach 120,000 people in December. It will require immediate funding of US\$23.8 million.

In Syria itself WFP has scaled up its operations to reach half a million people in need of food assistance and is preparing to further expand operations in July to reach 850,000 people, following an agreement between the UN and the Syrian government to allow more access to areas affected by the on-going conflict.