

WHO WE ARE?

Relief & Reconciliation for Syria (R&R) is an international non-profit organisation, established in 2013 under Belgian law, registered today under the name Relief & Reconciliation International AISBL. **More than 500 members** are organised in national chapters across Europe, the Arab world and America.

R&R is **combining peacebuilding with humanitarian aid** in response to the Syrian crisis. At local level, we unite different communities and groups around a common cause: the future of the youth. We submit ourselves to the consensus of a local steering committee composed by moral authorities of all communities present.

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for Syria



→ Akkar Governorate,
Lebanon

WE ARE HERE!!



R&R opened its **first Peace Centre** in July 2013 in the North of Lebanon, only 12 km from the Syrian border. It serves as an open house and activity hub for the youth of all communities as well as home for international volunteers and visitors. R&R also established **informal camp schools** for Syrian refugees and other outreach centres, serving both Syrians and Lebanese.

WHAT WE DO?

Peacebuilding: We could unite Sunnis, Christians and Alawites living in the Akkar region around our cause. In this poorest region of Lebanon, we are the only organisation to work with all communities present, for the benefit of Syrian refugees and Lebanese youth

Education: More than 3,000 Syrians and Lebanese have received regular education through R&R staff and volunteers. We are providing daily homework help classes for those kids who could enrol in public schools as well as basic literacy and numeracy and vocational training to those who could not. The last school year ended with 701 children receiving daily education in 5 learning centres.

Psychosocial support: We organise regular recreational, cultural and sports activities for the youth and we established scout teams in all communities that are coming together on a weekly basis. Currently, we are running 11 football teams (6 for boys and 5 for girls) and 4 children's choirs.

Emergency aid: We have distributed first-aid kits, clothes and food baskets to more than 19,000 Syrians without any access to international aid. We also equipped medical dispensaries run by Syrian doctors and provide regular cash-assistance to particular cases of hardship.

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More than 12 million Syrians, half of the country's population, have been forcibly displaced since the Assad regime started to suppress peaceful demonstrations in 2011. Of these, 6 million are refugees and asylum-seekers who have fled the country.

In Lebanon, about 1 person in 4 is a refugee, the highest percentage in the world. Registrations had to stop in 2015, but estimates count 1.5 million Syrian refugees in Lebanon alone. This small country, itself victim of war and occupation in the past, is again on the brink of collapse.

More than 500,000 school-aged Syrian refugee children in Lebanon have been excluded from any form of education for several years, a breeding-ground for despair and violence.

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