

FTS Tip N°20

Funding for the Syria crisis on FTS

Given the regional nature of the Syria crisis, FTS has created a special [site](#)¹ that provides an overview of 2014 total humanitarian assistance to the region, as well as requirements and funding for the 2014 Syria Humanitarian Assistance Response Plan (SHARP)² and the 2014 Syria Regional Response Plan for refugees (RRP).³

Information included in the consolidated table

The consolidated site which is located on the FTS website in the “Features” sidebar brings together the following information for 2014 and is updated at least once a day:

1. Funding to both appeals – the SHARP and the RRP
2. Other reported funding to Syria and neighbouring countries (for example ICRC)
3. Funding from the Central Emergency Response Fund (CERF)
4. Contributions to and allocations from the Syria Emergency Response Fund (ERF)
5. A table summarizing funding to the Syria crisis for 2012-2014

Similar tables for [2013](#) and [2012](#) are available.⁴

Information by country, donor, cluster and recipient organisation

There are links on the site that show an overview of which donors are contributing to which organisations, in which clusters, and where. These reports are summaries. To access the reports, click on the links on the right-hand side of the Syria crisis page. Once you have opened a report, you can click on the blue column headings to sort the information or click on “» Show full details / itemised list under each sub-total” for full details.

To access the raw data (i.e. details about the individual contributions) for the information on these tables, [click here](#)⁵ or use the custom search. The results can be exported and saved in Excel.

What is the amount under the pledge column?

FTS often receives information about funding intentions from donor governments, organizations, foundations and individuals. We record pledges to ensure a more complete picture of funding in the pipeline or on its way to a particular crisis. This information is included under the pledge column on all FTS tables until it is reported as committed/contributed to an implementing organization, or other important details are provided by the donor and/or recipient.

All pledges and commitments from the Kuwait II Pledging Conference are tracked on a special table [here](#).⁶ These pledges are also included in the usual FTS tables alongside the other pledges which were announced after the Kuwait conference for the Syria crisis.

1 <http://fts.unocha.org/pageloader.aspx?page=special-syriancrisis>

2 <http://fts.unocha.org/pageloader.aspx?page=emerg-emergencyDetails&appealID=1044>

3 <http://fts.unocha.org/pageloader.aspx?page=emerg-emergencyDetails&appealID=1048>

4 <http://fts.unocha.org/pageloader.aspx?page=special-syriancrisis&year=2013>; <http://fts.unocha.org/pageloader.aspx?page=special-syriancrisis&year=2012>

5 http://fts.unocha.org/pageloader.aspx?page=search-reporting_display&CQ=cq170214110942M5x-5fvuDHK

6 <https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/pub?key=0AusGu5uwbtt-dFJZTV9hRWlydkljZjBLRH-p2am5tSnc&single=true&gid=3&output=html>

RRP and SHARP

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Additional information about the SHARP, RRP and the Syria ERF

For more information about the Syria crisis, [click here](#).⁷ The 2014 revised SHARP document can be downloaded [here](#).⁸

To find more information about the Syria regional refugee response, visit UNHCR's [website](#).⁹ The 2014 revised RRP document can be downloaded from this [site](#).¹⁰

All information about contributions to and allocations from the Syria ERF can be accessed on the FTS pooled funds page overview tables for [2012](#)¹¹, [2013](#)¹² and [2014](#)¹³.

How does FTS support donors and implementers?

FTS records all cash and in-kind contributions continuously and they are visible on the website in real time. Financial tracking provides raw material for decision-making and advocacy, by providing an overview of who is doing what to respond to the crisis and highlighting under-funded organizations and sectors. It also helps donors direct their funding towards where it is most needed.

- **Visibility:** FTS publicises donor contributions and the actions of their partners.
- **Coordination:** FTS offers information at a glance on which organizations are operating at what scale and in what sectors of activities.
- **Cataloguing project proposals:** In addition to showing general contributions, FTS provides information about projects and their unfunded balances when there is an inter-agency appeal. Donors can use FTS as a continually updated catalogue of humanitarian projects and funding needs.

How can donors and humanitarian partners help FTS?

- **Check the figures and report errors or omissions:** FTS is a recording service that can only post what is reported to it. Regular reporting mechanisms exist with many donor country governments and organizations, but we still rely on all partners to check the information on-line and keep us up-to-date. *Incomplete data undermine the FTS' reliability and its usefulness for coordination and visibility. Conversely, full information makes a powerful coordination tool and helps all stakeholders see the full extent of humanitarian activities and resources.*
- **Reporting mechanisms:** Please inform FTS of contributions by e-mail (fts@un.org) or via our on-line form (<http://fts.unocha.org> then click the "report a contribution" link on the left). Please provide as much information as possible, including: 1) donor country or organization; 2) recipient organization; 2) date of signed agreement/contribution; 4) amount in original currency (e.g. euros, USD), or if in-kind, the amount, description, and value of goods; 5) one-line description of the contribution; and 6) SHARP or RRP project code (if relevant).

How does FTS define humanitarian aid?

Humanitarian aid is broadly defined as "an intervention to help people who are victims of a natural disaster or conflict meet their basic needs and rights".¹⁴ FTS and a working group of the Good Humanitarian Donorship initiative have developed a document that provides further details.¹⁵

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7 <http://www.unocha.org/crisis/syria>

8 https://docs.unocha.org/sites/dms/CAP/2014_Syria_SHARP.pdf

9 <http://data.unhcr.org/syrianrefugees/regional.php>

10 <http://www.unhcr.org/52b170e49.html>

11 http://fts.unocha.org/reports/daily/ocha_RPool2C_C206_Y2012___1306261250.pdf

12 http://fts.unocha.org/reports/daily/ocha_RPool2C_C206_Y2013___1306261250.pdf

13 http://fts.unocha.org/reports/daily/ocha_RPool2C_C206_Y2014___1402170301.pdf

14 <http://fts.unocha.org/pageloader.aspx?page=showpage&PageID=62-Definitions>

15 http://fts.unocha.org/exception-docs/aboutfts/fts_criteria_for_posting_contributions.pdf