

Jordan

IOCC has operated in Jordan since 2005, offering humanitarian aid and development assistance to help Jordanians and refugees improve their lives and livelihoods. Following the outbreak of the Syria crisis in 2011, IOCC scaled up activities in both refugee camp and urban settings, where most refugees live. IOCC's work in Jordan prioritizes serving and creating opportunities for people with disabilities, ensuring shelter and addressing basic needs, establishing sustainable livelihood opportunities, and supporting long-term food security and agriculture while promoting improved natural-resource management. IOCC's work is supported by the US government (State Department Bureau of Population, Refugees, and Migration [PRM]), the Austrian Development Corporation, Diakonie ACT Austria, and other international and private donors. IOCC works closely with relevant Jordanian governmental entities, including the Ministries of Health, Social Development, Planning & International Cooperation, Education, Labor, Agriculture and the Higher Council for the Rights of Persons with Disabilities. Since its establishment, IOCC has supported the Orthodox Church's work in Jordan by implementing educational activities and providing nonfood items (e.g., school kits, hygiene kits, quilts) to reach those most in need.

Emergency Preparedness and Response



IOCC works to assist Jordanians and refugees of any nationality through innovative cash programming in Jordan. Since 2015, IOCC has provided cash assistance to nearly 23,000 refugees and vulnerable Jordanians. Whether distributing prepaid cards to help cover seasonal winter expenses, providing funds to meet urgent needs in the midst of a global pandemic, or

covering rent so families can stay in their homes and focus on other pressing needs, IOCC's cash assistance programming ensures that families' basic needs are met. In response to displacement, IOCC has also rehabilitated rented homes, ensuring that refugees and vulnerable host community members have safe, weather-resistant housing in exchange for reduced rent and secure tenancy. Since 2015, IOCC has rehabilitated shelters for more than 1,600 people.

Food Security and Agriculture



To increase farming families' harvests so that they can feed themselves and generate more income, IOCC has trained farmers in animal husbandry and water conservation. IOCC has supported farmers to establish water catchments for reliable irrigation and greenhouses for increased productivity, in addition to supplying farmers with cows, chickens, or goats so they can build up their herds—and their livelihoods. IOCC has also provided small grants to farmers to support increased income-generation activities. Additionally, IOCC has worked directly with farmers and

led awareness raising at the community level on improved management of Jordan's scarce water resources.



Sustainable Livelihoods

IOCC implements sustainable livelihood activities for refugees and vulnerable Jordanians in Amman, supporting increased income and linkages with formal work opportunities. Since 2017, IOCC has engaged approximately 3,000 people in economic empowerment activities through IOCC's Livelihoods Resource Center in East Amman. Livelihood programming includes individual job coaching, employability skills training, vocational training at a local institute, job fairs to connect with employers, internships with local companies, small grants to start businesses, and livelihood support groups. IOCC also promotes inclusion of persons with disabilities in the workforce through awareness raising among both community members and employers. IOCC has also supported people over the age of 60 to stay active and produc-

tive with new skills, while connecting them with peers and income-generation opportunities.



Serving People with Disabilities



Following a community-based approach, IOCC provides health, protection, education, and livelihood services for Jordanians and refugees with impairments and disabilities in Jordan.

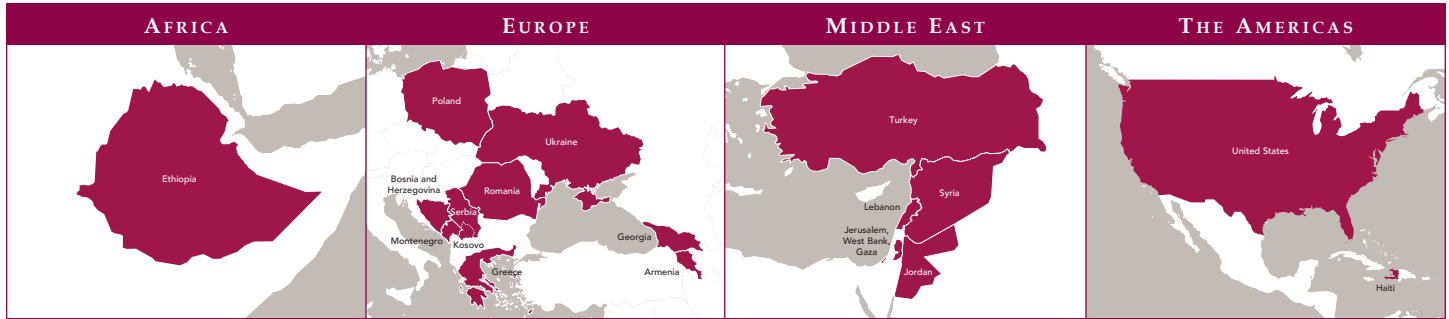
IOCC provides disability services throughout Jordan, including in Azraq Camp since 2017, and has reached nearly 58,000 people. IOCC has equipped diagnostic clinics in six locations, along with a mobile clinic, to enable improved provision of services for PWDs. IOCC's disability specialists, as well as its local partner, have provided assistive devices such as hearing aids, glasses, low-vision devices, wheelchairs, and mobility aids to nearly 15,500 refugees and Jordanians with disabilities.

IOCC's diagnosis and treatment services are complemented by rehabilitation services, such as speech therapy, occupational therapy, physical therapy, and

special education. IOCC has provided these sessions to more than 5,400 refugees and Jordanians, equipping them to better participate in society. The organization has raised community awareness about disabilities, promoted inclusion, formed support groups for caregivers of children with disabilities, and conducted trainings and awareness-building campaigns on child protection. IOCC also supports caregivers of those with disabilities. Counselors provide one-on-one psychosocial support sessions to PWDs and caregivers in need (nearly 2,100 people to date). Disability specialists host workshops to equip caregivers with the skills to continue supporting PWDs once they complete their rehabilitation program. IOCC has worked with the Ministry of Health to train staff in community-based rehabilitation to better provide health services to PWDs and supports school staff, principals, and teachers on improving inclusion of children with disabilities in the classroom. All activities are implemented in close coordination with relevant ministries and Jordan's Higher Council for the Rights of Persons with Disabilities.

THROUGHOUT THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC, IOCC continued its projects around the world while taking steps to protect staff, partners, and beneficiaries. All projects are continuously evaluated for multiple risk factors, and appropriate modifications made. IOCC ensures that all staff and beneficiaries receive information about COVID-19, including testing locations, and integrates this information into ongoing projects, as indicated by local health authorities.

Active Worldwide Programs



- Ethiopia
- Armenia
- Bosnia and Herzegovina
- Georgia
- Greece
- Montenegro
- Poland
- Romania
- Serbia including Kosovo
- Ukraine
- Jerusalem, West Bank, Gaza
- Jordan
- Lebanon
- Syria
- Turkey
- Haiti
- United States



● Emergency Preparedness & Response	150,044
● Water, Sanitation, & Hygiene (WASH).....	40,362
● Sustainable Livelihoods.....	2,869
● Food Security & Agriculture.....	129,203
● Health	607,594
● Other (Education, Nonfood Items, Shelter, Protection)	2,917

IN 2023, IOCC SERVED 932,989 PEOPLE WORLDWIDE

IOCC was established in 1992 and is the official humanitarian organization of the Assembly of Canonical Orthodox Bishops of the United States. IOCC provides emergency relief and development assistance to those in need worldwide, without discrimination, and strengthens the capacity of the Orthodox Church and local NGO and community partners. Its global operations are managed from its headquarters in Baltimore, Maryland, in the United States, with field offices in Eastern Europe, the Middle East, East Africa, and the US. Since its founding, IOCC has distributed more than \$800 million worth of aid in over 60 countries around the world, and has extensive experience implementing programs in partnership with United States government agencies (USAID, BHA, PRM) and the United Nations (UNICEF, WFP, UNHCR, OCHA), as well as with European and international donors.



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