

RYSE

RESILIENT YOUTH
SOCIAL AND
ECONOMICALLY



CONTEXT

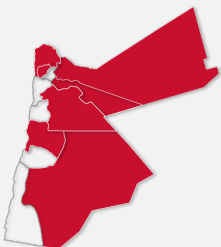
- 1 in 14** people are registered refugees
- 70%** of the population is under 30
- 84%** of Syrian youth are unemployed
- 36%** of Jordanian youth are unemployed

TARGETS

- 16,500** youth participate in the civic engagement component
- 8,400** youth are economically empowered (including household members of the 480 participating in the graduation model)
- 185** teachers, MoY youth workers and NGO staff receive transformative leadership training

REACH

East Amman, Mafraq, Zarqa, Ajloun, Irbid, Karak, Ma'an, Za'atari and Azraq refugee camps



DONOR

novo nordisk fonden
120M DKK/17.7M USD
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PROGRAM BRIEF

The Resilient Youth-Socially and Economically Empowered (RYSE) program is developing a flagship model in which youth, governments, private sector companies, investors and civil society organizations educate and empower youth to become positive change agents and leaders within their communities. The RYSE program will reach at least 25,000 people through three main components. The first component provides life skills, training and pathways for youth to become civically-engaged leaders. The second provides a comprehensive approach to help young people obtain the training and support needed to be strong candidates for better jobs. Lastly, the third component addresses formal societal structures that prevent youth from actively participating in civil society and the labor market.

INTERVENTIONS



CIVIC ENGAGEMENT

Through both formal and informal educational centers, institutions and organizations, youth receive leadership and civic skills training, strengthening their ability to become meaningful change agents in their communities. Underpinning activities is a strong focus on building inter- and intra-community cohesion in host communities as well as in Za'atari and Azraq refugee camps.

Danish Refugee Council, Mercy Corps, Generations for Peace, Jordan River Foundation



ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT

Through focused soft and hard skills training, conducted mainly by private sector actors, youth build a foundation to quickly adapt to the 21st century workforce requirements, increasing their chances of obtaining income generating opportunities. A particularly dedicated workstream targets the extremely vulnerable, through a sequenced, multi-sector intervention known as the 'graduation approach' in which households receive coaching, general family guidance, cash support and individually designed pathways to 'graduate' towards sustainable livelihoods.

Danish Refugee Council, Mercy Corps, Jordan River Foundation, INJAZ



ENABLING ENVIRONMENT

Recognizing that the long-term success lies within the larger context of institutional and policy structures, RYSE is helping create a refugee and youth-inclusive supporting environment. To do this, RYSE is building the capacity of civil servants in youth-inclusive local development, engaging Jordanian and international private sector actors to mobilize their networks in support of job creation and launching a policy-oriented study to explore the presence of systemic barriers preventing youth from reaching their potential.

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