



# Isle of Man Government International Development Committee Project Report

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Grant awarded £30,000 December 2015

Charity: Human Appeal

**Project name:** Emergency response to early recovery needs of the refugees in

Lesovo Greece.

# 1. Aims and objectives

Please include a short narrative on how well the original objectives were met and whether these changed over the course of the project.

The objective of the project was to provide emergency relief items including food packs and sleeping bags to 5,600 vulnerable refugees in Lesovo, Greece. By achieving this objective successfully, the project contributed meeting the early recovery needs of the most vulnerable families who have come from different countries and based in Lesovo, Greece. There were no major changes recorded and the project achieved its outcomes within the due course of time.

#### 2. Project activities

Please include a short narrative about each activity set out in the original proposal and how these were implemented.

Following were the main activities implemented during the project life cycle:

#### **Identification of beneficiaries:**

The project beneficiaries were identified through a set HA criteria in which preference were given to the people with disability, women, children and old age. The selected beneficiaries were provided with token and the target location was identified. A selection beneficiaries list has been also completed in order to register the people to support, and a distribution token card was given to all the selected families in order to collect the aid on the day of the distribution.

## **Procurement and transportation:**

The procurement of goods which included food packs and sleeping bags took place as per the standard procurement policy and procedure of Human Appeal. The tender was called and top three suppliers were selected and the least quote supplier was given the job as per its low rates, quality and speedy deliver. Two trucks were hired to distribute the items to the distributing points. The supplier supplied the food packs and the sleeping bags in the designated areas.

## Distribution of food packs and sleeping bags:

The food packs that contained Apple, Banana, Croissant, Can of Tuna, Can of broad beans,

Slices of bread, Bottle of water, full fat long life milk were distributed to 2800 beneficiaries. Similarly, durable sleeping bags were also distributed to 2800 refugees who were waited on the island to ensure they were protected from the cold weather and during the extreme winter months.

#### Monitoring and follow up:

Before the launch of the project, HA developed two monitoring tools to make sure that activities and outcomes would be achieved as planned.

The first monitoring tool was the preparation of the selection beneficiary list

The second monitoring tool was the beneficiary list form.

Each beneficiary entitled to receive the items was requested to provide basic information on the HHs composition, as well as mobile number if available and signature or fingerprint to confirm the receipt of the food packs and sleeping bags.

## 3. Timeframe

A summary of how the project went according to the original plan, particularly if delays were experienced.

The project was started on 18<sup>th</sup> January 2016 and finished on 18<sup>th</sup> March, 2016 as per the plan below.

<u>Activity</u>	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8
Identification and selection of Beneficiaries								
Procurement								
Distribution of food packs and sleeping bags								
Monitoring and follow up								



#### 4. Replication

How are the lessons from the project and its success going to be used elsewhere?

The implemented project and the modalities used to implement it proved to be extremely successful. Specifically, the engagement with local authorities and community members helped the team to more effectively identify the most vulnerable members of the target population. Therefore, HA developed a toolkit to be used by its project team for effective engagement during distribution activities with local actors.

#### 5. Development education

Did the organisation undertake any development education in the Isle of Man or in relation to this project? If so, please provide details.

No

#### 6. Beneficiaries

Please set out the estimated number of direct and indirect beneficiaries in the proposal compared with the actual number of direct and indirect beneficiaries at the end of the project.

Human Appeal has been working in Lesovo Greece since the onset of the crisis and influx of the refugees in the areas. HA, with the support of its own funds from the UK public, provided relief to the most affected population. The project provided support to 5,600 direct beneficiaries in terms of food packs and sleeping bags. The actual number of direct beneficiaries at the time of completion of the project remained the same as what proposed in the actual proposal and the budget.

# 7. Community involvement

Please set out a short narrative on how the community were involved or provided support.

Human Appeal worked in strong coordination with the community and the local authorities. This coordination and involvement helped HA project team to:

- Identify and select the most needy refugees as per the agreed criteria;
- Mediate and resolve any arising conflicts during distribution;
- Ensure the beneficiaries are served without discrimination;
- Ensure women's and minority group's participation in beneficiary selection process;
- Verify the list of beneficiaries during the distribution of food aid and sleeping bags.

#### 8. Liaison with relevant authorities

Please set out a short narrative on how relationships with the relevant authorities were maintained and how the project helped with local or national plans for development.

Human Appeal responded to the crisis since the onset and influx of refugees in Lesovo, Greece. The intervention has been coordinated with the local authorities in order to guarantee that the distribution process would have been carried out smoothly and with the full support of all the members of the community.

# 9. Sustainability

How will the communities maintain this project after the end of the funding? And if possible please provide follow up information on how they are a few months later.

The intervention proved to be a life saving action aiming at mitigating the hardships faced by the refugees in Lesovo, Greece. The project distributed relief items, provided the beneficiaries with reusable material that can last longer and keep providing the needed support. In addition, the community and the refugees involved in the process of distributing relief items and got an understanding of the process that can be followed in other emergencies.

## 10. Monitoring and Evaluation

Please provide a short summary of any monitoring and evaluation of the project, addressing impact as well as outcomes.

As mentioned above, an effective monitoring system was developed to ensure the attainment of re-set project objectives and avoid deviation from the registration process – inclusion and exclusion errors; performance of beneficiaries getting items/services of right quality, in the right quantities and in a timely manner.

The primary objective of monitoring was to record if the selected beneficiaries got the commodities in the agreed quantities and quality, and on a timely basis.

Other aspects of the monitoring included;

Collecting data of HH structure.

Collecting contact details of beneficiaries for Post distribution monitoring

At the completion of project, HA received the beneficiaries list and monitoring reports from the field.

#### 11. Millennium Development Goal

Please state how the project has helped to address achievement of the Millennium Development Goal(s) listed in the proposal.

The scope of the project was not to address specifically any of the MDGs.

However the intervention provided food support to affected families, which could be considered a contribution to the achievement of MDG1.

#### 12. Media release

Please provide a 500 word media release to enable the Committee to publicise the project.

Human Appeal in partnership with the International Development Committee of the Government of Isle of Man provided relief items to the most deserving population mainly refugees entered in Lesovo, Greece. With the funding received from Isle of Man, Human Appeal supported 5,600 direct beneficiaries through provision of food packs and durable sleeping bags. The timely intervention supported by Isle of Man proved to be a life saving action at a time when the refugees were in dire need of the support in the extreme winter season of January.

## 13.Budget

Please provide a report on the budget setting out any changes over the course of the project.

The project was implemented as per the planned activities and budget





