JRS Higher Education Project
Duration: 8 months

(September 2018 to May 2019)
The specific objectives:

1. To improve the access of refugees and vulnerable host community members in Amman to tertiary education by offering access to online educational opportunities from partner institutions via the Online Learning Centres in Jabal Hussein.
The specific objectives:

2. To better prepare refugees and vulnerable host community members in Amman for tertiary education by improving their English language abilities, critical thinking, and other relevant skills via the JRS Higher Education Language Learning Centre in Jabal Hussein.
The specific objective:

3. To enhance access to education for refugees and vulnerable host community members in Amman through scholarship opportunities and support of living costs, by providing advice, support in their applications and stipends.
Post Secondary Education Programs

- **Skills Development Courses**: English, PCM and BCS...
  - 2111 students

- **Advanced Online Courses**: Academic Preparation, Business & Economics and CS.
  - 241 students

- **Scholarship Application Assistance**
  - 202 Applicants

- **Community Events**: Bazaar, Cultural Dialogue ...
  - 2227 attendees

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The achieved results from September 2018 December 2018 are:

500 refugees of all nationalities and vulnerable host community members are enrolled in different courses (mainly English and Psychosocial Case Management) as preparation for access to online higher education programming in collaboration with GeorgeTown University.
75 refugees of all nationalities and vulnerable host community members are registered for online higher education courses.

The cooperation with the online education providers like Kiron, Arizona State University, Jamiya and Al-Quds Bard College give the chance for the instructors to enhance their knowledge and skills in understanding education in different contexts.
37 refugees of all nationalities and vulnerable host community members submitted complete application for international or national scholarships.

The scholarship application assistance has given students hope to pursue education at the college level and to be resettled in other countries, such as the WUSC scholarship.
400 beneficiaries attended Community Events.

Refugees in urban settings often face a sense of isolation, living hidden and precarious lives to avoid detention, discrimination, and exploitation. Building community is a major part of JRS Higher Education. Through movie nights, cultural dialogue and quizzes, reading clubs... we foster an environment that helps students and non-students meet and make new social connections, one of the goals of the project.
Community Events

Educational Events
- Survival Plan
- Short Play
- Book Club
- Spelling Bee

Cultural Events
- Cultural Dialogue
- Traditional Dish

Arts Events
- Mother’s Day Bazaar
- Mandala
- Calligraphy
- Making Soap
Gender and women’s empowerment:
All JRS activity are promoting gender balanced, through the placement test and intakes. Besides, the fact of providing transportation for the students is aimed specifically at encouraging female students attend the courses.

From September 2018 to December 2018, 1178 students enrolled in the Higher Education project 55% female and 45% Male students.
Demographic of Beneficiaries

2111 Students have been enrolled in the programs during 2017 & 2018

**Male**
- 55%

**Female**
- 45%

**Iraqi**
- 45%

**Syrian**
- 20%

**Sudanese**
- 15%

**Jordanian**
- 10%

**Yemeni**
- 4%

**Others**
- 6%
Challenges:

- Lack of availability of public transportation and the high cost of using taxis is a big challenge for the students. Covering the transportation is essential especially for the female students. That's why JRS is taking care of the transportation.

- Give opportunities for students from different nationalities.

- Downsizing of many organizations created a lot of pressure on JRS with the limited fund.
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