



# Project Highlight:

## Education Assistance Program | 2023 - 2024

### What is the EAP?

The Education Assistance Program helps Syrian refugee and local impoverished children in our Middle East host country attend Christian-run K-12 schools or remedial education programs to provide them an education, give them hope for a future, and open the door to share with them about who Jesus is.

### Why it Matters

Syrians displaced by the war in their home country and living in a bordering Middle East host country are at high risk for exploitation as child laborers, child brides, or worse. It's estimated over 20% of Syrian children are employed as laborers on the streets or markets, instead



of being in school. Over 70% of Syrian families have one or more child unable to attend school. Almost none know who Jesus is or why He came!

Almost 30% of Syrian children miss one meal a day or go to bed hungry. Most families cannot afford food, much less a decent education that can give their child a future and a hope.

### How EAP Helps

The EAP began seven years ago to help get Syrian refugee kids off the streets and into schools. In recent years, we've partnered with Christian-run education programs with reputations for providing quality education. These not only provide a K-12 program to the children, but include Biblical studies and chapel times.

### How You Can Help

The EAP works by having each child connected to a sponsor from abroad.

Each EAP sponsor commits to give \$100/mo to help cover school tuition costs, books and uniforms. They also commit to pray regularly for their child. We provide information on each child's situation. You can also write a letter, and receive one back too.



### English Class Outreach:

The EAP includes all sponsored kids getting intensive summer English lessons from our team, with a Biblical emphasis on curriculum.



### School Supplies:

When possible, we include yearly school supplies for kids including backpacks, books and uniforms. Most families cannot afford this.



### Total Kids:

62

### Sponsors Needed:

30+



Scan the QR code to contact us about sponsoring a child or e-mail: [eap@thirstyground.org](mailto:eap@thirstyground.org)



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