



TURKIYE

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IN SUPPORT OF THE TURKISH RED CRESCENT



504

National Society
branches



19,768

National Society
local units



404,143

National Society
volunteers



10,321

National Society
staff

PEOPLE REACHED

Climate and
environment



203,516

Disasters and
crises



5,531,154

Health and
wellbeing



426,603

Migration and
displacement



84,327

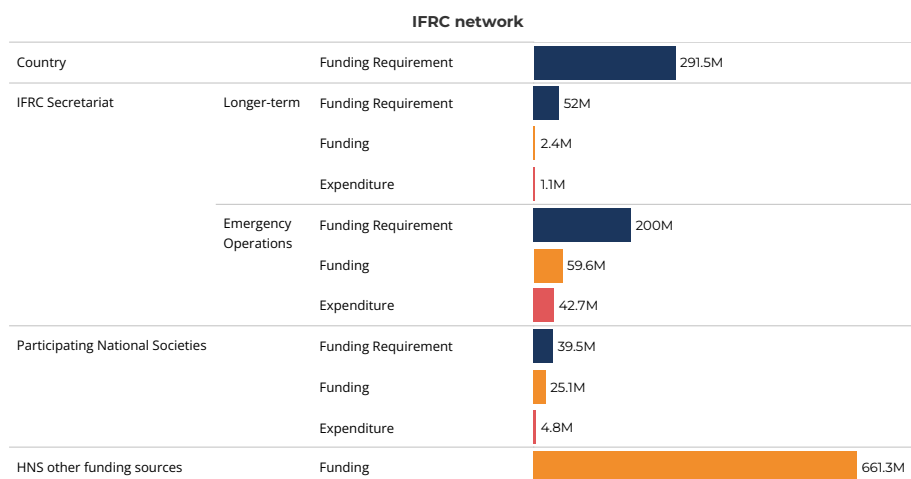
Values, power
and inclusion



2,669

FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

in Swiss francs (CHF)



Appeal number **MAATR002**

*Information on data scope and limitations is available on the back page

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES



Climate and environment

Number of people reached with activities addressing



Environmental problems

• 204,000



Disasters and crises

Number of people reached with



Livelihood support

• 7,000



Disaster risk reduction

• 951,000



Shelter support

• 138,000



Health and wellbeing

Number of people reached by the National Society with



Psychosocial and mental health services

• 10,000



Values, power and inclusion

Number of people



Reached by protection, gender and inclusion programming

• 3,000

THE NATIONAL SOCIETY

- has a Community Engagement and Accountability policy, strategy or plan

IFRC NETWORK BILATERAL-SUPPORTED ACTIVITIES

National Society	Funding Reported	Climate and environment	Disasters and crises	Health and wellbeing	Migration and displacement	Values, power and inclusion	Enabling Functions
British Red Cross	24.3M				●		
German Red Cross			●		●		
Japanese Red Cross Society	766,000			●			
Republic of Korea National Red Cross			●	●			

Total Funding Reported **CHF 25.1M**

Q1. OVERALL PERFORMANCE

Context

As of June 2025, Türkiye remains the world's largest host of refugees, with 2.6 million of Syrian people living under Temporary Protection status. In addition, a significant number of people from countries such as Iraq, Afghanistan, the Islamic Republic of Iran and Ukraine are residing in Türkiye under International Protection. The country's humanitarian situation remains fluid, particularly in light of recent regional developments.

The shift in power in Damascus on 8 December 2024 has influenced migration dynamics. Between 9 December 2024 and 28 May 2025, 250,064 Syrians voluntarily returned from Türkiye to Syria, reflecting evolving patterns of displacement. These developments may bring significant changes to Türkiye's broader humanitarian landscape.

Türkiye is also highly vulnerable to natural disasters due to its geographical and environmental characteristics, particularly earthquakes. The earthquakes that hit southeastern Türkiye on 6 February 2023, caused over 53,000 deaths and injured more than 107,000 people, affecting approximately 15.7 million people. This included 14 million Turkish nationals and 1.7 million refugees across the 11 hardest-hit provinces. Around three million people were displaced within the country as a result two years on, an estimated 1.6 million people in the hardest-hit provinces, such as Adiyaman, Kahramanmaraş, Malatya, Hatay, and parts of Gaziantep and Osmaniye, continue to require assistance. Among them are approximately 416,000 women and girls. Over 500,000 people are living in both formal and informal settlements.

More recently, on 23 April 2025, the country experienced a 6.2 magnitude earthquake that struck the Sea of Marmara and affected İstanbul. While the earthquake was followed by hundreds of aftershocks, no casualties or structural damage were reported. Several other earthquakes were also recorded in Central Anatolia and Aegean regions in the first half of 2025.

In addition to seismic risks, Türkiye also faces a high wildfire risk, especially during the summer months in the Mediterranean and Aegean regions. The country experienced heightened wildfire activity since 2021, and in 2024, it recorded its hottest year in 53 years, with an average temperature of 15.6 degrees Celsius. Climate change effects are noticeable with expected to raise average temperatures by 2.5 degrees Celsius to 4 degrees Celsius, with increases of up to 5 degrees Celsius in the interior regions and up to 4 degrees Celsius in the Aegean and Eastern Anatolia. This scenario poses a severe threat to essential water and soil resources needed for food production. As of June 2025, Türkiye is going through meteorologically critical days with extreme wildfire risk due to above-normal temperatures, low relative humidity, and strong winds. As a result, a total of 111 wildfires, including 49 forest and 62 agricultural fires, were recorded nationwide over just two days on 27 - 28 June 2025.

Key achievements

Climate and environment

In the first half of 2025, the Turkish Red Crescent developed the 'StoryMaps' tool with the Red Cross Red Crescent Climate Centre, advanced the Climate Action Roadmap and conducted staff and volunteer workshops. It implemented tree planting, awareness campaigns on extreme heat, paper reduction measures and nationwide climate seminars. The National Society launched the Carbon Footprint Project, approved the Zero Waste and Waste Management Project, integrated climate modules into disaster training and established a Department of Environment and Climate Change. Engagement with government bodies was strengthened and preparatory work on waste management, logistics and meteorological risk studies advanced.

Disasters and crises

During the period from January - June 2025, the Turkish Red Crescent prioritized community-based disaster education. It developed light search and rescue teams and initiated a Chemical, Biological, Radiological, and Nuclear (CBRN) unit. It advanced the Kızılay Disaster Management System, sustained emergency responses and enhanced communication

and mass feeding capacities. Recovery and reconstruction projects progressed in earthquake-affected provinces, including new service centres, blood facilities and volunteer hubs. Disaster risk reduction was promoted through the RISE Project, technical working groups, risk assessments and a joint proposal with the German Red Cross and Ukrainian Red Cross for community resilience.

Health and wellbeing

The Turkish Red Crescent trained volunteers in healthy lifestyles, older person and disability care and emergency response. It expanded community health and hygiene through electronic Community-Based Health and First Aid (eCBHFA) activities, hygiene and first aid education and provision of assistive devices. Blood transfusion services were strengthened with new and mobile facilities. Mental health and psychosocial support (MHPSS) was enhanced through layered interventions, international collaboration and hosting global meetings. Water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH) services were delivered to earthquake-affected populations in Türkiye and conflict-affected communities in Syria.

Migration and displacement

During the reporting period, the Turkish Red Crescent strengthened protection and outreach through Migrant Protection Services and Community Centres, conducted monitoring visits and prepared anti-trafficking awareness training. It implemented projects such as STRIVE, INSURE and ISDEP 2 for socioeconomic empowerment, livelihoods support, vocational training and inclusion of migrants and host communities. The National Society promoted social cohesion, managed protection referrals, provided cash support, and strengthened Restoring Family Links (RFL) services through tracing, reunification and coordination with authorities.

Values, power and inclusion

In the first half of 2025, the Turkish Red Crescent supported cohesive living environments through inter-agency coordination, evidence-based protection and psychosocial interventions and the multilingual 168 Call Centre. It applied Protection, Gender and Inclusion (PGI) standards, conducted anti-trafficking training, co-led the national Cash Working Group and collaborated with private partners to provide child-friendly and mobile psychosocial support. Community Engagement and Accountability (CEA) activities were embedded in earthquake recovery, evaluations and knowledge-sharing initiatives.

Enabling local actors

During the period from January to June 2025, the Turkish Red Crescent strengthened volunteerism through inclusive and diversified initiatives, including the Kızılay Engelsiz programme for people with disabilities, and Genç Kızılay youth engagement activities. Volunteer profiles were enhanced through Qualified Volunteer Recruitment strategies and participation in international programmes such as Erasmus+ and European Solidarity Corps. School-based clubs and projects were supported through a Ministry of Education protocol to instil volunteerism from an early age. Volunteer camps at Heybeliada and Çamkoru focused on leadership, disaster preparedness, environmental responsibility and social cohesion for young people, women, individuals with disabilities and international participants. Structured feedback mechanisms were integrated for skill assessment, and a dedicated monitoring, reporting, and evaluation unit was planned within the Volunteer Management Directorate.

The National Society reinforced disaster preparedness and response capacity through Emergency Response Unit planning, and by forming and accrediting Light Urban Search and Rescue teams. Humanitarian diplomacy and International Humanitarian Law initiatives were advanced through high-level meetings, the V. Kırımlı Dr. Aziz Bey International Humanitarian Law Competition and the International Humanitarian Studies Association 2025 Conference. Communications and advocacy were strengthened through humanitarian messaging, media materials and visibility campaigns for affected populations. Institutional transparency, risk management and Protection from Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (PSEA) were embedded across operations to reinforce accountability and organizational resilience.

Q2. CHANGES AND AMENDMENTS

The Türkiye Earthquakes Emergency Appeal was closed in February 2025. Remaining activities, including the Reconstruction Projects and Earthquake Recovery Project, were transitioned to longer-term implementation under the Unified Plan 2025–27.

Q3. MEASURING RESULTS OF THE IFRC NETWORK ACTION

ONGOING EMERGENCY RESPONSE

For real-time information on emergencies, see IFRC GO page: [Türkiye](#)

Name	Türkiye Earthquakes
Appeal number	MDRTR004
People to be assisted	100,000 people
Duration	25 months (7 Feb 2023 – 28 Feb 2025)
Funding requirements	CHF 10 M IFRC CHF 32 M Federation-wide
Emergency Appeal	Revised Emergency Appeal
Operational Strategy	Revised Operational Strategy
Latest operation update	Operation Update No. 7

On 6 February 2023, caused over 53,000 deaths and injured more than 107,000 people, affecting approximately [15.7 million people](#). This included [14 million Turkish nationals and 1.7 million refugees](#) across the 11 hardest-hit provinces. Around [three million](#) people were displaced within the country as a result. The IFRC released CHF 2 million from the Disaster Response Emergency Fund (DREF) to support immediate activities and an Emergency Appeal was launched the following day. In addition, the IFRC deployed 50 Rapid Response personnel, including operations management, membership coordination, health in emergencies, Water Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) and communications.

The response to the earthquakes in Türkiye has been led by the national authorities, coordinated through the Disaster and Emergency Management Presidency (AFAD). Turkish Red Crescent assumed responsibility for the coordination of mass feeding operations in the affected provinces, a role it maintained until August 2023, as stipulated in the National Disaster Response Plan (TAMP). Turkish Red Crescent’s response was managed through its Disaster Response Centres and Branch network. During the operation, Turkish Red Crescent supported various sectors, including telecommunications, health, logistics, shelter, psychosocial support, communications, search and rescue and blood services. Since the onset of the disaster, at least 2,109 Turkish Red Crescent staff and 26,090 volunteers contributed to the response. While Turkish Red Crescent led mass feeding efforts, it also played a substantial role in psychosocial support, protection and the distribution of essential relief items, such as blankets, heaters, hygiene kits, sleeping bags and beds, through its Community Service Centres (CSCs) and local branches.

Short description of the emergency operational strategy

The revised operational strategy emphasizes food security, cash assistance, mental health and psychosocial support ([MHPSS](#)), livelihoods and protection. As recovery efforts progress, the mass food distribution largely concluded by August 2023, continuing in the most affected areas such as Hatay. New recovery activities include providing fully

furnished containers for [shelter](#), [cash assistance](#) for food and health, support for livelihoods and small businesses and expanded [water, sanitation and hygiene](#) services.

The Emergency Appeal for the 2023 earthquakes will continue until February 2025, providing ongoing support to affected communities. In collaboration with the IFRC, a comprehensive recovery strategy was established in late 2023, with continuous revisions based on assessments and community feedback. The focus during the appeal period is to assist vulnerable populations through a multi-purpose cash assistance programme, enabling families to meet basic needs and promoting self-reliance. The Turkish Red Crescent is also supporting the recovery of affected farmers and businesses to aid long-term economic recovery.

The appeal has raised over CHF 150 million, with more than 90 per cent of the funds allocated to programming for 2023 and 2024. The remaining funds will be used for long-term activities, strengthening the National Society's capacity for future crises and supporting future planning. This strategy ensures a seamless transition to long-term programming and continued support for the communities, with the goal of building sustainable recovery and self-reliance for those affected by the earthquakes.

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES



Climate and environment

Progress by the National Society against objectives

In the first half of 2025, the Turkish Red Crescent developed a tool named 'StoryMaps', with the support of the [Red Cross Red Crescent Climate Centre](#), to reflect its journey in climate action mitigation. It continued to work on a Climate Action Roadmap and conducted an internal awareness workshop to engage staff and volunteers in shaping the institution's climate goals. The National Society integrated climate risk narratives and scenario planning have been integrated into the StoryMaps tool, using Representative Concentration Pathways-based models.

The National Society carried out tree planting activities in allocated areas for environmental regeneration, in cooperation with the General Directorate of Forestry. As part of Heat Action Day, the Turkish Red Crescent organized interactive awareness events involving children and volunteers, using creative methods such as drawing, drama and art to raise awareness on the risks of extreme heat. It also made efforts to reduce its paper usage through a planned monitoring system with reward and penalty mechanisms. Awareness posters were placed on office printers as part of this initiative. In parallel, climate and sustainability topics were widely shared with the public through Climate Change Seminars held across the country. These sessions addressed a range of subjects such as zero waste, ecological and carbon footprints and practical approaches to adaptation and mitigation. Additionally, a climate change module was added to the Disaster Preparedness and Response training programme.

The Turkish Red Crescent launched the Carbon Footprint Project as part of its sustainability efforts, following initial research by the Corporate Development Directorate. In March 2025, the Environmental Commission approved the Zero Waste and Waste Management Project. Under the ISO 14001 Environmental Management System, a resource inventory and data collection form were developed, with improvement activities planned based on collected data, pending funding and sponsorship.

To promote greener practices further, training sessions on heat-related health risks were held at community service centres in earthquake-affected provinces. These included both educational content and hands-on activities for children and women. In addition, the Turkish Red Crescent signed an agreement with the State Airports Authority to establish a logistics facility at Istanbul Atatürk Airport.

During the reporting period, the National Society enhanced its engagement with government bodies. Meetings were held with the Ministry of National Education and the Ministry of Environment, Urbanization and Climate Change to align ongoing efforts and the development of protocol with the General Directorate of Forestry was commenced. The Turkish Red Crescent established a Department of Environment and Climate Change to mainstream climate action across the institution. It a briefing with the IFRC and [Climate Centre](#), developed internal guidance and began overseeing

the EU-funded JUSTSAFE project on climate resilience. A nationwide meteorological risk study was completed under the Disaster Preparedness Directorate and is being prepared for publication. Additionally, the National Society began work on a waste management project aimed at reducing food waste in disaster operations, with a focus on using biodegradable materials.

IFRC network joint support

The IFRC provided the Turkish Red Crescent with technical support via the Red Cross Red Crescent Climate Centre. It also provided the National Society with support in launching an initiative called Carbon Footprint Project. The **British Red Cross** also provided support to the National Society in the Carbon Footprint Project.



Disasters and crises

For real-time information on emergencies, see IFRC GO page: [Türkiye](#)

Progress by the National Society against objectives

During the reporting period January to June 2025, the Turkish Red Crescent prioritized public awareness and resilience through community-based educational activities, including disaster awareness seminars, preschool disaster preparedness sessions and hands-on training for emergency shelter setup and familiarization with disaster materials, enhancing individual and community readiness against earthquakes, floods, landslides, wildfires and avalanches. The National Society developed accredited light search and rescue teams and initiated internal work to establish a Chemical, Biological, Radiological and Nuclear (CBRN) response unit in alignment with the national CBRN Action Plan, in collaboration with the Disaster and Emergency Management Presidency (AFAD).

The National Society advanced technological capacity by progressing the development of the Kızılay Disaster Management System (KAYS), designed to integrate Artificial Intelligence (AI) and machine learning tools for predictive modelling, risk analysis, logistics and real-time emergency response coordination. The Turkish Red Crescent sustained operational responses, addressing emergencies and providing essential relief and support to affected populations. It distributed stabilization materials under the 'My Furniture Is Not a Threat to Me' project and initiated logistical preparations. The Turkish Red Crescent also expanded communication capacity by acquiring and converting a specialized communication vehicle and integrated that vehicle into the national Gendarmerie Integrated Communication and Information System (JEMUS) to ensure uninterrupted nationwide connectivity. It maintained mass feeding capacity by servicing and preparing food delivery and packaging machinery while other planned upgrades were discontinued.

Turkish Red Crescent organized an Earthquakes Lessons Learned Workshop in response to the devastating earthquake in Turkey. It convened its senior management and operational personnel into working groups covering Disaster Preparedness, Disaster Response, Recovery, Partnerships, Coordination and Fund Management, Community Engagement and Accountability (CEA), Planning, Monitoring, Evaluation and Reporting (PMER), Support Services and Logistics. The National Society continued implementation of the Earthquake Recovery Project and Strengthening Turkish Red Crescent's Institutional Capacity (Reconstruction Projects) to strengthen systems for operational efficiency, resource management and emergency response and to expand operational infrastructure and community outreach in Malatya, Kahramanmaraş, Gaziantep, Ankara (and Osmaniye through construction and development of community service centres, branch buildings, a modern blood donation facility, a disaster coordination centre, volunteer hubs, a new service building and a soup kitchen. The National Society advanced preparatory works for the Antakya Impact Centre Construction and Reinforcement Project and continued to operate Temporary Community Service Centres in Hatay province delivering Psychosocial Support, Protection, Gender and Inclusion (PGI) and Multi-Purpose Cash Assistance.

The National Society initiated Disaster Risk Reduction activities through the RISE Project, established a technical working group to mainstream community resilience approaches into operations, launched scoping missions to assess risks in Istanbul, conducted stakeholder consultations, technical exchanges and preliminary risk analysis, and formed a joint consortium with German Red Cross and Ukrainian Red Cross to submit a joint project proposal focusing on disaster risk reduction, cross-border coordination and enhancing community resilience.

IFRC network joint support

The **IFRC** provided support by organizing the Earthquakes Lessons Learned Workshop and by continuing support through the Earthquake Recovery Project and Strengthening Turkish Red Crescent's Institutional Capacity (Reconstruction Projects).

The **German Red Cross** supported the Turkish Red Crescent in advancing Disaster Risk Reduction through the RISE Project. A kickoff workshop was held and a technical working group was formed to embed resilience into operations. Scoping missions in Istanbul helped assess risks, identify needs, and guide future planning.

The **Republic of Korea National Red Cross** supported the Turkish Red Crescent in recovery efforts after the 2023 earthquakes. Under the Antakya Impact Center Construction and Reinforcement Project, a ground survey was completed and procurement preparations are underway. Temporary Community Service Centres in Hatay province continued delivering Psychosocial Support, Protection, Gender and Inclusion, and Multi-Purpose Cash Assistance activities.



Volunteers of the Turkish Red Crescent attending to people impacted by the deadly earthquakes of February 2023, through mobile health clinics (Photo: IFRC)



Health and wellbeing

Progress by the National Society against objectives

In the first half 2025, the Turkish Red Crescent trained volunteers in healthy lifestyles covering nutrition, physical activity and substance use prevention, who subsequently led awareness activities with local branches. In cooperation with the Ministry of Health, the National Society organized joint public events and trained volunteers in care for older people and people with disabilities, followed by regular home visits providing guidance and referrals for both caregivers and beneficiaries.

The National Society enhanced emergency preparedness by strengthening Emergency Response Unit health capacity. Public health capacity was expanded through formative training sessions, and first aid awareness activities were conducted in underserved provinces to reinforce community engagement.

The National Society also provided medical and hygiene support to groups in vulnerable situations, including assistive devices and oral care, and conducted hygiene education and material distribution in schools with support from volunteer nurses. It also advanced community health and hygiene through the electronic [Community-Based Health](#)

and First Aid (eCBHFA) activities, including trainings, household visits, health consultations and the distribution of hygiene, newborn, and first aid kits. The Turkish Red Crescent strengthened national blood transfusion services by constructing new Blood Collection Units, reconstructing the İskenderun Blood Donation Centre, producing and deploying mobile Blood Donation Vehicles.

The Turkish Red Crescent enhanced mental health and psychosocial support activities through a multi-layered approach encompassing psychological first aid, staff support and specialized modules on maternal mental health, school-based interventions, addiction and youth outreach. Community-based services expanded through individual counselling, psychoeducation and arts-based group work. It also contributed to global mental health and psychosocial support efforts by co-hosting the 2025 Mental Health and Psychosocial Support Surge Meeting, participating in international working groups and preparing to host the Mental Health and Psychosocial Support Network annual event to strengthen knowledge exchange.

Additionally, the Turkish Red Crescent worked to ensure that earthquake-affected populations had access to safe water, sanitation and hygiene services by installing water purification systems providing clean water in temporary settlements and conducting hygiene and personal care awareness sessions for disaster-affected communities. It improved infrastructure through fixed purification units, expanding clean water access and deploying mobile facilities such as laundry units to reduce public health risks, prevent disease and improve living conditions for displaced communities across affected provinces. The National Society also delivered life-saving water, sanitation and hygiene services to conflict-affected populations in Idlib in northwest Syria through the distribution of hygiene and menstrual hygiene kits, support for water trucking to camps and informal settlements, rehabilitation of damaged water infrastructure and hygiene promotion campaigns adapted to local cultural practices.

IFRC network joint support

The IFRC supported the Turkish Red Crescent in ensuring access to safe water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH) services for earthquake-affected populations. It also provided support to the National Society in the provision of WASH support in Idlib in the northwest of Syria. Additionally, the IFRC coordinated with Turkish Red Crescent and Syrian Arab Red Crescent to align the Idlib response under the whole of Syria plan.

The **Japanese Red Cross Society** provided support to the National Society in implementing the electronic Community-Based Health and First Aid initiative.

The **Republic of Korea National Red Cross** supported the National Society's national blood transfusion services through. Japanese Red Cross supported community health and hygiene under the electronic Community-Based Health and First Aid initiative through training sessions, household visits, health consultations and distribution of hygiene, newborn and first aid kits.



Migration and displacement

Progress by the National Society against objectives

The Turkish Red Crescent strengthened its protection and outreach capacity through coordinated interventions across its Migrant Protection Services and Community Centres. The National Society conducted field visits to removal centres in several provinces to monitor humanitarian conditions, assess needs and inform people of available services. Preparatory work was completed for delivering awareness training in combating human trafficking. Turkish Red Crescent maintained close collaboration with local public institutions to enhance branch-level coordination and cooperation, engaging with directorates of migration, civil registry offices and social services institutions through coordination meetings, field collaboration and communication. It also organized workshops at local and national levels to strengthen interinstitutional dialogue.

To sustain Community Centres, the National Society implemented activities guided by the principles of economic sustainability, social inclusion and good governance through projects such as STRIVE, INSURE and ISDEP 2. The STRIVE Project delivered grant support to micro and small-sized enterprises affected by the earthquakes, conducting labour market analyses, beneficiary profiling, soft skills development, language training, vocational and technical skills programmes, job matching support and career fairs. It promoted inclusion of both migrant and host communities and strengthened accountability through collaboration with local actors. The Turkish Red Crescent responded to

immediate needs at border crossings in partnership with humanitarian organizations by providing food and essential support to returnee. Socioeconomic empowerment was advanced through integrated livelihood counselling, skills training, referral pathways and labour market analysis. Additionally, the National Society developed technical and vocational education modules in consultation with local stakeholders.

The Turkish Red Crescent promoted social cohesion through livelihood, psychosocial and education activities, managed protection referrals and cash support under the Social Safety Net Programme. It also strengthened Restoring Family Links services through family reunification, tracing, message delivery and enhanced coordination with authorities.

IFRC network joint support

The IFRC provided support to the Turkish Red Crescent in the implementation of its project aimed at building refugee resilience. It also supported the National Society in enhancing economic recovery and strengthening resilience of refugees and host communities in earthquake-affected region. These activities were also supported by the **British Red Cross**.

The **German Red Cross** provided technical and financial support to the National Society in implementing mental health and psychosocial support activities across Turkish Red Crescent Community Centres through clinical psychologists and psychiatrists delivering protective, preventive and curative services to vulnerable groups.



Values, power and inclusion

Progress by the National Society against objectives

During the reporting period, the Turkish Red Crescent collaborated with local municipalities, the Presidency of Migration Management under the Ministry of Interior and the Ministry of Family and Social Services to support cohesive living environments, joint planning, data sharing and inter-agency coordination. The Turkish Red Crescent implemented protection and mental health and psychosocial support activities based on evidence and data analysis, contributing to the auxiliary role of the organization. Its 168 Call Centre continued providing services in six languages, collecting and analyzing community feedback to inform programme design and ensure activities aligned with community priorities. Field teams participated in Governorate-led coordination meetings to access updated information, understand public policies and reduce duplication or misinformation risks.

The Turkish Red Crescent applied Protection, Gender and Inclusion (PGI) standards across programmes, engaged working groups child protection and gender-based violence, and finalized the Awareness Training on Combating Human Trafficking module. Data on sex, age and disability was collected and analyzed to improve inclusive service delivery. Case management was strengthened through collaboration with NGOs, public institutions and partners operating under PGI principles. The National Society co-led the national Cash Working Group, contributed to national Multi-Purpose Cash Assistance guidance and supported preparation of the annual cash assistance report. Cooperation with the private sector, including a partnership with PwC, facilitated mobile psychosocial support units and child-friendly spaces for migrant children in earthquake-affected regions.

The Turkish Red Crescent implemented Community Engagement and Accountability (CEA) activities under the earthquake recovery response, collection and analysis of community feedback. The National Society also supported evaluation and learning processes, including Return Intention Surveys for Syrians in Türkiye, interpretation for focus group discussions during the final evaluation of the Emergency Social Safety Net programme and dissemination of findings through the IFRC Europe Regional CEA Newsletter and the 2025 SkillShare Academy to showcase community engagement and learning.

IFRC network joint support

The IFRC supported the Turkish Red Crescent in strengthening Community Engagement and Accountability (CEA) during the earthquake recovery response. It also supported the National Society in the development of Standard Operating Procedures for complaints mechanisms; reminder calls via the 168 Call Centre and translation and interpretation for surveys and focus group discussions.

ENABLING LOCAL ACTORS



Strategic and operational coordination

Progress by the National Society against objectives

IFRC membership coordination involves working with National Societies to assess the humanitarian context, agree on common priorities and jointly develop common strategies. This includes addressing issues such as obtaining greater humanitarian acceptance and access, mobilizing funding and other resources, clarifying consistent public messaging and monitoring progress. It also entails ensuring that strategies and programmes in support of people in need incorporate clarity of humanitarian action while linking with development assistance and contribute to reinforcing National Societies in their respective countries, including through their auxiliary role.

The Turkish Red Crescent has partnerships with several participating National Societies including the **British Red Cross, German Red Cross, Japanese Red Cross Society** and **Republic of Korea National Red Cross**.

Movement coordination

The Turkish Red Crescent ensures regular exchanges with the IFRC, the International Committee of the Red Cross and participating National Societies, for the alignment of support and action between Movement partners. In times of emergencies, closer coordination is organized. This is carried out in line with the Strengthening Movement Coordination and Cooperation ([SMCC](#)) principles and the newly adopted [Seville Agreement 2.0](#).

The ICRC supported the Turkish Red Crescent with in-kind relief materials for the 2023 earthquake response.

External coordination

The Turkish Red Crescent, in line with its auxiliary role, works closely with the Disaster and Emergency Management Authority (AFAD), which oversees disaster response coordination. The Turkish government also leads the coordination and management of humanitarian assistance for migrants, with the Turkish Red Crescent collaborating with key agencies, including the Presidency of AFAD, the Presidency of Migration Management, the Ministry of Family and Social Services and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, as part of its mandate. It also collaborates with the Ministry of Family and Social Services, Ministry of Labour and Social Security, Ministry of Health, Ministry of National Education and Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry.

The Turkish Red Crescent partners with UN agencies, INGOs and private sector organizations, including global companies through the IFRC. It collaborates with UNHCR on large-scale protection activities and has launched post-earthquake projects with Collective Kindness (BİZ) and Children First (ONCE), in partnership with the IFRC. These efforts have led to new partnerships with WFP and UNICEF. The Turkish Red Crescent is also involved in major livelihood and socioeconomic projects with the Turkish Employment Agency, the World Bank (ISDEP-2) and UNDP (ISDEP-3).

Since early 2024, the Turkish Red Crescent has co-chaired the Cash-Based Interventions Technical Working Group (CBITWG), which coordinates cash assistance from humanitarian actors in Türkiye. Accountable to the National Inter-Agency Task Force, the CBI TWG collaborates with other coordination platforms to harmonize cash assistance across sectors. It provides national guidance on [cash and voucher assistance](#) (CVA), publishes annual resources and organizes training to enhance CVA capacity in Türkiye.



National Society development

Progress by the National Society against objectives

During the reporting period, the Turkish Red Crescent strengthened its institutional volunteerism capacity through inclusive and diversified initiatives. The National Society implemented the Kızılay Engelsiz initiative to promote accessibility and increase participation of individuals with disabilities. Through the Turkish Red Crescent Women training sessions, volunteers received awareness education on disaster preparedness, health and psychosocial

support. Genç Kızılay fostered youth engagement through face-to-face and digital social responsibility activities across Türkiye. Volunteer profiles were further supported through Qualified Volunteer Recruitment strategies and participation in international volunteering programmes, including Erasmus+ and European Solidarity Corps, providing opportunities for personal and professional growth. A protocol with the Ministry of Education facilitated school-based clubs and projects to instil volunteerism from an early age.

Volunteer camps, including those held at Heybeliada and Çamkoru, focused on leadership development, disaster awareness, environmental responsibility and volunteerism, targeting young people, women, individuals with disabilities and international participants to reinforce mutual assistance and social cohesion. The National Society promoted a culture of solidarity through collaboration among volunteers and communities, integrated structured feedback mechanisms for skill assessment and advanced planning to establish a dedicated monitoring, reporting and evaluation unit within the Volunteer Management Directorate.

In support of disaster preparedness, the National Society strengthened Health Emergency Response Unit capacity through planning, logistics and staff development, complemented by international training to enhance emergency response readiness. Community-based engagement was reinforced through volunteer-led first aid awareness activities in underserved regions. Domestic disaster response capacity was enhanced by forming and accrediting Light Urban Search and Rescue teams in line with INSARAG standards, with two teams composed of trained staff and volunteers to operate in small-scale debris zones and low-risk areas.

IFRC network joint support

The IFRC supported the Turkish Red Crescent in strengthening disaster preparedness and response through the procurement of specialized vehicles and development of a customized disaster management software system.



Humanitarian diplomacy

Progress by the National Society against objectives

During the reporting period, the Turkish Red Crescent strengthened its humanitarian diplomacy and communications capacity in response to complex emergencies and protracted crises. The National Society fostered open dialogue with international partners to facilitate coordinated humanitarian response and supported the development, dissemination and awareness of International Humanitarian Law and International Disaster Law.

Preparations were completed for the Training-of-Trainers programme in International Humanitarian Law and for the fifth edition of the V. Kırımlı Dr. Aziz Bey International Humanitarian Law Competition and Advanced Summer School in Heybeliada, Istanbul. The National Society also supported the organization of the International Humanitarian Studies Association 2025 Conference in Istanbul, coordinated within the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Research Consortium.

The Turkish Red Crescent enhanced its communications and advocacy capacity by developing and disseminating humanitarian messaging and media materials to highlight support mechanisms for Syrian returnees and other affected populations. Community-focused human-interest stories were shared through multiple platforms to amplify visibility and engagement, while coordination mechanisms ensured these materials were accessible for broader use within the National Society network. The National Society actively participated in high-level international meetings, including the Antalya Diplomacy Forum, strategic missions to Brussels and bilateral discussions in Damascus, promoting humanitarian principles, advancing coordination under the One Syria approach, supporting voluntary refugee returns and ensuring alignment with operational priorities in Türkiye and Syria.

IFRC network joint support

The IFRC supported the Turkish Red Crescent's humanitarian diplomacy and communications initiatives through technical guidance, facilitation of strategic international engagements, promotion and amplification of communication materials and support for international dissemination of human-interest stories on the ShaRED platform. The IFRC also contributed to preparation and participation in diplomatic briefings, high-level forums, and strategic bilateral meetings to strengthen the National Society's influence, advocacy and positioning both nationally and internationally.



Progress by the National Society against objectives

During the reporting period January to June 2025, the Turkish Red Crescent reinforced institutional transparency, accountability and risk management practices. The National Society ensured timely and reliable financial and non-financial reporting to stakeholders, compiling expenditure data through digital systems and monitoring project implementation in alignment with internal standards and donor requirements. Non-financial progress was reported through narrative updates and coordination meetings, while the existing country-specific monitoring and reporting framework was applied to enhance consistency and stakeholder confidence. A risk-based approach to internal control was maintained, with risk registers updated and follow-ups conducted under the Risk Management Directorate, reinforcing organizational resilience.

The National Society continued embedding Protection from Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (PSEA) into broader protection training sessions, promoting ethical conduct and safeguarding through structured awareness sessions for staff and volunteers. Data integrity and accountability were supported through spot checks, routine internal audits and integration of Community Engagement and Accountability (CEA) questions in needs assessments and monitoring tools.

The Turkish Red Crescent reinforced cash-based assistance through the QRed payment system and supported information management for data analysis and programme monitoring.

IFRC network joint support

The IFRC provided the Turkish Red Crescent with support in safeguarding, audit and finance guidance to enhance its transparency, accountability and institutional preparedness. It provided technical guidance and operational support for monitoring, reporting and accountability systems. Additionally, the IFRC provided support to the National Society for risk management, data analysis and information management.

Q4. AFFECTED PERSONS (PEOPLE REACHED)

See cover pages

Q5. PARTICIPATION AND ACCOUNTABILITY FOR AFFECTED PEOPLE – COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND ACCOUNTABILITY

See Strategic Priority on 'Values, power and inclusion' under Q3: MEASURING RESULTS OF THE IFRC NETWORK ACTION

Q6. RISK MANAGEMENT

This information is not available in Mid-Year Reports

Q7. EXIT STRATEGY AND SUSTAINABILITY

See Strategic Priorities or Enabling Local Actors, where relevant under Q3: MEASURING RESULTS OF THE IFRC NETWORK ACTION

Q8. LESSONS LEARNED

Nothing to report

SUCCESS STORIES



1

From Fear to Confidence: Canan's Journey After the Earthquake

When the earthquakes struck Türkiye in February 2023, Canan's life changed in an instant. Injured and traumatised, she couldn't walk for months and feared entering buildings. Living in a container city in Hatay with her four children, she faced physical pain and emotional isolation.

But Canan wasn't alone. With support from the Turkish Red Crescent and IFRC, she received trauma counselling, financial aid, and medical treatment, including physiotherapy and eyelid restoration. Slowly, she regained mobility and confidence.

"I didn't want to show my face to anyone," she recalls. "Now I feel normal. I have friends, I go outside, I even visited my sister on the 12th floor."

Canan's story is one of resilience. Thanks to targeted support, she's not just surviving, she's thriving.



2

Watch the inspiring journey of Songül Hanım, a resilient survivor of the devastating 2023 earthquake:

<https://shared.ifrc.org/record/BOIWY7ZiBym6iDIqINI1IPIb>

3

Two years after the earthquakes in Türkiye and Syria, the Turkish Red Crescent, supported by the Canadian Red Cross, continues to deliver vital health care, shelter, and cash assistance to those rebuilding their lives:

<https://x.com/i/status/1887543527304839568>

4

Belgin's New Beginning After the Earthquake

In Nurdağı, Gaziantep, Belgin lost everything when the devastating earthquake struck: her shop, her savings, her livelihood. Her business was reduced to rubble, and with it, her hopes for the future.

But support arrived when she needed it most. Through cash assistance from the Turkish Red Crescent, Belgin found the strength to rebuild. What seemed like the end became a new beginning, not just for her, but for her entire family.

Today, Belgin is back on her feet, turning loss into resilience and recovery into opportunity.

Watch Belgin share how support from the Turkish Red Crescent helped her rebuild, and why she's hopeful for the future.: <https://x.com/i/status/1928100354438091024>

ANNEX 1. IFRC APPLICATION OF THE 8+3 REPORTING TEMPLATE

The IFRC network structures its result-based management along five Strategic priorities and four Enabling functions, developed based on the IFRC network's [Strategy 2030](#):

IFRC network Strategic Priorities	IFRC network Enabling Functions
SP 1 - Climate and environment	EF 1- Strategic and operational coordination
SP 2 - Disasters and crises	EF 2 - National Society development
SP 3 - Health and wellbeing	EF 3 - Humanitarian diplomacy
SP 4 - Migration and displacement	EF 4 - Accountability and agility
SP 5 - Values, power and inclusion	

The Federation-wide results matrix provides a standard way for the IFRC network to measure its progress towards Strategy 2030 implementation and supports consistent quality of the IFRC network planning, monitoring and reporting. To further advance coherence in monitoring across the IFRC network, a [Federation-wide Indicator Bank](#) has been developed and integrated into the Federation-wide monitoring systems for emergencies and longer-term work, structured along the Federation-wide results matrix as well. Signatory of the Grand Bargain Agreement, the IFRC has committed to its monitoring and reporting standards through integration of the [8+3 reporting template](#) contents into its results-based management approach. The following mapping demonstrate the way in which this report aligns with 8+3 reporting:

8+3 template	IFRC network Mid-Year Report (with variance in structure in red)
Core Questions	
1. Overall Performance	Overall Performance
2. Changes and Amendments	Changes and amendments
3. Measuring Results	Measuring Results
4. Affected Persons	Cover pages with indicators values
5. Participation & AAP	Under Q3 Strategic Priority 5: Values, power and inclusion – Community Engagement and Accountability
6. Risk management	Risk management
7. Exit Strategy and Sustainability	Under Q3 sub-sections by Strategic Priority/Enabling Function where relevant
8. Lessons Learned	Lessons learned
Additional Questions	
1. Value for Money/ Cost Effectiveness	Not included in mid-year reports
2. Visibility	Not included in mid-year reports
3. Coordination	Under Q3 Enabling Function 1: Strategic and operational coordination
4. Implementing Partners	Cross-cutting, with a focus on support to localization through the Q3 Enabling Functions 1 to 4
5. Activities or Steps Towards implementation	Cross-cutting in Q3 Strategic Priorities and Enabling Functions
6. Environment	Under Q3 Strategic Priority 1: Climate and environment



The International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC) is the world's largest humanitarian network, with 191 National Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies and around 15 million volunteers. Our volunteers are present in communities before, during and after a crisis or disaster. We work in the most hard to reach and complex settings in the world, saving lives and promoting human dignity. We support communities to become stronger and more resilient places where people can live safe and healthy lives, and have opportunities to thrive.

DATA SCOPE AND LIMITATIONS

- **Timeframe and alignment:** The reporting timeframe for this overview is covering the period from 1 January to 30 June 2025. However, due to the diversity of the IFRC and differences in fiscal years, this coverage may not fully align for some National Societies.
- **Financial overview:** This overview consolidates data reported by the National Society and its IFRC network partners, as well as data extracted from IFRC's financial systems. All reported figures should include the administrative and operational costs of the different entities. The financial data with a grey background is solely reported by the National Society, including the funding sources. Financial reporting is often times estimated depending on availability of financial figures, closing of financial periods and may be incomplete. 'Not reported' could sometimes mean 'not applicable'. Also note that funding requirements are already reflected in the published 2025 IFRC network country plan. The total funding requirements show what the IFRC network has sought to raise for the given year through different channels: funding through the IFRC, through participating National Societies as bilateral support and through the host National Society from non-IFRC network sources. All figures should include the administrative and operational costs of the different entities.
 - » Host National Society funding requirements not coming from IFRC network sources can comprise a variety of sources, as demonstrated when reporting on income in the IFRC Federation-wide Databank and Reporting System
 - » Participating National Society funding requirements for bilateral support are those validated by respective headquarters, and often represent mainly secured funding
 - » IFRC funding requirements comprise both what is sourced from the IFRC core budget and what is sought through emergency and thematic funding. This includes participating National Societies' multilateral support through IFRC, and all other IFRC sources of funding
- **Missing data and breakdowns:** National Societies have diverse data collection systems and processes that may not align with the standardized indicators. Data may not be available for some indicators, for some National Societies. This may lead to inconsistencies across different reporting tools as well as potential under or over-estimation of the efforts led by all.
- **Reporting bias:** The data informing this Federation-wide overview is self-reported by each National Society (or its designated support entity) which is the owner and gatekeeper, and responsible for accuracy and updating. IFRC tries to triangulate the data provided by the National Societies with previous data and other data in the public domain.
- **Definitions:**
 - » **Local units:** ALL subdivisions of a National Society that coordinate and deliver services to people. These include ALL levels (provincial, state, city, district branches, sections or chapters, headquarters, and regional and intermediate offices, as well as community-based units)
 - » **Branches:** A Branch has its roles, responsibilities and relationship with the National Headquarters defined through the National Society's Statutes, including the level of autonomy given, especially in the area of its legal status, mobilising local resources and building local partnerships, and the decisions it makes. It has a local-level decision-making mechanism through its Branch members, board and volunteers, equally defined through the National Society's Statutes

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- [TR_Türkiye MYR Financials.pdf](#) (Note: This financial report link will be fed upon the completion of the audit. For emergencies for which a financial report is not yet available, see [MDRTR004](#), [MGR65002](#))
- [IFRC network country plans](#)
- [Subscribe for updates](#)
- [Live Disaster Response Emergency Fund \(DREF\) data](#)
- Operational information: [IFRC GO platform](#)
- National Society data: [IFRC Federation-wide Databank and Reporting System](#)
- [Evaluations database](#)

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