Since the onset of the Syria crisis, UNFPA has been providing sexual and reproductive health and gender-based violence services to Syrian refugees, displaced people, and host communities. UNFPA has conducted its fourth regional assessment spanning Syria, Jordan, Iraq, and Turkey to gauge the impact its programmes have had on the wellbeing of women, girls, boys and men. The assessment also incorporated COVID-19 and its far-reaching ramifications throughout the process.

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**SCOPE OF THE ASSESSMENT**

- **2,000+** respondents regionally
- **100+** adolescent girls
- **125** key informant interviews
- **51** focus group discussions
- **2000+** total client feedbacks
- **100+** people with disabilities interviewed

**KEY ACHIEVEMENTS**

- **87%** of respondents described facilities as very important.
- **99.5%** of clients reported feeling honoured/respected.
- Overall, participants are very satisfied with UNFPA-supported services.
- Participants consistently underscore the uniqueness of services at safe spaces.
- Clients of health facilities report that quality of services surpasses alternatives.
- Respondents continue to regard women and girls safe spaces as lifelines.
- Findings show better community engagement in programme design.
- Clients of safe spaces exhibit a significantly better understanding of GBV issues.

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**TRANFORMATIONAL INITIATIVES**

- Planning for the expansion of gender-transformative interventions, including income generating initiatives in women and girls’ safe spaces.
- Instituting an ongoing practice of collating and sharing COVID-19 solutions and positive outcomes, in addition to supporting the testing and replication of other successful interventions in different settings.
- Finding innovative ways to introduce male engagement and activities through GBV programming, with the clear understanding that women and girls’ safe spaces are exclusively for women and girls.
- Knowledge sharing

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**ENGAGEMENT WITH MEN & BOYS**

I love coming here. When I first came to this country, I did not have any friends or family to support me. The people in this place became my family, and they’ve saved my life many times.

— Nerges, a Syrian refugee living in the Domiz 1 Camp, Iraq

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