



Rwanga Foundation **Annual Report 2014**

A world where quality education is accessible for all

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About Us

Rwanga Foundation is a non-governmental organization, which envisages a world where quality education is accessible for all. Its mission is to provide services, build capacities and design policies to ensure easy access to education for all and improve the overall educational standards in Kurdistan and the greater global community.

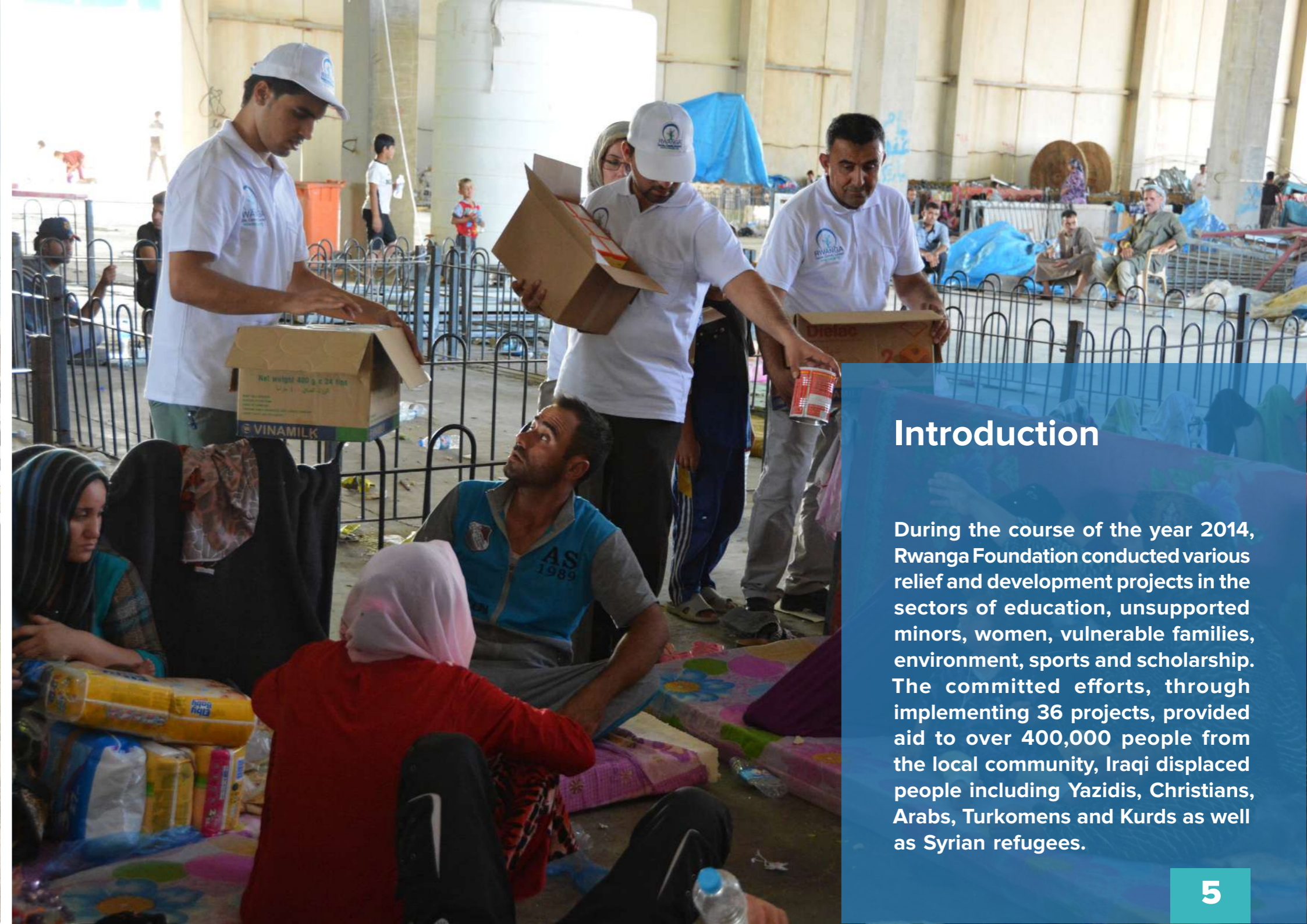
Rwanga's strategic goals are to develop platforms for youth to discover talents and fulfill their potentials, to introduce the latest technology, including e-learning system to the education process in order to meet the advanced international standards, and to create a culture and passion for learning in particular among the youth.

Rwanga Foundation is based in Kurdistan and officially launched its activities in September 2013 to conduct projects and activities all over Iraq.



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Introduction

During the course of the year 2014, Rwanga Foundation conducted various relief and development projects in the sectors of education, unsupported minors, women, vulnerable families, environment, sports and scholarship. The committed efforts, through implementing 36 projects, provided aid to over 400,000 people from the local community, Iraqi displaced people including Yazidis, Christians, Arabs, Turkomens and Kurds as well as Syrian refugees.



Local People

Rwanga Foundation provided aid to 108,349 local people in Kurdistan. The focus of the foundation was more on development projects in the sectors of children, women, education, sports and environment.

108,349

Beneficiaries

200 street and working children have been trained on arts and social awareness and they participated in two special art exhibitions. The ultimate goal of the foundation is to support more children in order to keep them off the street and, eventually, return them to school.

200

Children





Moreover, around 2,500 children in Halabja governorate benefit from a playground established by the foundation in the end of 2014.

2,500
Children





The foundation further supported over 4,000 youth and children to participate in sports activities through building two football pitches and organizing football tournaments.

4000
Youth



Other main successful achievements included setting ten schools with nursery rooms as well as providing training sessions on arts and handicrafts to women in shelter and reformatory in order to usefully spend their time and have a source of income.

10
Schools



14

15



A wide environmental campaign, through broadcasting three short films and displaying mottos on environment protection across Kurdistan, was another achievement in 2014.





Last but not least, Rwanga Annual Awards for the talented Kurdish youth, aged fifteen to twenty five, was another outstanding project through which twenty one talented young people in the categories of painting, photography, short film, poetry, short story, education and scientific innovation were awarded with cash grant, trophies and medals.



Iraqi Displaced People

Since the beginning of the emergency situation in Iraq and Kurdistan, following the attacks of the terrorist groups in the beginning of June 2014, Rwanga Foundation was one of the first humanitarian organizations present on the ground. 257,033 Yazidi, Christian, Arab, Turkomen and Kurdish displaced people were provided with emergency relief food and non-food items including hot meals, bread, water, juice, canned fish, canned beans, baby milk, baby diapers, women sanitary napkins, blankets, mattresses, cooking sets, clothes, and shoes. Rwanga Foundation's committed field teams worked day and night to help the displaced people at the bordering points, on Sinjar (Shingal) mountain, in camps as well as towns and villages across Kurdistan.

257,033
Beneficiaries



It is worth to mention that Iraqi displaced people made 64% of the foundation's beneficiaries in 2014. Rwanga Foundation further had two successful joint projects with the governments of Germany and Netherlands as well as Samaritan's Purse International Relief to provide further aid to the Iraqi displaced people who fled to Kurdistan seeking protection and assistance.

64%
IDPs



Syrian Refugees (Emergency)

Rwanga Foundation provided aid to over 35,347 Syrian refugees through various sectors, with special focus on providing emergency relief food and non-food items to the extremely vulnerable refugee groups including the new arrivals from Kobani. The assistance included food and winterization non-food items mainly clothes and shoes.

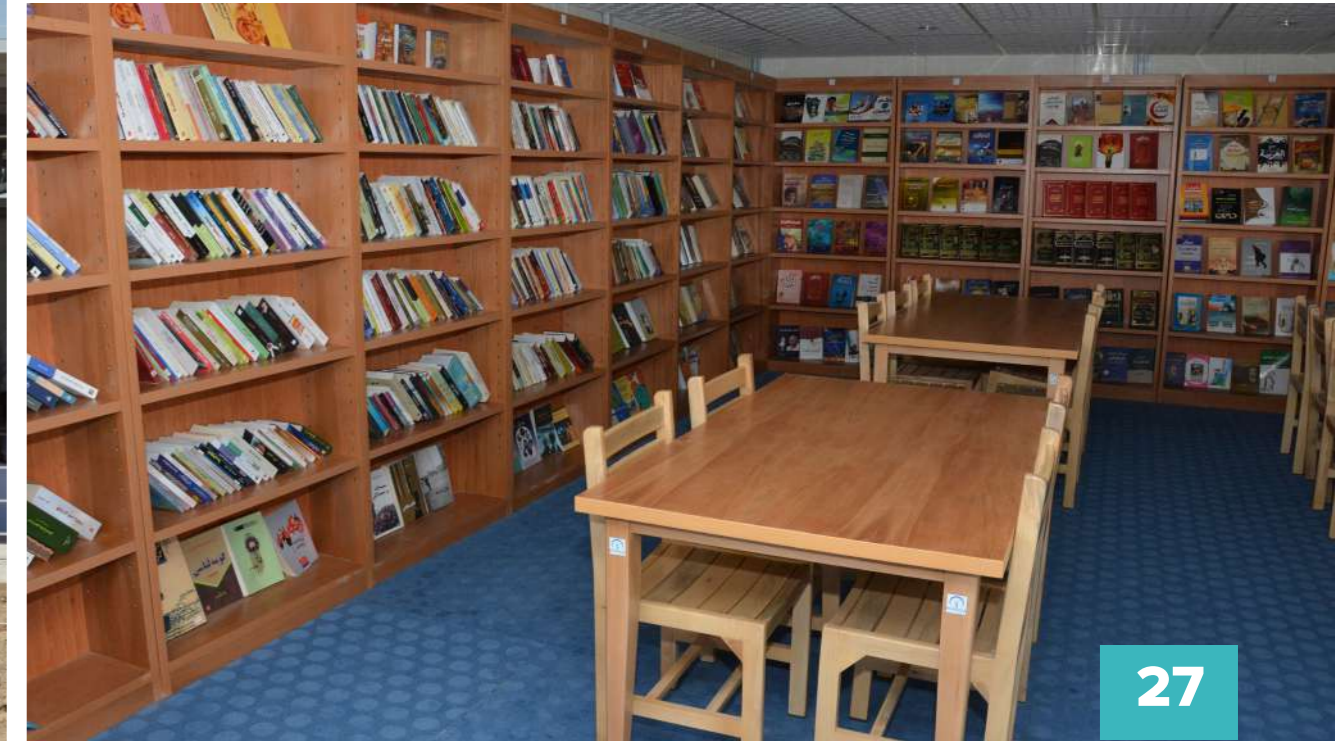
35,347
Refugees





Additionally, to support over 2,500 refugee children and youth, the foundation built a kindergarten in DaraShakran Refugee Camp and a kidZone in Qushtapa Refugee Camp in Erbil governorate.

2,500
Beneficiaries



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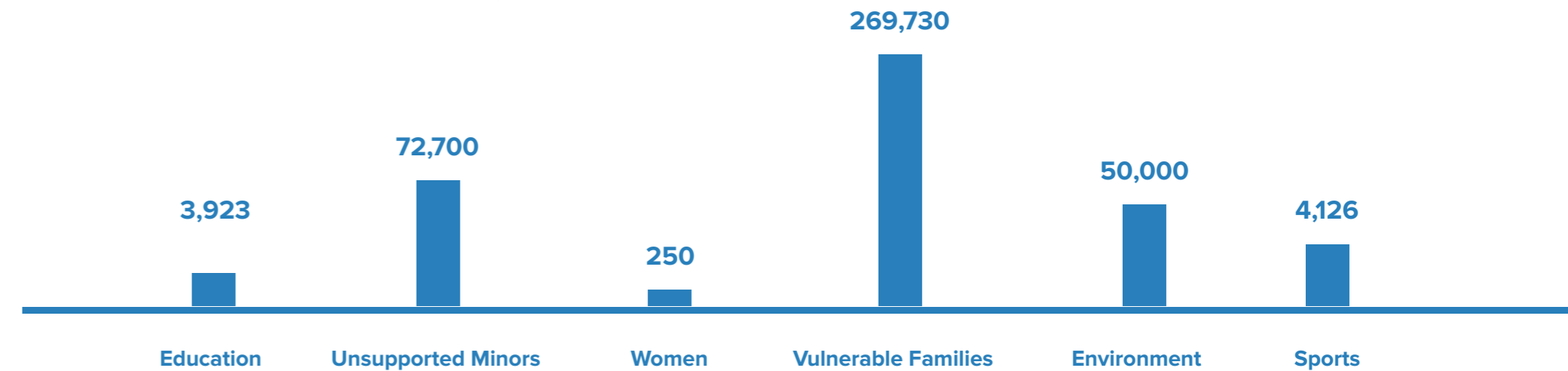
Beneficiaries by Type



400,729
Beneficiaries

36
Projects

Beneficiaries by Sector



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