How to alleviate the negative impacts and use the potential benefits

Mohammad Alzawahreh
Zarqa municipality - Jordan
“We are now the world’s third largest host of refugees. This is placing an overwhelming burden on Jordan’s people, infrastructure and already limited resources. The refugee crisis is a recognised global responsibility, and demands a global solution.”

His Majesty King Abdullah II, Plenary Session of the 69th United Nations General Assembly
646,700 registered refugees. Over 50% of which are children.
85% of Syrian refugees live in Jordanian host communities.

Hosting 1.67 million Syrians, of whom 646,700 are registered refugees.
Over 130,000 Syrian refugee children enrolled in Jordanian public schools in host.

Second shifts were introduced in 78 schools.

2,872 teachers hired for double shifted and camp schools.

41% of schools are overcrowded, compared to 36% in 2011.
Syrian refugees granted free access to national health care services - Cabinet Decree of 16 May 2012
Housing

Accommodating 650,000 Syrian refugees requires approximately 120,000 housing units.

JD50 per month to JD101-200 per month – reported increase in rental prices.
Social tension

Competition for affordable housing and jobs represent the two chief sources of tension between refugees and host communities.
Involvement of refugees in ongoing programs

Zarqa City Youth Council

Zarqa Municipal Council for Children

Zarqa Domestic Products Exhibition

Zarqa Community Center
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