



KNIT2018

RAISE FUNDS AS YOU KNIT FOR SYRIAN REFUGEES!

An all-volunteer international **char**

Could you join fellow knitters across the country in a sponsored knitting drive to help refugees living in camps in Lebanon?

Since 2013 EDA has been sending regular shipments of warm clothes to help 60,000 Syrian refugees live through harsh snowy winters in tented camps in Arsal, Lebanon, in the mountains 5,000ft above sea level - higher than Ben Nevis. Next winter the need will be as great as ever.



Our ever generous donors have included many knitters of beautiful handmade warm woolly hats, gloves, mitts, scarves, sweaters, baby blankets, and soft toys.



All our donations are packed into huge 40' long shipping containers, then sent by sea to Beirut in Lebanon. They are taken on to our Centre in Arsal where volunteers & local staff make sure they are distributed to those in most need. It costs a lot to ship each container -- some £3,500 when transport, clearance and distribution costs are added up. The value of donated goods aboard works out at over £20,000 in local prices, so it's money well spent. **BUT** we have to raise that £3,500 for every container sent. And we need funds also to make local purchases of fuel, medicine etc, and support schools, training and workshops in Arsal.

THAT IS WHY we are asking you, the knitters, not only to knit, but also to raise funds by asking friends & family to sponsor your knitting.

HOW DOES IT WORK?

- You decide on whether you are going to sign up as an individual or as a group
- You decide on what to make: this is your commitment and your challenge. Set a target which is achievable, but not too easily achievable!
- The period set for you to complete your challenge is from Mon 14 May to Sat 30 June.
- If you are a Facebook/Twitter user, do keep in touch with other knitters and groups, and EDA, by posting photos of your progress.
- For more details, and to sign up and get a sponsor form, call or text 0781 494 9468 or call 0131 552 1545.



NB Sponsors don't have to be a long list of names – a fiver from your nearest and dearest will be equally appreciated!

THANK YOU!

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