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## Ritsona

Long Term Accommodation Center  
Thessaloniki, Greece



Ritsona Long Term Accommodation Center is located in the town of Thessaloniki in southern Greece, just north of Athens. Residents live in containers that house up to 8 people. Children in Ritsona have access to a kindergarten and are able to attend nearby public Greek primary and high schools. Ritsona has a child friendly space, a female friendly space, and a designated area for unaccompanied minors. Other organizations offer programs and services in Ritsona such as laundry, tea and milk distribution, a clothing store, English classes, and more.

The top needs expressed by key actors in Ritsona during initial communications include improved public spaces, consistent access to healthcare, and transportation services.

<b>Population: 854</b>	<b>Population under 18: 290</b>
<b>Unaccompanied minors: Up to 30</b>	<b>Unaccompanied minors nationalities: Syrian, Egyptian, Iraqi, Algerian</b>
<b>Kids attending kindergarten: 100%</b>	<b>Kids attending primary school: 95%</b>
<b>Kids attending high school: 70%</b>	<b>Nationalities: Syrian, Iraq, Cameroon, Somalia</b>
<b>Spoken Languages: Arabic, Kurdish, French, English</b>	<b>Distance from Lodging Facility: 40 km</b>





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### Refugee Support Program

Residents of Ritsona are looking for projects to improve the daily living experiences in the Long Term Accommodation Center. The Female Friendly Space, pictured below, is in need of a fence for privacy for the women to feel comfortable sitting outside. The construction of this fence will create a safer, more comfortable environment for the women.

The on-site preschool, pictured to the right, is also requesting assistance with projects. Initial projects will be improving the environment and area with interactive games painted on the containers and building picnic tables in order to hold classes outside.

The facilitation of these projects has the potential to create a positive impact and foster a relationship of trust among residents and Squads Abroad.

