

Photo Story:

The Little Tailor with Big Dreams



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1. Story Behind the Photo

'I want to be a tailor,' said Bashar. Sheltering in an unfinished building in the western parts of Aleppo city, a 12-year-old boy with Down's syndrome, Bashar is working on the clothes for his dolls. As a disabled child, Bashar is definitely demonstrating his unique talent in terms of sewing and design, by using torn rags and fabrics skillfully. Violent conflicts in Syria caused various challenges on Bashar and his family, such as the death of his father, wars and displacement. With the regular cash assistance from UNICEF, Bashar's family can afford their cost of living, and send him for education. The family received extra support for a child with special needs, thus, supporting Bashar's dream of becoming a tailor.

2. How Can UNICEF Help Them?

- Cooperate with the German government and other donors, to provide social protection programme which targeting at children with disabilities
- Offer regular cash assistance to nearly 9,000 families of children with disabilities in Aleppo, Latakia, Tartous and rural Damascus

3. Related Videos

- Children with Disabilities in Aleppo, Syria | UNICEF
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FfP47vih-l4>

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