

ISLAMIC RELIEF USA PALESTINE PROJECTS: SUMMARY

Continued violence throughout Palestine has severely affected the most vulnerable section of the population, the children. Many Palestinian children suffer from psychological trauma. Islamic Relief Worldwide has been providing humanitarian relief in Palestine since 1994, and Islamic Relief Palestine opened its office there in 1998 so that long-term development projects in the region have included food distribution, medical relief and orphan sponsorship. Islamic Relief has also established educational enhancement centers, care programs for traumatized children and a school for the deaf.

After recent violence in Gaza, some 540,000 Palestinians were internally displaced, and more than 2,000 people, many of whom are children, were killed. Tens of thousands of homes were destroyed or damaged.

And the Gaza Strip is still in ruins. Homes don't have roofs and buildings have gaping holes in them with little to no heat or electricity.

Currently, Islamic Relief USA is working with local partners to deliver emergency IRUSA donor aid to Palestinians inside Gaza and more.

IMPLEMENTING PARTNERS INCLUDE:

UNRWA: Emergency food distribution, NFI distribution, clean environment, health care, psychosocial resilience

ANERA: Water system repairs, early childhood development

EDUCATION FOR EMPLOYMENT: Improving the livelihood of youth in Gaza

AMERICAN FRIENDS OF THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF JERUSALEM (AFEDJ): Improving AI Ahli Hospital

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES: Gaza transitional shelter

YOUR IRUSA DONATIONS DELIVERED TO PALESTINIANS IN 2014

INSIDE GAZA: \$7.880.071 TO PALESTINIANS IN GAZA

FOOD AID: \$3 million **HEALTH:** \$795,000

NON-FOOD ITEMS: \$3 million EDUCATION: \$250.000

WATER, SANITATION AND HYGIENE: \$485,071 EID AL-ADHA DISTRIBUTIONS: \$600,000

PALESTINIANS HELPED IN GAZA IN 2014: MORE THAN 190,540

YOUR IRUSA DONATIONS DELIVERED TO PALESTINIANS IN 2015

(As of August 2015)

FOOD AID: \$1 million; 61,499 people are being helped **HEALTH:** \$500,000; 5,000 people are being helped

NON-FOOD ITEMS: \$500,000; 20,000 people are being helped

WATER, SANITATION AND HYGIENE: \$2 million; 63,300 people are being helped

MENTAL HEALTH AND PSYCHOSOCIAL SUPPORT: \$1 million; 550 people are being helped

GAZA EMERGENCY IRUSA PROJECTS INSIDE GAZA NOW

FUNDING IN PROGRESS.

IMPROVING THE LIVELIHOODS OF YOUTH IN GAZA, PHASE II

SEPT. 2015 - MARCH 2017

Location: Gaza

In partnership with Education for Employment, this project aims to facilitate livelihood opportunities and access to virtual jobs for youth in Gaza.

PROJECT OBJECTIVES:

- 150 youth will be recruited and complete job training and placement program, with a goal of at least 60% placement in jobs or internships within the first six months after graduation.
- 600 university students will receive soft skills that will help them enter the job market (for example, writing a resume, interview skills, career counseling and personalized coaching)

GAZA URGENT WATER, SANITATION AND HYGIENE (WASH)

SEPT. 2015 - MARCH 2017

Location: Gaza

In partnership with ANERA, this project aims to improve access to clean water, sanitation and hygiene for Palestinians in the Gaza Strip.

PROJECT OBJECTIVES:

- Replace old and deteriorated water and waste water networks by installing new networks in 5-7 urgently needy areas
- Conduct WASH supply kit distribution and education campaign

GAZA TRANSITIONAL SHELTER

JULY 2015 - DEC. 2015

Location: Gaza

In partnership with Catholic Relief Services, this project aims to provide displaced households affected by 2014 hostilities with temporary shelter.

PROJECT OBJECTIVES:

• Provide 60 shelters for 60 families (38 small homes, 14 medium homes, 4 large homes and 4 two-story homes) will be constructed. Each transitional shelter consists of three rooms: a bedroom, kitchen and bathroom. The bathroom will be provided with a shower drain and pipes, as well as a toilet bowl and waste pipe that will be connected to a sewage pit. The shelters have a minimum life of 5 years, providing recipients the necessary time to restore their livelihoods and rebuild their permanent homes.

UNRWA: INTERVENTION TO SUPPORT ORPHANED CHILDREN

JUNE 2015 - SEPT. 2016

Location: Gaza

This project aims to help improve the quality of life for children orphaned by 2014 hostilities.

PROJECT OBJECTIVES:

- Provide a monthly allowance.
- Distribute clothing
- Establish recreational activities for orphans
- Improve awareness with sessions across 5 governorates in Gaza
- Provide vocational training and support

THIS PROJECT WILL HELP AN ESTIMATED 1,000 ORPHANS.

RIGHT START EARLY CHILD DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

APR. 2015 - APR. 2016

Location: Gaza

This project aims to improve the quality of early childhood care, education and development for Palestinian preschool children in

Gaza in partnership with ANERA.

PROJECT OBJECTIVES:

- Equip and renovate 10 preschools in Gaza (9 schools will be renovated and 1 destroyed school will be completely rebuilt)
- Train 50 teachers in early childhood development, active learning, positive discipline, child health, protection and nutrition
- Provide summer camps for 1,500 children that will incorporate sports, play, reading and health

THIS PROJECT WILL HELP AN ESTIMATED 3,050 PEOPLE.

PROVISION OF PRIMARY HEALTH CARE IN COLLECTIVE CENTERS

FEB. 2015 - AUG. 2015

Location: Gaza

This project aims to improve primary health care access to displaced individuals living in UNRWA collective centers in Gaza.

PROJECT OBJECTIVES:

- Provide 30,000 individuals with primary health care access
- Stock medical points in collective centers with essential medicine
- Distribute 200 maternity kits and 354 first aid kits to patients
- Provide people in shelters with monthly health screenings for hypertension, diabetes, anemia, and growth problems
- Train medical staff on emergency health, disease outbreak prevention and response for quality healthcare in shelters

THIS PROJECT WILL HELP AN ESTIMATED 30,000 PEOPLE.

STRENGTHENING CHILDREN'S PSYCHOSOCIAL RESILIENCE

JAN. 2015 - JULY 2016

Location: Gaza

This project aims to provide mental health care to children and families affected by trauma during the summer 2014 hostilities in Gaza

PROJECT OBJECTIVES:

- Provide 504 children ages 6-15 attending UNRWA schools with mental health care
- Provide 42 UNRWA school counselors and four supervisors with training to improve their capacity to work with children who
 have acquired disabilities and who have experienced trauma

AT LEAST 550 PEOPLE WILL BENEFIT FROM THIS PROJECT.

ENSURING A CLEAN ENVIRONMENT IN COLLECTIVE CENTERS

FEB. 2015 - SEPTEMBER 2015

Location: Gaza

This project aims to ensure that families displaced to UNRWA shelters in Gaza (due to the uninhabitable condition of homes in Gaza) have access to proper water and sanitation facilities.

PROJECT OBJECTIVES:

- Ensure that 21,400 individuals in 14 shelters have access to sufficient potable and nonpotable water
- Install desalination plants for 6 wells
- Continue emergency maintenance for 14 shelters (including stands, pipes and fittings)
- Train staff in emergency water and sanitation practices, collective center management, solid waste management, and hygiene promotion and response

THIS PROJECT WILL HELP AN ESTIMATED 21,400 PEOPLE.

EMERGENCY FOOD DISTRIBUTION, PHASE 3

JULY 2014 - SEPT. 2015

Location: Gaza



This project aims to provide individuals and poor families in Gaza with emergency food items. Individuals and families helped survive on \$4 a day or less.

PROJECT OBJECTIVES:

 Provide food insecure Palestinians living in Gaza with food packages that contain a 3-month supply of food including flour, rice, sugar, oil, milk powder and corned beef

THIS PROJECT WILL HELP AN ESTIMATED 202,228 PEOPLE.

NON-FOOD ITEMS FOR EMERGENCY DISTRIBUTION

JULY 2014 - SEPT. 2015

Location: Gaza

This project aims to improve the standard of living for Palestinians in Gaza with emergency housing supplies and hygiene items.

PROJECT OBJECTIVES:

- Provide displaced and conflict-affected families in Gaza with the following items:
 - -Mats
 - -Blankets
 - -Mattresses
 - -Nylon rolls and tarpaulin sheets
 - -Kitchen sets: cooking pot, pan, bowls, utensils, etc.
 - -Containers for water
 - -Family hygiene kits: towels, soap, toothbrush, sanitary napkins, towels, shampoo, detergent, etc.
 - -Baby hygiene kits: baby soap, baby shampoo, baby wipes, baby blanket, baby diapers, etc.

THIS PROJECT WILL HELP AN ESTIMATED 78,675 PEOPLE.

IMPROVING AL AHLI HOSPITAL BREAST CANCER DIAGNOSTIC CENTER

SEPT. 2014 - DECEMBER 2015

Location: Gaza

This project aims to improve the quality of breast cancer treatment by equipping the diagnostic center at Al Ahli Hospital and implementing a breast cancer awareness program.

PROJECT OBJECTIVES:

- Provide a digital mammography machine and related equipment
- Outsource radiologists to provide medical support
- Schedule appointments for advanced cases
- Implement a breast cancer awareness program to inform women on self-examination and breast cancer prevention

AN ESTIMATED 18,000 PEOPLE WILL BENEFIT FROM THIS PROJECT.













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