

# DONOR REPORT

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## ABOUT THE SITUATION

More than one-third of people in Afghanistan live below the national poverty line, with 30% living in severe poverty.

Many of Afghanistan's challenges are due to conflicts, but others are inherent because of its climate and terrain: while 78% of the population works in agriculture, only 12% of the land can be farmed. Survival is not taken for granted: one in every 10 children born in Afghanistan will die before age 5.

In addition to food, livelihood development, and other basic services, education is another important need. Nearly three-quarters of Afghanistan's population is illiterate. The average man has only gone to school for five years, and the average woman for just one year. For children entering school now, however, the projection is better: Seven years of schooling for girls and 11 years for boys. Education is key to helping Afghanistan's families out of poverty.

### **ISLAMIC RELIEF HAS BEEN PROVIDING HUMANITARIAN AID IN AFGHANISTAN SINCE 1992.**

In response to the 2001 conflict in the region, Islamic Relief opened a permanent office in Afghanistan, later expanding to three offices, in Jalalabad, Mazar-il-Sharif and Kabul. Early projects combined emergency relief with economic development initiatives, in addition to drought relief and food assistance. Later projects added education, water and sanitation, livelihood support and rebuilding of community infrastructure.

# IRUSA CURRENT PROJECTS IN AFGHANISTAN

## WINTERIZATION ASSISTANCE FOR VULNERABLE FAMILIES

**DEC. 2015 - FEB. 2016**

Location: Kabul, Nangarhar and Bamyán Provinces

This project provides fire wood, blankets for heating and food parcels to those displaced by war in Afghanistan and who need help surviving the winter.

### **PROJECT OBJECTIVES:**

- Distribute food parcels to 750 families including flour, cooking oil, sugar, rice and beans
- Distribute fire wood to 1,540 families
- Provide blankets to 986 families (3 blankets for each family)

**THIS PROJECT WILL HELP AN ESTIMATED 4,290 PEOPLE.**

## ASSISTING ORPHANS EDUCATION IN AFGHANISTAN

**2016**

Location: Jalalabad and Bamyán Provinces

This project aims to provide quality education to orphans in need, improve family livelihoods and promote better hygiene practices.

This project continues to support Khog Khoor Orphanage with community based support.

### **PROJECT OBJECTIVES:**

- Provide quality education to 658 orphans
- Provide school uniforms, bags, supplies and learning materials to 658 students
- Provide health and sanitation awareness sessions to 658 people, in addition to hygiene kits for participants
- Provide skill development training to 200 women
- Pilot business groups of 10-15 individuals to support community business ventures

**THIS PROJECT WILL HELP 1,800 WOMEN AND THEIR FAMILIES. 940 WOMEN HAVE BEEN HELPED SO FAR.**

## RAMADAN FOOD DISTRIBUTION

Location: Various locations in Afghanistan

This project aims to provide staple food packages to needy families during Ramadan.

Food package includes staple food items specific to the local diet. Items are source locally to help boost the local economy. Afghanistan food packages will include: Wheat flour, sugar, cooking oil, rice, beans and dates.

**THIS PROJECT HELPED 8,267 PEOPLE IN 2015 WITH 1,181 FOOD PACKAGES DISTRIBUTED.**

## **QURBANI MEAT DISTRIBUTION**

Location: Various locations in Afghanistan

This project aims to provide meat to needy families around the time of the Eid al-Adha holiday. This is the only time some recipients eat meat all year.

**THIS PROJECT HELPED 14,390 PEOPLE IN 2015 WITH 2,878 MEAT PACKAGES DISTRIBUTED.**

## **ONE-TO-ONE ORPHAN SPONSORSHIP**

Location: Various locations in Afghanistan

This project aims to connect caring donors to orphans in need. Donors help provide the financial support necessary to help meet the child's basic needs, such as food, clothing, medical care, shelter, school supplies, and education.

**SPONSOR AN ORPHAN IN AFGHANISTAN MONTHLY OR YEARLY.**