

PALESTINE RECOVERY EFFORTS Run FOR Palestine Impact Report 2022





Assalamu Alaikum dear members of Run for Palestine,

I want to thank you for your continued, unwavering support of Islamic Relief's humanitarian aid efforts in Palestine. Collectively, you raised \$144,580.96 between 2018 to 2021 to support our various emergency and development efforts in Palestine. By the Grace of God, these funds will go a long way in continuing to support our brothers and sisters.

We are very grateful to the members and supporters of Run for Palestine for mobilizing together to support our recovery and development efforts. Through your support, you are providing countless families and youth in need with food packs, hygiene essentials, medical supplies, as well as shelter provisions, and education support.

We pray that Allah accepts our efforts and makes us a means of creating a positive impact in Palestine, and also around the world.

Warmest Regards,

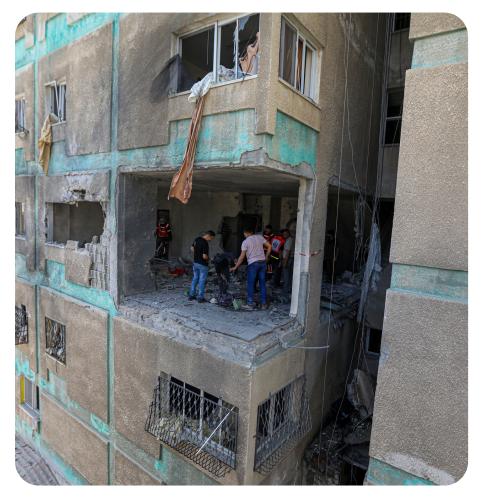
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Crises Background

Palestine is no stranger to crises. Years of conflict and the blockade have left 2.45 million Palestinians dependent on humanitarian assistance, a third of Gazans in poverty, and thousands of families with financial hardship. The economic conditions in the Gaza Strip are continuously deteriorating causing a significant negative impact on the living conditions of people, particularly for vulnerable populations like children. Harsh conditions and the spread of Covid-19 continues to affect all aspects of their lives including access to basic necessities – water, education, and health.

Escalating violence throughout 2021 saw the violent destruction of farmland and residential buildings, the near-collapse of Gaza's health system, and increased concerns of deteriorating psychosocial health. This not only created a huge gap in the provision of health services but also exacerbated the immense loss, grief, and hopelessness felt by those on the ground.





Islamic Relief On The Ground

Islamic Relief has been on the ground in Gaza for the past 26 years as one of the only Muslim relief organizations with an ongoing presence there.

Unfortunately, conditions in Palestine have continued to worsen. The residual impacts of ongoing hostilities such as the plummeting economy, political turmoil, food insecurity, inadequate healthcare, and violence have left the people of Palestine in an increasingly defenseless situation.

As a result, Islamic Relief has been working tirelessly to respond to ongoing crises in the region.

Throughout escalations of violence, our work in Palestine provides essential medical supplies to support the treatment of injured Palestinians, food and hygiene vouchers, and immediate cash support to meet each vulnerable family's needs.

We additionally focus on the developmental needs of a community in conflict through improving access to education, healthcare, psychosocial support, and livelihood.



Your Donations in Action

Our development and recovery efforts in Palestine aim to provide sustainable solutions to ongoing issues, addressing health service gaps, the destruction of livelihoods, the lack of economic opportunities, and the increasing need for psychosocial support.

Supporting Gaza's Health Sector

Islamic Relief addressed the growing gap in the provision of essential health services in the Gaza Strip by providing the Ministry of Health with supplies of 81 essential medical items. The medical items included essential drugs, assisted devices, and medical disposables. Collectively, the provision of medical resources supported 43,930 individuals seeking general health services or urgent treatment as a result of violent escalations.









Your Donations in Action Cont'd

Social Safety Net for the Vulnerable

To address long-standing socioeconomic conditions in Gaza, we implemented a social safety net project targeting vulnerable households. Each family receives personalized support according to their specific needs.

The support ranges from food vouchers, rent subsidies, school supplies, as well as awareness sessions on hygiene and gender-based violence. By providing vulnerable households with the tools necessary to make informed decisions and build awareness, this integrated approach aims to transition households from depending on social assistance to

resilience and self-reliance.
Currently, 715 households are
receiving food vouchers valued at
249 lbs worth of food items, 300
households have access to basic
health-related needs, 300 households
are being provided access to education
support, and 500 households are
receiving awareness on priority topics.

With one month left of the project, the Islamic Relief Palestine team continues to disburse catered support to vulnerable households, procuring local products and services to support the local economy and build strong relations with the community. We look

forward to providing final updates on your impact with measures of resilience and social protection.







Your Donations in Action Cont'd

Psychosocial Support to Gazan Children

10,000 Gazan youth are being provided with case management support, 6-8 personal and family counselling sessions, hygiene workshops, and training to cope and overcome the traumas of war and loss. This project prioritizes the most vulnerable groups and their caregivers, working with 7 local partners to provide ongoing psychosocial support services.

The 7 local partners include
Future Development Commission,
Ajyial Association for Creativity &
Development, Community Training
Center and Crisis Management, Women
Programs Center Beach Camp,

Al-Tawasol Forum Society, Bayader for Environment and Development Association, and Wefaq Society for Women and Child Care.

In the fourth and final stage of the project, our team in Palestine continues to provide ongoing assistance to our 7 initial partners and an additional 2 partners to continue these much-needed programs. All partners have reported program completion rates ranging from 80% to 100%, and are successfully replicating the same program with new groups of children.

As a result, many youth in Gaza that have been impacted by ongoing violence, loss, and trauma can receive personalized psychosocial support and embark on a transformative and healing journey.









Thank You

Thank You for Your Support!

Jazakum Allahu Khairan for your continued support and kindness. We are eternally grateful for all the hard work and funds Run for Palestine has contributed to Islamic Relief Canada.

Vulnerable families in Palestine have forever been changed through the projects we have been able to implement, through donors like you. Our projects, with their sustainable outcomes, are guaranteed to change the lives of many targeted families and generations to come.

"Whoever relieves the hardship of a believer in this world, Allah will relieve his hardship on the Day of Resurrection. Whoever helps ease one in difficulty, Allah will make it easy for him in this world and in the Hereafter..."

– Prophet Muhammad 🕮



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