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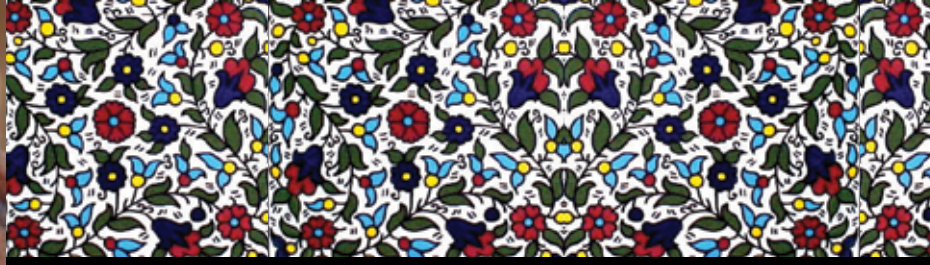




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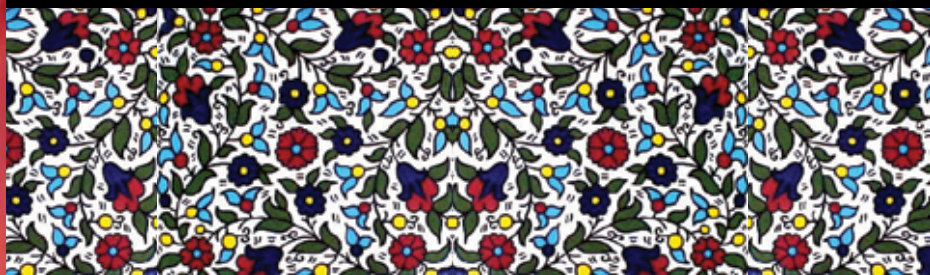




# who we are

WorldVision is a Christian relief, development and advocacy organisation working with children, families and communities to overcome poverty and injustice. We are dedicated to working with and serving the world's most vulnerable people regardless of religion, race, ethnicity or gender. WorldVision is both local and global, working at the grassroots level in countries all around the world!

**Our vision** for every child, life in all its fullness.  
**Our prayer** for every heart, the will to make it so.



# about us

**There are now over 7 billion people living on earth.**

World Vision's approach to development is focused on improving the well-being of children, especially the most vulnerable. A commitment to sustainability is at the heart of all we do.

Building on local assets in collaboration with communities and partners, World Vision contributes to the sustained well-being of children by working at four levels:

## Children

Empowering children with good health, spiritual nurture, and basic literacy, numeracy and essential life skills. These skills enable children to be productive, contributing citizens and agents of change throughout their lives.

## Households and Families

Improving household resilience by increasing livelihood and caregiving capacity. Caregiving includes physical, psychosocial and spiritual care, as well as issues of resource allocation and gender equity within households. This ensures that increased income and assets lead to improved child well-being for both boys and girls.

## Community

Strengthening the resilience and capacity of communities and partners to respond to present and future challenges to child well-being, including disasters, in ways that are environmentally sustainable.

## Enabling Environment

Working to ensure that systems, structures, policies and practices (at local, national, regional and global levels) support and protect the well-being of children, especially the most vulnerable





# CHILD WELL-BEING

**Every second 4.3 people are born worldwide.**

World Vision's work is focused on ensuring the sustained well-being of children, especially the most vulnerable. We work with families, communities and partners to ensure that children:

- enjoy good health
- are educated for live
- experience the love of God and their neighbours
- are cared for, protected and participating
- Our child-focused approach prioritizes the poorest and most vulnerable children, and empowers them together with their families and communities to improve their well-being.

Toward this goal, World Vision works to support children to be **healthy and strong**, well-fed, immunized and have access to clean water. We also work to keep children **safe from harm**, protected against abuse, neglect and exploitation. We strive to enable children to become **equipped for life** with knowledge, skills, confidence and hope. We believe children deserve to live **in thriving families**. We seek to improve the livelihoods of families so that they are able to provide for their children's needs and to live their lives in its fullness in **body, mind and spirit**. We also help children to **survive disasters** with life-saving supplies, care and support. It is our hope that children will live **in a fairer world** that makes the right choices for them.



# World Vision in Jerusalem West Bank - Gaza

World Vision has been working in the Holy Land since 1975 with the aim of serving and supporting the most marginalized communities, especially children. We seek to empower communities to be independent from relief and structural aid while building a better understanding of sustainable development. World Vision is proud to have the opportunity to touch the lives of and form relationships with communities throughout Jerusalem, the West Bank and Gaza.

**Number of ADPs:** 14 (and 1 planned)

**Number of Projects:** 59

**Number of Full-term Staff:** 143

**Number of Short-term Staff:** 4

**Number of Registered Children:** 48,450

**Population Served:** 530,214 (includes direct & indirect beneficiaries)

**Communities Served:** 116

**Direct Beneficiaries:** 202,891

**Indirect Beneficiaries:** 327,323 (some beneficiaries might have benefited from more than one service and could have been counted more than once)

**Community Based Organizations & Schools Helped:** 500



# Where We Work

The world population is growing by almost 80 million people per year.

## Bethlehem ADP

**Where?** Nahhaline, Al-Wallajeh, Al Ma'sara, Al Manshiya, Jurat ash Sham'a, Khalit Al Haddad, Marah Mu'ala, Marah Rabah, Umm Salamuna, Wade Al-Nis, and Wade Rahal

**How many children?** 3,543

**Direct beneficiaries?** 14,580

**Indirect beneficiaries?** 19,404

**Communities?** 11

**CBOs &/or schools?** 44

**Staff?** Eleven (11) full-term staff members & one (1) intern

**Sponsored by?** WV Australia

## West Ramallah ADP

**Where?** Rantis, Qibya, Aboud, Dier Abu Meshal, Ain Arik, Dier Nitham, Kharbatha Bani Harith, and Bodrus

**How many children?** 4,285

**Direct beneficiaries?** 4,285

**Indirect beneficiaries?** 23,000

**Communities?** 8

**CBOs &/or schools?** 44

**Staff?** Ten (10) full-term staff members & one (1) intern

**Sponsored by?** WV USA

## East Hebron ADP

**Where?** Bani Naim Town, Zedat, Khalet Arabia, El Jalajel, Khalet El Wardah, Khalet Rahib, Al-Udaisseh, the Beduins of Masafer Bani Naim, El Masa'arah, and Soar Maeen

**How many children?** 4,067

**Direct beneficiaries?** 10,125

**Indirect beneficiaries?** 25,311

**Communities?** 10

**CBOs &/or schools?** 33

**Staff?** Thirteen (13) full-term staff members in East & South Hebron ADPs & two (2) interns

**Sponsored by?** WV Canada



## South Hebron ADP

**Where?** Alkarmil, Khalet Al Mayyeh, Um Lasafa, Al Hathaleen, Zif,Alfaqir, Irfaiyeh,Albuwaib, Aldairat, Susyah,Altuwani and surroundings, Main,Alzuwaidin, and Al Najada

**How many children?** 2,521

**Direct beneficiaries?** 12,480

**Indirect beneficiaries?** 20,991

**Communities?** 14

**CBOs &/or schools?** 32

**Staff?** Thirteen (13) full-term staff members in East & South Hebron ADPs & two (2) interns

**Sponsored by?** WV Singapore

## Northeast Jenin ADP

**Where?** Jalbun, Em At Tut,Al Mugayyer, Jalqamous,Al Jalameh, 'Arraneh, Faqu'a, Beit Qad, Deir Abu Da'if, and Raba

**How many children?** 4,994

**Direct beneficiaries?** 22,462

**Indirect beneficiaries?** 25,478

**Communities?** 10

**CBOs &/or schools?** 35

**Staff?** Eighteen (18) full-term staff members in Northeast,West and South Jenin ADPs

**Sponsored by?** WV Korea

## West Jenin ADP

**Where?** Kferit, Tura Ash Sharqiyyah, Tura Al Gharbiyya,Al Khuljan, Um Dar, Imreha, and Ya'bad

**How many children?** 2,914

**Direct beneficiaries?** 10,055

**Indirect beneficiaries?** 18,627

**Communities?** 7

**CBOs &/or schools?** 33

**Staff?** Eighteen (18) full-term staff members in Northeast,West and South Jenin ADPs

**Sponsored by?** WV Canada

## South Jenin ADP

**Where?** Al Asa'sah,Al Fandaqomiya,Al Jadidah, Anza, Siris, Silat Al-Dahr,Al-A'ttara, Jaba, and Misiliya

**How many children?** 4,993

**Direct beneficiaries?** 29,366

**Indirect beneficiaries?** 18,652

**Communities?** 9

**CBOs &/or schools?** 45

**Staff?** Eighteen (18) full-term staff members in Northeast,West and South Jenin ADPs

**Sponsored by?** WV Korea





### **Southeast Salfit ADP**

**Where?** Yasouf, Eskaka, Farkha, Bruqin, Kofr Ad-Deek, Kherbit Qeis, and Marda

**How many children?** 4,355

**Direct beneficiaries?** 15,906

**Indirect beneficiaries?** 13,000

**Communities?** 7

**CBOs &/or schools?** 32

**Staff?** Twelve (12) full-term staff members in Southeast Salfit and South Nablus ADPs

**Sponsored by?** WV USA

### **North Nablus ADP**

**Where?** Nisf Jbeil, Sabastia, Talluza, Ijnisinya, Yasid, Deir Sharaf, Burqa, Bizzaryia, Beit Imrin, An Naqura, and Qusin

**How many children?** 1,911

**Direct beneficiaries?** 16,951

**Indirect beneficiaries?** 22,702

**Communities?** 11

**CBOs &/or schools?** 42

**Staff?** Eleven (11) full-term staff members in the North, East, and Central Nablus ADPs

**Sponsored by?** WV Canada

### **East Nablus ADP**

**Where?** Azmout, Deir Al Hatab, Beit Dajan, Salem, and Beit Furik

**How many children?** 1,955

**Direct beneficiaries?** 17,792

**Indirect beneficiaries?** 23,749

**Communities?** 5

**CBOs &/or schools?** 37

**Staff?** Eleven (11) full-term staff members in the North, East, and Central Nablus ADPs

**Sponsored by?** WV Canada

### **Center Nablus ADP**

**Where?** Asira Al Qibliya, Awarta, Burin, Einabus, Madama, Osarin, Yanon, Odala, Urif, and Zeita Jamma'in

**How many children?** 1,915

**Direct beneficiaries?** 17,043

**Indirect beneficiaries?** 22,277

**Communities?** 10

**CBOs &/or schools?** 44

**Staff?** Eleven (11) full-term staff members in the North, East, and Central Nablus ADPs

**Sponsored by?** WV Canada



### South Nablus ADP

**Where?** Yatma Talfit, Qusra, Qaryot, Jalud, Jurish, Majdal Bani Fadel, Ammor, and Assawieh

**How many children?** 3,934

**Direct beneficiaries?** 18,316

**Indirect beneficiaries?** 19,316

**Communities?** 9

**CBOs &/or schools?** 35

**Staff?** Twelve (12) full-term staff members in Southeast Salfit and South Nablus ADPs

**Sponsored by?** WV Taiwan

### North Gaza ADP

**Where?** Beit Lahia, Beit Hanoun, and Jabalia

**How many children?** 2,427

**Direct beneficiaries?** 3,530

**Indirect beneficiaries?** 24,816

**Communities?** 3

**CBOs &/or schools?** 9

**Staff?** Fifteen (15) full-term

\* There are an additional 1,226 direct and 8,582 indirect beneficiaries under North Gaza ADP grant projects

**Sponsored by?** WV Australia

### South Gaza ADP

**Where?** Al Shaboura camp and the Al Shouka village

**How many children?** 4,642

**Direct beneficiaries?** 10,000

**Indirect beneficiaries?** 50,000

**Communities?** 2

**CBOs &/or schools?** 35

**Staff?** Seven (7) full-term and four (4) short-term staff members and one (1) intern

**Sponsored by?** WV USA



# Sponsoring a Child

It is said that when one drops a pebble into a pond, it creates a whole series of ripples that can continue to echo throughout. Sponsorship has proven to be World Vision's pebble.

You can change the world one child at a time. Changing one child's life can create a ripple effect. The problems children face in the developing world are immense, and it's easy to feel hopeless. But through child sponsorship, you can truly do something about it, something extraordinary. You can personally reach out and connect with a child and community. You get to see and feel the difference your support makes, through the eyes of your sponsored child and his or her letters and photographs.

Child sponsorship is an important funding source for World Vision, but it is also much more. It allows children the unique opportunity to develop relationships with their sponsors and offers sponsors the chance to see what a difference their contribution can make!

When you sponsor a child, you are not only giving the child the gift of sponsorship but something else much more substantial that can last a lifetime! You can share letters and gifts with your sponsored child and create a friendship for life. Through the sponsorship fund, thousands of sponsored children and other children registered with World Vision are able to participate in unique experiences, a chance they would otherwise not have. These can be anything from summer camps, health and child protection awareness sessions to educational supplies and hygiene kits!

World Vision is lucky enough to be able to touch the lives of over 200,000 children, with 48,450 children registered in their programmes, over 39,000 of which are sponsored! Through World Vision JWG, sponsored children in the oPt have gotten to know sponsors from around the world, such as the USA, Australia, Canada, Taiwan, Korea, Singapore and others.

The concept of sponsorship is a simple one. Like a pebble, sponsorship can be used to change not only a child's life, but like the ripples - it can change the lives of families and entire communities forever!



# Country Facts

## Occupied Palestinian territory (West Bank and Gaza)

**Borders:** Mediterranean Sea, Jordan, Egypt and Israel

**Climate:** Temperate except in desert areas

**Time zone:** GMT + 2

**Government:** Palestinian Authority, an interim administrative organization with limited jurisdiction intended to govern the West Bank and Gaza Strip. Since 2007, Hamas has governed the Gaza Strip and the Fatah-dominated Palestinian Authority has governed the West Bank

**Capital:** East Jerusalem; administrative headquarters are in Ramallah

**Nationality:** Palestinian

**Languages:** Arabic

**Religions:** Christianity, Islam

**Flags:** Palestinian



**Population:** 4,293,313

**Life expectancy:** 72.45

**Unemployment Rate:** 20.4% (West Bank) and 31.9% (Gaza Strip)

**Adult Literacy Rate:** 92.4%

**Poverty Rate:** 17.8 % (West Bank) and 38.8% (Gaza Strip)

**Population growth rate (average annual %):** 2.9





GDP (per capita): 2,900 USD

**Average Daily Water Consumption (per person, per day):** 20-70 liters

**Ground Water Utilization:** (Israel) 85%

(WBGS) 15%

**Coastal Water Utilization:** (Israel) 82%

(WBGS) 18%

**Under Age 5 Mortality Rate:** 14.47/1,000 (West Bank)

16.55/1,000 (Gaza Strip)

**Settlements & Outposts:** 121 official Israeli-only settlements with government recognition (501,856 Israeli settlers in the West Bank), 100 unauthorized outposts (9,689 settlers in 615 permanent and 2,454 mobile houses in 2011)

**Separation Barrier (upon completion):** Length twice the 1949 Armistice Line (Green Line) & only 15% will run on the Green Line or in Israel, while 85% will be inside the West Bank

**Currency:** New Israeli Shekel (NIS)

# Our Message

**WV JWG National Director Alex Snary shares a few words on the successes so far and those yet to come!**

Greetings!

Earlier this year I was asked the question “what would be different if World Vision JWG was not here?” Understanding the true impact of our activities is the most important and most valuable piece of knowledge a humanitarian or development agency can possess.

It is always a great joy for me to escape my office and visit our communities to discover more of the answers to this question. Often the answer is not the one you expect. This year in addition to the expected responses about improved educational access or better facilities, improved nutritional levels among mothers and newborn children and higher levels of household livelihood, I heard some very unexpected responses.

These included: women who speak of the joys of regularly meeting and communicating with other women in their economic development projects, the young members of school committees talking about their increased confidence and their pride in their achievements and families in Gaza feeling safer during the recent escalation in violence after receiving a food parcel just because an international agency were aware of their situation and cared.

We spend a lot of time focusing on how to achieve the greatest impact in our programming but perhaps our greatest impact has more to do with people working with people, truly valuing people, building relationships and encouraging each other to be the best that we can be.

I would like to thank the children and their communities for allowing us to journey with you in your development journey this year. To thank the WV JWG staff for being prepared to walk alongside our communities and each other and for our Sponsors, Donors and WV Support Offices for making it all possible.

God Bless



# Children are cared for, protected and participating

**Nearly one in four people in the world is young, between age 10 and 24; while 85 percent of all adolescents live in developing countries.**

WorldVision strives to ensure that parents and caregivers provide well for children through its work with its communities. We believe that children should be cared for in a loving and safe environment with safe places to play. We work with our communities to ensure that children are celebrated, registered at birth and that they are respected participants in the decisions that affect their lives.

## **WORKING WITH BEDOUIN COMMUNITIES**

South Hebron is the largest of the West Bank governorates in terms of area and population. One major problem in South Hebron is the lack of proper sanitation in schools, especially amongst the Bedouin communities.

One third of schools in the South Hebron area were found to be in extremely bad condition. Together with the local community and international organizations in the area, World Vision was able to successfully rehabilitate and equip the kindergarten in Al Hathaleen in the desert area of South Hebron. This included new windows, carpets, toys and rehabilitating the bathrooms of the school for over fifty children from the ages of three to five.

One teacher working at the kindergarten, Huda Al Hathaleen, says this has made all the difference. "We are in heaven now compared to the old location, which was unhealthy for the kids and the sun never entered the rooms."





Grandmother of fifteen, Fatima Al Hathaleen has three grandchildren who attend the newly equipped kindergarten. “I go with my grandchildren every day to the kindergarten, and I see the excitement in their eyes to be there!” She says she is happy to see the children have the chance at better opportunities than they had. “They share what they learnt at home with us and I love to see them writing especially when they write my name.”

## DANCING TO SUCCESS

In East Nablus, the health and education systems face challenges and the communities live in an area plagued by occupation, poverty and high unemployment rates. In the midst of this, one group of children dance. They dance towards dreams of tomorrow, towards success. In 2010, the Azmut Youth Charitable Association established a *Kouffiyeh Dabka Band*, specializing in traditional Arab dance. However, materials and activities were scarce. To empower the children further, World Vision worked with the band providing professional dance courses and new uniforms. Twelve-year-old band member Nader said before joining the band, he used to spend his time playing in the streets since there is not much to do in his village. “But after the big support that we got from World Vision, we started having activities in the villages around us and even in some other cities in the West Bank!”

Not fulfilling the requirement of official uniforms, the band was able to compete in the contest for the best *dabka* band in the West Bank. Nader describes the feeling. “I was so excited when we were able to get in the competition!” But to Nader and the others, this is merely the first step. “Before the band, my friends and I did not have any goals, but now our goal is to expand our band, and to become one of the best *dabka* bands in the West Bank!”



## BEYOND DISABILITY

“I’m happy because they named the summer camp after me,” says an excited 9-year-old Jasmine. In North Nablus, education and opportunities for participation are scarce for children. The “Jasmine Summer Camp” was given this name as it welcomes special needs children such as Jasmine, who suffers from a disability which has restricted her to a wheelchair. The camp gives all children the opportunity to participate and play. Jasmine lives alone at home with her mother as her brothers and sisters are all older and have married and moved away from home. “She is always in need of such activities but I am no longer able to pay for the disabled rehabilitation centers in Nablus, Ramallah or Jerusalem.”

But with the summer camp, Jasmine could play while, as she describes, “My friends push my wheelchair while we are playing so I could play with everyone all the time!” The Summer Camp Principal Kifaya Dababseh said that she would hear Jasmine ask to play with the other children in the summer camp. “They engaged her in the game and her wheelchair would be in the middle of a circle and her classmates would run around her playing and cheering loudly.” To Jasmine, it was something that she didn’t experience before. “I had a lot of fun in the summer camp because I got to play games and do a lot of things which I didn’t have the chance to do before!”

## UPCOMING LEADERS

In South Nablus, another summer camp for children aged 6 to 14 was providing another specialty. This was a place where children living under an Israeli illegal military occupation and oppressive conditions could find a place to dance, play, learn and become the leaders of tomorrow. In three villages in southern Nablus, a total of 450 children were taught life skills and encouraged to not only develop their potential but empower them to become self-reliant and work in teams. Children were excited to join poetry competitions and music lessons, while making art and play sports.



“I was so excited to learn new things!” said 11-year-old Mohammad. “We also got to play outside with new friends and do volunteer work in our communities.” Summer Camp Manager Iman Mansour described the camp. “Summer camps help children believe in their own abilities and talents, so they are able to prove what they are capable of and explore their hidden talents.” For Mohammad, the summer camps offered an escape from the routines and pressures of life in southern Nablus. “We love each other more and we talk instead of violence and hatred.”



## WOMEN OF TOMORROW

Jenin is one of the poorest and most marginalized governorates in the West Bank. With an unemployment rate of 33%, deteriorating economic conditions topped with land confiscation as a result of Israeli occupation, development is vital in Jenin. 23.4% of the labour force formerly relied on labour in Israel and Israeli settlements, but with the construction of the Separation Barrier, many labourers were unable to access the Israeli market. The number of Palestinian women who are employed is among the lowest in the world. This is especially true in Jenin where the participation of women in the household income is a mere 5.2%. World Vision aims to help change this by enhancing women's role in income generation by helping teach them the skills to support their families.

In Northeast Jenin, 24 women were trained in hairdressing and this became the story of success for one 31-year-old woman. Majda Ibraheem comes from a family of twelve; many of her brothers and her younger sister cannot afford to go to university. As a woman twice divorced, Majda's future in a traditional community was unsure. Her father was worried about her future. All this changed after the hairdressing training. After three months, she has opened a small salon in her village. "I started to prepare my little salon with essential tools from the money I began to make," explains Majda. I also gave money to my youngest brother to finish his studies, and I will help my little sister to register next year in college. I also help my parents with the cost of our home expenses," says Majda proudly. "I will never forget the moment when World Vision staff told me they will help me and provide me with equipment I don't have which they noticed I was missing during one of their visits."

In West Jenin, other women are empowered to become financially independent. Through a project with World Vision, women are contributing to their family income by baking and preparing foods to be sold in school canteens. Twenty-six women have increased their household incomes by 33%.

One 34-year-old beneficiary of the project, Diana Abu Bakr, said she began working with the Yabad Women Centre from the very beginning and participated in all the food processing training conducted by World Vision. "I was very excited to participate in the school canteen project and was very motivated by the high level of team work."



Diana says that the project helped her not only financially but psychologically. “I’m very proud of myself for this achievement and for being able to support my family and contribute to house expenses. For the first time, my children come to me to ask for their allowance. It’s a great moment for me and for them as well.” Through the project, the women have formed close friendships. “We faced many challenges in our work, but we worked hard and insisted on succeeding. At the end, we achieved many successes and proved ourselves to everyone including our families!”

The women’s children are also happy. “It was the first time for me to see my mother happy and enthusiastic about something other than taking care of us! She provided us with an example of strong will, determination and persistence to achieve our goals in life,” says 15-year-old Daood Husam.

## PLANTING SEEDS FOR DEVELOPMENT

Promoting communities and families that are well cared for in South Jenin, World Vision supported farmers in income generating agricultural projects. Twenty three farmers joined the recently established agricultural cooperative, where two dunums<sup>1</sup> of greenhouses were constructed; one dunum for tomatoes and another for sweet peppers.

Forty-five-year old father of three, Yousef Abu Rub, says that before the project he used to have to work several jobs. He continued, “The agricultural cooperative offered me work in return for 30% of revenue. Now I feel much more secure. I feel that my life is more stable and safe.” Yousef added, “My children are very happy as they see me go to work every day and I feel that closer to them because I don’t feel guilty for failing to respond to their needs.”

One member of the agricultural cooperative, Ahmad Shareef said, “The reason behind our success is the teamwork. The idea of the cooperative came from the self-motivated farmers who believe that working together is more effective and valuable.” He explains that the cooperation was an initiative which strengthened the relations between farmers and the cooperative members. “We feel now that we can not only dream but we can have our dreams come true!”

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<sup>1</sup> One dunum is equal to approximately .25 acres



## CHILD PARTICIPATION IN COMMUNITIES

This sense of teamwork has been further amplified in North Gaza. With children making up over half of Gaza's population, World Vision's focus on children is especially important. Through its work, World Vision has identified the lack of representation by children and adolescents, especially girls, in cultural, sports, educational and art forums. With this in mind, World Vision launched a two-year project focusing on child participation and learning. This project empowered children to become active in the cycle of change by enabling them with skills and knowledge to protect and advocate for their rights while being involved in their community activities.

The activities covered a wide range of topics from child protection, psychosocial well-being, disaster risk reduction (DRR) and disability integration to recreational, cultural and educational issues. Through this project, more than 400 children and adolescents, over half of whom were girls, were empowered and became active participants in the decisions affecting their lives. The coordinator for the project explained that in their community, it is rare for children to act against the challenges facing them. "The project has succeeded to change the community's image around children who are usually portrayed as passive participants who should not be consulted, involved or listened to. The output of the project is asserted on the value of listening to the children and respecting what they have to say."

One father expressed his satisfaction with the initiative. "It is unusual for children to participate in community activities by leading initiatives and tackling serious issues in their areas." Another proud father recounted his son's transformation since participating in the project. "I cannot believe that my son is changing so quickly and for the better. He is participating in family debates and giving his opinion, and I am so happy about that!"



# Educated for Life

**Nearly 75 million children worldwide are out of school.**

In World Vision's quest to ensure the sustained well-being of children, one outcome of this goal is the guarantee that children are educated for life. World Vision works towards empowering children to be able to read, write and use numeracy skills, while encouraging children to make good judgments, be able to protect themselves, manage their emotions and communicate their ideas. World Vision supports adolescents in preparing for economic opportunity and ensuring children access and complete basic education.

## TRANSFORMATION THROUGH TEACHING

Who could have predicted that a few extra hours of remedial education could transform children's lives. But this is exactly what happened to 140 students in two villages in West Ramallah. In an area plagued with illegal Israeli settlement expansion and a separation barrier, the villages in western Ramallah are looking towards education. Teaming up with its communities and eleven partner organizations, World Vision launched a project with the aim to improve the performance of struggling students through remedial education. The project aspired to improve the quality of life for children by improving the quality of education.

After receiving 30 training hours courtesy of the Al Mawrid Teacher Development Centre, eighteen fresh graduates from western Ramallah joined the project and provided voluntary teaching services to the students while continuing to attend World Vision and Al Mawrid Centre





coaching workshops. During the remedial education project activities, students were able to develop their basic skills in Mathematics, Arabic and English. Students also received life skill training through summer camps. After six months, teachers saw students' grades improve by 25%. Twelve-year-old student Asalah said that she used to do poorly in English and Arabic. "I heard about the project at school, so I joined with my sister. At the end, my school grades got a lot better!"

Nestled alongside the largest Israeli settlement and the largest Israeli industrial zone in the West Bank, the communities of southeastern Salfit live under a shadow of instability. As a result of the Israeli occupation and ongoing restrictions on freedom of movement, many families who used to rely on employment in Israel are unable to travel and lost their jobs, escalating the unemployment rate in Salfit to 48%. In partnership with governmental units and other organizations, World Vision

began working with communities in southeast Salfit towards the improved well-being of children, transformed relations, and interdependent and empowered communities while addressing three major issues around education, health and environmental conditions.

World Vision's goal to improve the livelihoods of struggling families resulted in the remarkable story of one girl's first birthday party. Five-year-old Sarah from a poor family had never before celebrated her birthday. Sarah had never seen any of her family members celebrate a birthday as it was not a luxury they could afford. One year ago, Sarah began attending Alghad Kindergarten and joined the fun days organized by the kindergarten and supported by World Vision. It was at these fun days where Sarah finally got a chance to celebrate. "It was lovely participating in this fun day. Every thing was beautiful, the activities, the games and the new dress," described Sarah. "The thing I loved much more than any thing is that I got to celebrate my birthday. I am really happy!"

Sarah's mother, Amineh, said that for her and Sarah, this was a dream come true. "We are a poor family and the situation is tough." Amineh recalls that when Sarah was three, she started asking for a birthday party. "But this never happened, and she was always sad. But now I saw the smile on Sarah's face as her dream of celebrating her birthday became real through the fun day. I cannot describe Sarah's joy on that day."



# Children enjoy good health

**Each year, almost seven million children in developing countries die before reaching their fifth birthday.**

In order to ensure the sustained well-being of children and the fulfillment of their rights within families and communities, World Vision also works towards allowing children the opportunities to enjoy good health. This means that children are well nourished, are protected from infection, disease and injury and that they and their caregivers have the proper access to essential health services.

## MOTHER TO CHILD HEALTH

“Confusion is what I used to feel,” explains 30-year-old mother of four Sana Eid. “Before this intervention, I used to hear different stories about infant care and feeding practices, but now I’m so happy because I’m not confused any more. I have one source of information that I can rely on, and I really can see the impact on my child’s health.” Sana’s story is similar to those of other mothers. Sana was married at an early age and pregnant soon after but was unaware of the correct way to feed her child and what practices were healthy for her child.

In Bethlehem, World Vision has found that almost two thirds of women (65.5%) in the oPt are not receiving any postnatal care and over 58% were not eating properly during their pregnancy. An approximate 51% were not taking iron supplements or folic acid and only 47% were aware of the danger signs during pregnancy. In response, World Vision launched a project which included training





community health workers in timed targeted counseling which aims at extending primary health care counseling to the household level.

Through this initiative, health workers offered support and training to over 1,000 households in the various areas where World Vision works. As a result, exclusive breastfeeding increased from 27.3% to 69.7%, the duration of breastfeeding above one year increased from 56.1% to 83.3% and an increase of 15.2% to 48.5% of mothers were able to recognize danger signs in their children.

This enterprise was further expanded in East Hebron. The Hebron Governorate faces many health challenges such as malnutrition and disposal of waste which are caused by unhealthy environments, food insecurity in households and insufficient maternal and child health care services. World Vision partnered with the Ministry of Health in the Towards Nourished Infants Project. This was the first step towards promoting positive health practices among mothers through enhancing mothers' level of awareness around appropriate feeding and other practices through home visits, community meeting, lectures and clinics. The project has helped 400 women in eastern Hebron and improved the health situation of their children. "It is a successful project because it addresses women's needs in the area and equips them with the knowledge they need to take care of their children's health," explained Ministry of Health Head of the Maternity and Childhood Najla Al-Wawee.

To 32-year-old mother of four Fatima Tarayra, the project was life-changing. "The life of my child was saved due to the knowledge I gained through the project. My daughter was vaccinated, and then got a high fever and had difficulty breathing," recalled Fatima. "Everyone around me said that I should not be worried since this was due to the vaccine. Through the project, I had learned what the respiratory infection danger signs are, so I insisted on taking her to the doctor, who sent her directly to the hospital. Thank God she then got better."

## THE GIFT OF A GOAT

In Southern Gaza, families live in an extremely densely populated area with over 80% of its residents dependent on foreign aid and living under a complete Israeli land, sea and air blockade for over five years. Could a goat make a difference in the lives of some of these families? For thirty families in southern Gaza, this was just the case.



With the aim to ensure children and families were well-nourished and healthy, World Vision worked with its partners in a new Gift Catalogue Livestock Production Project. This project gave families the opportunity to generate income for their families and ensure food security for their children. Thirty families were given two goats and a few months later, the goats delivered further calves. To one mother of four, Amal Irjilat, the goats not only represent a source of income and financial stability but also a source of happiness for her children. “My children love to play with them. They spend a lot of time watching me while I feed them. They bring my children joy and they will be our source of income for the coming future.”

## AWARENESS TRANSFORMS LIVES



Through this summer camp, two sisters from central Nablus had their lives forever changed. While the responsibility for provision of education and health services to Palestinians in Area C was transferred in the interim agreement to the PA, the fact that funding to the PA is reliant on foreign donors and the difficulties in obtaining building permits impede the fulfilment of this responsibility. But through one World Vision project, the life of one family was transformed.

Twelve-year-old Muna and her eleven-year-old sister Maysa went to the World Vision summer camp whose theme was “Smile, my child, for tomorrow will be better”. The camp offered medical inspections for the children including foot, spinal cord and visual screenings. It was through this program which children and their families were involved in, that Muna and her family discovered that Muna was suffering from severe flat foot and growth problems. Muna’s sister Maysa was born with a congenital hip dislocation for which her parents thought help was not economically possible.

Through the medical inspections and awareness workshops held for the families at the summer camp, they realized this was not the case. With the help of the awareness session specialist and a physician, Muna and Maysa’s family found help at the Development Centre for Physiotherapy Rehabilitation. Muna received physiotherapy and linings for her feet. Maysa was transferred to a hospital in Jerusalem and received a nerve transplant. Three months later, the girls have recovered and been changed forever.

Hiyam Kamal, Manager of the Development Centre for Physiotherapy Rehabilitation explained that after the workshops (conducted in cooperation with WV) over 33 different child cases were referred to the Centre, 16 of which were transferred to hospitals for surgeries. Others were helped through physiotherapy and other tools. “We hope to continue in creating hope and better futures for these children and their families.”

For Muna and Maysa’s mother, 34-year-old Naelah Edeli, the summer camp exceeded all her expectations. “The workshops were the beginning of an unexpected change in my daughters’ conditions and their lives too. I want to thank everyone who helped and guided me to help my daughters. You have saved them and brought hope back to my family.”





# Love God and neighbours

**Children learn more quickly during their early years than at any other time in life. They need love and nurturing to develop a sense of trust and security that turns into confidence as they grow.**

World Vision works to help support Palestinian Christian communities and churches to be more resilient and to support children, families and communities to experience wholeness of life, with dignity, justice, peace and hope. Part of sustained well-being of children and fulfillment of their rights within their families and communities is ensuring that all children experience the love of God and their neighbours.

We seek to ensure that all children have hope and vision for the future. One step towards this goal is encouraging positive relationships between children and their peers, family and community members. World Vision promotes children's awareness and experience of God's love, supporting them to value and care for others and their environment.

## RESILIENT COMMUNITIES

World Vision aims to contribute towards improving the resiliency of the Palestinian communities and the child well-being outcomes. This is being done



through raising children's awareness on various issues around child well-being. Through summer camps, over 500 children were allowed the opportunity to do just that. Empowered through workshops not only on child well-being but development, social skills and reconciliation, children from the ages of 6 to 18 were able to exchange their own thoughts and ideas freely. Fifteen-year-old Mariam described the experience as a liberating one. "It was nice to be able to talk and sing openly about Jesus in this camp."

## CHILDREN OF FAITH & JUSTICE

Through the Palestinian Church Engagement Initiative, World Vision was also able to support rehabilitation of child friendly spaces, conducting drama, project and child right workshops, as well as vocational training for young men and women. World Vision was also able to fund a pastors' retreat and publish "People of Faith, People of Justice" in Arabic. This publication tells the stories of people from around the world who have transformed their societies through their commitment to peace, justice and helping the poor. In this way, World Vision is helping promote engagement and empowerment of communities in the search for faith and justice.

## JOURNEY FOR PEACE

In this spirit, World Vision and the Holy Land Ecumenical Christian Foundation in Bethlehem continued their tradition of hosting the annual "Journey for Peace". One thousand children from different areas of the occupied Palestinian territory came together, to promote peace and ask for justice. Eleven-year-old Hanna was one of the many children visiting Bethlehem for the first time. "I was so happy when I came to this place. Bethlehem is very beautiful!" An excited 13-year-old Mary, who participated in games and attended the party, wished everyone a happy Christmas season. "Merry Christmas, Bethlehem! Merry Christmas to my Grandparents! Merry Christmas to my Uncle Firas! I'm very happy to be here!" Fourteen-year-old Bethlehem local Mariam summarized the message of the event with a message to the world. "We, the children of Palestine say to you all Merry Christmas from Bethlehem! We send you a message of peace from Bethlehem to the whole world!"



# Public Engagement

Communications and advocacy is an essential element of World Vision's work, alongside long-term community development and emergency responses. It is about challenging and changing the policies, systems, structures, practices and attitudes that make it difficult for vulnerable children and their families to escape living in poverty. World Vision advocates at the local, national, regional and global levels, informed by our experience working with communities. From lobbying at global conferences such as the G8 to working with children, parents and leaders in communities where we operate, advocacy at World Vision is an integrated effort.

Strategic, well-informed advocacy and communication rooted in programming is crucial for World Vision to properly address the underlying causes of poverty in the situation of the oPt. Effective advocacy and communication on the Palestinian-Israeli conflict should not just result in a greater ability to carry out WV's relief and development mandate but also inspire others to work towards a future in which children on both sides live in peace.

The efforts highlight the underlying causes and effects of the conflict by empowering Palestinian youth to participate in their communities and give them the tools to advocate on the own behalf. In addition, we seek to empower and support Israeli voices working for peace and justice in the region.

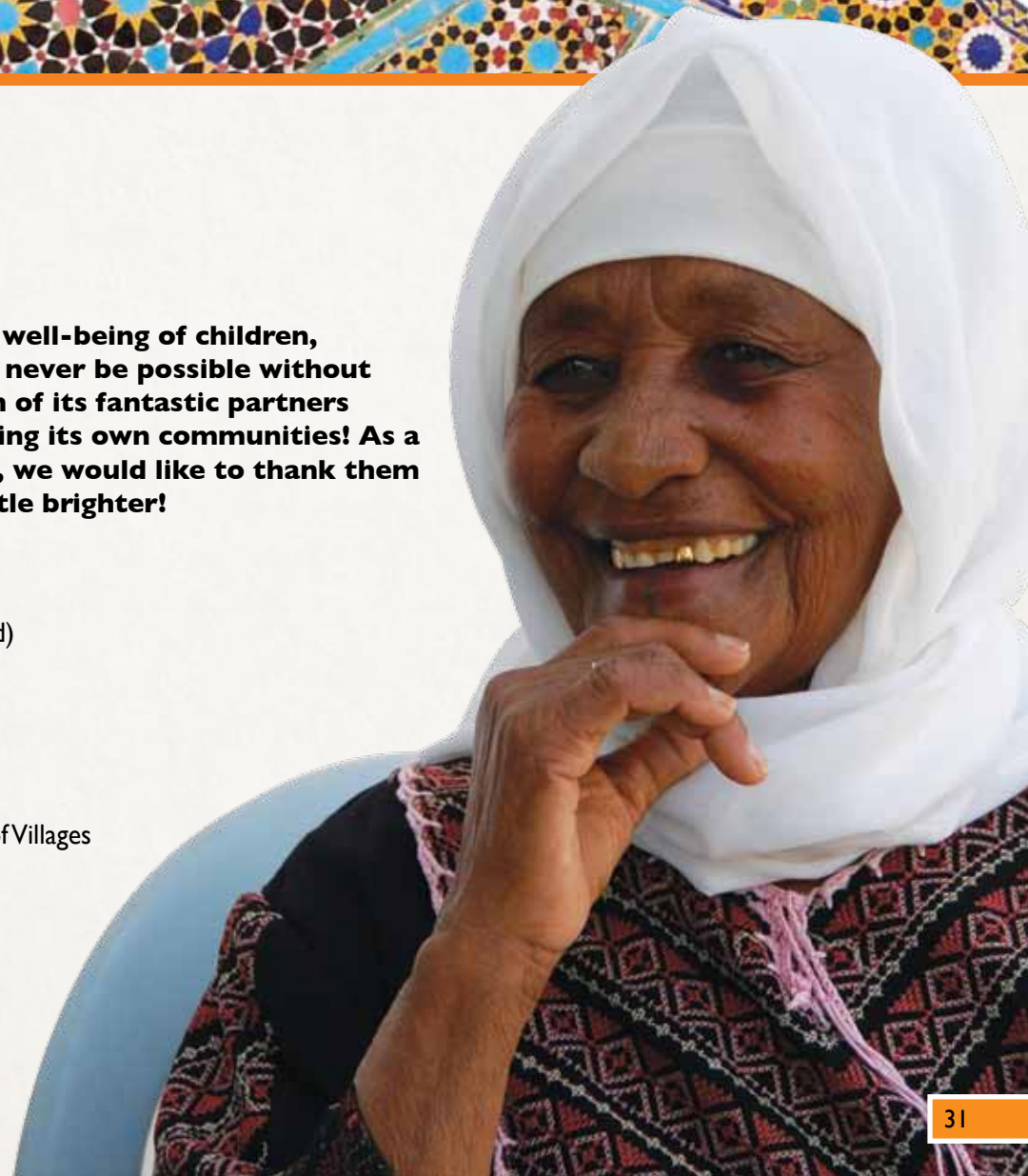


# Our Partners

**World Vision works towards ensuring the well-being of children, families and communities- but this would never be possible without the diligent help, support and cooperation of its fantastic partners working towards improving and empowering its own communities! As a tribute to their hard work and dedication, we would like to thank them for their efforts in making the future a little brighter!**

## **Bethlehem ADP**

- Local Village Councils
- Women CBO's (Wad Rahal and Khalled Al Haddad)
- Ministry of Education
- Ministry of Health
- Ministry of Agriculture
- The East Jerusalem YMCA
- The Palestinian Civil Defense
- The Agricultural Society in the Southern Cluster of Villages
- PARC: Palestinian Agricultural Relief Committee





### **West Ramallah ADP**

- Civil Defense
- Ministry of Education
- Defense Children International (DCI)
- YMCA (Vocational Training Center-Jericho, Psychosocial Support Program)
- Palestinian Medical Relief Society
- Karitas
- Al Mawrid Center for Teachers Development
- Ministry of Religious Affairs
- 8 local councils in West Ramallah Villages (Rantees, Qibia, Abood, Bodros, Kharbatha Banee Hareth, Ain Arek, Der Nitham and Der Abu Meshal)
- Ministry of Social Affair
- Palestinian Cyber Police
- Family Protection Unit Police
- Save the Children
- Paltel Group
- Ministry of Women Affairs
- High Judicial Council

### **East Hebron ADP**

- Palestinian Red Crescent Society
- Bani Naim Charitable Society

- Bani Naim Women Charitable Society
- University Graduate Forum
- Bani Naim Youth Club
- Al-Najdeh Society
- Rural Women Society
- Planning Association of Women
- Al-Odysa Charitable Society
- Association of Bani Naim Cooperative Breeding Cheep
- Bani Naim Municipality
- Saed Society
- Women Cooperative Society for Food Production
- Ministry of Education
- Ministry of Health
- Ministry of Agriculture
- Ministry of Social Affairs

### **South Hebron ADP**

- Alkarmel Youth Club
- Women Cooperative Society for Food Production
- Um Alkhair Livestock Cooperative
- Alkarmel Village Council
- Khallet Almayeh, Um Lasafa, Albuweib, Erfaiyeh and Aldairat Collective Village Council
- Khallet Almayeh Youth Centre



- Khallet Almayeh Women Centre
- Ministry of Education
- Ministry of Health
- Ministry of Agriculture
- Ministry of Social Affairs

### **Northeast Jenin ADP**

- Jalqamous Village Council
- Jalqamous Women Centre
- Al Mughayer Village Council
- Um Al Tut Village Council
- Marj Ibn Amer Municipality
- Individual Village Committees (previous village council representatives)
- Sport Club
- Agricultural Cooperative
- Women Centre
- Charity Association
- 32 Schools

### **West Jenin ADP**

- Ya'bad Municipality
- Al Rayyan Village Council
- Kferit Village Council
- Tura Village Council
- 17 Schools (16 governmental schools and one UNRWA school)
- Al Ateihad Kindergarten and Nursery

- Palestinian Children Association Centre
- Ya'bad Charitable Association
- Al Ferdos Kindergarten
- Al A'eman Kindergarten
- Al Mostaqbal Kindergarten
- Tura Al Gharbiyya Women Centre
- Tura Al Gharbiyya Youth Club
- Kferit Women Centre
- Coal Association Friend of the Environment Charitable

### **South Jenin ADP**

- Anza Women Centre
- Anza Charitable Society
- Anza Youth Club
- Siris Women Association
- Jenin Governorate Ladies Society/ Siris Branch
- Silat Ad Dahr Women's Cooperation for Savings & Borrowing
- Silat Ad Dahr Youth Club
- Al Jadidah Women Society
- Al Fandaqomiya Women Centre
- AL Fandaqomiya Charitable Society
- Al A'tara Women Charitable Society
- Jaba Charitable Society
- Jaba Women Centre
- Misilyeh Agricultural Cooperative

- Misilyeh Women Centre (Palestinian girls)
- Anza Village Council
- Al Asa'sah Village Council
- Al Fandaqomiya Village Council
- Silat Ad Dahr Municipality
- Al A'tara Village Council
- Siris Village Council
- Al Jadidah Village Council
- Jaba' Municipality
- Misilyah Village Council
- 32 Schools

### **Southeast Salfit ADP**

- Ministry of Agriculture
- Ministry of Education
- Marda Village Council
- Marda Women Charity Association
- Marda Charitable Society for Development
- Bruqin Village Council
- Bruqin Women Charity Association
- Bruqin Youth and Sport Cultural Club
- Kofr Ad-Deek Village Council
- Kofr Ad-Deek Women Club
- Creative Child Association
- Youth Sport Club
- Salfit Municipal Council
- Farkha Village Council

- Farkha Children Club
- Society of White Hands Women Charity
- Yasof Village Council
- Yasof Youth Club
- Yasof Women Club
- Iskaka Village Council
- Iskaka Youth Club

### **North Nablus ADP**

- Talluza Village Council
- Burqa Village Council
- Sabastia Village Council
- Deir Sharaf Village Council
- Bizzaria Village Council
- Yassid Village Council
- Beit Imreen Village Council
- Sabastia Women Club
- Bizzaria Cooperative Society
- Burqa Women Club
- Deir Sharaf Charitable Society
- Talluza Charitable Society
- Sanabel Al Amal Kindergarten
- Al Samah Kindergarten
- Al Amal Kindergarten
- Al Elm Nour Kindergarten
- Bara'em Al Iman Kindergarten
- Al Rashid Kindergarten
- Toyour Al Janna Kindergarten

### **East Nablus ADP**

- Beit Furik Municipality
- Beit Dajan Village Council
- Azmout Village Council
- Salem Village Council
- Deir Al Hatab Village Council
- Al Ishraq Women Society
- Mothers School Society
- Azmout Youth Charitable Society
- Salem Sport Club
- Salem Women Charitable Society
- Al Fayez Kindergarten
- Ghassan Kanafani Kindergarten
- Al Salam Kindergarten

### **Center Nablus ADP**

- Burin Charitable Society
- Awarta Village Council
- Asira Al Qibliya Village Council
- Ausareen Village Council
- Urif Village Council
- Asira Al Qibliya Charitable Society
- Burin Village Council
- Zeita Village Council
- Madama Village Council
- Zahret Al Baylasan Society
- Ausareen Sport Club
- Zeita Agricultural Cooperative Society

### **South Nablus ADP**

- Ministry of Agriculture
- Ministry of Education
- Al-Luban Village Council
- Ammuria Charitable Women Association
- Talfit Village Council
- Talfit Youth Sport Club
- Yatma Village Council
- Madrast Al- Omahat Women Association
- Yatma Charitable Association
- Qusra Village Council
- Qusra Charitable Association
- Qusra Charitable Women Association
- Qusra Youth Sport Club
- Jurish Village Council
- Jurish Charitable Association
- Qaryut Village Council
- Qaryut Youth Sport Club
- Qaryut Charitable Association

### **North Gaza ADP:**

- Union of Agriculture Work Committee (UAWC)
- Al Basama Club for Disabled (ABCD)
- Ibn Khaldoun (For Palestinian Children)
- Asala
- MA'AN
- Hai Al Salateen Association
- UN Union Staff Club

### **South Gaza ADP**

- Yaboos Charity "Activity Center of Rural Family"
- The Charitable Nationally of Hay Alsalam Society
- Al Sahel Society
- Rafah Services Club (Khadamat Rafah Club)
- The National Society for Rehabilitation
- Future Association for Culture and Development
- Wefaq Society for Women and Child Care
- Al-Amal Rehabilitation Society
- Future Generations Benevolent Association
- Al Batool Charity
- Al Bawasel Charity
- Virgin Mary Association for Charity
- Al Atahad Charity for Development & General Service



# Our Finance

## FY12 INCOME & EXPENDITURE

Total income for the year 2012 is US \$12,371,274. The total annual expenditure for World Vision JWG in FY12 was US \$12,227,763, with a 20% overall under-expenditure. Breakdown of costs include 23% in management support costs and 77% in programme costs.











## FY2013 APPROVED PLANNED BUDGET

For the 2013 fiscal year, the approved annual budget is US \$10,878,692. The planned budget is generally less than the final budget at the end of the year.

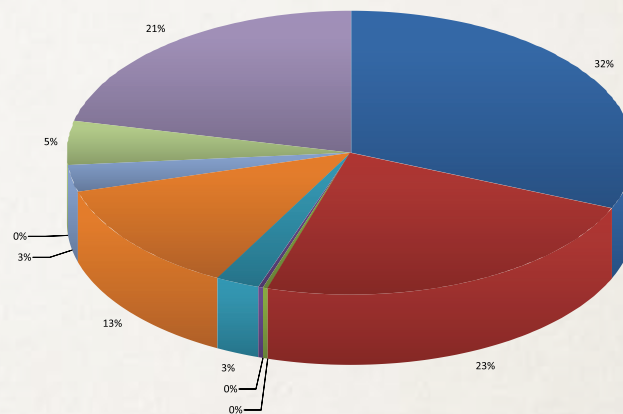
## FY2013 FINANCIAL OUTLOOK

There is a possibility for a 10% budget growth in the 2013 fiscal year. The “approved planned budget” does not include various potential funding and projects approved after submission of FY13 budgets.

## FY12 YEAR - END FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

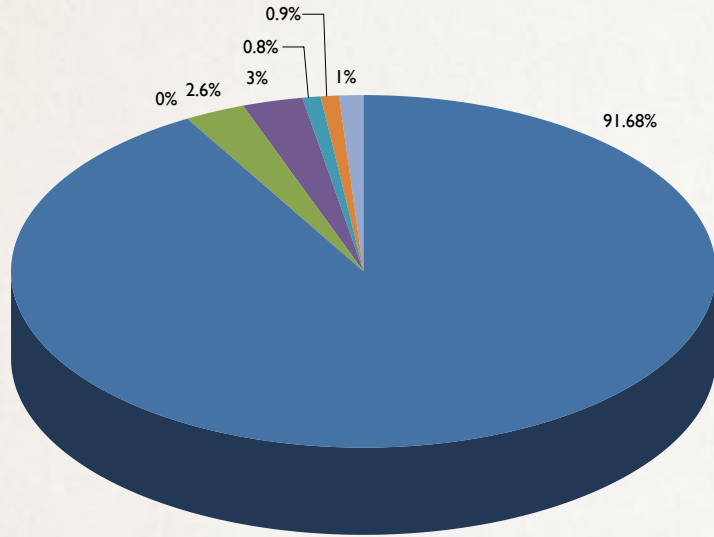
	Support office	Income FY 2012 USD
	Australia	4,817,356
	Canada	3,561,979
	EPRF	48,482
	Germany	36,326
	Hong Kong	-15,253
	Jerusalem West Bank Gaza	409,060
	Korea	1,931,502
	Singapore	467,108
	Switzerland	9,000
	Taiwan	778,101
	United Kingdom	-11,507
	United States	3,273,247

**TOTAL 15,305,401 USD**

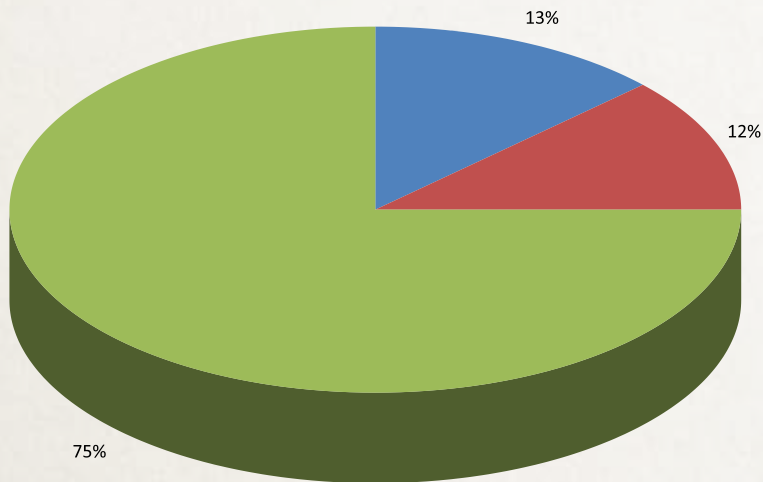




## FINANCE FUNDING TYPES



Programs Area	Budget Amount (USD)	Percentage
Community Development	\$14,031,967	91.68%
Gaza Poverty Alleviation and Relief Programme	\$200	0.00%
Advocacy Programme	\$404,048	2.64%
Christian Commitment Project	\$454,644	2.97%
HEA	\$122,212	0.80%
World Vision Jordan Iraqi Refugee Programme	\$137,075	0.90%
Reserves	\$155,255	1.01%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$15,305,401</b>	<b>100.00%</b>



Funding Type	Amount (USD)	Percentage
Government	2,001,903	13%
Private Non-Sponsorship	1,844,694	12%
Sponsorship	11,458,804	75%
<b>Total</b>	<b>15,305,401</b>	<b>100%</b>



## Glossary of Acronyms & Terms

JWG: Jerusalem-West Bank-Gaza

ADP: Area Development Programme

CBO: Community Based Organisation

HDI: Human Development Index

GDP: Gross Domestic Product

FY: Fiscal Year

WBGS: West Bank & Gaza Strip

UNGA: United Nations General Assembly

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