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A NEW SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM IN LEBANON

For eight years, ANERA has offered its donors the opportunity to sponsor needy and orphaned children in Jerusalem through its scholarship program. Now ANERA plans to expand the program to Lebanon, in order to assist Al-Kafaat, a center specializing in the education and rehabilitation of handicapped children.

Founded by Nadeem Shwayri in 1957, Al-Kafaat was established to help destitute girls without families. Today the center has expanded to offer a wide range of assistance to mentally and physically handicapped children and adults, both male and female. Assistance includes medical and prosthetic care, speech therapy, physical therapy, psychological services, vocational training and job placement.

The 700 children and adults at the center struggle with impairments that include amputations, spinal cord injuries, mental retardation, deafness, and cerebral palsy. They come from all over Lebanon to the Beirut-based school and represent all religious sects in the country. Handicapped children are mainstreamed with able-bodied children in the school.

The current situation in Lebanon has heightened the need for the work of Al-Kafaat. During the invasion in 1982, the center suffered extensive damage, costing over \$125,000 to repair. Many of the wheelchair-bound patients are victims of the continued warfare.

ANERA has assisted the center for many years, with grants to expand its vocational training facilities. We are happy for the opportunity to expand our aid to the dedicated and hardworking staff at Al-Kafaat while giving ANERA donors a chance to sponsor a disadvantaged child at the center. An Al-Kafaat sponsor has the advantage of directly reaching out to a child especially in need, in this most troubled of countries.



STAFF CHANGES

Janice Murphy, ANERA's Vice President for the past four years, is leaving to spend more time with her growing family. Ms. Murphy will continue actively working to promote better understanding of the Middle East among Americans. Her successor, Paula Stinson, comes to ANERA with a background in non-profit management. Ms. Stinson worked with other charities and was Executive Director of the Attiyeh Foundation, a Middle East cultural organization, for four years. We are pleased to welcome her to ANERA.

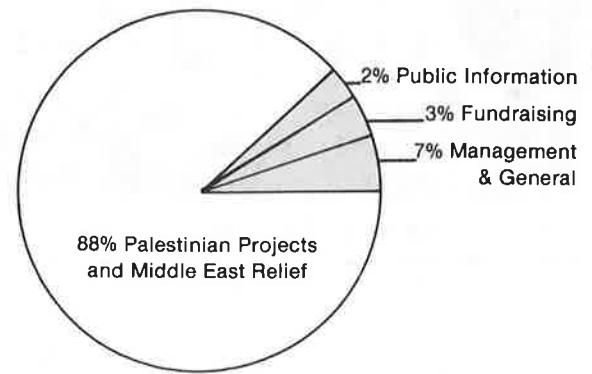
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ANERA's FINANCES

The ANERA staff is grateful for the generous donations this year from individuals, organizations, corporations, and foundations.

The "pie" at right represents ANERA's expenditures in fiscal year 1987, which total \$2,855,634. ANERA's FY 1987 annual audit may be obtained by contacting the ANERA office.

ANERA is proud that only 10% of its income was needed for fundraising and management. This is an excellent record among charitable organizations and is made possible by the generosity of ANERA donors and the efficiency of the ANERA staff.



ANERA GRANTS, FISCAL YEAR 1987

In fiscal year 1987, extending from June 1, 1986 through May 31, 1987, ANERA and its AMER Medical Division gave assistance totalling \$2,276,842. Of the total, \$2,042,045 was in grants and services and \$234,797 was in medical supplies, books and shipping. Below is a list of all the ANERA grants for the year.

COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Women's Service Organizations

mother/child health care, food for the needy, literacy programs and vocational training for women. Arab Women's Society (Jerusalem, West Bank), Arab Women's Union (Bethlehem, WB), Arab Women's Union (Jerusalem, WB), Women's Charitable Society (Hebron, WB), Kalandia Refugee Camp Cooperative (Kalandia, WB), Palestinian Women's Union (Gaza City, Gaza).

\$ 30,000

Services to Farmers

provision of consultants in agriculture and co-operatives; introduction of appropriate technology at the farm level; and provision of equipment for research on and subsequent introduction of new crops for farmers' use. The cooperative and technology projects are jointly conducted with the Near East Foundation; the Agricultural Engineers Cooperative (Jericho, WB) undertakes the research activities.

\$107,450

Revolving Loan Funds

revolving loan funds to assist Palestinian artisans and shop keepers to generate employment. Bethlehem Societies for Rehabilitation and Development (Bethlehem, WB), Association for the Development of Palestinian Camps (Beirut, Lebanon).

\$ 10,000

Municipal Slaughter Houses

construction of slaughter houses and training of personnel to serve the needs of the region and generate funds for the municipal services. The projects are with the municipalities of El-Bireh (West Bank) and Khan Younis (Gaza).

\$120,000

Grassroots Community Organizations

libraries, clinics, literacy programs, vocational and leadership training, handicapped workshop, assistance to orphans. Red Crescent Society (Gaza City, Gaza), YMCA (Gaza City, Gaza), YMCA (Amman, Jordan), Sheltered Workshop for the Blind (Jerusalem, WB), The House of Hope (Shefa-Amr, Galilee, Israel), Golan University Graduates' Union (Majdal Shams, Golan).

\$ 24,000

Dairy and Livestock Cooperatives

partial funding to establish model dairies, feedlots and breeding centers for cattle and sheep to improve hygienic and animal husbandry practices. The projects are with West Bank village dairy and livestock cooperatives in Al-Issa, Jenin, Beit Nuba, El-Ma'arfeh, Jericho, Al-Nassariyeh, Tulkarem.

\$469,632

Irrigation

establishment of irrigation infrastructures and networks with West Bank village cooperatives in Irtas, Nazlah Sharqiya, Wadi Fouqin.

\$115,000

Agricultural Produce Marketing and Land Improvement

partial funding to establish mechanized units to improve land as well as sort, grade, and box agricultural produce with West Bank cooperatives in Azzoun, Beit Jala, Hebron, Jenin, Jericho, Qalqiliya.

\$287,000

Agricultural Service Cooperatives

establishment of small agricultural mechanized units (tractors, implements) with 5 West Bank village cooperatives in Al-Jeeb, Deir Istiya, Obeidiya, Quizeeba, Salfeet.

\$145,000

Poultry

expansion of a feedmill to serve the needs of West Bank poultry farmers. Ramallah Poultry Cooperative (Ramallah, WB).

\$ 65,000

TOTAL COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

\$1,373,082

EDUCATION

Child Sponsorships

elementary scholarships for orphans and destitute children. Rawdat El-Zuhur (Jerusalem, WB), Dar El-Tifl (Jerusalem, WB).

\$ 44,590

Youth Programs and Schools

equipment and expertise to improve programs and scholarships to attend leadership/peace camps. Jeel Al-Amal (Bethany, WB), Legacy International Youth Program, Industrial Islamic Orphanage (Jerusalem, WB), Prophet Elias High School (Iblin, Galilee, Israel), Hebron Union of University Graduates Polytechnic (Hebron, WB).

\$126,000

Aid to the Handicapped

equipment, training, and construction for programs assisting the handicapped. Al-Kafaat Rehabilitation Center (Beirut, Lebanon), Society for the Care of Handicapped Children (Gaza City, Gaza).

\$190,998

Scholarships at Universities

scholarships for needy Lebanese and Palestinians to attend university. American University of Beirut (Lebanon), Beirut University College (Lebanon), Bethlehem University (Bethlehem, WB) Birzeit University (Birzeit, WB).

\$ 88,050

TOTAL EDUCATION

\$449,638

HEALTH SERVICES

Relief Organizations

providing assistance to the victims of conflict in Lebanon: food, shelter, clothing, blankets, clinics. AMEL-Lebanese Association for Popular Action (Lebanon), Lebanese Red Cross (Lebanon), Secours Populaire (Lebanon) Institut de Reeducation Audio-Phonétique (Lebanon).

\$ 35,000

Hospitals and Clinics

expansion of hospital and clinic services. The Nazareth Hospital (Nazareth, Galilee, Israel), Patients Friends Society's two clinics in rural areas (Hebron, WB).

\$ 20,000

Environmental Health

funding and expertise for construction of storm water sewers to improve environmental health and conserve rainwater for irrigation and drinking purposes. Gaza Municipality (Gaza City, Gaza).

\$164,325

TOTAL HEALTH SERVICES

\$219,325

IN-KIND MATERIALS

Books

medical and health books. Arab College of Medical Professions (El-Bireh, WB), West Bank Association of Physicians (West Bank), Gaza Association of Physicians (Gaza), Bethlehem University (West Bank).

\$ 26,939

Pharmaceuticals

medicines for hospitals and clinics which serve the poor and destitute. American University of Beirut

Hospital (Lebanon), United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees, (Middle East, regional), RAP (Washington, DC), Middle East Council of Churches and AMEL-Lebanese Association for Popular Action (Lebanon) in cooperation with Grass-roots International.

\$200,282

Shipping costs 7,576

TOTAL IN-KIND 234,797

TOTAL 2,276,842

ANERA HAS RECEIVED GIFTS . . .

IN MEMORY OF:

Julius Arthur Brown ■ Vera Halaby and Alice Debbas ■ Dr. Karlis Dzelzitis ■ Jabra Gedeon ■ Khalid Rushdi Khatib ■ Peter Kilburn ■ Elizabeth Nasir ■ Michael and Rosa Petrella ■ Sartawi ■ Joseph Shenekji ■ Charles R. Whittlesey

IN HONOR OF:

the Arab parents of Dr. M. K. Al-Chokhachy ■ Robert E. Dutcher ■ Jesus Christ ■ Mrs. Barbara Layedorn ■ The Palestinian Cause ■ The Palestinians

SCHOLARSHIPS IN LEBANON



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"Every man, woman and child, irrespective of the degree and severity of their handicaps, remains a reservoir of potentials, a source of life, of hope and joyfulness. The human being transcends every limitative definition which confines him to any aspect or status."

— Dr. Nadeem Shwayri
Director, AL-Kafaat

Yes, I would like to sponsor a child at Al-Kafaat _____ **\$100** (minimum per child)

A gift of \$100 will help provide a handicapped child with a year of specialized education, medical care, and general assistance at Al-Kafaat. Sponsors receive a photo of the child and a letter from the school during the year.

Enclosed is a gift for ANERA's general work in the West Bank, Gaza Strip, Israel, and Lebanon.

_____ \$15 _____ \$25 _____ \$50 _____ \$100 _____ \$500 _____ \$1000

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY, STATE, ZIP _____

I would like to provide a 1-year scholarship for a child in East Jerusalem. (\$85 minimum)

Contributions to ANERA are tax-deductible and should be sent with this form to the ANERA office. Thank you for your help.