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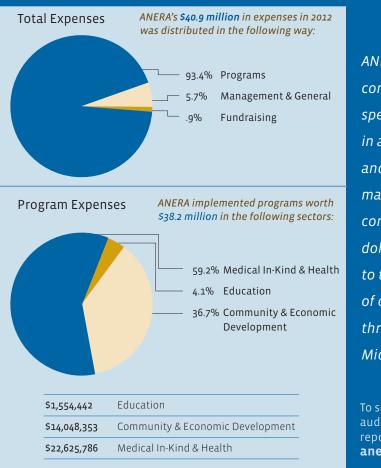
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ANERA installed rainwater-collection cisterns on 21 families' properties in the Hebron area of the West Bank where water scarcity is a major problem.

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## Fiscal Year 2012

(June 1, 2011-May 31, 2012)



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Therese shows off the fresh vegetables she grew in the community garden ANERA helped to replant in Lebanon's Nahr El Bared refugee camp.

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#### REPORT FROM the PRESIDENT and CHAIR

Revolutions in the Middle East and global economic challenges have produced ripple effects in the areas where ANERA works. Still, we have been able to deliver quality projects and expand our network of partners.

One exciting new partnership is with TOMS Shoes through which we coordinated the delivery of thousands of shoes to children at 130 preschools across Gaza. For many, it was their very first pair of new shoes.

Our team of engineers continued to build clinics and sewage systems in the West Bank. They also implemented a number of important projects in Gaza that improved the quality of life for families, from the building of a diagnostic wing on a school for the deaf to erecting a water reservoir that serves 70,000 people.

Giving small children the right start in Gaza is what our education team has sought to do, by helping teachers and parents to encourage reading aloud. ANERA installed special reading corners in preschools and distributed thousands of bags filled with books especially designed for young children.

In the camps of Lebanon, we are working with frustrated youth to channel their energy into productive work, by helping them to gain the skills needed for employment in a variety of trades. By re-opening a destroyed vocational center and sponsoring further education at Lebanese institutions, ANERA is providing disadvantaged youth with hope and opportunity.

All of this occurred as we upgraded our financial controls, systematized our fundraising, and improved our project reporting.

We are profoundly appreciative of your loyalty during a year when you must have been solicited from every side. Whether it be by an online gift, monthly giving or a planned gift in your estate, your support has been crucial. Thank you.

Martine Btaich, Photographer

Edward Gnehm Chairman of the Board

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# Economic Development

- Provided 53 families in Gaza with a greenhouse, an irrigation system, a water tank, compost, seedlings, and training in farming. Families can now feed themselves and earn much needed income.
- Through our USAID-funded Emergency Water and Sanitation program (2008-2012) in the West Bank and Gaza:
  - built seven reservoirs, laid 120 miles of pipe, and constructed 115 water cisterns, all of which deliver one million gallons of water to 311,212 people
  - laid over 21+ miles of new pipes to prevent sewage from leaking into water supplies, improving sanitation conditions for 200,000+ people
  - installed rainwater drainage systems in two communities, relieving town centers from flooding
- Introduced urban and vertical agriculture, greening techniques and rainwater collection to refugee camps in Lebanon by teaching 26 women from Ein El Helweh to plant and care for vegetable and decorative plants on their balconies and roofs and bringing youth and community together in Nahr El Bared to plant 104 gardens lost during the 2007 conflict.
- Connected West Bank farmers in-person and through the use of social media and video to share agricultural best practices.





ANERA built this reservoir in Khan Younis, Gaza. It is a clean and reliable source of water for 70,000 people.

> As part of ANERA's greening program, young people came together to plant trees in Nahr El Bared refugee camp in Lebanon.

Ali, a West Bank farmer, is teaching and learning from other farmers about good agricultural practices.

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# Health and Relief

- Delivered 32 shipments of donated medicines, shoes, hygiene kits and health care supplies to charitable institutions and schools throughout the West Bank, Gaza, Lebanon and Jordan.
- Upgraded 13 health care facilities in the West Bank and three in Gaza as part of a major USAID-funded program.
- Helped 7,000 women in Salfit, West Bank protect themselves against breast cancer by doing self-exams.
- Provided diagnosis and rehabilitation aids to 279 disabled people in Jordan's Sukhneh Palestinian refugee camp.
- Screened 3,000 preschoolers in Gaza for intestinal parasites and made referrals for further treatment. Led awareness sessions for 300+ mothers and gave out 350 kits with soap, shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrushes and sponges. Funded by Johnson & Johnson.



*"Antibiotics are not effective against colds or sore throat." This illustration is from a series ANERA produced to educate people in Lebanon about using medicines rationally.* 



ANERA upgraded the maternity ward of Holy Family Hospital, Bethlehem, which annually serves 3,000 patients, like this new mother

In an exciting new partnership with TOMS Shoes, a company in the US with the mission of donating a new pair of shoes to a needy person for every pair bought, ANERA distributed shoes to 130 preschools across Gaza.

Yasmine Qotub, Photographer

Rania Elhilou, Photographer

# Education





- Launched our early childhood development program, *Right Start!*, in Gaza. The program trains teachers, upgrades preschools, fosters reading and the arts, and involves parents and other community members in children's early development.
- Provided courses in marketable skills like plumbing and graphic design with our partner Beit Atfal Assumoud in Lebanon's Nahr El Bared camp. 66 youth graduated. We also trained 52 teachers and supervisors from camps across Lebanon in active teaching and student-centered methodologies, benefitting more than 600 students. Funded by Reach Out to Asia -Qatar Foundation.
- With USAID funding, ANERA built three new schools in the West Bank, added 142 classrooms to existing schools, and renovated another 24 schools, including 161 classrooms.
- Organized Arts for Childhood summer camps in the West Bank. Nearly 300 children at five sites in Bethlehem, Nablus and Ramallah enjoyed drama, music and painting. Expressive art is a vital component of our early childhood development programming.

[top] A 5-year-old at summer camp in Bethlehem and [bottom] a teenager learning to work with aluminum in Nahr El Bared refugee camp, Lebanon

#### Right Start! in Gaza

\$1.3 million USAID-funded early childhood education program

- 43 preschools made reading an integral part of children's education routines
- 5,315 preschoolers participated in reading sessions as part of their daily routine
- 3,277 caregivers attended 704 sessions about positive parenting
  - 44 *Fun Days* brought preschoolers and families together for arts activities

## 2012 Bequests

ANERA mourns the passing of these valued members of our community, but we still benefit from their generous spirit. Through their bequest gifts, they continue to demonstrate their commitment to ANERA's work and set an example for others. These gifts mean ANERA will be here tomorrow, so people throughout the Middle East may live with the dignity we all deserve.

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*"ANERA meant so much to Aref and to me because of its important work in development and humanitarian assistance. That's why Aref decided* 

to bequeath to ANERA his largest charitable gift."

Aref Jabr, who passed away in 2010, was an active member of ANERA's board and advisory council. His wife Barbara Jabr, quoted, is also a long-time ANERA supporter and member of ANERA's advisory council.

## **Financial Statement**

#### STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

For the fiscal years ending May 31, 2012 and 2011

	2012	<b>2011</b> (restated)
Support and revenue		
In-kind contributions	\$20,003,604	\$47,200,643
Grants revenue	14,167,451	22,115,137
Non-governmental grant revenue	270,177	-
Return of unused funds	-	(2,746,497)
Contributions	4,920,949	4,636,699
Other income	51,140	64,356
Net assets released from restrictions	-	
Total support and revenue	39,413,321	71,270,338
Expenses		
Program services		
Medical in-kind & health services	22,625,786	46,963,371
Community & economic development	14,048,353	20,869,380
Education	1,554,442	1,862,556
Public education	-	32,316
Total program services	38,228,581	69,727,623
Supporting services		
Management & general	2,341,679	2,681,309
Fundraising	361,756	664,248
Total supporting services	2,703,435	3,345,557
Total expenses	40,932,016	73,073,180
Change in net assets	(1,518,695)	(1,802,842)
Net assets:		
Beginning (as restated)	7,164,226	8,967,068
Ending	\$5,645,531	\$7,164,226

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PHOTO: These children at the El Wejdan Preschool in El-Sabra, Gaza, are delighted with their new shoes from TOMS. For many, it was their very first pair of new shoes.

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ANERA installed three new playgrounds in Gaza. This one is located in El-Nimsawi Park in Khan Younis.

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Reem studies flute at a conservatory, East Jerusalem.

Lana Khalidi Manager of Administration & HR

Samia Majlaton Monitoring & Evaluation Specialist

Emile Makhlouf Manager of Finance

**Dina Muna** Accountant

Louay Nashashibi Infrastructure Coordinator

Ibtissam Rashid Communications/PR Officer

Jubran Said Program Manager/Central West Bank Area Manager

Reem Shraydah Communications/PR Coordinator

Mohamad Shweiki Infrastructure Coordinator

#### GAZA

Nahed Al-Wehaidi Gaza Director

Rula Abu Dakka Right Start! Area Coordinator

Khalda Abu Samra Right Start! Area Coordinator

Mohammed Abu Jahal Warehouse Assistant

Faisal Abu Shahla Area Manager, EWASII

Mostafa Al Ghosain In-Kind Manager, Gaza

#### ORS...



Dr. Al-Rajabi has medicines for his patients in Hebron, West Bank.

Sabah Moghrabi Al-Barkoni Gaza Office Manager

Ahmad Al-Najjar In-Kind Program Coordinator

Abeer Aqeel Office Engineer for EWASII

Rania Elhilou Media Relations Officer

Mousa El-Shawa Support Services

Ashraf El-Shobaki Infrastructure Coordinator, EWASII

**Dema El-Tabba'** Administrative Assistant

Tahini Khadder Right Start! Area Coordinator

Suad Lubbad Badr Right Start! Child Health Education Officer

Sami Mattar Right Start! Project Engineer

Islam Muhanna Agronomist

Hani Skaik Right Start! Finance & Compliance Officer

Naima Tarabeen Right Start! Monitoring & Evaluation Officer

Ali Yacoub Right Start! Program Coordinator

Mona Zakout Abu Share'ah Right Start! Program Manager



Samar drinks clean water at the Palestine Women's Preschool, Gaza.

#### HEBRON

Mohammed Abu-Rajab Al Tamimi Hebron Area Director

Shatha Al-Ayaydeh Administrative Assistant

Samer Al-Natsha Infrastructure Coordinator

Hanadi Darwish Infrastructure Coordinator

Khaldoun Hmeidan Infrastructure Coordinator

#### NABLUS

Rabah Odeh Nablus Area Director

Amer Al-Sharif Infrastructure Coordinator

Maram Mattour Administrative Assistant & Receptionist

Ayman Minawi Infrastructure Coordinator

Mohammad Tuffaha Infrastructure Coordinator

#### RAMALLAH

Sulaima Abu El Haj Early Childhood Education Coordinator

Sulieman Mleahat Education Program Manager

Naser Qadous Agricultural Projects Manager



Khaled made his vocational training style more interactive, Lebanon.

Said Adel Zagha Project Assistant - IDRC

#### **BEITIN WAREHOUSE**

Hani Khleif In-Kind Program Manager

Mohammad Atieh In-Kind Field Assistant

Mohammad Mahmoud Ma'tan Warehouse Assistant LEBANON

Samar El-Yassir Country Director

George Abi Abdullah Manager of Finance & Administration

Nawal Al Kurdi Education Program Coordinator

Martine Btaich Program Development Manager

Nadia Dalloul Medical In-Kind Advisor

Karim Babouder Matta Program Assistant

Dima Zayat Shehab Medical In-Kind Coordinator

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ANERA's Arts for Childhood summer camps in the West Bank brought 300 children together for one week of fun with art, music, and theater. Creative expression is an important part of our early childhood development work.

Nada Dajani, Photographer



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