

Anera in Gaza



Gaza has suffered through poverty, bombings and a crippling 15-year blockade that has isolated it from the rest of the world. Despite and because of the challenges, Anera has been helping families in Gaza for over four decades. **We are proud to have cultivated so many excellent partnerships and achieved so much with the great people of Gaza.** Today, with a staff of 15 – who all come from the communities they serve – Anera trains preschool teachers, supports entrepreneurs, builds schools and water networks, makes rooftops bloom with vegetables, and delivers relief and healthcare supplies.

Access to Water and Sanitation Systems

Anera is installing reverse osmosis water desalination systems and constructing or renovating water and sanitation networks across Gaza. Our work improves the reliability of water delivery, reduces water losses from deteriorating infrastructure, and decreases the risk of long-term contamination of water aquifers.

Community Spaces

Anera builds and refurbishes health facilities, schools, youth/sports centers and parks. Our work helps resource-strapped local organizations deliver better services. Anera also installs solar panels and reverse osmosis water systems, which allow centers to save money on purchasing potable water and to run despite frequent electricity outages.

Early Childhood Development

Anera leads the way in Palestine's early childhood development sector by upgrading school and playground infrastructure; training teachers in promoting active engagement and learning among children through arts, music, toys and books; and enhancing caregivers' parenting skills. We also build schools, with support from donors who have naming rights.

Greenhouses

Farming is a great way for families in Gaza to feed themselves and make income. Anera builds greenhouses on small plots of land as well as on rooftops. Our agronomists work with families to train them on best farming practices. Rooftop gardens employ a hybrid hydroponic system that uses less water and soil, but produces plentiful harvests.

Recent Stats

Installed 25 reverse osmosis systems on schools, health facilities and community centers

Linked 1,392 homes to upgraded water networks

Distributed 79 shipments of medicines and other supplies to 32 health facilities

Supported 30 women entrepreneurs to start or grow small businesses

Provided daily breakfasts to 1,428 children at 12 preschools

Rehabilitated 3 wells that serve 70,000 people

Helped 824 farming families with greenhouses, planting, irrigation, and training

Built 2 new schools and added 5 classrooms to another

Provided 120 awareness classes about waterborne illness, hygiene, and COVID-19 prevention

Fully renovated the oldest sports club in Palestine, serving 4,000 youths

Distributed 11,925 food vouchers to families



Medical Aid and Healthcare

Anera distributes medicines, hospital equipment, and other healthcare supplies that are financially out-of-reach or would not otherwise be available in the communities where they are needed. Our deliveries support hospitals, clinics, schools, and community centers struggling to meet the needs of underprivileged families.

Emergency Response

Anera delivers medicines, food, water and more to communities in dire need. We act quickly in times of crisis, because our staff is on the ground in Gaza. They get out into their neighborhoods and contact their networks of local organizations to identify immediate needs. In the aftermath, we rebuild infrastructure and provide psychosocial support.

Women's Businesses

Our Women Can program provides tools in the form of materials, equipment, training and mentoring to women launching small enterprises in Palestine. This empowers women-headed families to increase their economic autonomy and financial resources. Small businesses include animal husbandry, catering services, retail stores and more.



Farms to Classrooms

Our Farms to Fosool (Classrooms) program creates links between farmers, women's cooperatives, and schools in a way that encourages sustainable, long-term community partnerships. Farmers from Anera's greenhouse program earn an income by selling their produce to a women's cooperative. Women then earn an income by preparing and distributing meals to preschoolers from food insecure families during their school days.

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