

Our Vision

The Welfare Association envisions the Palestinian people as citizens of an independent, free and democratic Arab Palestine living in dignity, prosperity and self-fulfillment, with equitable access to opportunities to realize their full potential with distinction and creativity.

Our Mission

As a leading non-governmental Palestinian development organization, the Welfare Association strives to make a distinguished contribution toward furthering the progress of the Palestinians, preserving their heritage and identity, supporting their living culture and building their civil society. It aims to achieve these goals by methodically identifying the Palestinian people's needs and priorities and establishing the soundest mechanisms to maximize the benefits from the available funding resources.

Our Values

Independency Commitment Professionalism •



ABOUT US

The Welfare Association (WA) is an independent non-profit organization established in Geneva in 1983 by a group of Palestinian and Arab businessmen and intellectual figures aiming to provide development and humanitarian assistance to Palestinians in the West Bank including Jerusalem, the Gaza Strip, 1948 Areas, and the Palestinian communities in Lebanon.

GOVERNANCE

The General Assembly (GA) is the Association's supreme authority, which includes over 160 prominent Arab and Palestinian members. The Assembly meets annually to review the association work progress as well as endorse its strategies, plans and budget. "The Board of Trustees (BoT) is comprised of 40 members elected by the General Assembly once every three years, in addition to honorary life members. The Board meets biannually to formulate policies and strategies of the Association and to review its performance. "The Board of Trustees oversees the Association's activities through an elected Board of Directors (BoD) and active Specialized Committees for Programs and Projects, Resource Development, Communication, Investment, Membership, Award, and through other technical committees. The committees are composed of WA members and are joined by members of the executive team and experts.

EXECUTIVE BODY

A team of around 100 employees executes the WA works, lead by the Director General who supervises 6 departments; programs operations, Jerusalem projects, resource development & communication, research & planning, finance and administration. If needed the team is supported by regional and international experts.

SECTORS & PROGRAMS

WA has realized significant achievements over the past three decades, providing or managing funds for and implementing thousands of vital programs and projects valued at around US\$500 million in various developmental and relief sectors. It focuses on four major sectors:

- 1- EDUCATION: includes Early Childhood (Sukkar), Program: for the orphaned children of Gaza (Mustaqbali), Technology in Education (Tafkir), Excellence in Education (Tamayyoz), in addition to Sponsorship of Creative and Exceptional Initiatives, and Remedial Education.
- 2- CULTURE: includes), The Old City of Jerusalem revitalization Program (OCJRP), the Palestinian Museum (PM) and Cultural Development (Ta'bir) which focuses among its programs on music, theatre and creative writing.
- **3COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT:** includes Youth Employment Programme (YES), Community-Based Rehabilitation for People with Special Needs (Shams), Food Security (Hasad), Capacity Development of Community Organizations Programme (Asas), in addition to improving social services including infrastructure.
- 4- EMERGENCY AND HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE: includes Provision of Humanitarian Assistance and Health Services, as well as Response to Emergency Needs (Rapid Intervention) during urgent situations...



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"I am sure that our support to Palestine and the Palestinians will be the best inheritance we transfer to our sons, it also gives us confidence in our future generations, because goodness transforms only in goodness and because Palestine deserves the best from us"

Dr. Nabil Hani Qaddumi

BOT Chairman

Is WA your suitable choice?

- WA is independent of any political, religious or party affiliation. However WA is proud that it was established by Palestinian and Arab funds. WA always adheres to the international laws related to the acceptance of donations and grants.
- WA is unique in its long partnerships with many renowned national associations that enjoy good reputation in the field of Palestinian development.
- WA has presence in all the areas where projects and programs under its management and support are implemented. It carefully supervises their execution and provides the donors with periodic reports on the work progress.

How can you support?

- Restricted Donation; to be allocated to a certain program or project. WA designs its programs and projects based
 on studies of the needs of the Palestinian Society and its civil institutions. It pays special attention to explore the
 urgent needs imposed by crisis. WA launches well studied campaigns annually to attract support for its programs
 and projects.
- Free Donation; How often you intended to give priority to Palestine in your offerings, and searched for an entity to channel your support that enjoys your trust to direct your support to suitable program or project. WA gives special attention to the free donations as it enhances implementation of vital projects or to participate in the budgets of important projects that requires support for their sustainability.
- Activities Support; you may donate to support activities that WA organizes and publishes through its media products, contributing in the success that enables it to attract funding support and contributes to strengthening its visibility of its role in enhancing the Palestinian development.
- Participate in supporting the image of WA and spread its mission by keeping a number of its publications in your private library or at your office or home.

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We welcome your donations to any program or project of the association as well as your support to its campaigns, by issuing a check or by a bank transfer to the Welfare Association.

Privacy

WA guarantees not to distribute any information and data provided by the donor and will deal with it with care and utmost professionalism. In case you do not wish to declare your name in any of WA documents or information bulletins, please inform us in writing.

Thanks to All Who Participate in Supporting the Palestinian Development

FUNDING SOURCES

WA relies on financing its programmes and projects on its member's annual fees and generous donations by individuals and private sector. It also receives support and grants from prominent regional and international funding agencies, like the World Bank, the Arab Fund for Economic and Social Development, Islamic Development Bank, the Arab Monetary Fund, the European Union, in addition to many regional development agencies, UN agencies and NGOs.

The proceeds of WA endowment created, upon its establishment, by its members, participates in covering operational and administrative costs. WA seeks to develop its endowment which val;ue amounts to about 60 million dollars, and is keen to increase it, with WA members efforts and generous contributions, as it enhances the association ability to achieve its mission and to ensure its sustainability.

WA follows and adapts the recognized international financial systems. Its annullay prepared financial statements are endorsed by the General Assembly and are subject to internal audit and external audit by prominent international audit firms.



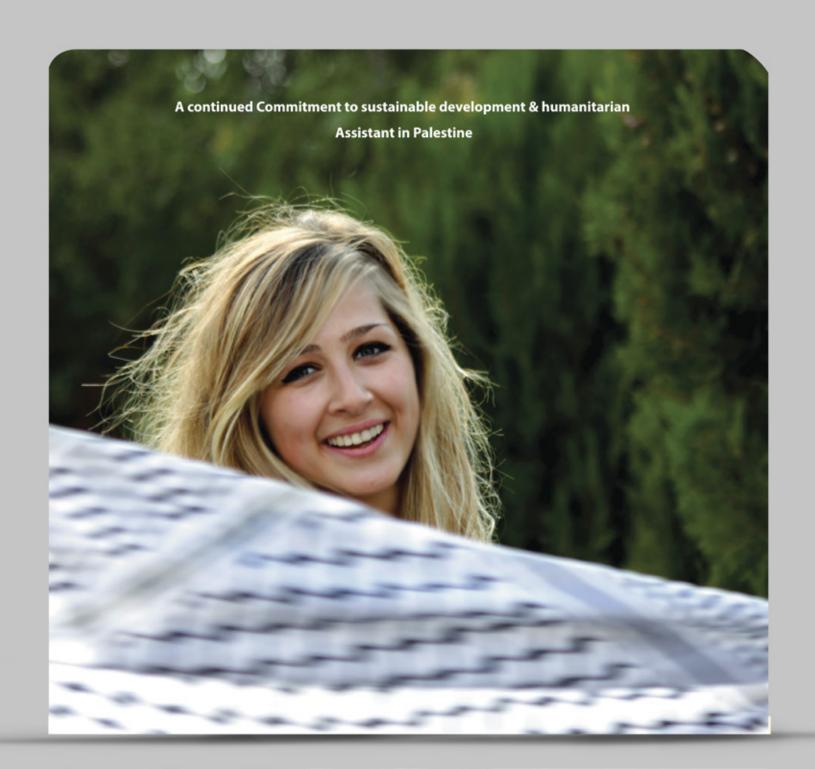
BENEFICIARIES

WA touches the lives of more than one million Palestinians annually through its support for the implementation of thousands of programs and projects in the West Bank including Jerusalem, the Gaza Strip, 1948 Areas, and the Palestinian communities in Lebanon. All Palestinian groups benefit from WA assistance especially, children, youth, the poor, students and people with special needs.



"One of the major factors for the success of WA, in addition to its clear vision and awareness of its role, is the integration of its efforts in planning, management, and field work while carefully evaluating its performance and the impact of its programs. WA success is also the result of its ability to plan strategically for the long term, create and develop active local, regional and international partnerships while following modern and effective management which granted WA the trust it enjoys. The trust WA always strives to maintain and enhance.

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