

## **GAZA GIRLS HUMANITARIAN AID FUND**

***“It gives me so much power and hope to realize that despite our distance and differences, we can open up to each other and take a chance to be truly human.” – Gaza Girl, age 22***

Gaza is home to a population of approximately 2.1 million people, including almost 1.5 million Palestinian refugees. Israel and Egypt have maintained a blockade over Gaza since Hamas took control of the territory in 2007.

Even before this current war, we recognized the harsh circumstances in Gaza that make the situation especially challenging. That’s why we created an innovative program in 2019 to connect young women living in Gaza with the outside world, overcoming the limitations of travel and opportunity they face every day. This program is for Palestinian women, including Palestinians living in Gaza, the West Bank, and Arabs from 48, between the ages of 18-27, who are passionate about social change and peacemaking and who are interested in connecting with their peers to make a positive impact in their communities and the world. It is a 10-week in-person and virtual program where we create safe spaces to build understanding, gain confidence, and inspire action. A peer-to-peer support network teaching leadership, compassionate listening, authentic speaking, and emotional resiliency skills facilitated by inspiring, expert Palestinian facilitators. Culminating with a social impact project on the ground in Gaza, and global connections with their teenage peers in New Mexico, USA participating in our [Peace Ambassador](#) program.

[Learn more](#) about life in Gaza directly from our 2022 program alumnae through their storytelling exchange with our Peace Ambassadors in New Mexico.

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**About the Fund:** This current project aims to provide immediate humanitarian assistance to our Gaza Girls participants, their families and community. The conflict has caused immense suffering and devastation, leaving thousands in urgent need of essential supplies.

**Beneficiaries:** The primary beneficiaries of this project are our Gaza Girls, their families and individuals in their communities who are directly affected by the recent conflict in Gaza, including those who have lost homes and livelihood.

**Goals:**

**Emergency Relief Distribution:**

- Provide essential support such as housing support, food, clean water, diapers, and other essential items to affected families.

**Safe Spaces for Women and Children:**

- Create safe environments where our Gaza Girls and their families and communities, in particular women and children, can receive specialized care and support. *Often women and children are the last to receive supplies in crisis situations.*

**Monitoring and Reporting:**

- Implement rigorous monitoring and reporting mechanisms to track aid distribution and ensure transparency.

**Partnerships:** Tomorrow's Women will work closely with local authorities in Palestine and Gaza including Women of the Sun.

While this project addresses immediate needs, long-term recovery efforts will be integrated to support the rebuilding of communities and livelihoods. The urgency of the situation in Gaza demands immediate action. Our goal is to provide vital aid and psychosocial support to the victims of the recent conflict. By mobilizing resources and expertise, we aim to alleviate suffering and contribute to the recovery and rebuilding of affected communities.

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