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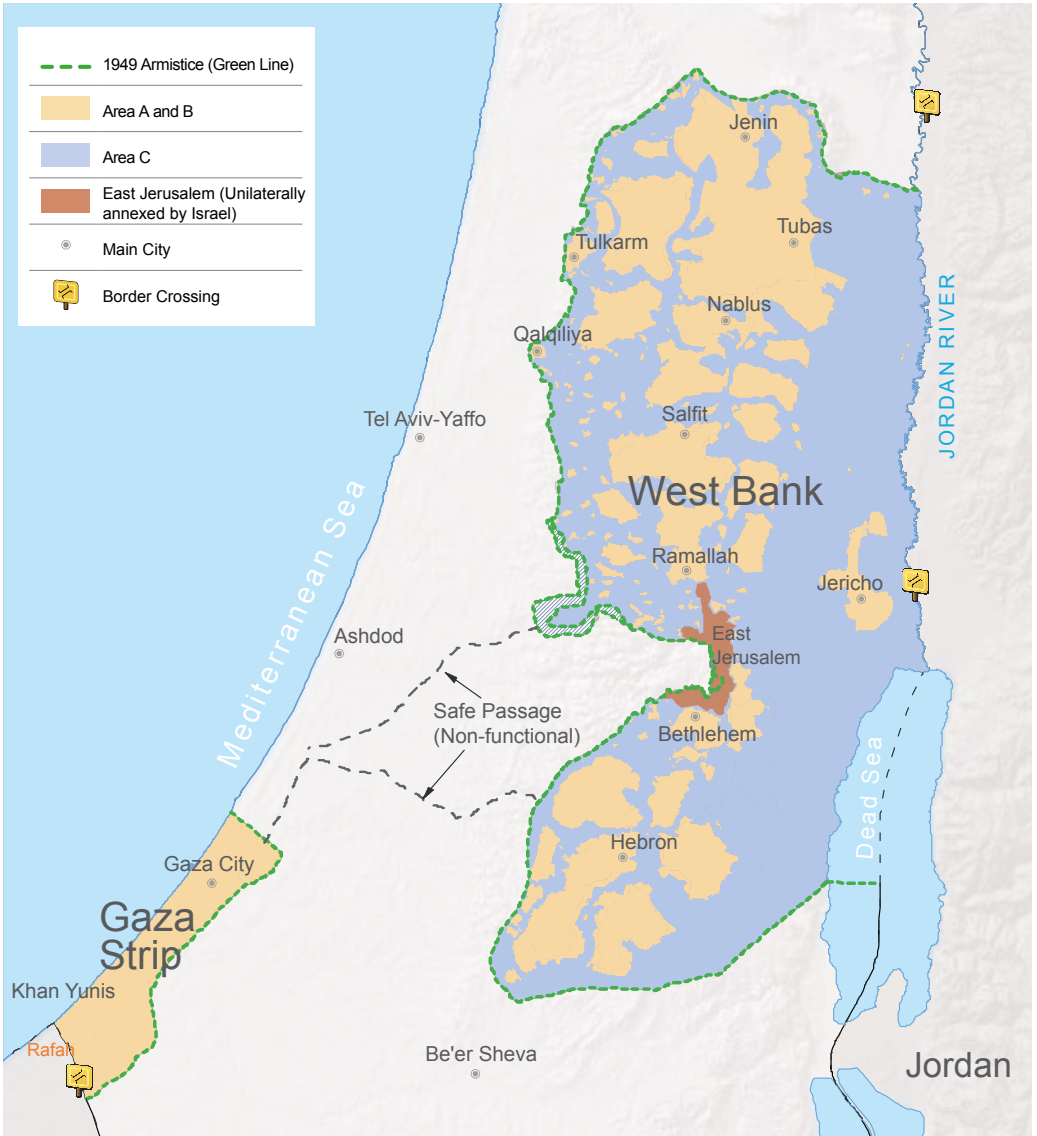
INTRODUCTION

The 52 year-long crisis in Palestine has caused a deteriorating humanitarian situation, with communities in the West Bank suffering from a host of problems and Palestine remains in a state of acute crisis. Palestinians have struggled to cope. Food consumption has fallen by around one-third since 1999, and malnutrition rates have increased. After five decades of occupation and ten years of blockade of the Gaza Strip, large parts of the Palestinian population is facing a protracted crisis with humanitarian consequences caused by restriction on access to basic services such as food, health and education.



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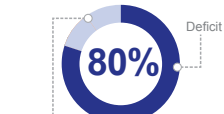
Map showing occupied Palestinian territory



1.9 million
population



Moderate/severe food insecure households



Uncovered energy needs



Potable piped water



1.3 million
need humanitarian assistance

Gaza Strip key facts



Palestinian refugees

Since the 1940s, millions of Palestinians have been living as refugees in areas of the occupied Palestinian territory (oPt) and in surrounding host countries - mostly in Jordan, Lebanon and Syria. UNHCR has described their plight as “by far the most protracted and largest of all refugee problems in the world today”. The majority of Palestinians — around 5 million — are refugees. Nearly one-third of the registered Palestine refugees, more than 1.5 million individuals, live in 58 recognized Palestine refugee camps in Jordan, Lebanon, the Syrian Arab Republic, the Gaza Strip and the West Bank, including East Jerusalem.

Palestine refugees today are facing a human development and protection crisis. Food insecurity and poverty levels are high and rising, and youth unemployment rates are alarming, especially among young women. Palestine refugees are also facing increasing protection threats from armed conflicts in Syria, the West Bank and the Gaza Strip. A growing number are denied the same basic human rights as other citizens due to their legal status, and are excluded from key aspects of social, political and economic life. Children have been particularly impacted by the conflict, leaving them with a deep sense of insecurity, fear and hopelessness.



Ramadan relief - distribution of food packs to Palestine refugees

#giveforfood

For people, families and communities around the world, the holy month of Ramadan is a time of empathy, togetherness and solidarity. This Ramadan, UNRWA and MERCY Malaysia ask you to think of the more than 1 million Palestine refugees across the region who need help to meet their basic food requirements.

PROGRAM OBJECTIVE

To meet immediate term (month of Ramadan) food needs and restore and protect the livelihoods of vulnerable and marginalised refugees

KEY DELIVERABLES

Food packs containing general and supplementary food

DIRECT BENEFICIARIES

Approximately 1,000 Palestine refugee families

FUND REQUIRED

RM 400,000 (USD 100,000)

PROGRAM PERIOD

April 2019 – May 2019 (1 month)



Adopt a school in Gaza to provide a quality, inclusive education for Palestine refugee children

“...Like other children in the world, we want to play and be educated.”

Yafa Abu Hadrous, sixth-grade honours student at Al-Amal Preparatory Girls' School

PROGRAM OBJECTIVE

Safeguarding the right to education for Palestine refugees in the Gaza Strip

KEY DELIVERABLES

1. Approximately 3,000 Palestine refugee students attending three UNRWA schools in Gaza receive education for one year
2. Providing 3,000 students at the targeted school with a package of school supplies

DIRECT BENEFICIARIES

Approximately 3,000 students in Gaza from grade 1 to grade 9 (6-15 years old)

FUND REQUIRED

RM 10,000,000 (USD 2,450,000)

PROGRAM PERIOD

1 January 2019 – 31 December 2019 (12 months)



Strengthening Gaza's health system

In 2018, UNRWA recorded some 4 million patient visits at its health centres across Gaza, and is committed to ensuring that the 1.5 million Palestine refugees that rely on its health care services receive the treatment and support they need. In order to do this, UNRWA and MERCY Malaysia needs to procure medical equipment for its health centres. With your support we can sustain vital health-care services at 22 health centres and help strengthen the overall healthcare system across the Gaza strip.

PROGRAM OBJECTIVE

Sustaining health services for Palestine refugees in the Gaza Strip

KEY DELIVERABLES

Primary health services and provision of medical equipment to support vital health services

DIRECT BENEFICIARIES

1.9 million Palestine refugees that rely on UNRWA's health care services in Gaza

FUND REQUIRED

RM 3,600,000 (USD 876,960)

PROGRAM PERIOD

14 months



Providing psychosocial support to Gaza's children

War causes severe trauma and has a terrible effect on society's children. It is estimated that 373,000 children in Gaza now require direct and specialized psychosocial support.

PROGRAM OBJECTIVE

Protection of Palestine refugees from the effects of the conflict and violence through access to services and advocacy, awareness-raising and the provision of mental health assistance and to strengthen the psychosocial coping skills of children and families affected by the ongoing protracted humanitarian crisis in Gaza

KEY DELIVERABLES

60,000 students attending 60 schools will be provided with specialist psychosocial support services by school counsellors during 2019

DIRECT BENEFICIARIES

60,000 students

FUND REQUIRED

RM 1,225,000 (USD 300,000)

PROGRAM PERIOD

12 months



Safe drinking water for all

Although 98% of Gaza's residents are connected to the water network, only 48% of households have running water four to seven days a week: while the remaining 52% rely on wells and water tankers which are all monitored by either UNRWA or the Ministry of Health's Public Health Laboratory.

PROGRAM OBJECTIVE

Improving drinking water safety and improve routine microbiological and chemical testing of drinking water in Gaza

KEY DELIVERABLES

Upgraded UNRWA and Public Health Laboratory water quality monitoring laboratory.

Train relevant UNRWA and Public Health Laboratory and field staff on the use, maintenance and repair of water treatment and testing equipments, as well as on additional threats to water safety

DIRECT BENEFICIARIES

1.9 million Palestine refugees in Gaza

FUND REQUIRED

RM 800,000 (USD 200,000)

PROGRAM PERIOD

8 months



Resilient health infrastructure

Years of Israeli siege, coupled with crippling electricity cuts, have pushed the Strip's health system close to failure. Gaza's 14 public hospitals and 16 health facilities now "face partial or complete closure of essential services", according to the World Health Organization (WHO).

PROGRAM OBJECTIVE

Hospitals Safe from Disasters: Reduce Risk, Protect Health Facilities, Save Lives

KEY DELIVERABLES

Train and support hospitals in formulating their own "all hazard" emergency plans in accordance with their manpower and infrastructural resources

Support vulnerability assessments and applying practical measures to mitigate damage in hospitals, addressing structural and nonstructural aspects, as well as administrative and internal organization

DIRECT BENEFICIARIES

2 hospitals; 1.5 million Palestine refugees in Gaza

FUND REQUIRED

RM 2,400,000 (USD 600,000)

PROGRAM PERIOD

2 years



MERCY Malaysia - UNRWA partnership support for Palestine refugees

Partners play an increasingly vital role in the delivery of human development and emergency assistance to Palestine refugees. The United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA) and MERCY Malaysia unique partnership offers opportunities across diverse sectors, including health, education, camp infrastructure (water) relief and social services, and risk reduction and protection.

Against the backdrop of increasingly scarce resources, ambitious relief, protection and development goals, as well as increasing needs amongst the Palestinian refugees, this smart partnership is designed to deliver the most effective support for them. Through this partnership, diversified programming and services can be offered at refugee camps, with improved access to information and data.

Joint-program delivery, capacity building programs, good coordination and exploring new sustainable financing models will be explored together with the sole objective of serving the Palestinian refugees. This partnership is also guided by our Agenda for Humanity's commitments.



ship: delivering the most effective

Population
4.9 million
 Palestinians live in the oPt,
 with 2.97 million in the West Bank
 and 1.88 million in the Gaza Strip

Food insecurity
47% of the population of
 the Gaza Strip and
+ 16% of the population of
 the West Bank

Refugees
43 percent
 of the oPt population are Palestine
 refugees and nearly 50% are
 below the age of 18

Water needs
66 litres /capita/day in the
 Gaza Strip
+ 79 litres /capita/day in the
 West Bank
 *WHO's standard is 100 litres/capita/day



Agenda for Humanity - our commitment to the Palestinian humanitarian crisis by providing essential services for the well-being, human development and protection of Palestine refugees



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