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Mohammad Othman
CEO

Another year has passed for the Syrians, full of challenges, and great difficulties leading to an increase in their suffering. According to the “Humanitarian Needs Overview – HNO” report, the number of people in need of humanitarian assistance in 2023 increased to 15.3 million people, of whom 85% are unable to secure their basic needs. The gap in humanitarian needs in the northwestern region of Syria has widened greatly over the past years, as the population of the region has reached 4.5 million people, 90% of whom depend on humanitarian aid. This is equivalent to 4.1 million people, most of whom are women, children and elderly, in addition to the low economic conditions, high levels of poverty and the collapse of infrastructure. All these conditions prompted many to use negative coping mechanisms to coexist with reality. Al-Sham Humanitarian Foundation puts “human service” at the center of its work to provide the best quality services.

In 2022, Al-Sham Humanitarian Foundation (AHF) provided life-saving humanitarian services through its main operating sectors health and nutrition, food security, protection, and the early recovery and livelihood sectors. The number of people who benefited from the organizations free humanitarian services has exceeded 985,000. The humanitarian funding for the Syrian humanitarian response has amounted to only 52% of the total amount required. This has constituted great burdens on the beneficiaries, causing a shortage of services and creating a large gap between the size of the needs and the work that has been achieved, and yet we were able to achieve the organizations financial target set for the year 2022, helping to develop the quality of services and expand the reach to the largest segment of beneficiaries. AHF gives great importance to strategic planning, as it launched its strategic plan for the year 2022-2025 in order to steer the organization during the coming years to achieve its vision and desired goals, which relies on five basic initiatives, namely: Administrative development - Striving towards financial sustainability - Developing services and programs - Strengthening the internal structure and capacity building - Developing communication and connection. We pay a great deal of attention to internal development, governance, transparency, compliance with laws, and the provision of quality services to the affected people with high quality, and this was reflected in building great trust with donors, local and international partners, leading to an expansion of these partnerships to creating new ones.


Lastly, I extend my sincere gratitude to all our supporters and donors for their great generosity in financing projects and providing the necessary support to reduce the burden on the Syrian people, and I also thank the team of Al-Sham Humanitarian Foundation for their belief that serving people is one of the highest goals, and without their work and dedication, we would not have reached the results that we present in our annual report.

Gratefully,
Mohammad Othman

AHF in Brief

Al-Sham Humanitarian Foundation is a non-profit, non-governmental organization, established in 2011 in response to the Syrian humanitarian crisis, and officially registered in Türkiye in 2013. The organization works to meet people's humanitarian needs by implementing projects and humanitarian services for the most vulnerable groups in Syria and Türkiye. It has a team of highly experienced employees qualified in the humanitarian sector, in addition to a strong, organized structure, with technology based on the best international and humanitarian standards.



Vision:  To be one of the most effective and distinguished Organization in enabling the Syrian society to make it more stable and sustainable.



Mission:



We contribute to providing humanitarian services and social development programs to build and empower the Syrian society with institutional competence and effective partnership.



Values:



Quality



Teamwork



Initiative



Reliability



Main Objectives:



Working within rational institutional effectiveness.



Empowering Syrian civil society with all its civil components.



Contributing to achieving community development and security.



Achieving stakeholder requirements and satisfaction.

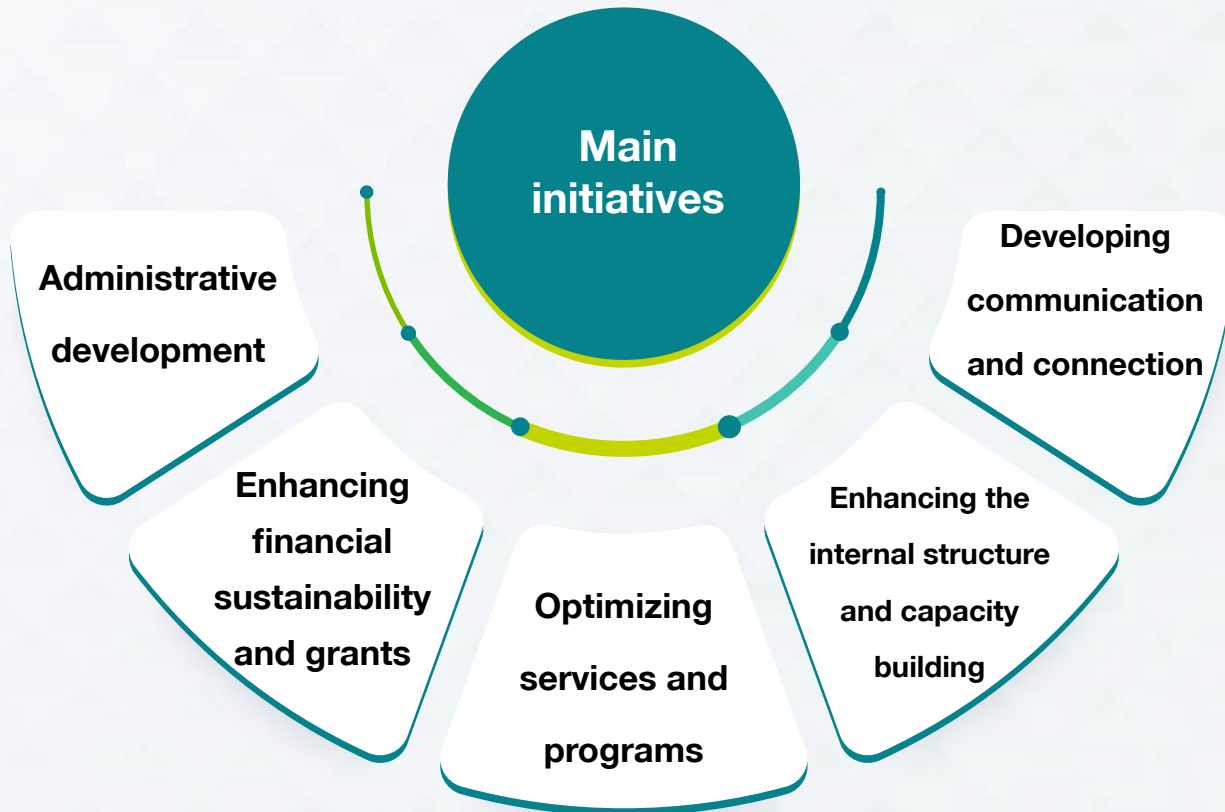
Area of Reach

Al-Sham Humanitarian Foundation was able to expand its reach in the regions of northwestern Syria (Idlib Governorate and its countryside and rural Aleppo Governorate) within the Syrian humanitarian response and the refugee response in Türkiye in both Adana and Hatay. It also has the necessary legal approvals to operate in these areas:



Strategic Plan 2022-2025

Al-Sham Humanitarian Foundation launched in mid-2022, its new strategic plan centered on five basic initiatives, under which the strategic goals that help achieve the strategic direction.



Humanitarian Response 2022



Total donations

6,503,213

US dollars



Number of
beneficiaries is

993,654

beneficiaries





850,385
beneficiaries
4,310,936
US dollars



92,900
beneficiaries
1,385,824
US dollars



49,774
beneficiaries
403,314
US dollars



595
beneficiaries
403,139
US dollars



Health and Nutrition Sector

The program works to raise the level of medical care services in Syria, by providing primary healthcare through 3 dispensaries, a mobile clinic, and an ambulance system consisting of 20 vehicles that operate through coordination and systemic referral. Moreover, secondary healthcare services are provided by 4 specialized hospitals including pediatric, internal medicine, and surgical hospitals, as well as qualitative projects that provide specialized services in fields of routine vaccinations and rehabilitation. The organization also contributed in the response to the cholera pandemic by establishing two cholera treatment centers in Dana and Atarib. In addition to having nutrition projects for early detection and treatment of malnutrition, which AHF makes available through two stabilization centers, two nutrition clinics and 15 rapid response teams, providing services through distinguished teams that have followed the principle of continuous improvement in the quality of services provided.



Total donations

4,310,936

US dollars



Number of beneficiaries is

850,385

Beneficiaries



Children

346,146

Beneficiaries



Adults

494,914

Beneficiaries



Persons with special needs

5,150

Beneficiaries

Al-Sham Specialized Pediatric Hospital

The hospital is one of the largest in northwest Syria, as it covers over 20% of the number of beds in Idlib, 38% of the Harem region, and 45% in Dana. It contributes to enhancing the quality of specialized medical services through primary, secondary and tertiary healthcare services for children. It includes specialized outpatient clinics for children, inpatient ward, pediatric intensive care unit, neonatal intensive care unit, neonatal department, malnutrition department, isolation department, rehabilitation and physiotherapy for children, routine vaccination department and isolation department for contagious diseases such as Covid cases. Moreover, the isolation section is dedicated to admitting cases of malnutrition with cholera which was opened recently.

Work area

Sarmada- Idlib

Number of beneficiaries

55,2K beneficiaries



Children

1,4K

beneficiaries



Persons with special needs

55,2K

beneficiaries

Pediatric Hospital in Sejo

The hospital is located in the area of Sejo camps in the Azaz area and was opened in 2015. This hospital largely contributed to decreasing the suffering of the displaced population in the region by providing healthcare services for children around the hour for free. Its services covered more than ten camps and it consists of a clinical department, incubator department, patient department, isolation rooms and ambulances. The hospital provides basic services such as examinations, patient admissions and follow-ups, in addition to providing supportive secondary health services such as laboratory tests, x-rays and medicines under the supervision of specialized medical staff.

Work area

Sejo- Rural Aleppo

Number of beneficiaries

14.5K beneficiaries



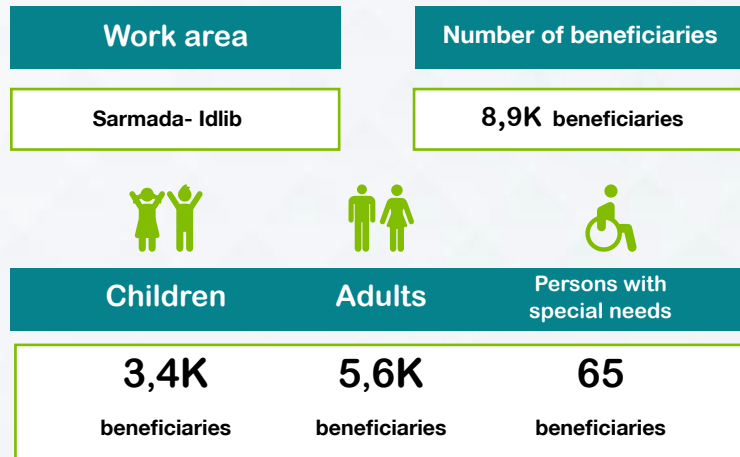
Children

14.5K

beneficiaries

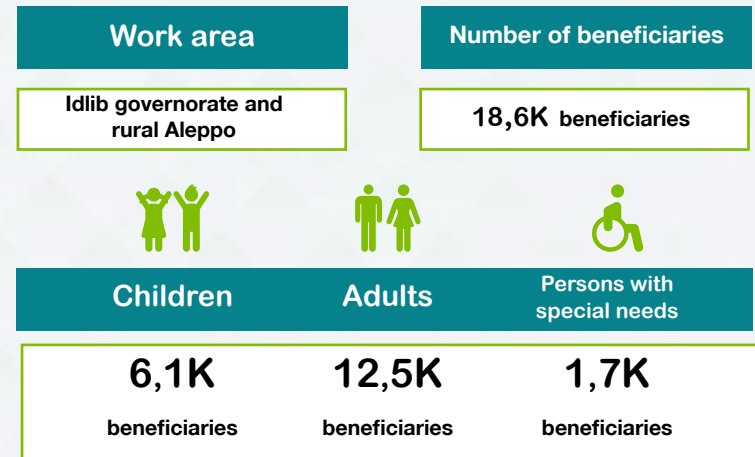
Al-Sham Surgical Hospital

This hospital is located in the Sarmada area and contributes to enhancing the quality of specialized healthcare services in the area. The hospital consists of an operation department consisting of three fully equipped operating rooms, an emergency department, a clinical department consisting of a general surgery clinic and an orthopedic surgery clinic, in addition to five recovery rooms, a laboratory, an x-ray room, and a pharmacy. The hospital provides free medical services around the clock to residents and displaced people in the north of Idlib in the areas of Dana and Sarmada, through general, endoscopic, emergency and orthopedic surgeries, in addition to supporting services under the supervision of specialized medical staff.



Al-Sham Emergency Ambulance System

Al-Sham Ambulance System was established in 2014 and it provides its services in northwest Syria through 20 equipped ambulances specialized in transporting advanced emergency cases and referring patients to hospitals and medical centers and to border crossings in coordination with the central referral system. In addition to that, there are ambulances with female staff in order to provide assistance to female patients. Moreover, there is a special vehicle for transporting people with special needs to provide the highest level of safety, comfort and speed. The system also participates effectively in the referral of infected and suspect cases of COVID 19 and provides effective response for the transportation of cholera cases.



Al-Sham Specialized Hospital for Internal Diseases

Al-Sham Specialized Hospital for Internal Diseases provides distinguished services through internal, heart and chest specialties in addition to the service of upper and lower endoscopy and bronchoscopy. The hospital is considered one of the most important hospitals in the governorate because of its multiple specializations. The hospital receives critical cases in the intensive care unit which contains 20 beds, including 5 beds allocated for Covid 19 patients. The hospital provides healthcare for moderate cases by providing 35 beds, including 5 beds which have been allocated for Covid 19 patients. This is in addition to providing emergency services in the emergency department that contains 6 beds.

Work area

Tal Al-Karama - Al-Dana - Idlib

Number of beneficiaries

11,7K beneficiaries



Children

854

beneficiaries



Adults

10,8K

beneficiaries



Persons with special needs

511

beneficiaries

Cholera Treatment Centers

In response to the serious spread of cholera disease in Syria, two centers were equipped to deal with the healthcare needed. The first center is located in Al-Dana area with a capacity of 60 beds and the second center is located in Al-Atareb area with a capacity of 50 beds. These two areas are regarded as hot spots of the cholera case outbreak. The cases referred from neighboring centers and hospitals are received around the clock. These two centers provide all the necessary medical services for cholera patients through an integrated medical team that is qualified with the necessary training to deal with cases, to treat and monitor them. Moreover, the team provides recommendations and advice related to how to prevent infection to all visitors of the center.

Work area

Atarib - rural Aleppo - Dana - Idlib

Number of beneficiaries

285 beneficiaries



Children

66

beneficiaries



Adults

216

beneficiaries



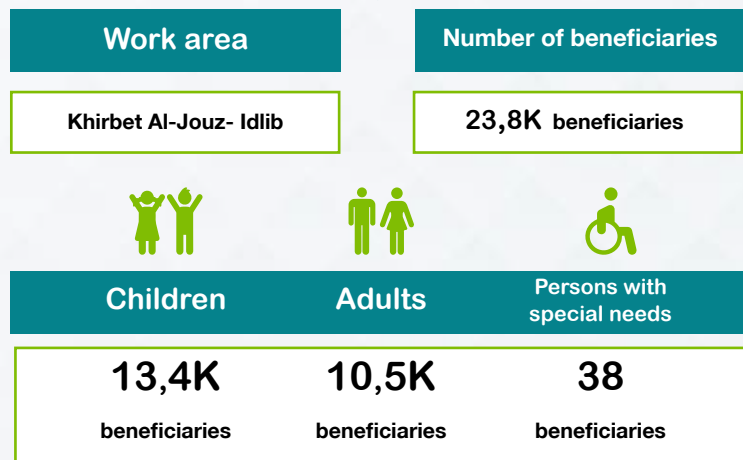
Persons with special needs

36

beneficiaries

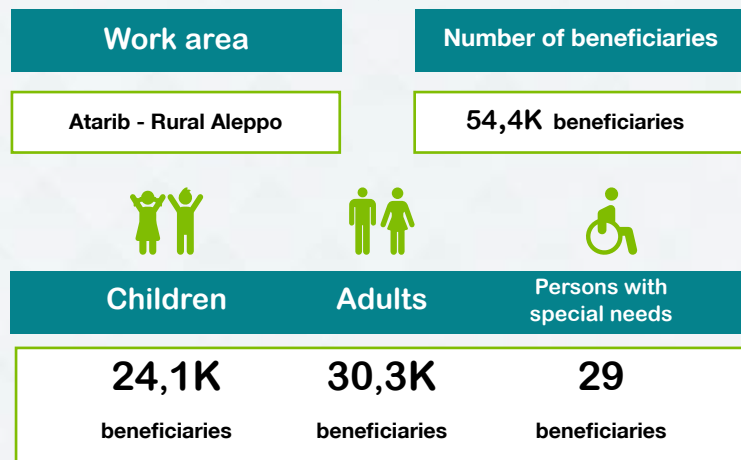
Al-Sham Health Center in Khirbet Al-Jouz

The center has been providing primary healthcare services for more than 6 years and this is in response to the increased health requirements in an area which contains several camps in the southern area of Idlib. Displaced persons and the host community benefit from the medical consultation of this center, provided by the clinics of general medicine, pediatric and a women's clinic. The center also provides necessary medicine for patients, as it has been contributing to enhancing the health situation in the area since its establishment. The center also participates in the epidemiological surveillance of the region by reporting contagious diseases in order to prevent and respond to cases of disease outbreaks quickly and to track cases of infectious diseases, especially with the outbreak of cholera in northwest Syria.



Al-Sham Health Center in Al-Atareb

In response to the increase in needs and the return of residents to the city of Al-Atareb, whose numbers reached approximately 70,000 people, the Al-Sham Health Center provides primary healthcare services through the clinics of internal medicine, pediatric, dental, reproductive health, emergency and malnutrition. All children from the age of 6 to 59 months get screened, as well as pregnant and breastfeeding women as well as all cases of moderate and severe malnutrition which get treated in the center. Cases of extra severe malnutrition get referred to centers specialized in malnutrition. The center provides treatment and monitoring for Leishmania cases, and it also provides basic auxiliary services like lab tests and medicine for the visitors.



Al-Sham Health Center in Sejo

The center is located in camp Sejo, an area which has a number of camps, most of which lack initial health services. The center started its work in 2015 and it consists of internal medicine, pediatric, dental, ophthalmology and malnutrition clinics as well as covid 19 vaccination clinics, a women's department, and a natural birthing department which contains a clinic for reproductive health, labor and recovery. Moreover, it contains a department for basic auxiliary services including emergency, lab, x-rays and pharmacy. The clinics work within normal working hours while the obstetrics and emergency departments provide their services around the clock.

Work area

Sejo – Rural Aleppo

Number of beneficiaries

66K beneficiaries



Children

40K

beneficiaries



Adults

26,2K

beneficiaries



Persons with special needs

112

beneficiaries

Mobile Dental Clinic

In cooperation with the Turkish Red Crescent, the Mobile Dental Clinic works to provide services in four camps for displaced persons in the Al-Sama area north of Aleppo. The clinic periodically moves among the camps. The number of displaced persons in these camps reached over 40,000 persons. The clinic is equipped with all the necessary medical equipment and provides basic dental services like extractions, endodontic treatments, regular and cosmetic fillings in a camp area that lacks dental services. The clinic has greatly alleviated the suffering of the people due to the lack of services being provided to the camps due to the difficulty of reach, especially in the winter.

Work area

Sejo - A'zaz- Rural Aleppo

Number of beneficiaries

4,9K beneficiaries



Children

1,9K

beneficiaries



Adults

3K

beneficiaries

Al-Sham Rehabilitation Center

The center is located in the Tal Al-Karama area and consists of a Department of Prosthetic and a Department of Physical Therapy and Rehabilitation. The Prosthetic Department manufactures and installs prosthetics for amputee persons. This is in addition to providing periodic maintenance for the prosthetic limb as well as manufacturing the plastic support medical cast for the limbs. The Department of Physical Therapy is concerned with training the injured and rehabilitating them to use the prosthesis in an optimal manner. It includes an examination clinic, a motor hall, a children's training hall, an electrical appliances hall, as well as a hall dedicated to training and rehabilitating women with an all-female team. The center provides additional medical accessories to patients for free.

Work area

Tal Al-Karama - Al-Dana - Idlib

Number of beneficiaries

2,8K beneficiaries



Children

940

beneficiaries



Adults

1,8K

beneficiaries



Persons with special needs

784

beneficiaries

Central Routine Vaccination Center in Idlib

Al-Sham Humanitarian Foundation is supervising the routine vaccination project in Idlib by supporting the central clinics for routine vaccinations in Idlib, consisting of seven rooms, in cooperation with the World Health Organization (WHO), the Idlib Health Directorate and the Syria Vaccination Team. The project aims to resume the implementation of activities of the vaccination program to cover children who are eligible for vaccinations according to the approved routine vaccination program (B Hep, BCG 0, and Penta, IPV, OPV MMR) for children under two years old up to school-age, in addition to the tetanus vaccine for women from 15-49 years.

Work area

Idlib governorate

Number of beneficiaries

444K beneficiaries



Children

157,8K

beneficiaries



Adults

286,1K

beneficiaries

Emergency Response and Nutrition Project

The project contributes to expanding the scope of current nutritional services for children under the age of five as well as pregnant and lactating women, and to fill the nutritional gaps in northwest Syria. Nutrition services are provided in two main centers at the Al-Sham Specialized Hospital for Children in Sarmada and Al-Sham Medical Complex in Sejo, which are considered as the main centers for healthcare cases and malnutrition in the two regions. This is in addition to the Case Stabilization center in Sarmada, which treats cases of cholera with malnutrition, and 15 rapid response teams that cover more than 30 residential gatherings and more than 70 camps for the displaced in both Idlib and Aleppo.

Work area

A'zaz- Rural Aleppo
- Idlib governorate



Children

102K

beneficiaries

Number of beneficiaries

145,1K beneficiaries



Adults

43,4K

beneficiaries



Success story



Sham, who is only 12 days old, visited Al-Sham Specialized Pediatric Hospital accompanied by her parents after being referred from another hospital in Idlib. After examination, Sham was admitted and placed in an incubator in the intensive care unit as her condition was bad and her heart and breathing had stopped. Cardiopulmonary resuscitation was performed on her, and the child was intubated and placed on the mechanical ventilation device, and through follow-up it was revealed that she had respiratory failure, in addition to pneumonia and severe septicemia. The child received treatment and therapeutic aspiration while in the incubator for a period of 8 days with the supervision of medical and technical staff trained to follow critical cases. Following the 8 days of treatment, her health condition improved, and she received medical and therapeutic monitoring in the department. Sham's case is considered one of the complex cases that was managed by a swift emergency medical evaluation and prompt treatment by the staff of Al-sham Specialized Pediatric Hospital. Sham is now a healthy child, looking forward to a bright future.

Success story



Jamal Hamad, a 50-year-old man, was referred to Al-Sham Specialized Hospital for Internal Diseases from another hospital through the referral system. While conducting the initial evaluation, the patient's heart stopped. The medical team performed cardiopulmonary resuscitation and intubation for the patient in the emergency department. The patient was put on the automatic ventilation, and after the necessary lab tests, it was identified that the patient had a severe heart attack and a previous lung infection which had put the patient into a critical state.

After continuous examination, monitoring and treatment, the patient remained on the automatic ventilation for 5 days, as his condition remarkably improved and he left the hospital in a stable state, with the necessary medication. Following his recovery, the patient Jamal Hamad said, "My condition has become excellent, and I thank God and then the medical staff at Al-Sham Specialized Hospital for Internal Diseases for following up on my condition until my full recovery."



Food Security and Emergency Response Sector

The program aims to alleviate human suffering and respond to food needs necessary for people to obtain healthy, safe and nutritious diets suitable for everybody enabling them to enjoy a wholesome and active life. The program has the objective of improving the level of food security through the distribution of free bread to displaced families. In addition to that, the program aims to implement projects that enhance economic development in the fields of agriculture and livestock by working on increasing the production of agriculture crops and animal products and increasing their quality to fill the gap in the local consumption. Moreover, the program supports community resilience, increasing income-generating activities, accessing safe, productive and fair-paid work, and rehabilitating the necessary infrastructure.



Total donations

1,385,824

US dollars



Number of beneficiaries is

92,900

Beneficiaries



Children

78,8K

Beneficiaries



Adults

41,8K

Beneficiaries



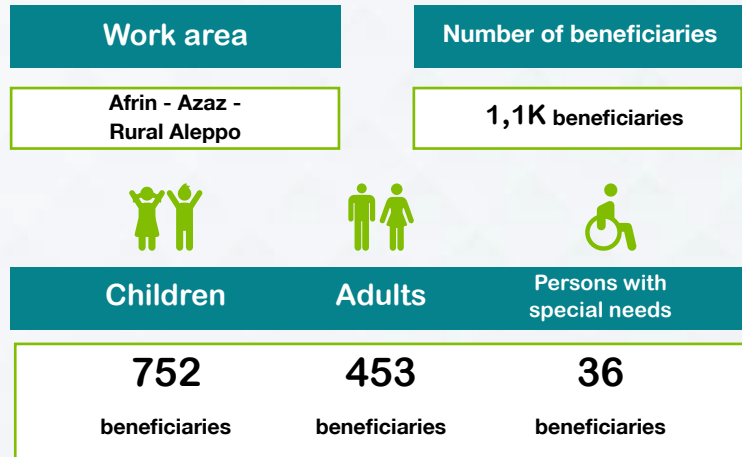
Persons with special needs

1,6K

Beneficiaries

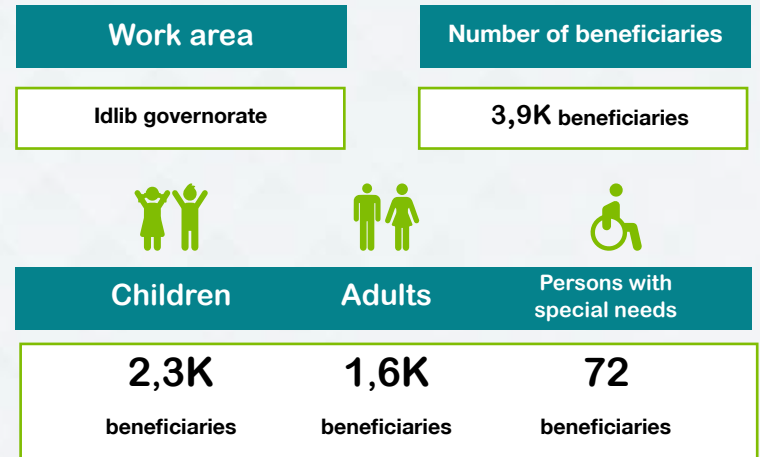
Emergency Response (Rural Aleppo)

Al-Sham Humanitarian Foundation implemented response projects in the rural areas of Aleppo as a result of the conditions experienced by the most vulnerable displaced families in Afrin and Azaz camps in northern rural Aleppo. The organization distributed, through the Eid sacrifice project, rations to the displaced and poor families, in order to reduce their living burdens and improve their living conditions and resilience, in light of the difficult conditions that they are going through in the camps.



Ramadan Projects (Idlib)

During the year 2022, Al-Sham Humanitarian Foundation implemented several emergency response projects in Idlib Governorate, northwest Syria. These projects were aimed at responding to the most vulnerable families through the meal projects. They provided 463 packaged meals, and financial aid for 125 families and the zakat al-fitr for 120 families, in addition to Eid clothes distribution to 15 children during the month of Ramadan in order to reduce the burden on these families and increase their living conditions and resilience.



Kurban Project (Idlib)

During the year 2022, Al-Sham Humanitarian Foundation implemented a sacrificial project in partnership with the Turkish Red Crescent in rural Idlib, where 700 sacrificial meats were distributed. These sacrificial meats were distributed through the Eid sacrifice project to 5,000 displaced and poor families in light of the difficult conditions of displaced families in camps in coordination with the Turkish Red Crescent in northwestern Syria. An additional 32 sacrifices were made for the displaced and poor families in Maarat Misrin.

Work area

Idlib governorate

Number of beneficiaries

2,6K beneficiaries



Children

1,5K

beneficiaries



Adults

1,1K

beneficiaries



Persons with special needs

79

beneficiaries

Kah Bakery

The Kah Bakery project aimed to enhance the food security of the displaced by distributing bread to the targeted families to reduce their living burdens and improve their living conditions. The bakery covered more than 25 camps for the displaced in the Dana area and produced daily about 400 bundles of bread, each weighing one kilogram. The bakery team took great precautions to ensure sterilization and preventive measures were adhered to limit the spread of contagious diseases in the region.

Work area

Kah- Idlib governorate

Number of beneficiaries

38,2K beneficiaries



Children

20,8K

beneficiaries



Adults

17,4K

beneficiaries



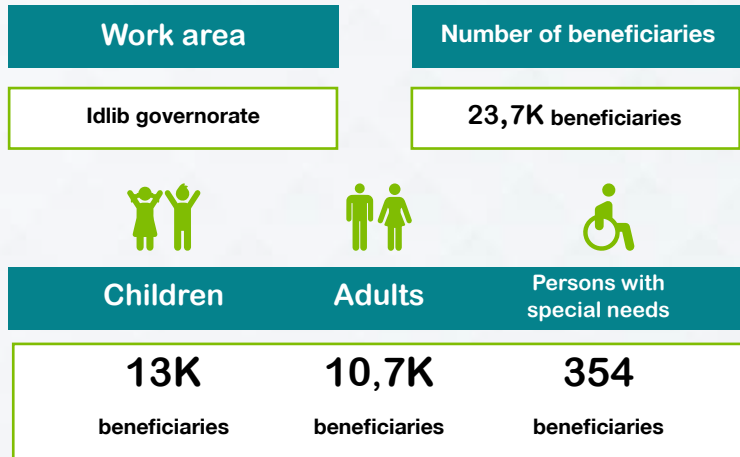
Persons with special needs

606

beneficiaries

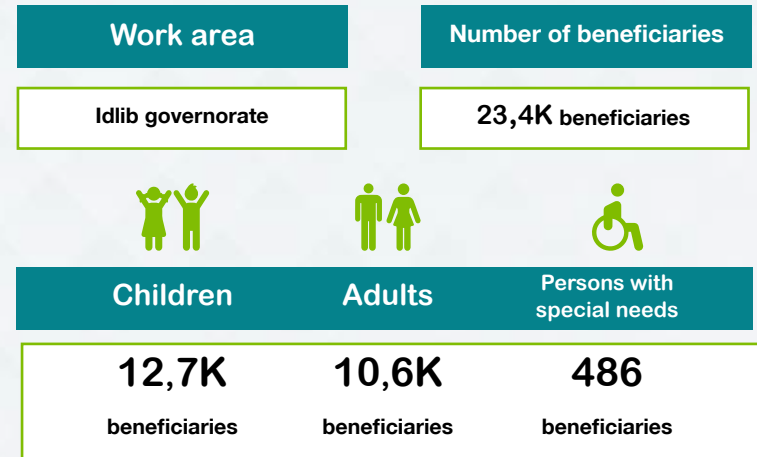
Support to Wheat Farmers I Early Recovery, Food Security, Livelihood and Integrated Protection Services to those in Need in Idlib

The project in Idlib worked to bridge the gap in the wheat value chain by supporting wheat farmers with fertilizer, irrigation, harvesting, purchasing their produce, and providing wheat seeds for the next planting season in Maarat Misrin and Ram Hamdan. It also provided support to the affected displaced communities in the Dana camps with the distribution of bread to targeted families to ease their living burdens and improve their living conditions. The beneficiaries were selected through targeting criteria for the most vulnerable displaced families in northwestern Syria. The project covered 18 camps for a period of three months. The quantity distributed was 374,000 bundles of bread, each weighing one kilogram.



Support to Wheat Farmers II Food Security, Livelihood, Early Recovery and Integrated Nutrition Services to those in Need in Idlib

The project worked to support wheat farmers in purchasing their produce to improve the resilience of farmers in Jisr Al-Shugur and Mahbel in Idlib by purchasing wheat at a subsidized price from 500 farmers, at a rate of 2 tons from each farmer. The project also supports affected displaced communities in the Dana camps by distributing bread to families to reduce their living burdens. The beneficiaries are selected according to the criteria of targeting the most vulnerable displaced families in the region. The project covers 7 camps and produces daily about 250 bundles of bread, each weighing one kilogram.



Success story



Farmer Tawfiq Arnab, from the village of Ram Hamdan, north of Idlib, has been working in the cultivation of wheat and vegetables for a long time. The farmer says: “Previously, every year, farmers were exposed to a set of obstacles related to the lack of support for agriculture and the provision of the necessary supplies to improve the production of agricultural crops.” He adds: “This year, Al-Sham Humanitarian Foundation worked to support us farmers from the beginning of the season until its end resolving the issues, by watering the land, spraying fertilizers, and then supporting the harvest at the end of the season.” The engineers in the organization supervised all stages of cultivation and conducted field tours to detect field flaws and how to mitigate them with pesticides, in addition to conducting trainings for farmers on crop care, which led to an improvement in the quality of production over the past years.

Success story



Abu Ahmed, an elderly man from eastern rural Maarat al-Numan displaced to the town of Maarat Misrin, north of Idlib, suffers from difficult economic conditions due to his displacement and the lack of job opportunities. He says, “I rented a plot of land to invest in agriculture. I cultivated it with wheat, but due to the difficult financial situation and poor capabilities, I could not take care of it. I registered with Al-Sham Humanitarian Foundation in the project of supporting the series of cultivation of wheat, and after evaluation, I was accepted in the project. They supported by watering and spraying fertilizers and harvesting the crops at the end of the season. Thank God and the support I received from the organization, the wheat crop quality was enhanced, and as a result for the continuous follow-up from the agricultural engineers in the organization who provided me with all the support I needed my situation has improved greatly.”



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Protection sector

The Protection program operates in north-western Syria, in Idlib, northern rural Aleppo, and southeastern Türkiye in the states of Adana and Hatay within the framework of 2022 and 3RP Humanitarian Response Plans. It aims at promoting prevention and providing activities aimed at obtaining full respect for individual rights without discrimination, providing quality, principled and needs-based assistance to the most vulnerable segment, improving protection for war-affected populations as well as providing increasing and equitable access for men, women, boys and girls to protection interventions in targeted locations. This is in addition to strengthening the capacity of actors to limit the use of harmful coping mechanisms by beneficiaries as well as analyzing and addressing protection risks through the provision of general protection activities, child protection activities, women's protection activities, and awareness of war remnants in line with international law, international humanitarian law, and international human rights law.



Total donations

403,314

US dollars



Number of beneficiaries is

49,774

Beneficiaries



Children

19,6K

Beneficiaries



Adults

30,1K

Beneficiaries



Persons with special needs

301

Beneficiaries

Al-Mahmoud Home

The Aal Mahmoud Home project worked to empower and protect refugee families without a breadwinner in Adana for one year. Twenty-one families from the most vulnerable groups benefited from the project, as the project had a positive impact in rehabilitating and empowering families and reintegrating them within the Turkish society to increase social cohesion. It also contributed to protecting families and reducing their exposure to abuse, exploitation in work, in addition to improving the educational, behavioral and cultural level of children by linking the benefit of the services of the home to the return and continuation of children in school, in addition to building the professional capacities of mothers and linking them to the labor market.

Work area

Adnaa - Türkiye

Number of beneficiaries

80 beneficiaries



Children

59

beneficiaries



Adults

21

beneficiaries

Protection from Risks of Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (PSEA) Project

The project aimed to provide protection from sexual abuse and exploitation by identifying any adverse practices of humanitarian workers inside Syria, setting appropriate mitigation plans and following up on their implementation as well as enhancing the awareness of local communities about protection from the dangers of PSEA and unifying the complaint mechanism used in the process of reporting cases of SEA and forming local committees for monitoring. Moreover, it works on building the capacity of humanitarian workers on protection from sexual abuse and exploitation, as well as providing various project services through several mobile teams composed of specialized and trained teams.cadres.

Work area

Al-Janoudiyah
- Idlib governorate

Number of beneficiaries

17,4K beneficiaries



Children

3,2K

beneficiaries



Adults

14,2K

beneficiaries



Persons with special needs

46

beneficiaries

Dar Al-Bashaer for the Care of Refugee Families Without Breadwinners

The project aimed at providing protection services, asylum, and decent housing for refugee families without a breadwinner in Türkiye, in addition to improving the educational level of children by supporting their continuation in school. Moreover, it works on enhancing the behavioral and educational aspects of the children and families living in the Home, as well as helping to build life skills of the Home's families and providing them with the Turkish language, which helps in their integration into the Turkish society. It also works on providing a safe environment for them, which helps prevent children from being exposed to risks, abuse and exploitation.

Work area

Hatay - Türkiye



Children

25

beneficiaries

Number of beneficiaries

35 beneficiaries



Adults

10

beneficiaries

Sawa'ad Alkhayr 5

The project sought to reach the most vulnerable groups, orphaned children, since they face additional difficulties in life as a result of their special circumstances and the exceptional difficult conditions that Syria is going through. The project is based on providing funds of various amounts and clothes for 328 orphans from zakat donations, raising the standard of life for the orphaned child and helping his carers. This assistance also provides a focal point to protect the orphan from abuse or exploitation. The project has a positive impact on the return of orphans to schools by linking assistance with education.

Work area

Idlib governorate -
Aleppo countryside



Children

328

beneficiaries

Number of beneficiaries

328 beneficiaries

A'ta'akum Amalahum

The project aimed to provide basic lifesaving needs for children and their families by providing financial guarantees for 91 orphans for a period of one year. The sponsorship aimed to improve the health, living and educational standards of the orphaned child, as it provided support for the orphan's family to meet their basic needs and protect the orphan from exposure to human exploitation or abuse. It also had a positive impact on the return of orphans to school by linking sponsorships with education, thus discouraging child labor.

Work area

Idlib governorate

Number of beneficiaries

91 beneficiaries



Children

91

beneficiaries

Multi-Sector Project- PRO, ER, & FSL

The project aimed to provide a protected environment for beneficiaries receiving vocational training and early recovery activities, targeting both vulnerable families and persons with disabilities from the local communities and displaced families in northwest Syria. This was done through awareness sessions about the dangers posed on child protection and case management services for children exposed to direct protection risks by referring them to multiple specialized services to reduce any detrimental risks and improve their economic level, providing the necessary psychological protection in a more appropriate way.

Work area

Kah- Idlib governorate

Number of beneficiaries

14,7K beneficiaries



Children

7,4K

beneficiaries



Adults

7,3K

beneficiaries



Persons with special needs

255

beneficiaries

Multi-Sector Project- Medical & Protection

The project aimed to provide a protected environment for beneficiaries of the health services inside the Specialized Interior Hospital and the surrounding communities in accordance with the minimum child protection standards for each of the most vulnerable groups and persons with disabilities. Awareness sessions are presented about the risks posed on children, psychological and social support, psychological first aid and services of cases management for children exposed to danger of harmful practices. This is in addition to reducing the risks they are exposed to, and enhancing the capacities of workers in educational institutions and stakeholders to protect children in emergencies.

Work area

Tal Al-Karama - Idlib



Children

8,5K

beneficiaries

Number of beneficiaries

17,2K beneficiaries



Adults

8,7K

beneficiaries



Success story



Majd, a 12-year-old orphan Syrian child, is polite and well-behaved. He lost his father when he was still young, so he does not remember anything of his father's features, movements, or how he used to play with him.

Losing his father had a great impact on Majd and he suffered from lack of self-confidence, he was withdrawn, he did not associate with peers, and he often stuttered. After he came to Dar Aal Mahmoud with his mother and older brother, his fear barrier began to break down little by little, and he began to try to form friendships with the rest of the children in the Home, which also strengthened his enrollment in educational and recreational activities held in the Home. After that, Majd began to regain his self-confidence and overcome the problem of stuttering. He managed to memorize much of the Quran, making his mum very proud of him.

Success story



The orphan's sponsorship project, "Endow them with your giving," related to Al-Sham Humanitarian Foundation, restored hope to Ahmed to complete his studies and look forward to his future again. Ahmed Al-Younes, a 12 years old boy, was displaced from the town of Hass, south of Idlib, to the camps of the city of Sarmada four years ago. He had to leave his school and his friends due to the displacement. He was unable to continue his studies in the camp because there were no schools following the displacement. After a school was established in the camp, Al-Sham Humanitarian Foundation sponsored Ahmed, so he was able to attend school with the rest of the camp's children. Ahmed hopes to become an engineer in the future so that he can rebuild his war-torn country. Ahmed spends most of his time at school and plays with his friends. Moreover, he joined an institute for memorizing the Quran, at which he is excelling by memorize several parts of the Holy Qur'an. The orphan sponsorship project at Al-Sham Humanitarian Foundation contributed to restoring hope to the child Ahmed by continuing his studies and developing his skills and experience to reach his ambition.





Early Recovery Sector

The program worked to provide support to the most vulnerable groups and families by contributing to building community capacities and raising professional competence by providing vocational training services with grants given upon completion to improve access to livelihoods and create job opportunities for susceptible people affected by conflict to move from dependence over to productivity. Moreover, the program worked to support emerging projects by providing small loans within the scope of promoting self-reliance and consolidating a work culture. It also provided sustainable self-employment opportunities and facilitated the provision of necessary opportunities for integration into the markets for those who have the skills, ability and desire to work on their own projects. This helped create new job opportunities, increasing their income and rehabilitated markets and related infrastructure through loans.



Total donations

403,139

US dollars



Number of beneficiaries is

595

Beneficiaries



Adults

595

Beneficiaries



Persons with special needs

77

Beneficiaries

Kareem Microfinance Project

This is a social and economic development project that adopts the principle of micro financing. It aimed at supporting opportunity for those who have the skill, ability and desire to enter free business by providing the necessary funds to run their own business to develop these activities, which helped create new job opportunities, increase income, and rehabilitate markets through granting loans. The Generous Fund Project provides lending services to men and women on easy terms, instills a culture of work and the principle of self-reliance, providing self-sustaining and self-employment opportunities for Syrians, which helps create new job opportunities and an income.

Work area

Al-bab- Rural Aleppo.



Adults

140

beneficiaries

Number of beneficiaries

140 beneficiaries



Persons with special needs

3

beneficiaries

Vocational Training Project

The project is based on the concept of conducting professional trainings for the youth, this included 30 females, 25 male. The trainings would include both theoretical and practical exercises within workshops to teach them a profession where there was a gap in the local market, helping them to enter the work market, providing them a better living situation and a good level of food security. The training project targeted the following professions: tailoring, hairdressing, industrial drawing, and digital computing. Upon completion, the top 45 trainees were selected and given a set of equipment and tools within the scope of promoting self-reliance and establishing a work culture.

Work area

Al-bab- Rural Aleppo.



Adults

55

beneficiaries

Number of beneficiaries

55 beneficiaries



Persons with special needs

1

beneficiaries

Early Recovery, Food Security, Livelihood and Integrated Protection Services to those in Need in Idlib

The project aimed to improve access to livelihoods and create job opportunities for vulnerable people affected by the conflict in 18 camps in the Dana region through theoretical and practical vocational training in the following professions: Hairdressing, women's tailoring, solar energy, and houses electricity. A total of 200 trainees were selected from within the camps, half male and the other half female for these trainings. In addition to the trainings, in-kind grants were provided to 100 trainees (50 males, 50 females) to assist in moving families from reliance to dependency, enabling them to provide a source of income and contribute to the social and economic empowerment, and by supporting women to prove their role within society.

Work area

Idlib governorate



Adults

200

beneficiaries

Number of beneficiaries

200 beneficiaries



Persons with special needs

25

beneficiaries

Food Security, Livelihood, Early Recovery and Integrated Nutrition Services to those in Need in Idlib

The project aimed to improve access to livelihoods and create job opportunities for vulnerable people affected by the conflict in 7 camps in the Dana region through theoretical and practical vocational training in the following professions: hairdressing, women's tailoring, solar energy, and mobile phone maintenance. A total of 160 trainees were selected from the camps, half male and the other half female for these trainings. In addition to the trainings, in-kind grants were provided to 80 trainees, 40 male and 40 female trainees to establish their small projects. Grants were provided to an additional 40 people with special needs, this was to assist in moving families from reliance to dependency, enabling them to provide a source of income and contribute to the social and economic empowerment, and by supporting women to prove their role within society.

Work area

Idlib governorate



Adults

200

beneficiaries

Number of beneficiaries

200 beneficiaries



Persons with special needs

48

beneficiaries

Success story



Marwa, was displaced numerous times from her home city of Al-Bukamal. Initially, she was displaced from her home to the city of Deir Ezzor, and forced into difficult living conditions, but after a period of time, she was again forcibly displaced to the city of Al-Bab, east of Aleppo. Marwa says “I went with my family to the city of Al-Bab five years ago, and at the beginning of the displacement we struggled in renting a house and securing an income. I used to see the problems and the exhaustion that were evident on my husband’s face. I always hoped to get a new skill in order to find a profession so that I could contribute to securing a living and ease the burden on my husband. I tried a lot, but to no avail, until one of my friends told me that there was a vocational training center in the city of Al-Bab which was affiliated with the Al-Sham Humanitarian Foundation, and it included many training themes, including hairdressing and sewing. I decided to learn sewing, which

could create a means of living. It would enable me to work from home and take care of my children at the same time. I went to the center and registered immediately and started attending the center daily. The training lasted four months, during which we learned all the basics of cutting and sewing.

At the end of the training, the organization gave a grant, and this encouraged me more.” She added, “The training was thorough and consisted of both theoretical and practical workshops. There was difficulty in comprehending all the information at the beginning, because it was all new to us as we had entered a new world and a new profession. The trainer, Nafisa Al-Salloum, gave us all the needed information, and we started working in the workshops by designing clothes for our children, and this inspired us as we would be able to make clothes ourselves instead of buying them at high prices.” Marwa then said, “The training period ended, and after that we underwent a written and a practical exam. They gave us the equipment, which consisted of a modern electric sewing machine, which I would use to work on in my house to repair clothes for customers. Through the sewing machine, I will be able to contribute with my husband to securing a household income allowing us to live a decent life.” Marwa ended her story by saying, “My thanks go out to Al-sham Humanitarian Foundation, which has performed a great deed in lifting a big burden off us. Today, I have a new profession through this project, which has had a great impact on us and the society by securing a job opportunity for us females, some of whom have no breadwinner, making life a lot easier for them.”

Success story



A young man named Khaled Al-Ahmad, opened a new business, joining the labor market to achieve his dream and support his family. Khaled, was displaced with his family to northern Idlib, and following the death of his father when he was only 8 years old, he became the sole breadwinner for his family. Khaled hoped to learn a profession through which he could secure the daily requirements of his family. He applied to undergo a training course in the domestic electricity profession after he heard that Al-Sham Humanitarian Foundation's was going to conduct vocational training in various specializations targeting the people in the displacement camps in northwestern Syria. After being approved for the training, Khaled attended the 80-day training course, during which he gained theoretical and practical experience in the field of domestic electricity. At the end of the training, Khaled was identified as an outstanding student, and as a result was given an in-kind grant which consisted of tools and equipment that helped him open his business and receive his first project in the field of the training that he completed.

Success story



Wafaa Jadid, a resident of the city of Al-Bab, east of Aleppo, is the sole breadwinner for her family after her husband was injured as a result of the bombing in the area. She worked in the sale of food items, but she faced great difficulties due to the inconsistent financial income. After her situation deteriorated greatly, she went to the office of Al-Sham Humanitarian Foundation in the city of Al-Bab, east of Aleppo, after hearing about the Generous Micro-Finance Fund project in order to obtain a financial loan. She applied for a loan from the organization, which would help her to develop her business and so she submitted a proposal to open a small market project to sell food items. She was accepted and her project was funded, and she started working in her small shop in the food trade. At the beginning, she faced some challenges due to the constant changes in the exchange rate, but after several visits to the project coordinators who gave her advice on dealing with the conversion between Turkish lira and dollars, her situation improved, and she began to integrate more in the labor market.



Organizational Internal Development

Many internal achievements were accomplished in the year 2022 in all levels of work, through the organization's endeavors to develop its internal structure in line with new developments and challenges faced in its humanitarian work inside Syria. The organization developed its grants department by focusing on projects that met the most urgent needs.

Additionally, Al-Sham Humanitarian Foundation placed a big emphasis on ensuring donor satisfaction by developing work mechanisms and applications in accordance with the new strategic structure established for 2023-2025, in order to reach quick and elaborate responses and distinguished professional projects that meet the donors' requirements and aspirations. These developments worked in parallel with the advancement of the financing framework for projects.

The organization worked to achieve its vision of providing the highest standards of financial and accounting services internally. This was done by providing clear, and accurate financial reports to

the departments concerned with the implementation of the projects and to donors, with the aim of enhancing transparency and informing the concerned parties of the results of financial operations. This is in addition to presenting the annual financial statements to the Board of Directors and the General Assembly in order to provide decision makers with actual results to evaluate the performance of the organization. Moreover, the financial department continued the process of developing the internal procedures governing its work in order to be in line with the updates of the international financial standards and to implement the recommendations resulting from financial audits. In order to enhance transparency and comply with the requirements of international accounting standards and local laws governing the work of institutions, the organization is subject to an annual financial and legal audit. This is with the purpose of identifying aspects of inaccuracies and mitigating them through periodic follow-up by the concerned unit to reach the highest level of compliance.

In order to achieve monitoring and evaluation, the effectiveness of operations and workers to ensure that project activities are implemented in accordance with standards of humanitarian accountability, and are appraised according to evaluation standards approved by international humanitarian agencies and organizations, the Monitoring, Evaluation, Accountability and Learning (MEAL) Department conducted interviews with more than 9,790 beneficiaries, of which 4,695 beneficiaries are from the medical program services, 616 beneficiaries from the nutrition program services, 3,115 beneficiaries from the food security and early recovery program services, and 1,364 beneficiaries from the protection program services. The aim is to obtain feedback on the quality of implementation and the extent to which projects achieve their objectives, which is reflected positively on the beneficiaries.



Advocacy

Al-Sham Humanitarian Foundation is keen to communicate the Syrian voice at various local and international events, and to actively participate in various coordination platforms, in addition to the call for justice and commitment to human rights, international humanitarian law and the Geneva Conventions that aims to protect civilians, and participate in a number of events, including:

- Contributing to the lifeline campaign to renew the Security Council resolution on the entry of humanitarian aid across the borders issued by the coalition of Syrian organizations- SNA.
- Participating as a speaker in several sessions on the concept of Localization and its Application in the Syrian Case.
- Providing a joint statement with the Forum NGO on the cholera outbreak.
- Participating in the coalition statement regarding the sixth Brussels Donor Conference.



Humanitarian Coordination

Since its commencement, the organization has occupied a number of coordinating roles in many technical groups in the sectors it operates in, in addition to the strategic humanitarian platforms, as a representative of the Syrian humanitarian organizations, in order to advocate for the humanitarian situation in northwestern Syria and the refugee response in Türkiye.

- Member of the Steering Group for the Humanitarian Programs Cycle of IASC, as a representative of national institutions globally.
- IASC Working Group IV on Human Development Cooperation and its Links to Peace.
- Strategic Direction Group SSG
- Member of the Advisory Group of the Partnerships Working Group of the NWS Forum NGO. .
- Meetings with government and civil agencies to coordinate the humanitarian response to refugees inside Türkiye, within the 3RP plan.

Membership

Al-Sham Humanitarian Foundation believes in the importance of coordination and networking in humanitarian work, which increases the impact of the humanitarian response on the ground. Therefore, it chose to join a number of active platforms and networks in order to exchange experiences with other members and benefit from their experiences. These bodies are:



Founding member of the Syrian Non-Governmental Organizations Alliance (SNA)



International Council of Voluntary Agencies Network (ICVA)



Platform of civil society organizations
Platform CSOs



Non-Governmental Organizations Forum
in Northwest Syria (NGO Forum-NWS)



The Prevention of Sexual Exploitation and Abuse Network (PSEA)



Federation Care Orphans

Partners



SCHF Syria Cross-border Humanitarian Fund



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Account Name: İNSANİ ŞAM DERNEĞİ

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