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In Action Report

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Since 2002, iF Charity has been working with its partners to support Palestinians through a variety of relief and development programmes. The charity aims to further empower the people of Gaza in their efforts to build strong and resilient communities through poverty relief, education, community development and medical aid.

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Chairman's Message

As we reflect on the past year, our hearts remain with the people of Gaza, who continue to endure unimaginable suffering due to the ongoing conflict. The humanitarian crisis has deepened, with widespread destruction of homes, hospitals, and schools, and a devastating loss of civilian lives. The impact on the most vulnerable—children, the elderly, and those already facing extreme hardship—has been nothing short of catastrophic.

This report, IF Charity In Action, outlines our response throughout 2023 and 2024. It details the work we have undertaken to deliver life-saving aid, the immense challenges we have faced in doing so, and, most importantly, the tangible difference your generosity has made. Thanks to your support, we have been able to provide emergency food aid, clean water, medical supplies, and essential items to those in desperate need. However, the ongoing war has created significant barriers to humanitarian access, making the delivery of aid even more difficult.

Despite these challenges, your contributions have provided vital relief to thousands of families. Every donation has translated into meals for the hungry, medical treatment for the injured, and shelter for the displaced. The resilience of the people we serve, and the unwavering compassion of those who support our work, continue to drive us forward.

Yet, emergency relief alone is not enough. A lasting solution is urgently needed. We reiterate our call for an immediate ceasefire, an end to the war, and unrestricted humanitarian access to ensure aid reaches those who need it most. The international community must prioritise peace, justice, and the protection of civilian lives.

On behalf of our entire team, I extend my deepest gratitude to you—our donors, partners, and supporters. Your solidarity and generosity have been a beacon of hope in these darkest times. Together, we remain steadfast in our mission to alleviate suffering and advocate for a future where no one has to endure such hardship again.

Sincerely,



Abdessamed El Haouari

Chairman



2024

Delivering Aid in Times of War

The ongoing crisis in Gaza has brought unimaginable hardships to its residents, with many facing severe shortages of food, water, electricity, and the trauma of war. During these challenging times, the generosity of our donors has become a beacon of hope for those in need. Thanks to your contributions, IF Charity has been able to implement several vital initiatives to support the people of Gaza. Here are five ways your donations are making a tangible difference on the ground:

1. Combating Starvation and Famine

In the densely populated area of Khan Younis, southern Gaza, many families have been displaced and are struggling to find food. IF Charity is addressing this critical need by packaging and distributing food parcels. These parcels provide essential nutrition and support to internally displaced persons (IDPs) and affected families, ensuring they do not go hungry during these trying times.

2. Providing Access to Fresh Water

Access to clean water is a fundamental human right, yet it remains scarce in many parts of Gaza, especially during the current crisis. In Deir Al-Balah, central Gaza Strip, IF Charity is distributing fresh water to IDPs and affected families. This initiative is crucial for maintaining health and hygiene and preventing waterborne diseases among vulnerable populations.

3. Restoring Power and Electricity

Electricity is essential for daily living and accessing clean water. In North Gaza, where power outages are frequent, IF Charity is installing and running solar panels. These panels extract water from wells, which is then distributed to affected families. This sustainable solution not only provides immediate relief but also helps build resilience against future crises.

4. Ensuring Healthy Nutrition

Beyond basic food supplies, ensuring a healthy diet is vital, especially for children and the elderly. In Khan Younis, IF Charity is distributing vegetable baskets to IDPs and affected families. These baskets include a variety of fresh produce, promoting healthy eating habits and providing essential vitamins and minerals during a time when nutritious food is hard to come by.

5. Addressing the Trauma of War

The psychological impact of war is profound, particularly on children. To bring some relief and joy to young minds, IF Charity organized a special Eid festival fun day for children of IDPs and affected families in Khan Younis. This event provided a much-needed break from the daily stresses of conflict, offering a safe space for children to play, laugh, and heal.

Thank You for Your Support

None of these efforts would be possible without the incredible generosity of our donors. Your contributions are directly helping to alleviate the suffering of many families in Gaza. Every food parcel, bottle of fresh water, solar panel, vegetable basket, and smile on a child's face is a testament to the impact of your kindness.





2024

Trustees Statement on Field Operations

The charity's primary mission in Gaza is to provide emergency humanitarian aid to a population in severe crisis, focusing on life-saving services such as food distribution, medical support, clean water access, and shelter. In 2023 and 2024, this mission became increasingly urgent due to the ongoing bombardment, which caused large-scale displacement, widespread destruction, and shortages of essential resources like food, water, and healthcare.

Up until October 2023 the charities operations were functioning In line with normal established processes. The trustees continued to utilise the expertise of the charity to deliver aid whilst and robust due diligence and governance remained a key focus for the trustees. Trustees continued to respond to regulators and any queries were successfully concluded. Our seasonal marketing campaigns were successfully carried out.

After October 2023, as the war intensified and large parts of the Gaza population was displaced and moved into smaller and smaller areas of shelter, our communication with the team become haphazard and faced disruption. This led to a delay in submitting the annual report to the charities commission. During this period the commission was kept aware of the situation and when communication improved the report was submitted successfully. Following this communication was restored and the Trustees ensured contact on a regular basis, and our team on the ground began redistributing aid in the safe areas, shelters and make-shift tents.

The charity focuses heavily on distributing food as **90% of Gaza's population faces food insecurity, with many families relying on limited rations**. The charity works with international partners to deliver essential supplies, but logistics have been severely disrupted by the blockade and destruction of key infrastructure. **By late 2023, water access was at a critical level**, with many relying on brackish water or minimal rations far below recommended daily amounts and this continued to be a major need in 2024.

IF charity is providing critical medical aid, including trauma care for those injured by the conflict. However, Gaza's healthcare system is on the verge of collapse, with **hospitals lacking medical supplies, fuel, and electricity**. The charity supports makeshift clinics and supplies essential medicine, but these efforts are severely hampered by the destruction of facilities and power shortages. Accessing to power become an increasing need in 2024.

With **over 1.4 million people displaced**, the charity provides temporary shelter in coordination with the United Nations and other charities. However, shelters are overcrowded, and there are insufficient resources to provide adequate living conditions. The charity also aims to provide shelter for vulnerable groups, including women and children, though the volatile security situation makes this challenging and became worse in 2024.

The charity offers mental health services to help address the widespread trauma experienced by Gaza's population, particularly children (fun days). These services are crucial but underfunded, and the escalating violence continues to strain resources.

On behalf of all those we serve, IF Charity extends its heartfelt thanks to each donor. Your support is not just providing immediate relief but also giving hope for a better tomorrow. Together, we are making a significant difference in the lives of those who need it the most.

Thank you for standing with Gaza during this crisis.

The Board of Trustees, IF Charity





2024

Ramadan

How Donors Helped Feed Thousands in Gaza During Ramadan 2024

Amid the devastation and the ongoing humanitarian crisis in Gaza, thousands of vulnerable families received critical food assistance during Ramadan 2024, thanks to the generosity of donors supporting IF Charity's Ramadan Emergency Programme. The initiative provided food packs and fresh vegetables to **3,353 families**, offering relief to those struggling with severe food insecurity.

Essential Food Support Amid Crisis

The conflict that began in October 2023 has left over **two million Palestinians in dire need**, with soaring food prices making basic necessities unaffordable for many. In response, IF Charity focused on delivering food aid to families most affected by the crisis, particularly those displaced and living in extreme conditions.

Food Packs for 2,338 Families

A significant part of the programme was the distribution of food parcels. These parcels reached 2,338 families, each containing essential items to support a household of five throughout Ramadan.

Vegetable Baskets for 1,015 Families

With fresh produce becoming scarce and costly, IF Charity also provided 1,015 families with vegetable baskets. This intervention supplied displaced families with essential vegetables, including tomatoes, eggplants, cucumbers, lemons, green peppers, and onions.

A Lifeline for 16,765 Individuals

In total, approximately 16,765 individuals benefitted from the programme, receiving much-needed food aid during the holy month. The initiative not only addressed immediate hunger but also provided families with a sense of hope and stability in an otherwise dire situation.

Community Support Making a Difference

2024 Ramadan's aid effort highlights the impact of community-driven humanitarian support. Donations played a crucial role in alleviating suffering and ensuring families had food on their tables during one of the most sacred times of the year.

As Gaza continues to face immense challenges, initiatives like these remain vital in providing relief and sustaining those in need. IF Charity continues to call for ongoing support to help deliver aid to the most vulnerable.





2023

Food Security Interventions

In 2023, the charity effectively disbursed **£1,872,361** to provide essential support to vulnerable populations in Gaza, addressing critical humanitarian needs. These funds were allocated across various projects aimed at tackling food insecurity, healthcare shortages, and financial hardships.

Food insecurity remains one of the most urgent issues in Gaza, where **over 60%** of the population is food insecure, according to the United Nations. Many families rely on external assistance to meet their basic nutritional needs.

As part of the Gaza Relief Programme, (before Oct 2023), the charity provided food parcels and vouchers to **425 families**, ensuring access to essential food items. Later in the year, another **556 families** were supported with critical food items, addressing the escalating shortages brought on by the ongoing conflict and the blockade.



The charity's proactive approach ensured that more than **980 families** received life-saving food supplies, helping to mitigate the effects of widespread food scarcity.

Donations received during the Ramadan campaign of 2023 enabled us to help **2,832 families** with food vouchers. Similarly, **148 households** received food parcels and for Eid-ul-Fitr, **208 families** received food items including chicken, rice, and cooking oil. During the Eid-ul-Adha campaign **3,482 orphans** and their families received meat parcels ensuring that they can participate in the joy of Eid.

After October 2023 the war has led to starvation and Gaza was declared at risk of famine. In response IF Charity was able to distribute food parcels to **1662 families**. As schools became shelters and universities were destroyed, our response was to reallocate the education budget to provide essential medical aid.





2023

Healthcare Assistance

Gaza's healthcare system is in a state of near-total collapse, exacerbated by continuous military strikes and prolonged blockades. The World Health Organization (WHO) reports that **58% of Gaza's 36 hospitals are non-functional, with 78% of the 73 primary care clinics also ceasing operations** due to damage, lack of medical supplies, and fuel shortages.

Recognising this dire need, the charity's Gaza Medical fund allocated **£77,764** towards bolstering medical emergency aid in Gaza. This helped provide essential equipment such as an x-ray machine, operating table, patient beds, and an anaesthesia device. Additionally, the charity supplied large quantities of essential medicines, including anti-inflammatory drugs, antibiotics, proton pump inhibitors, anti-nausea medication, anti-seizure treatments, and neuromuscular blockers. These medical interventions were crucial in sustaining limited healthcare services and addressing the immediate needs of those affected by conflict.

2023

Financial Assistance for Families in Poverty

Gaza's economic conditions are dire, with **nearly 70% of the population living in poverty** and dependent on charitable organisations for daily necessities. The charity's Gaza relief programme reached **2,394 children and their families**, providing them with the means to purchase food, clothing, and other essential subsistence items. This financial aid was critical in alleviating the economic burden on households that have been devastated by conflict, loss of livelihood, and destruction of infrastructure.

As part of the Community support programme **£352,307 was expended** in support of capacity building and job creation programme in the community. This provided Long-term support and empowerment for the community in Gaza.

We would like to thank the community and our donors for their generosity in responding to our appeals throughout the year. **Their contributions and trust they have placed in us is most valued and appreciated by the Trustees and our beneficiaries.**



The Devastation of Gaza: War in Numbers

7th October 2023 - February 2024

Source: EuroMed



38,066
Killed

14,350 Children
8,620 Women
34,570 Civilians



71,220
Injured



130
Journalists Killed



2,000,000
Displaced



99,600
Destroyed Homes



241,400
Damaged Homes



173
Press HQ's

Destroyed / Damaged



406
Schools Damaged



1,920
Destroyed Industrial Facilities



616
Damaged Places of Worship

613 Mosques
3 Churches



756
Healthcare Professionals

326 Killed
430 Injured



256
Healthcare Facilities

28 Hospitals / 65 Clinics
163 Ambulances



199
Heritage Sites



184
Civil Defense Workers

41 Killed
143 Injured



3,120
Detainees / Forcibly Disappeared

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£30



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£8 per family



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- Pack of notebooks
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- Pencils
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- Drawing colours



EDUCATIONAL KIT

£70 per class

INCLUDES:

- Ready-made teaching aids
- Supplies for making teaching aids such as books, coloured paper, adhesive paper, cardboard, scissors, glue, tape, etc.

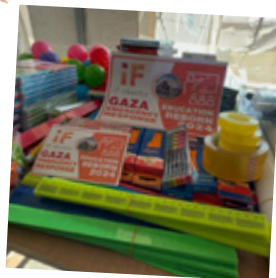


TEACHER KIT

£100 per teacher

INCLUDES:

- Teacher's desk
- Teacher's planning and notes notebook
- Whiteboard
- Ink pens
- Whiteboard markers
- Whiteboard eraser
- Stapler
- Highlighter
- White paper



TEACHER'S SALARY

£250 per class

INCLUDES:

A monthly salary of £250 provides a lifeline for teachers in Gaza, helping them meet the basic needs of their families. Your support enables educators to continue their vital work in a region facing unimaginable hardships.





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**Thank you for your
ongoing support.**



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