



25 Ways to Help Palestine Refugees

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Introduction: UNRWA



The United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA) was established in 1949 to provide much-needed relief and emergency aid to the Palestinian refugees from the 1948 war. Since then, UNRWA's operations have expanded to provide essential relief and human development services to 4.7 million registered Palestine refugees in the Gaza Strip, Jordan, Lebanon, Syria and the West Bank. UNRWA's mission is to help Palestine refugees achieve their full potential despite the difficult circumstances in which they live.

UNRWA's largest programme in service of the Palestine refugees is **education**. The Agency

has been the main provider of primary education to Palestine refugees for over 60 years, and currently operates nearly 700 schools for almost half a million refugee pupils. UNRWA also delivers basic **health** services to Palestine refugee communities through 137 health centres. The Agency's network of primary healthcare facilities and mobile clinics provides the foundation of its health services, offering preventive care, general medicine and specialized services. The third of UNRWA's main programmes is **relief and social services**. Through this programme, the Agency provides essential food and cash assistance to the poorest refugee families to enable them to meet their most basic needs. In addition to these three main programmes, UNRWA also operates a **microfinance** programme, to promote economic and sustainable development, **infrastructure and camp improvement** programme to ameliorate the physical and social environment of UNRWA's refugee camps and an **emergency** programme to mitigate the negative effects of sudden crises.

UNRWA depends on the generous and regular contributions of governments and humanitarian organisations for its day-to-day operations. Almost all funding (i.e. 98%) received in 2009 came from voluntary contributions, mostly from donor states. Of the voluntary contributions, about 5.6 per cent came from non-governmental organisations, the private sector and individuals.

In the last few years, the Agency has been forced to cut back on its basic services, programmes and projects. Financial contributions have not increased sufficiently to keep pace with inflation and the growing refugee population. As need surpasses capacity, UNRWA has had to reduce essential services as is evident from the fact that average annual spending per refugee has fallen from about \$200 in 1975 to around \$110 today. Nevertheless, UNRWA's commitment to Palestine refugees remains steady, and the Agency will continue to serve them until a just solution regarding the question of the Palestine refugees is reached.

In this document, UNRWA presents a range of its small-scale needs for Palestine refugees in Gaza, Jordan, Lebanon, Syria and the West Bank. A detailed outline for each of the activities mentioned can be provided upon request. Figures provided in this document are subject to slight variations. Please note that images on the cover page (middle and right), page three, page four (second image), and page fifteen are provided courtesy of IRIN News, the humanitarian news and analysis service of the UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (www.irinnews.org).

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Help the Palestine Refugees in Gaza

The last Israeli assault on Gaza, “Operation Cast Lead”, resulted in the death of almost 1,400 Palestinians and more than 5,000 injuries. The military operation also brought massive destruction of public and private property, infrastructure and productive capacity, prompting the expansion of an already extensive humanitarian relief effort.

The crippling siege on Gaza’s borders, which has been in place since mid-2007, has also had devastating consequences on all aspects of life for the 1.4 million residents of Gaza, over two-thirds of whom are refugees registered with UNRWA. The ban on exports and extensive curb on imports have all but destroyed the formal private sector, leading



to dramatic increases in poverty and unemployment levels and enabling the growth of an illegal ‘tunnel economy’ beneath the border with Egypt. The blockade extends to the materials and equipment needed to rebuild homes and infrastructure destroyed during the war, stymieing all meaningful reconstruction and recovery efforts and leaving the population increasingly vulnerable and overwhelmingly dependent on aid handouts. Barring a few exceptions, including small numbers of patients and students, this population remains trapped inside Gaza’s borders. Israel’s recent easing of restrictions applies only to consumer goods and a handful of UN construction projects.

To mitigate the effects of the blockade and the daily hardships endured by Gaza’s Palestine refugees, UNRWA seeks support for the following interventions:

Intervention	Beneficiaries	Cost
Cash Assistance	100 abject poor families (≈500 refugees)	\$77,700
Food Assistance - Protein	99,760 impoverished refugees	\$311,750
Job Creation	200 jobless refugees (supporting ≈1,000 dependents)	\$212,360
Prosthetic Devices	500 refugee children	\$55,500
School Feeding	1,250 refugee students	\$92,199

Cash Assistance

In 2010, UNRWA is seeking to provide cash assistance grants to 65,000 refugee families (or 325,000 persons) in abject poverty in the Gaza Strip identified through poverty targeting schemes. Cash will be provided to enable poor families to meet basic needs such as ensuring access to health care and education, providing children with nutritious and healthy food, buying essential household items and covering the costs of transportation and household utilities. The total cost to provide cash assistance to 65,000 refugee families in 2010 is \$50,505,000 (including programme support costs). You can support 100 of Gaza’s refugee families living under the poverty line with a generous donation of \$77,700.

Cash Assistance	100 abject poor families (≈500 refugees)	\$77,700
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Food Assistance - Protein



UNRWA provides the poorest refugees in the Gaza Strip with regular food parcels, which include rice, sugar, flour cooking oil and milk. Under this proposed intervention, these families would be able to add much-needed protein to their diets with the addition of canned meat to the regular food parcels. Two 340-gram cans of meat would be distributed to each eligible and abject poor refugee in distribution centres in conjunction with regular food

distribution. With a donation of \$311,750, canned meat can be distributed to ensure adequate nutrition for 99,760 impoverished refugees.

Food Assistance - Protein	99,760 refugees	\$311,750
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Job Creation

UNRWA's job creation programme aims to relieve economic hardship at the household level for refugee families without a breadwinner through the provision of temporary work opportunities, including targeted opportunities for specific vulnerable groups. Conditions in Gaza continue to deteriorate one year after the military assault on the Strip as



unemployment rates reached 42.3% in the third quarter of 2009. To mitigate the effects of protracted poverty and unemployment, UNRWA plans to provide temporary employment to 54,000 jobless refugees during 2010, reaching around one-third of the refugee population of the Gaza Strip. The Agency will create job opportunities in its installations, as well as in municipalities, hospitals, CBOs, NGOs and through the private sector. The total budget for this project is \$57,337,050. With \$212,360, UNRWA can provide 200 jobless refugees (reaching up to 1,000 refugees) with temporary employment for 2010.

Job Creation	200 jobless refugees (reaching ≈1,000 refugees)	\$212,360
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Prosthetic Devices for Children with Disabilities

In order to contribute to the long term recovery and development of children with special needs, UNRWA seeks support to help those with special health and education needs. This project aims to prevent any further health complications, maximize functionality and eliminate any barriers to learning caused as a result of the disability.

One of UNRWA's priorities is to assist children with special needs. Within this category are children with congenital deformities who require prosthetic devices in order to maximize functionality. Through this intervention, UNRWA hopes to provide 500 children aged 0-14 each year with the necessary prosthetic devices (ranging from artificial legs, hands, braces, and walkers) and positively contribute to both their physical and educational development. With a donation of \$55,500, UNRWA will be able to help approximately 500 children in need of prosthetic devices for one year.

Prosthetic Devices	500 refugee boys and girls	\$55,500
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School Feeding



Since 2008, UNRWA has instituted a school feeding programme in all its schools in Gaza. Students attending UNRWA's 228 schools and two training and vocational training centres are provided with prepared meals and snacks, which include sandwiches, yoghurt, fruit, and juice/milk. Evidence shows that adequate nutrition helps students to focus on their schoolwork and encourages them to attend school everyday. As socio-economic conditions in the Gaza Strip continue to deteriorate, many families are unable to provide their children with even the most basic needs, such as daily snacks. With \$92,199, you can contribute to the improved

nutrition and academic achievement of 1,250 refugee pupils for one year.

School Feeding	1,250 refugee pupils	\$92,199
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Help the Palestine Refugees in Jordan

Jordan hosts the highest number of registered Palestine refugees with 42 percent of all registered refugees living in the Near East. The majority of Palestine refugees who sought refuge in Jordan have citizenship under the Jordanian Nationality Law of 1954 and now constitute 33 percent of Jordan's population. However, 136,617 registered refugees, having arrived from Egypt-administered Gaza after 1967, do not qualify for citizenship. These refugees have fewer rights than refugees from the West Bank, including restrictions in access to the labour market, education, and financial and social services. UNRWA continues to advocate and support this population.



Trends in population growth are leading to strains on UNRWA service providers and the Government of Jordan in meeting refugee needs. More than 90 percent of Agency schools in Jordan operate on double shifts (i.e. one group of students use the school facilities in the morning, another in the afternoon), which not only decreases from the quality of education the children receive but also prevents pupils from engaging in co-curricular activities within the school facility. Approximately 29 percent of school facilities are rented. In addition, there are 21 “floating” classes that lack specific locations. School activities are carried out wherever space is available, including outdoors. The construction of additional classrooms is imperative to providing quality educational services to refugees.

The situation of camp shelters is also rather bleak. Housing conditions are unhealthy in the camps. Most shelters lack necessary daylight and ventilation. The demographic growth has led to cramped and unhygienic living conditions for many refugee families.

To support the education and camp and infrastructure improvement programmes in aid of 1,983,733 Palestine refugees, UNRWA seeks support for the following interventions:

Intervention	Beneficiaries	Cost
Adopt a Class - Nuzha School	40 refugee students	\$59,960
Help Students with Special Needs Access Education	30,000 students	\$277,500
Shelter Rehabilitation for the Poorest Refugees	10 refugee families	\$230,000

Adopt a Class from the Nuzha Boys School



In the Nuzha Camp located northwest of Amman, Jordan, Palestinian refugee children receive education in three dilapidated school buildings. The school buildings are shared on a double-shift basis by four streams of students, which make up the Nuzha Boys Elementary Schools 1, 2, 3 and Preparatory School 3. At present, 2,125 students and 86 staff members are forced to learn and teach during morning or afternoon shifts in crowded classrooms and with limited facilities.

Under UNRWA's "Adopt a School" initiative, you can adopt an UNRWA class and provide a class of 40 refugee pupils with access to education for one year in a newly built school compound. Your contribution will also allow students to receive school uniforms, stationery and school bags and supply students with the necessary items to engage in arts and crafts and other recreational activities. Students will receive instruction in important subjects such as health education and human rights, and special education needs will also be addressed.

Adopt a Class - Nuzha School	40 refugee pupils	\$59,960
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Help Students with Special Education Needs to Access Education



UNRWA in Jordan seeks to extend education opportunities to children with Special Educational Needs (SEN) in select schools across the country. Special Educational Needs refers to a broad category of children whose academic performance differs significantly from that of their peers as a result of having general and special learning difficulties such as dyslexia.

Under this project, UNRWA will ensure that children with SEN will have better access to educational opportunities in the selected UNRWA schools, in order to begin developing a systematic process for mainstreaming persons with SEN into UNRWA schools.

The main impact expected is that children with SEN will have improved access to relevant, quality education, so that they are able to exercise their right to education and human development. With a donation of \$277,500, you can support this initiative and help 30,000 refugee students with Special Education Needs to access education for two years.

Help Refugee Students with SEN to Access Education	30,000 refugee children	\$277,500
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Shelter Rehabilitation for the Poorest Refugees

UNRWA aims to improve the living conditions of Palestine refugees living in shelters that are either unsafe structurally or suffer from poor environmental health conditions that put the life of the occupants at risk. UNRWA's shelter rehabilitation programme seeks to provide the neediest families with, at least, an adequate, safe, well-lit and well ventilated core shelter (consisting of a room, a kitchen, and WC/bathroom).

The targeted shelters are located in different Palestine refugee camps across Jordan and are in need for urgent intervention. Only families enrolled in UNRWA's Social Safety Net (SSN) programme, who are official residents of a recognized refugee camp and are deemed amongst the poorest of the poor, are eligible for the shelter rehabilitation programme. With a donation of \$230,000, you can contribute to creating a safer environment for 10 refugee households.



Shelter Rehabilitation for the Poorest Refugees	10 refugee shelters	\$230,000
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Help the Palestine Refugees in Lebanon

A large majority of Palestine refugees in Lebanon live in appalling conditions; conditions that fall well below minimum international environmental, health and safety standards. This situation does not only apply to those refugees living in the twelve official camps, but also to the 47% of registered refugees who reside outside the camps in both urban and rural areas, and who experience conditions every bit as poor as those in the camps. While humanitarian conditions for refugees in the occupied Palestinian territory are, quite correctly, highlighted as extremely poor, those of refugees in Lebanon are frequently equal, and are sometimes worse than those in the West Bank and the Gaza Strip.



Chronic unemployment and under-employment amongst refugees result in a large percentage of them living below the poverty line, in conditions that no human being should have to live in. They are unable to independently provide a sustainable livelihood for themselves or their families. In recognition of the difficult circumstances experienced by the Palestinian population in Lebanon, UNRWA exceptionally provides services to Palestinian refugees who do not normally fall within its mandate. These

refugees do not meet UNRWA's working definition of a Palestine refugee but they are registered with the Government of Lebanon as refugees. At present, there are 425,640 registered refugees and 12 UNRWA refugee camps in Lebanon.

In aid of the beleaguered Palestine refugees of Lebanon, UNRWA seeks support for the following interventions:

Intervention	Beneficiaries	Cost
Urgent Housing for Nahr el-Bared Refugees	250 displaced families	\$130,000
Shelter Rehabilitation for Poor Refugee Families	10 refugee families	\$100,000
Adopt a Patient with a Chronic Illness	1-4 refugee patients	\$7,000-130,000
Adopt a Class in Lebanon	40 refugee pupils	\$50,000

Urgent Housing for the Displaced Refugees of Nahr el-Bared Camp

The destruction of the Nahr el-Bared camp (NBC) during the conflict in 2007 caused the displacement of some 27,000 Palestine refugees from the camp and its adjacent areas. Since 2007, UNRWA's assistance to the displaced refugees in the form of temporary shelter, food, health and education



services, has served as a safety net to the refugees who have been unable to meet their own basic needs due to the high unemployment and slow economic recovery. The Agency is providing \$150 per family every month in cash rental subsidies to over 3,400 displaced families who, out of necessity, are renting temporary accommodation in NBC's adjacent areas, Beddawi camp or elsewhere. UNRWA is

committed to continuing this subsidy until all these families are rehoused in the reconstructed camp. With a donation of \$130,000, you can enable 250 displaced NBC families to cover the cost of housing for three months.

Urgent Housing for the Displaced Refugees of NBC	250 displaced families	\$130,000
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Shelter Rehabilitation for Poor Refugee Families



A substantial number of refugee families in Lebanon continue to live in unacceptable, and in some cases life-threatening, conditions in dilapidated, overcrowded and unhygienic shelters that are structurally unsafe. Shelters built in the 1950s/1960s were not designed to be permanent and lack the foundations, design and materials for long-term durability. Many of these shelters were destroyed or badly damaged during the years of conflict and wars in Lebanon, and

high costs and restrictions on bringing construction materials into the camps has meant that the refugees have been unable to carry out any substantial repairs or maintenance. This is especially the case for the poorest families who survive on very little income, including widows, the elderly with no family support, and refugees with disabilities. Repairs/rehabilitation work on the most dilapidated shelters will ensure that the poorest refugees will live in structurally safer shelters with improved levels of hygiene, protection from the rain and cold, as well as better ventilation to reduce the risk of illnesses. Children will grow up in a better environment and will be less likely to spend most of their time in the alleyways. Shelter repairs will also provide families with increased safety and security, more dignity and less stigma and marginalisation from the rest of the camp community. Donate \$100,000 and help 10 refugee families to rehabilitate their decrepit shelters.

Shelter Rehabilitation for Poor Refugee Families	10 families	\$100,000
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Adopt a Patient with a Chronic Illness

A significant number of Palestinian refugees in Lebanon are suffering from severe chronic diseases such as cancer, multiple sclerosis, thalassemia, kidney and heart failure. In Lebanon, refugees have very limited access to public health care and most cannot afford treatment at private hospitals. On average 500 refugees appeal to UNRWA each year for support to cover the costs of critical life-saving medical treatment. However, the Agency is only able to cover 50% of the cost of cancer medications (up to \$8,000 per year) and up to 30% of the hospitalisation bills for inpatient treatment.

UNRWA currently does not cover any of the costs of medications for severe chronic diseases such as multiple sclerosis, renal failure, thalassemia and epilepsy. Many patients who cannot find other sponsoring organisations to assist them are simply unable to cover the full costs of



their medications and hospital bills. They and their families are then faced with the harsh choice of either taking out loans to pay for life-saving treatment with the risk of entering into a spiral of worsening debt, poverty and hardship, or simply to stop the treatment. The adoption of patients with chronic diseases will support a real and urgent need in the refugee community. It will give patients better quality of treatment, will ease the financial burden and stress on patients and their families, and will give them dignity and hope for a better life.

Below, UNRWA presents the average cost of adopting patients based on illness and treatment. Treatments and prices vary considerably.

Adopt a Patient - Chronic Diseases	4 refugee patients	\$120,000
Adopt a Patient - Cancer	1 refugee patient	\$30,000-130,000
Adopt a Patient - Chronic Renal Failure	1 refugee patient	\$30,000
Adopt a Patient - Multiple Sclerosis	1 refugee patient	\$20,000
Adopt a Patient - Thalassemia	1 refugee patient	\$10,000
Adopt a Patient - Epilepsy	1 refugee patient	\$7,000

Adopt a Class from an UNRWA School in Lebanon

Under UNRWA's "Adopt a School" initiative, you can adopt a class of 40 pupils from one of UNRWA's schools in Lebanon for \$50,000. With this donation, you can ensure that 40 students will have access to quality education for one year by providing these children with a new facility, which will be equipped and furnished to give them the tools they need to succeed in their studies. The new facility will include furniture and educational equipment and will relieve the overcrowded conditions of the existing school premises.



Adopt a Class	40 refugee pupils	\$50,000
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Help the Palestine Refugees in Syria



In Syria, UNRWA provides education, health and relief and social services to more than 467,000 Palestine refugees living in nine official and three unofficial camps, with 75 percent are concerned near Damascus. Palestine refugees in Syria do not have citizenship but have full access to government services. UNRWA implements its activities in close coordination with the General Administration for Palestine Arab Refugees (GAPAR), a department of the Syrian Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs.

Though the Agency benefits from a stable political environment in Syria, the Palestine refugee population suffers from higher unemployment and infant mortality rates and lower school enrolment than the Syrian population. The comparatively low standard of living for Syria's Palestine refugees have been on declining for the last few years, particularly due to the liberalization of the economic sector, reduction of subsidies in basic goods and utilities and rising cost of living. In most UNRWA camps, refugee housing remain very primitive as homes are made of mud or crude concrete. Though the government provides basic utilities in the camps, water supply is not constant, most streets are unpaved and water and sewage systems, where they exist, are in need of upgrading and repair. Approximately 50 percent of the Palestine refugee population in Syria is unemployed.

To promote the human development and sustainable development of the Palestine refugee community in Syria, UNRWA seeks support for the following interventions:

Intervention	Beneficiaries	Cost
Providing Textbooks to Refugee Pupils	66,014 students	\$99,000-495,000
Adopt a Class - Ijzeem/Hiteen School	40 refugee pupils	\$18,400
Hospitalization Services and Life-Saving Surgeries	500-2,000 refugees	\$125,000-500,000

Providing Textbooks to Refugee Pupils

UNRWA's education programme in Syria is in immediate need of support to ensure that Palestine refugee children attending the Agency's 118 schools continue to have access to the quality education they deserve. In 2009, the Syrian Ministry of Education introduced a new curriculum for all schools in the country, necessitating the introduction of new textbooks for students in grades one to four as well



as grade seven. Although UNRWA's education programme is compelled to follow the host countries' curricula, the current financial constraints do not allow the Agency to follow the introduction of new textbooks. As a result, UNRWA school students are now at risk of falling behind their Syrian peers, with potentially serious consequences for their future academic and professional lives. With a donation of \$495,000, you can purchase all required textbooks for all of UNRWA's students in Syria.

All Required Textbooks for Grades 1, 2, 3, 4 & 7	66,014	\$495,000
Textbooks for One Grade	13,200	\$99,000

Adopt a Class from the Ijzeen/Hiteen School

UNRWA is currently running six schools operating out of three school buildings in Husseinieh, an impoverished urban area located 20 kilometres from the centre of Damascus. The Ijzeen School for boys and Hiteen Girls' School share one of these school buildings and caters to 2,198 students between the ages of 9 to 13. Due to the large number of students at the school, classrooms are often overcrowded with up to 50 students in some classes. Many of the school's facilities are outdated or need to be renovated following years of intense usage as a double-shift school. While student numbers continue to rise due to the influx of newcomers to Husseinieh, UNRWA is observing a steady drop in the pass-rates of students, as well as an increase in school drop-out rates, particularly among boys.



Under UNRWA's "Adopt a School" initiative, you can make a direction contribution to the education of Husseinieh's Palestine refugee children by adopting a classroom in the Ijzeen/Hiteen school. With a donation of \$18,400, you can ensure that 40 Palestinian schoolchildren will have access to quality education for one full year. Your contribution will also help UNRWA to create an adequate academic environment that will have a long-term impact on its current and future pupils. Students will be receive essential school items such as uniforms and stationery, be able to engage in recreational activities, and seek additional teaching support.

Adopt a Class	40 schoolchildren	\$18,400
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Hospitalization and Life-Saving Health Care

UNRWA's health programme in Syria is seeking urgent support to provide the most vulnerable Palestine refugees with access to hospitalization and life-saving medical care. For decades, UNRWA's health programme has contributed towards the costs of surgeries including life-saving treatment for Palestine refugees, ensuring that their access to these services equals that of the Syrian host population.

However insufficient funds do not allow UNRWA to continue subsidizing the cost of operations for Palestinian refugees in Syria. While a small number of refugees will be able to cover treatment costs on their own, a large group of vulnerable refugees will not be able to do so.

UNRWA is therefore seeking support of up to \$500,000 to enable the most vulnerable Palestine refugees in Syria to have access to hospitalization and life-saving medical care. This project will ensure that 2,000 of the poorest Palestine refugees in Syria have access to required medical treatment, and thereby reduce the incidence rate of avoidable deaths among Palestinian refugees in Syria. By providing hospitalization services to Palestine refugees in the same way as the government does for

Syrian nationals, this project will contribute to a dignified and healthy life for all Palestinian refugees in Syria.

Ensuring Access to Hospitalization Services	2,000 vulnerable refugees	\$500,000
Ensuring Access to Hospitalization Services	500 vulnerable refugees	\$125,000

Help the Palestine Refugees in West Bank

UNRWA serves 778,993 registered Palestinian refugees in the West Bank including East Jerusalem. Since the Al Aqsa Intifada in late-2000, the protracted socio-economic crisis in the oPt has led to deteriorating human and economic development and mounting hardships for this Palestinian community. Due to Israeli access and movement restrictions, economic stagnation and forced displacements, Palestinian communities in the West Bank are plagued by high levels of poverty, unemployment, food insecurity and tension.



For many Palestinians in the West Bank, access to economic resources and basic services continues to be severely restricted, limiting opportunities for sustainable growth and development. Access to East Jerusalem, the Jordan Valley and areas between the Barrier and the Green Line is particularly constrained, and the Palestinian population of these areas is particularly vulnerable. Living conditions of many communities in East Jerusalem and Area C are further aggravated by risk of displacement and regular exposure to settler violence. For example, more than 650 Palestinians including over 300 children were displaced in Area C and East Jerusalem in 2009 due to forced evictions and /or house demolitions by the Israeli authorities, according to United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA). Demolition orders have been served on thousands of Palestinian structures in Area C - built without permits, which are rarely granted - leaving many more communities at risk of displacement. OCHA further estimates that around 60,000 Palestinians in Jerusalem face the threat of displacement due to possible demolitions by the authorities or eviction by settler groups.

In order to assist and protect refugees, safeguard their basic rights and freedoms and help them to hold on to their lands and communities, UNRWA has developed a number of interventions to address the consequences of displacement, the socio-economic crisis and access and movement restrictions:

Intervention	Beneficiaries	Cost
Cash for Work Programme	250 labourers	\$150,436
Mobile Health Clinic	31,200 refugee patients	\$284,146
Cash Assistance	100 vulnerable families	\$93,701
Rehabilitation of Hazardous Shelters	10-20 refugee families	\$35,000-190,395

Cash for Work Programme

The continuous conflict has had a severe impact on the Palestinian economy, leading to marked increases in poverty and unemployment rates amongst Palestinians. UNRWA's Cash-for-Work Programme (CaWP) aims to alleviate the coping strategies of some 40,000 food insecure refugee families through the distribution of cash subsidies in exchange for community work. Through this scheme, some 80,000 job opportunities will be created for vulnerable refugees in the West Bank.

Under this programme, contractors will work in UNRWA installations and with municipalities and village councils, as well as in Community-Based Organisations inside refugee camps. An estimated 7,100 contracts will involve basic construction, rehabilitation, supervision and cleaning, whilst skilled work includes plumbing, electrical work, tiling and stonemasonry for men, and carpet weaving, teaching and library assistance for women. Furthermore, a small number of special projects will be developed to protect the livelihoods of those at risk of displacement, harassment and other violations of basic rights including refugees living in Area C, the Seam Zone and herders. With a donation of \$150,436, you can support the livelihood of 250 vulnerable refugees for one year.



Cash for Work Programme	250 refugees	\$150,436
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Mobile Health Clinic



To mitigate the impact of closure and impoverishment on the health status of Palestinians residing in isolated or remote areas of the West Bank, UNRWA seeks support to provide mobile health care services (preventive and curative primary health care, blood tests, awareness and medical advice and mental health counselling) through 5 mobile clinics.

UNRWA has identified 81 locations without access to primary health care in light of movement restrictions and impoverishment preventing transport. Five UNRWA mobile

health teams will visit these areas on a regular basis to provide preventive and curative primary health care (including blood tests, health information campaigns, medical and mental health counselling). UNRWA aims to reach approximately 13,000 patients per month, both refugees and non-refugees with the five running mobile clinics (estimated 2,600 patient per month treated by one mobile clinic). With a donation of \$284,146, you can contribute to the health status of at risk Palestine refugees in the West Bank for one year.

Equipment, Operations and Staffing - 1 Mobile Clinic	31,200 refugees	\$284,146
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Cash Assistance

This programme is part of a larger emergency livelihoods support programme, through which families without an able-bodied breadwinner will be prioritized for cash assistance support and those able to work will receive temporary employment assistance. The value of the donation is designed to cover the needs of vulnerable families for a period of three months. It is envisaged that families will receive an average of two payments per year.

The cash assistance programme targets families with special needs, such as those with disabilities and chronic illnesses and diseases, and communities residing in areas affected by the Barrier, Seam Zone, or in Area C, who are increasingly vulnerable due to lack of access to public services and reduced employment opportunities.

Cash Assistance	100 vulnerable families	\$93,701
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Shelter Rehabilitation



UNRWA seeks support to rehabilitate, reconstruct and/or repair 200 of the most hazardous shelters inside West Bank refugee camps. A thousand cases requiring intervention have already been identified by the Agency with the assistance of social workers.

Shelters will be selected on the basis of the shelter vulnerability. It is envisaged that the scope of intervention will include minor and major repair, as well as complete reconstruction or expansion and extension, with the average cost per shelter estimated at around \$5,000. Assistance will take the

form of direct cash grants provided in up to three instalments or through contracts with local construction companies, depending on the extent of the damage. Works will be supervised according to UNRWA specifications and standards.

Self Help Approach to Rehabilitate 10 Shelters	10 families	\$35,000
Rehabilitation of 20 Hazardous Shelters	20 vulnerable families	\$190,395

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