



FROM OUR IMPLEMENTING PARTNERS

Lebanon

COVID-19 awareness raising activities by UNRWA

As part of its awareness raising campaign and in occasion of the reopening of schools, UNRWA disseminated a <u>video</u> promoting safe and healthy practices to stop the spread of the virus and keep communities safe.

Emergency response to the Beirut blast by IMC

IMC's field team has been handing out personal protective equipment to volunteers who were cleaning up the neighbourhoods damaged by the Beirut port explosion, to help prevent the spread of Covid-19. See social media coverage.

Empowering local authorities by UN-Habitat & UNDP

UN-Habitat and UNDP are joining forces, in partnership with the Ministry of Interior and Municipalities (MOIM), to strengthen the long-term resilience of local authorities in Lebanon as well as host communities and displaced persons affected by the crisis in Syria. More info here.

Food e-cards by WFP:

Through the Trust Fund, with the support of Germany, and in collaboration with Lebanon's Ministry of Social Affairs, WFP is protecting the most vulnerable. Lebanon's National Poverty Targeting Programme (NPTP) has three components: education, health and food. The EU supports the last component through the food e-card. More info here.

Educational and training programmes by SPARK

Through MASAR, implemented by SPARK with the support of Injaz Lebanon, Berytech and Kiron, students are able to choose from a variety of educational and training programmes, covering different topics that cater to the youths' interests such as entrepreneurship, finance, arts, career, digital skills and others. Announcement of the winners was shared on social media.

Call for proposals for education & access to labour market projects by HOPES-LEB

HOPES Lebanon launched the first round of Call for Proposals to support short-term education training and capacity building projects, implemented by local institutions registered in Lebanon. More info here. See also the social media coverage.

Psychosocial support kits by UNICEF

The EU, through the Trust Fund, ensured the delivery of <u>6,500 psychosocial support kits</u> to vulnerable children in Lebanon. In addition, as schools reopened, students, teachers and parents were asked to contribute to reducing the spread of COVID-19 within classrooms and schools by adhering to <u>preventative measures</u>. See also the support kits' social media coverage here.

Remote parenting sessions by QUDRA II

<u>Testimonial of Rana</u>, a Lebanese mother living in North Lebanon who attended remotely the PSS sessions in positive parenting and early marriage awareness. The sessions promote protection measures for the self-development and wellbeing of vulnerable children and adults. See the <u>social media coverage</u>.

Solid waste management by VNG International

The municipality of Arsal hosted a public hearing on the environmental impact assessment of a solid waste management project, implemented through a partnership between VNG International and the International Orthodox Christian Charities. More info here.

Support to the Beirut and Mount Lebanon Water Establishments after the Beirut blast by SABIL

In response to the Beirut Blast, ACTED as part of the SABIL consortium, gave immediate support to the Beirut and Mount Lebanon Water Establishments by rehabilitating their regional warehouse. It ensured the continuity of operation and maintenance activities that serve the populations across Beirut and Mount Lebanon. See <u>social media coverage</u>.

Supporting job creation by RDPP

In partnership with the Lebanese NGO LebRelief and the social business FabricAid, the European Regional Development and Protection Programme (RDPP) supports the expansion of the domestic second-hand clothing value chain at a time of rising poverty levels, creating jobs and making second hand clothes available at micro-prices. The project was promoted through a social media campaign with local celebrities. Watch the video here.

Supporting women at risk by EFI

In occasion of the international Day on the Elimination of Violence Against Women, the EuroMed Feminist Initiative (EFI) and Legal action Lebanon launched a very powerful video that can be watched here.

Youth RESOLVE II Youth Committees by World Vision

4 out of 17 Youth Committees have been formed and linked to municipalities via MoU during the project's inception phase to constitute to active decision-making participation of young leaders across Lebanon. More info here.

Jordan

651 new EDU-Syria III scholarships awarded by GJU

The EDU-SYRIA III programme, managed by the German Jordanian University (GJU), awarded 651 fully-funded scholarships for underprivileged Jordanian and Syrian refugee youths for the upcoming academic year 2020/2021. More info here.

Cash assistance by UNHCR

With funding from the Trust Fund, UNHCR continues to provide cash assistance to refugees across Jordan, helping them to meet their basic needs. More info here. See also social media coverage.

Influenza vaccines by WHO

More than 230,000 doses of influenza vaccines have been delivered to the Ministry of Health of Jordan by WHO, through a project funded by the Trust Fund. The vaccines are ready for the upcoming influenza seasonal vaccination programme and will help reduce the burden on the Jordanian health system. More info here. See also social media coverage here and here and here.

Makani centers continued support by UNICEF

In Jordan, over 94,000 beneficiaries were reached by at least one UNICEF-supported Makani services — funded by the EU Madad Fund - either remotely or in-person since COVID-19 related measures were implemented in March 2020, of whom around 75,000 were children (54 per cent girls). More info here.

Waste to (positive) Energy project by GIZ

Cash-for-work production of high-quality compost in the composting facilities in Karak and Irbid. Watch the video here.

Iraq

Job creation in the Kurdistan Region of Iraq by UNDP

The Job Creation in KRI grant scheme supported 56 businesses to hire 685 people (for 6-8 months each) in the Kurdistan Region of Iraq. The recruits include 100 Syrian refugees, 488 host community members and 97 internally displaced people, of whom 227 are female. Read this story for more info.

New Pediatric Intensive Care unit's inauguration by AISPO

AISPO's inauguration of the new Pediatric Intensive Care Unit (PICU) and the newly renovated and harmonized wards at Hevi Pediatric Hospital in Duhok, Iraqi Kurdistan on September 3, 2020. See <u>social media coverage</u>.

Quick Impact Projects for local communities by QUDRA II

In Iraq, the successful Governorate Development Facility (GDF) and its Quick Impact Projects (QIPs) have continued in the Kurdistan Region of Iraq (KRI). The focus has been on the urgent need for health services, access to clean water and safe roads. More info here.

Armenia

Youth innovation camps by the Austrian Red Cross

In the context of the "Increased Resilience of Syrian Armenian and Host Population" (IRIS) programme, 30 brilliant young people with 30 unique project ideas were selected as finalists to participate in the Armenian Red Cross Society (ARCS) youth innovation camps. More info here.

Regional

Madad Regional Partners' event by UN Women

UN Women organised a Madad Regional Partners' Event on 11 November 2020 aimed at presenting achievements and lessons learned from its regional programme "Strengthening the Resilience of Syrian Women and Girls and Host Communities in Iraq, Jordan and Turkey. The outcome document, including key recommendations, can be found here and social media coverage can be found here and here.

Sustainable agricultural development by FAO (Jordan & Lebanon)

In collaboration with the Ministry of Agriculture in Lebanon and the Ministry of Agriculture in Jordan, and in partnership with IFAD and WFP, FAO launched the project entitled "Enhancing resilient livelihoods and food security of host communities and Syrian refugees in Jordan and Lebanon through the promotion of sustainable agricultural development." See also social media coverage.