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GIVE **HOPE** AND PROMOTE **PEACE AND JUSTICE**
THROUGH **SUSTAINABLE AND INCLUSIVE DEVELOPMENT**



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Amir of the State of Qatar



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MESSAGE FROM THE

CHAIRMAN
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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Beside the commitments and disbursements, QFFD continues its endeavor to achieve its goals aiming at promoting hope, peace, and justice for all nations.

Every human being has an entitlement to live with dignity and to prosper in stable, healthy and safe communities. Qatar remains steadfast in its commitment to foster the hopes and aspirations of afflicted nations by supporting Governments on their path to sustainable and inclusive development. Beside the commitments and disbursements, QFFD continues its endeavor to achieve its goals aiming at promoting hope, peace, and justice for all nations.

Under the guidance and visionary leadership of His Highness the Emir of Qatar, Qatar Fund for Development (QFFD) continues to be an active, credible and reliable partner in the work for supporting development and relief projects in many countries around the world.

Accordingly, the QFFD coordinates Qatar's efforts to facilitate and implement numerous development projects worldwide and provide emergent humanitarian assistance.

This is stemming from our belief that through implementing sustainable development projects, Governments of the developing countries can truly enhance the quality of life therein and bring stability, security, peace, and justice to their countries.

To this end, QFFD partners with active donors, multilateral organizations, and civil society organizations, to provide necessary support and fundamental resources that are needed to alleviate human sufferings and implement development projects with far-reaching positive impact. Correspondingly, we believe that the most significant and enduring solution to global challenges is to invest in the sectors of education, health, and economic empowerment. All these efforts are intended to transform the lives of people, especially children and youth.

The world witnesses in numerous places many crises and conflicts bringing challenges and obstacles to securing peace and justice and making it more complex and intertwined. Millions of people in our region, and beyond, are suffering from acute shortage of food resources, extreme poverty, and impairment of healthcare level. We believe that responding to their needs is not a mere option; it is a moral duty.

MESSAGE FROM THE

”” **DIRECTOR GENERAL**

Mr. Khalifa bin Jassim Al-Kuwari

Director General of QFFD





Qatar Fund for Development (QFFD) projects have helped millions of people around the world overcome basic barriers to human needs and essential freedoms.

As an active participant on the global stage, the State of Qatar has continued extending its support to alleviate suffering and to promote development across the world. Whether through targeting access to healthcare services for underprivileged and deprived communities, providing for educational facilities and resources for out-of-school children, or building necessary infrastructure such as roads, water and sanitation networks, Qatar Fund for Development (QFFD) projects have helped millions of people around the world overcome basic barriers to human needs and essential freedoms.

As part of its mandate, and in line with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals, QFFD works to champion and sponsor projects that advance human development and expand community-wide infrastructure using focused geographic and sectoral strategies, and leveraging on the strengths and field access of partner organizations.

In 2018 alone, QFFD disbursed to the tune of \$585 million towards projects in education, health, economic empowerment and access to jobs, infrastructure and humanitarian relief sectors in 70 countries globally. These funds were structured within innovative funding mechanisms to mobilize billions of dollars of additional

funding from partnering multilateral organizations, bilateral donors, and NGOs.

This significant support to many countries around the world is helping reduce human suffering and preserving the culture and lifestyle of people affected by conflict. However, we know that the magnitude of problems that the global community is facing is ever growing and becoming more complex. That's why we will be stepping up our efforts in subsequent years to mobilize more resources, improve operational efficiency, and leverage on strategic partnerships to meet our common goals.

To this end, I would like to express my sincere gratitude and appreciation to all QFFD employees and our strategic partners for their commitment and hard efforts in making 2018 a successful year for the Fund.

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EXECUTIVE



SUMMARY

In 2018, Qatar Fund for Development (QFFD) continued its efforts on behalf of the State of Qatar to provide relief and to support sustainable development in various developing countries worldwide.

QFFD retained its focus on supporting priority areas like education, healthcare, humanitarian relief, infrastructure development, and economic empowerment. This was done mainly by providing grants and soft loans through local, regional and global partners and organizations, especially UN agencies.

During the year 2018, QFFD funded projects to the extent of \$585 million. The work supported by QFFD and its strategic partners impacted many people with diverse ethnicities and backgrounds in 70 countries around the world.

In response to its pledges at the Brussels 2018 Conference, the State of Qatar extended support with an amount of \$52 million to Syria and its neighbouring countries, providing comprehensive healthcare, housing, and vocational training. These have benefited internally displaced Syrians and refugees in neighbouring host countries such as Jordan, Lebanon,

and Turkey. In addition, over 100,000 displaced persons from Deraa and Eastern Ghouta in Syria were also assisted through emergency response projects funded by QFFD.

The displacement of the Rohingya people and the consequent humanitarian crises continue to engage the efforts of global humanitarian organizations and donors. QFFD contributed a total of \$3.5 million to various projects in partnership with the UNHCR and local NGOs to provide life-saving healthcare and shelter in various camps in Myanmar and Bangladesh.

In Libya, over 600,000 people benefited from projects funded by QFFD to the tune of \$8 million. The projects were aimed at supporting the health sector through training of staff, the supply of equipment and medicines, restoration of laboratories and the establishment of an electronic reference library.

In Yemen, even as the crisis exacerbated, the State of Qatar continued to extend generous support by providing access to water and rehabilitating displaced persons. QFFD funded \$6.5 million worth of projects in healthcare benefiting over 680,000 people.

The Fund also contributed \$5 million to support UNICEF in fighting the cholera epidemic in the most affected areas in Yemen. These contributions, and even more contemplated interventions in the coming years, are in response to the pledge that HH Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad Al Thani, Amir of the State of Qatar, made during the 73rd UN General Assembly. The \$70 million pledge covers 53 projects in water, sanitation and institutional capacity building, and aims to benefit 8.5 million people, including 4.25 million children.

QFFD remains a major contributor to supporting the people of Palestine with contributions nearing \$150 million. In 2018, over \$75 million of emergency response aid went to Gaza. Also, Qatar provided generous support to the UN Relief and Works Agency (UNRWA) that focuses on aiding the Palestinian people both inside Palestine and in neighbouring host countries. The contributions to UNRWA totalled around \$50 million, and the funds were utilized to sustain the Agency's education services for Palestinian youth in all five fields of operations, namely, Jordan, Gaza, the West Bank including East Jerusalem, Syria and Lebanon.

In Sudan, the Fund's contributions touched \$112 million in 2018. With the completion of the 220 KV River Nile State Transmission Line Project, \$85 million was disbursed to fund the project which mainly enables industrial-scale agricultural farming in the Northern and Khartoum states. This has benefited communities living along the transmission lines by providing them with more reliable and cost-effective access to electricity.

QFFD also supported various projects around the world, including the earthquake relief in Papua New Guinea, the provision

of food relief for displaced persons in Iraq, in addition to several development projects in Chile, the Gambia, Kazakhstan, and the United States.

In 2018, Qatar committed to contributing \$500 million in the form of multi-year non-earmarked contributions to various UN organizations in their efforts to accelerate sustainable and comprehensive development around the world. The disbursement of these funds has already begun.

In this vein, QFFD signed an agreement with WHO for a 3-year project aimed at eliminating tropical and other diseases in 49 African countries, benefiting up to 400 million people.

Moreover, to enhance cooperation and efficiency, and to foster partnerships with various UN agencies, Qatar and the UN agreed on opening four new UN offices in Doha representing UNICEF, the International Organization for Migration (IOM), the UN High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), and the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA).

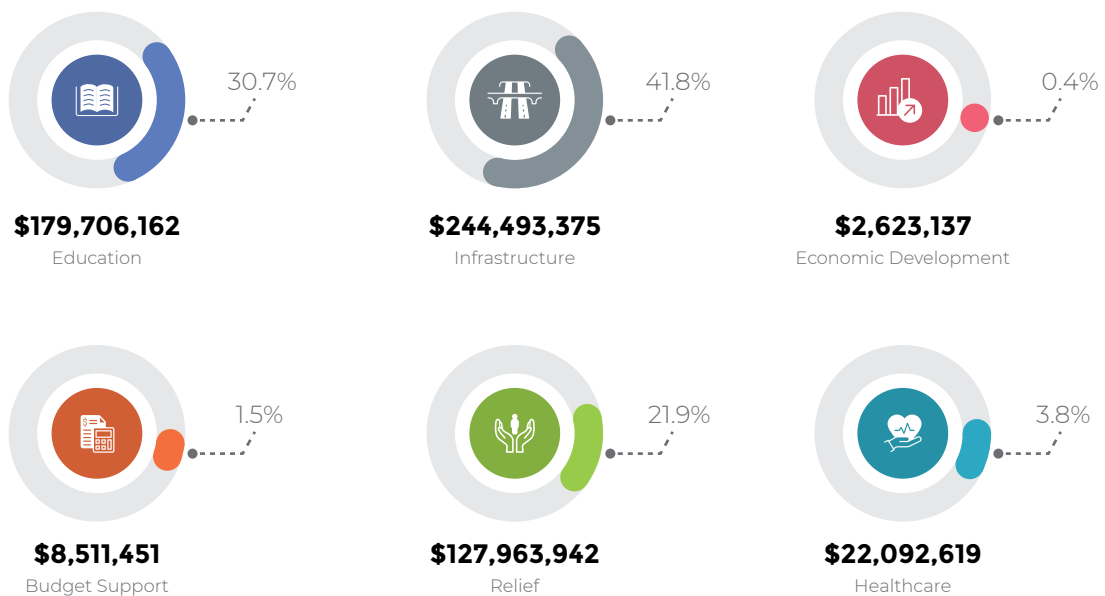
Close cooperation with international organizations was also prioritized. On the one hand, the Global Fund to fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria welcomed QFFD on to their Board of Directors. This came after years of QFFD's support to several of the Global Fund projects, especially in the MENA region, benefiting more than 22 million people. On the other hand, Orbis and QFFD expanded the Qatar Creating Vision project in Bangladesh and India, achieving over 5 million eye screenings as of 2018.

2018 Milestones

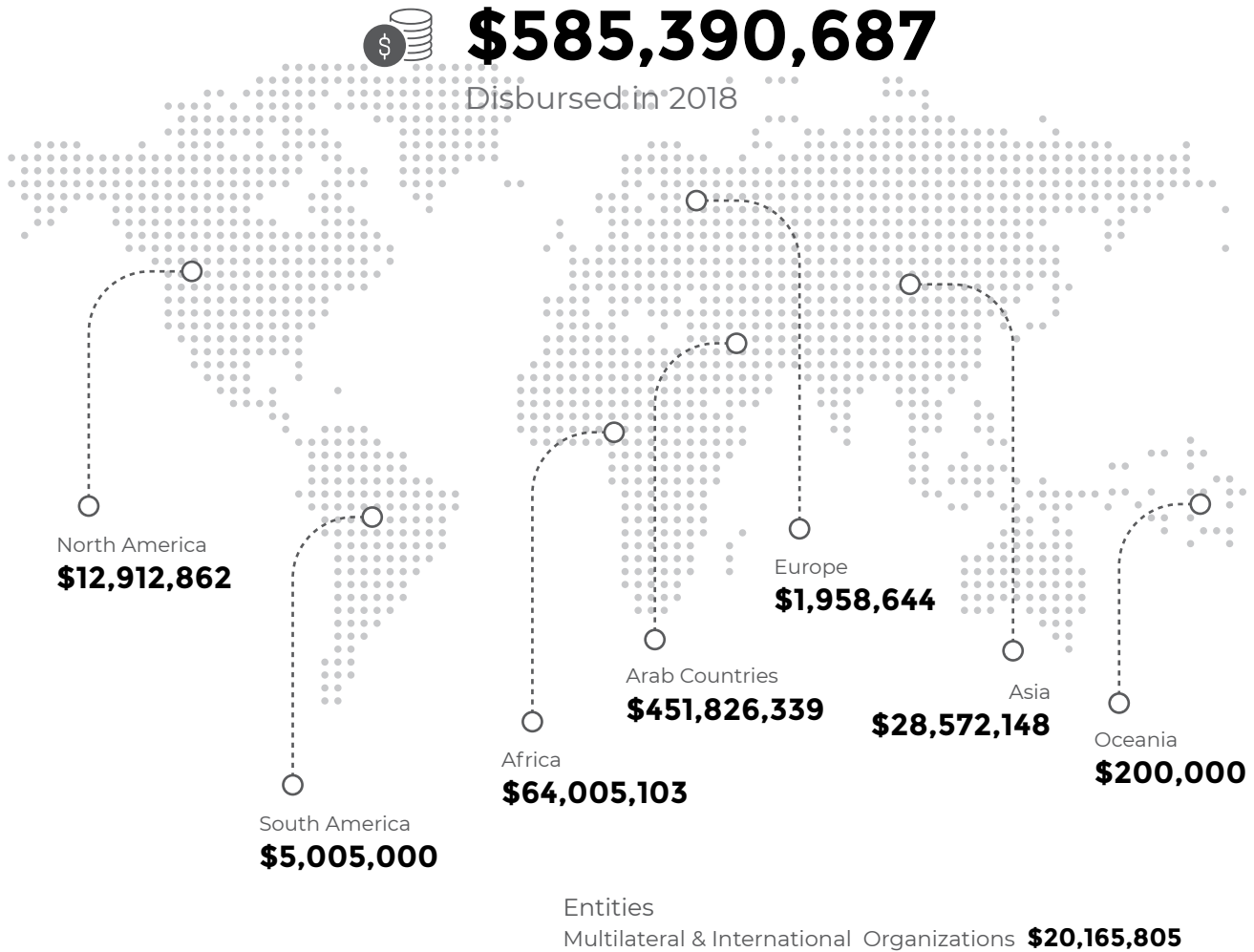
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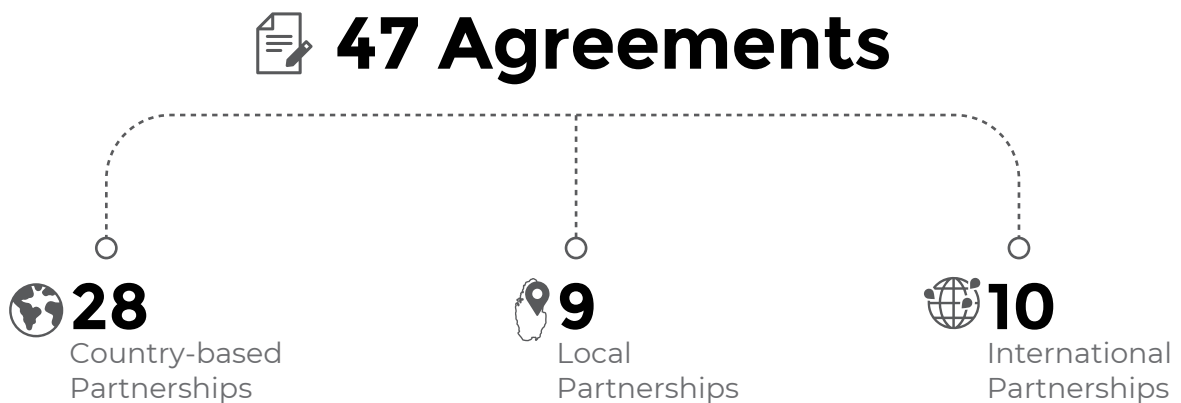
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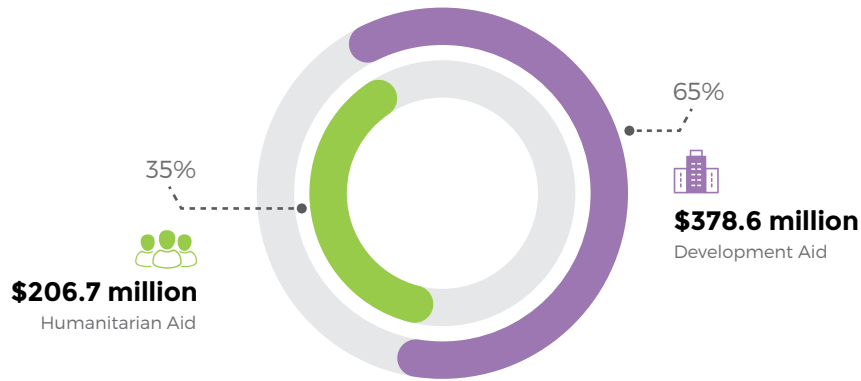
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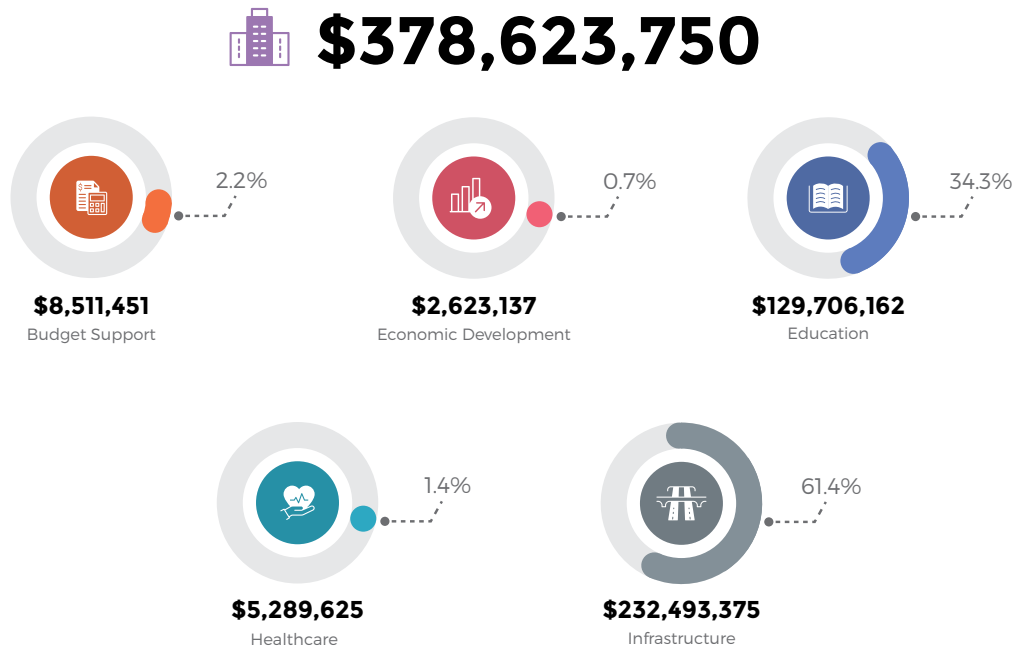
Agreements signed by QFFD - 2018



Funding by Category

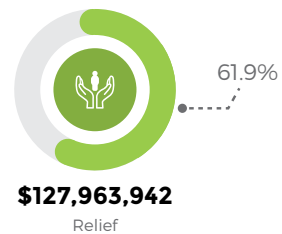
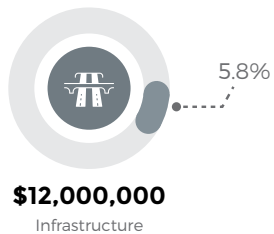
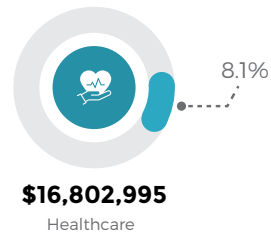


Funding by Sector - Development



Funding by Sector - Humanitarian

 **\$206,766,937**



التعليم | education
فوق | above
الجميع | all



ARAB FUND FOR ECONOMIC & SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT



ICYF-DC



CHILDREN AND ARMED CONFLICT



World Health Organization



UNHCR The UN Refugee Agency



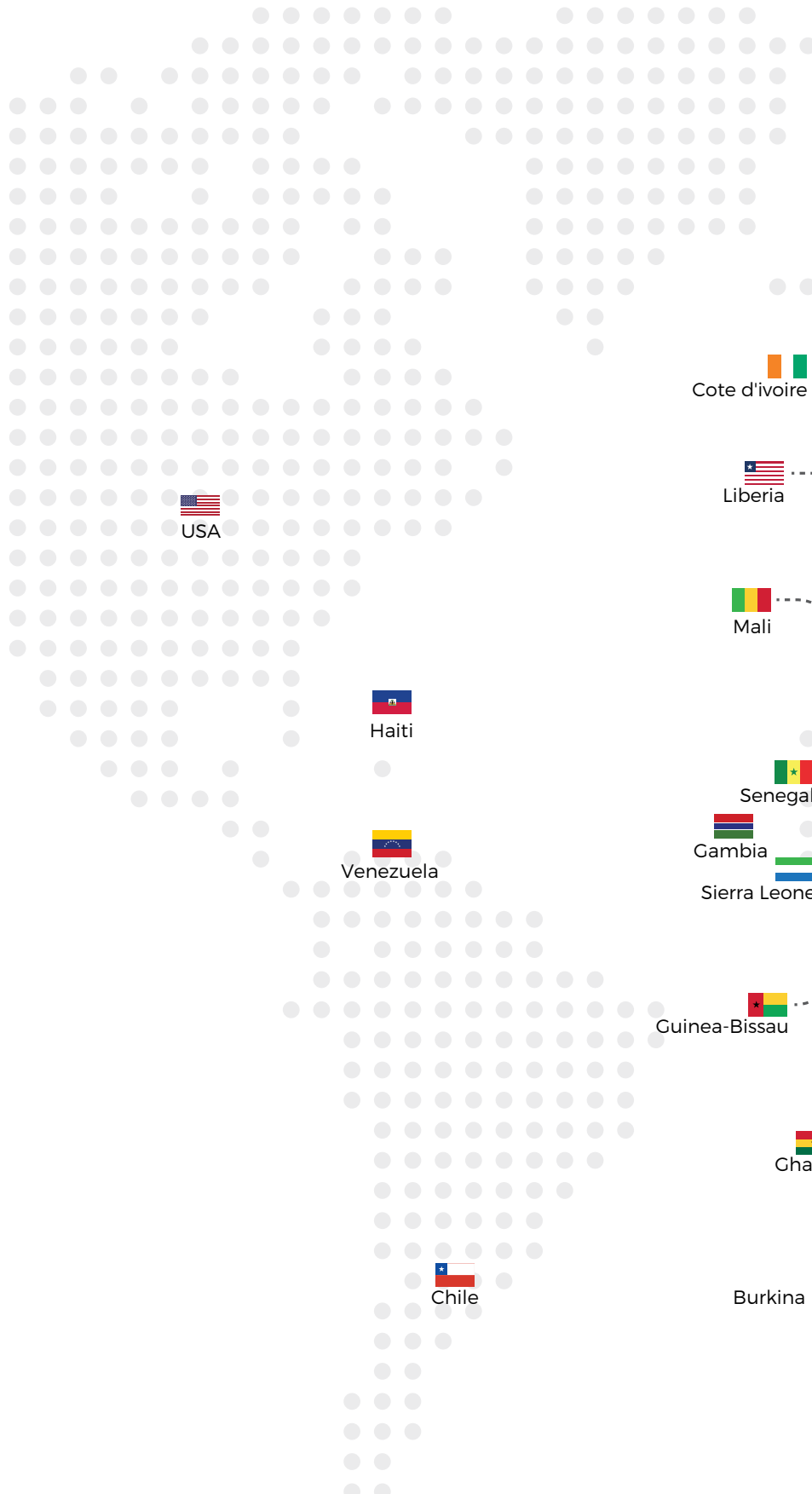
unicef



UNRWA
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UNDP



USA

Haiti

Venezuela

Chile

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Liberia

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Niger

Senegal

Gambia

Sierra Leone

Benin

Guinea-Bissau

Ghana

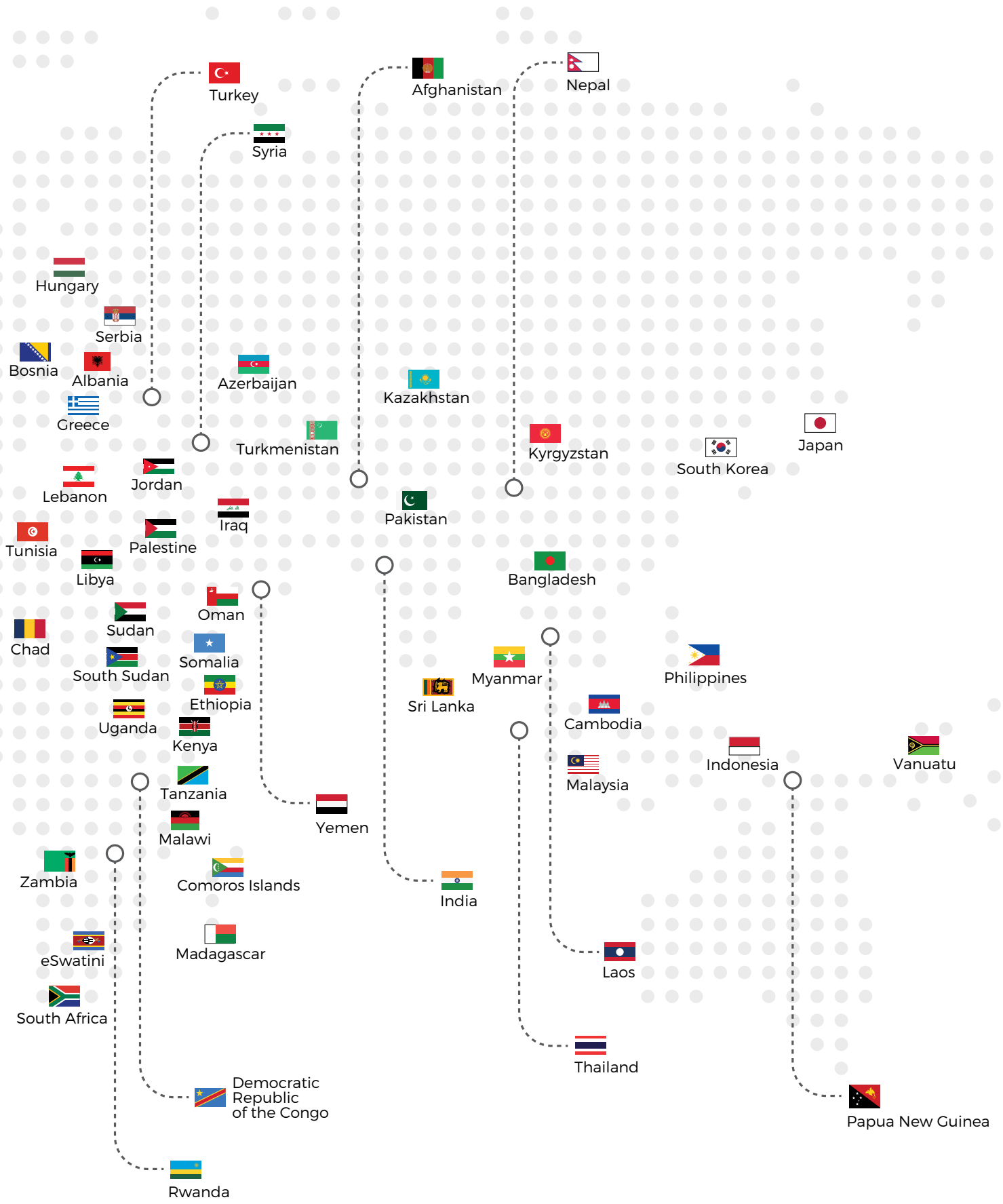
Burkina Faso

Togo

Nigeria

Development and Humanitarian Aid Projects* Financed (By Country)

*Projects funded by Qatar Fund for Development (QFFD) and implemented by its strategic partners



Total disbursed:

\$585,390,687

TWO COWS AND



A FARMER

Micro-finance helps Ahmed grow his business

Ahmed is a 24-year-old farming entrepreneur in El Kef, Northwest Tunisia. Ahmed received a micro-loan of TND 6,000 from Taysir, Tunisia's first approved micro-finance institution. The loan included a TND 1,000 contribution from Qatar Friendship Fund.

Ahmed used his loan to expand his agricultural venture, acquiring two dairy cows and hiring two full-time employees. He looks forward to continue growing his business.

Enlarging access to micro-finance helps small entrepreneurs realize their ambitions. QFFD supports funding of micro-finance institutions, as they are the ideal way to provide funding to very small businesses, who would not normally be able to overcome requirements for bank loans.



An aerial photograph of a center pivot irrigation system. The image shows a vast field of vibrant green crops, likely alfalfa, arranged in neat rows. Several long, white pipes (pivots) extend from the center of the field towards the edges, with multiple nozzles spraying water in a circular pattern over the crops. The perspective is from a high angle, looking down at the field.

SMARTPHONES
AND ROBOTS, THAT'S



FARMING

TODAY



Innovative company helps farmers reap rewards of new technologies

Ezzayra, a company based in Tunis, develops software products that streamline agricultural management. Looking to expand to new markets, Ezzayra raised TND 400,000 from IntilaQ. The company used the funding to add 28 jobs, greatly expanding its technical workforce. Newly hired engineers focused on increasing product reliability and prototyping a robot that can identify rotten farm produce using artificial intelligence and machine learning. Starting out with just one client, Ezzayra now has grown to serve 43 farms.

IntilaQ is Tunisia's leading startup investor, funded by QFFD. Beyond growth capital, Ezzayra gained visibility through IntilaQ and its network, helping the company reach international markets.



DEVELOPMENT


PROJECTS


Albania


School reconstruction in Tirana

As part of QFFD's drive to promote education in developing countries, a grant agreement was signed with the Government of the Republic of Albania with a total amount of \$1.35 million, to finance the reconstruction project of the Jeronim De Rada school in the capital city of Tirana. The fund would cover furnishings and help in creating a new and modern learning environment in Tirana. The project represents a new phase of co-operation between Qatar and Albania.



 Budget:
\$1,350,000

 Beneficiaries:
800 students & staff


 Partner:
Tirana Municipality


Guinea-Bissau

Donation of 10 cars for Conference

The State of Qatar donated 10 cars to the Republic of Guinea-Bissau that was used during the Spanish-speaking Countries Conference hosted by the country.



 Budget:
\$273,972

 Beneficiaries:
Many

 Partner:
The Government of Guinea-Bissau


Kazakhstan


Funded school inaugurated in Astana


At an opening ceremony in August 2018, QFFD handed over a new fully equipped, multi-facility, 58-classroom school in Kazakhstan's Akimat of Astana city. Funded with a 12.7 million grant from QFFD and constructed in partnership with the Akimat of Astana city, the 4-hectare school accommodates 1,200 students and has a school center, two variable multi-storey academic buildings, a gymnasium and a 36 x 18m playground area for sports like basketball, volleyball, handball, tennis, among others. It also has a 20,000-book



library with 30 reading spots, a 400-seater dining hall, a 360-seater conference hall, and a media library.

 Budget: **\$12,7 million**

 Beneficiaries: **1,200 students**


 Partner: **Akimat of Astana city**


Kyrgyzstan


Equipment for the Diplomatic Academy

In January 2018, QFFD committed a sum of \$50,000 to fund equipment for the Diplomatic Academy in the Republic of Kyrgyzstan. The Academy was instituted to mold a new generation of leaders and to help inspire them to address global challenges both at the national and the international level. The Academy trains the Kyrgyz Republic's diplomats and has an exchange programme for Master's degrees and for PhD holders to focus on joint research in different fields.



 Budget: **\$50,000**

 Beneficiaries: **100+ people**

 Partner: **Government of Kyrgyzstan**

 **Mali**


Access to education for children of Mali


In line with its stated mission of allocating the largest share of funding to qualitative education, QFFD is extending extensive financial aid to the Government of Mali to help all the out-of-school children in the country. QFFD is contributing \$40 million to execute the 'Education Above All (EAA)' projects in the country by providing the Government of Mali with a concessional loan of \$24.5 million, and an amount of \$15.5 million as a grant in association with EAA.

The EAA "Access to education for all children of Mali" project will ensure that nearly 600,000 children in 18 different



territories in Mali have the benefit of a fitting primary education. The total cost of the project is \$143,232,678, funded by several non-governmental organizations, and the project is expected to be completed in December 2021.

 Budget: **\$40 million**

 Beneficiaries: **600,000 children**

 Partner: **Education Above All (EAA)**




 **Morocco**

Housing Project in Asilah

Over 1,000 individuals will benefit from the Asilah projects to build 204 social housing units for the underprivileged neighborhoods in the city of Asilah at a total budget of \$8.6 million.

The project will contribute to creating jobs through the employment of local companies and individuals in the construction of the project. In addition, it will have a far-reaching impact in retaining the youth in their hometown by providing affordable housing. The final handover of the houses is scheduled for November 2019.

 Budget: **\$8.6 million**

 Beneficiaries: **1,000 individuals**

 Partner: **The Asilah Forum Foundation**

Oman


Qatar signed an agreement with the Government of the Sultanate of Oman to finance the four-lane dualization of the Nizwa/Thamrit carriageway between Muscat and Salalah along a length of more than 1,000 km.


The project involves the conversion to a four-lane dual carriageway from the existing 715 km-long single carriageway currently between the towns of Adam and Thumrait, and it includes several intermittent grade-separated interchanges, cross-drainage structures, camel crossings, rest and service areas and weigh stations at intermittent locations.

This project is financed through a grant of QAR 1,250,000,000 (\$343,406,593) and



a loan of a similar amount. The grant is administered by Oman's Ministry of Finance and supervised by the country's Ministry of Transport and Communications (MoTC) Directorate General of Roads and Land Transport.

 Budget:
\$686.8 million

 Beneficiaries:
Citizens of Oman


 Partner:
Government of the Sultanate of Oman


Palestine

H.H Sheikh Hamad bin Khalifa Hospital for the Rehabilitation and Artificial Limbs

Within the 2011 pledge of \$407 million for the reconstruction of Gaza in the infrastructure, education, and health sectors, QFFD funded the reconstruction of H.H Sheikh Hamad bin Khalifa Hospital with a grant of \$16.5 million in addition to funding the operation expenses of the hospital with a total amount of \$3 million for hiring medical staff and the purchase of consumables. The project was implemented in partnership with Qatar Ministry of Public Health, the Gaza Reconstruction Committee and the Palestinian Ministry of Health.



 Budget:
\$19.576 million

 Beneficiaries:
Citizens of Gaza

 Partner:
Gaza Reconstruction Committee


The Institute for Palestine Studies


The Institute for Palestine Studies (IPS) is one of the oldest institutes in the world devoted exclusively to documentation, research, analysis and publication with regard to Palestinian affairs and the Arab-Israeli conflict. It was established in Beirut in 1963 and incorporated there as a private, independent, non-profit Arab institute unaffiliated with any political organization or government.



QFFD signed a grant agreement with the institute for a total amount of \$5 million to support a 5-year project aimed at expanding its activities and publications. The project will also help the institute

develop the programs to document the facts and stages of the Arab-Israeli conflict while also raising public awareness about the Palestinian issue.

 Budget: **\$5 million**


 Beneficiaries: **General public**

 Partner: **The Institute for Palestine Studies**



WAJD Program

Over 2,100 orphans have received support in education, health and economic empowerment post QFFD's signing of a \$10 million Agreement with the Palestinian Cooperation Foundation for the 4-year WAJD Program. The project is currently in its fourth year.

 Budget: **\$10 million**


 Beneficiaries: **2,114 children**


 Partner: **Palestinian Cooperation Foundation**

Scholarships and Development of Infrastructure at Birzeit University

Further to the completed 5-year \$12.5 million agreement in 2013 with Birzeit University to develop the campus infrastructure and provide scholarships for underprivileged students, another agreement was signed between QFFD and the University for \$12.5 million, where a grant of \$2.5 million was allocated for infrastructure and \$10 million for scholarship programs dedicated for Palestinian students.




 Budget: **\$12.5 million**


 Beneficiaries: **Many students**




Scholarships for students - project extension

In 2015, QFFD signed a 3-year agreement with the Unite Lebanon Youth Project for \$1.5 million to provide scholarships for 42 Palestinian students to study at the American University of Beirut (AUB) and the Lebanese American University (LAU). This project was extended further for a similar period.

 Budget: **\$1.5 million**

 Beneficiaries: **42 Students**


 Partner: **Unite Lebanon Youth Project**

Let Them Dream


QFFD had funded Danilo Turk Foundation with a grant of \$1.88 million for the rehabilitation and treatment of 100 children from Gaza for 3 years.

The basic mission of the 'Let Them Dream' Foundation is to encourage activities for the prevention and elimination of the effects of child abuse in families, schools, local communities, where peace is threatened in areas of war, and anywhere where children's dignity is severely violated and where their lives and health is at risk.



 Budget:
\$1.88 million

 Beneficiaries:
100 children


 Partner:
Danilo Turk Foundation




Tomorrow's Youth Organization

To empower Palestinian children, youth and women, QFFD signed a \$3.8 million agreement with the Tomorrow's Youth Organization (TYO) in 2017 to implement a number of programs in education, health and economic empowerment in Palestine's West Bank over a period of 5 years (2017-2022).

Tomorrow's Youth Organization is an American, non-governmental organization that works in disadvantaged areas of the Middle East, doing community service and charitable work for children, youth and parents.

 Budget:
\$3.8 million

 Beneficiaries:
11,500 individuals

 Partner:
Tomorrow's Youth Organization

Saint John Hospital

In November 2018, after initially aiding the rebuilding and operations of the Saint John Hospital in Gaza in 2012 with a \$2 million grant, QFFD re-committed a further fund of \$2 million for two more years (2018-2020). The hospital provides eye treatment for an estimated 2 million residents in Gaza, benefiting the children and the elderly particularly.



Budget:
\$4 million

Beneficiaries:
Citizens of Gaza

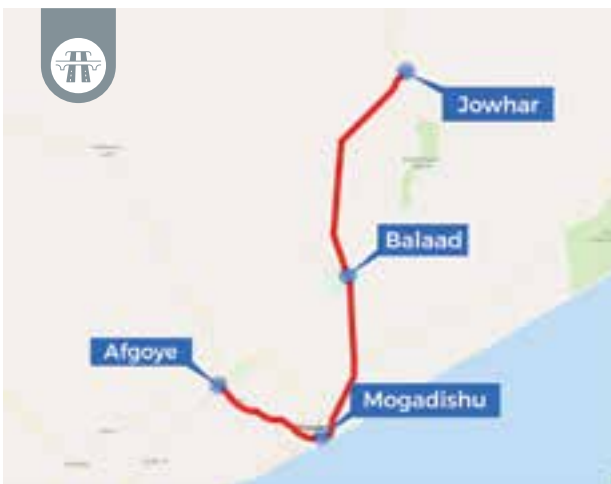
Partner:
Gaza Reconstruction Committee

★ Somalia

Two Roadbuilding projects

With the objective of supporting the Somali government and neighboring provinces with much-needed infrastructure facilities and for the overall development of state institutions, QFFD signed an MoU with Qatar's Public Works Authority and the Federal Government of Somalia for the infrastructure of two roads for a total amount of \$165 million.

The two projects involved the construction of the 100km Mogadishu-Jowhar road and the construction of the 22km Mogadishu-Afgooye road. These projects will contribute in alleviating people's lives by increasing accessibility while also helping provide employment opportunities, with an expected positive impact on the Somali economy.



Budget:
\$165 million


Beneficiaries:
Citizens of Somalia


Partners:
Federal Government of Somalia
Qatar Public Works Authority

Microfinance projects for youth and women

QFFD along with Silatech and Kaah Islamic Microfinance Services (KIMS) signed a 2-year agreement in March 2018, to support the economic empowerment of youth in Somalia by providing them loans, thereby increasing their access to capital. QFFD will provide KIMS and Silatech with \$1 million to help increase their loan portfolio by targeting 10,000 youth, providing technical assistance and creating a minimum of 10,000 jobs.



 Budget:
\$1 million


 Beneficiaries:
10,000 youth and women

 Partners:
Silatech
Kaah Islamic Microfinance Services



Rehabilitation of 4 governmental buildings

QFFD with the cooperation of Qatar's Public Works Authority signed MoUs with the Federal Government of Somalia for the rehabilitation of 4 buildings including the Presidential Office building, the Ministry of Planning, Investment and Economic Development building, the Mogadishu Municipal building, and the Diplomatic Institute with a total funding of \$9.5 million.

 Budget:
\$9.5 million


 Beneficiaries:
The Government of Somalia and its citizens


 Partners:
Federal Government of Somalia
Qatar Public Works Authority

Aiding the wounded in Mogadishu truck bombing

QFFD supported the treatment of Somalis wounded in the Mogadishu bombing with their evacuation and medical treatment in several hospitals in Sudan with an initial amount of \$1.24 million.



 Budget: **\$1,243,800**

 Beneficiaries: **50+ individuals**


South Sudan

'Educate a Child' Project

QFFD signed an agreement with EAA to support UNICEF's Quality Basic Education for Out-of-School Children (OOSC) program in



South Sudan for a total amount of \$5.94 million. The goal of the project is to support the provision of access to education for children in key conflict-affected areas. More specifically, the project provides access to education for OOSC, including those who have been displaced. One of the major activities of the project involves establishing new teaching and learning facilities in all ten states in South Sudan and renovating existing facilities to improve the physical infrastructure and, in turn, enhance learning. Additionally, the project involves the provision of teaching and learning materials, in-service training of teachers, PTAs and education personnel, and the management and supervision of teaching and learning.

 Budget: **\$5.94 million**

 Beneficiaries: **24,300 children**

 Partners: **Education Above All Foundation UNICEF**


 **Sudan**


Reconstruction of 10 villages in Darfur's 5 states

The Darfur crisis emerged with multiple humanitarian needs, for which QFFD mobilized the support of Qatar Charity (QC) and Qatar Red Crescent Society (QRCS) to help reach out to the thousands suffering in Darfur. The Fund along with its partners raised \$70 million for the development and reconstruction of 10 villages in the five states of Darfur, two projects in each state. They include programs to help returning



refugees earn a living and become economically empowered while also helping establish peace and social cohesion.

 Budget: **\$32,832,000**

 Beneficiaries: **Citizens of Darfur**

 Partners: **Qatar Charity
Qatar Red Crescent Society**

Sudan Public Health Training Initiative (SPHTI)


An agreement was signed between QFFD and The Carter Center for an amount of \$2 million for 5 years (2015-2020), to strengthen the public health education system and develop a high-performing, stable, and equitably-distributed workforce with an appropriate mix of skills capable of meeting maternal and child health needs in Sudan.




The key objectives of SPHTI are to:

- Develop the skills of health workers
- Develop teaching skills of health science faculty members
- Develop/adapt health learning materials and training curricula
- Enhance health science education learning environments
- Monitor, evaluate, and assure the quality of SPHTI processes and outcomes in transforming and scaling up education and training of health workers

To date the initiative has provided 24 skill labs; 1,200 items of information and communication technology; 5,100 reference and textbooks; 1,000 copies of revised service curricula for training anesthesia assistants; medical assistants; 2,000 copies of Sudanese Arabic language midwifery community health worker pre-service curricula, and has trained 195 faculty members in effective clinical teaching skills.

 Budget: **\$2,022,215**


 Beneficiaries: **Public benefit**


 Partner: **The Carter Center**


Potable water for South and Central Darfur

QFFD funded a project to provide potable water in the states of South and Central Darfur with an amount of \$3 million. The project has helped to provide clean water resources to a number of localities through the drilling and construction of 212 wells equipped with hand pumps, 3 large integrated water stations with overhead water tanks and an energy source (generator/solar energy), 11 small water plants with water tanks and energy source, and the distribution of maintenance kits for hand pumps.



 Budget:
\$3 million


 Beneficiaries:
Citizens of South & Central Darfur

 Partner:
Qatar Charity




Sports Initiative for Peace and Development in Darfur

QFFD, Qatar Charity (QC) and the International Center for Sports Security (ICSS) have collaborated by signing an agreement to launch the Sports Initiative for Peace and Development in Darfur. The project included a 3-day youth training camp where clothing, sports supplies, and first aid kits were also distributed.

 Budget:
\$109,755

 Beneficiaries:
Citizens of Darfur

 Partners:
**Qatar Charity
International Center for Sports Security**

UNDP short-term projects

An \$88.5 million financing agreement was signed with the United Nations Development Program (UNDP) for the implementation of the Foundation's short-term projects, in which 13 UN agencies have been implementing these projects in the five states of Darfur. The projects fall under three pillars.


Pillar 1: Governance, Justice, and Reconciliation, which includes projects such as: Promoting Reconciliation, Coexistence for Sustainable Peace in Darfur (Beneficiaries: 126,000), Darfur Community Based Reintegration and Stabilization Program, (Beneficiaries: 3,000 former fighters), and Strengthening Land Management for Peaceful Co-existence in Darfur (Beneficiaries: 527,000).

Pillar 2: Reconstruction, which includes these projects: Rehabilitation/Construction of Access Roads and Crossing Points, (Beneficiaries: 260,000 women, 240,000 men, 125,000 IDP, 100,000 returnees), Construction of Public Facilities and Housing in Return Sites and Urban Settings and Increased Access to and Use of Sustainable Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH) Services in Darfur.




It also includes Upgrading and Rehabilitating Health Facilities, and Basic Health Services in Return Sites. Plus, Promotion of Sustainable Return and Reintegration of IDPs and Refugees in Darfur, Accelerated Learning Programme (ALP) and improved access to employment opportunities for out-of-school children and youth. The Darfur Solar Electrification project has also been initiated.

Pillar 3: Economic Recovery, which encompasses these projects: Microfinance for Young and Poor Producers in Rural Areas and Recovery of Livelihoods of Vulnerable Farming and Pastoral Communities.

 Budget:
\$88.5 million

 Beneficiaries:
1.381 million people

 Partner:
United Nations Development Program



eSwatini

Civil Aviation Scholarship Program

Of the ten students from eSwatini who enrolled in Qatar Aeronautical College on a scholarship program funded by QFFD, eight students graduated end of 2018 and two students are expected to graduate in 2019. Part of a \$1.97 million grant, the scholarship includes tuition, food, salaries, tickets, and accommodation for all students within the academic period until the date of graduation. The program is being conducted in coordination with the Government of eSwatini.



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Budget:
\$1.97 million



Beneficiaries:
10 students



Partner:
Qatar Aeronautical College



Syria

Creating access to education for out-of-school children



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QFFD along with its partner Education Above All signed an agreement with a total amount of \$21,38 Million to help increase out-of-school children access to education. The project aims to provide access to primary education for 95,000 Syrian conflict-affected children in hard-to-reach and besieged areas. The project is being implemented in Idleb, Aleppo, Hama, Homs, Dar'a, Quneitra, Rural Damascus and Damascus.



Budget:
\$21.38 million



Beneficiaries:
95,000 children



Partner:
Education Above All

 **Tunisia**


Qatar Friendship Fund Tunisia - new initiatives


In 2013, following the Tunis Arab Spring uprising, HH Sheikh Hamad bin Khalifa Al Thani, the Father Amir, had pledged an amount of \$97 million under the Qatar Friendship Fund (QFF) Tunisia, to support the economic development of Tunisia and to strengthen Qatar’s bilateral relationship with the country. The essential mission of Qatar Friendship Fund Tunisia was to enable the Tunisian youth to realize their aspirations and improve their living standards through entrepreneurship and technology, with the goal of creating 50,000 direct and indirect jobs. To date QFF has supported 27,324 direct and indirect jobs, and supported up to 6,941 small to medium enterprises.

To execute its mission on the ground, QFF has implemented an ecosystem that has gathered seven partners, whereby



it provides training towards the funding and expansion of micro and small and medium enterprises in Tunisia. Looking ahead, QFF plans to provide 50,000 to 100,000 job opportunities for the Tunisian youth by the end of 2021. In order to achieve the desired objectives, QFFD signed five agreements in December 2018 with a total amount of \$15 million that will help the youth of Tunisia to achieve their aspirations while engaging actively with the economy.

 **Budget:**
\$97 million

 **Beneficiaries:**
50,000 - 100,000 youth


 **Partners:**
Local Tunisian NGOs, Banks and Qatari NGOs

 **Uganda**

Supporting the Third South Summit 2019



At the Qatar Permanent Mission in United Nations at New York, a fund of \$500,000 was committed to support the Republic of Uganda in hosting and organizing the Third South Summit 2019. The grant comes as part of Qatar’s efforts to support the countries of the South and to strengthen international cooperation and partnership which is an essential factor for sustainable development.

 **Budget:**
\$500,000

 **Beneficiaries:**
Government of Uganda



United States

Aiding Texas after Hurricane ‘Harvey’

The Qatar Harvey Fund was established after the catastrophic hurricane ‘Harvey’ that hit the United States of America in the Southeast part of the State of Texas in August 2017. In an effort to help rebuild and develop the impacted areas, Qatar pledged \$30 million for the relief and construction efforts in Texas, wherein \$5 million was allocated to the Texas Reconstruction Fund and another \$5 million to the Hurricane Relief Fund.

The grant will also include the following allocations:

- \$5 million to the Rebuild Texas Fund
- \$1,212,502 for the YMCA of Greater Houston (YMCA)
- \$622,627 for the 11 Boys & Girls Clubs in Texas (B&GC-TX)
- \$3.16 million for scholarship programs



- \$2.5 million allocated for the City of Houston Mayor’s Fund to Reduce Homelessness
- \$2.5 million allocated for Harris County’s Riverside General Hospital
- \$274,000 to the Wesley A.M.E. Church for hurricane damage recovery
- \$6 million (approx.) for “Qatar Veterans Fund” in partnership with the Bob Woodruff Foundation



Budget:
\$30 million



Beneficiaries:
General public

GIVING BACK ADAM



CONTROL OF HIS LIFE



Vocational training empowered this Sudanese farmer to set up his own business

Adam is about 40 years old and is married with seven children - three sons and four daughters. Prior to the conflict in West Darfur, he worked as a farmer in Hegilega village, seven kilometers north of Arara. During the conflict, his village was destroyed and that led him to flee with his family. His children left school and without his land, he was left without a livelihood. Adam felt like his life was out of his control. His family depended on international relief to survive. Eventually, after the Darfur Peace Agreement, he was able to return to his home, but struggled to restart his life.

As part of Qatar's commitment to rebuilding Darfur, QFFD and Qatar Red Crescent Society partnered to construct a new village complex in Arara. This village complex housed facilities to provide local populations with governance, education, healthcare, and economic empowerment services.

At the new complexes, Adam received vocational training, as well as the resources to start a metal workshop for welding and fabrication. Since then, his monthly income has increased dramatically to about 7,000 Sudanese Pounds (\$147), which is about five times more than what he was earning before.

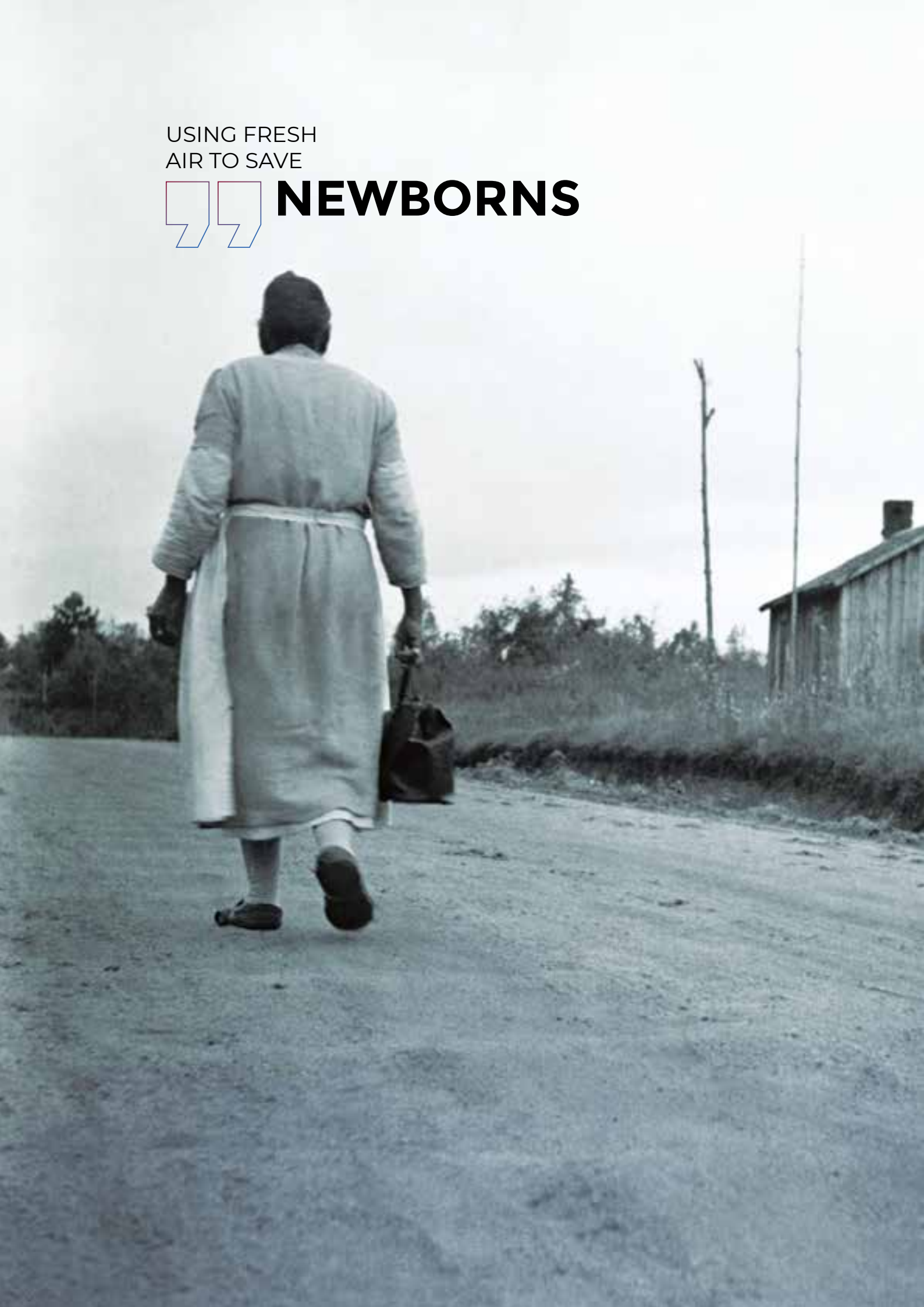
Today Adam's life has changed. He now employs 10 youth in his workshop. He rents five acres of land for agricultural production. With the success of his business, his children are able to receive a proper education and he is able to provide support to his extended family.

Most importantly, he believes that now he is in control of his life again.

USING FRESH
AIR TO SAVE



NEWBORNS





How appropriate training improved Sudanese midwives' practices

Mrs. Zainab is a 60-year-old midwife from the city of Wad Madani in Sudan, about 194 kilometers southeast of Khartoum. She is a third-generation midwife and has served for over 30 years while living in a modest home next to the health center. She believes rescuing newborns is her mission in life.

Despite Zainab's experience and knowledge, she faced numerous challenges during deliveries due to the use of traditional unhygienic techniques. For instance, she used to clean the newborns with only salt, water and a wet towel. This unhygienic practice would result in babies suffering from skin rashes and infections.

Furthermore, she used to give newborns the "kiss-of-life" if they were struggling to breathe after delivery. This traditional procedure involved putting a tube in the newborn's mouth to inflate its lungs using the midwife's breath. Though this method was risky and hazardous, traditional midwives consider it a life-saving practice. It is clear how these traditional approaches contributed to Sudan's rampant infant mortality and morbidity rates.

As part of QFFD's work in the Sudan Public Health Training Initiative (SPHTI), Zainab was trained using The Carter Center's curriculum. As a result, she changed her practices as a midwife to ensure safer deliveries. A few specific examples are:

- Zainab now uses antiseptic solution to clean newborns, which has prevented many of the skin rashes previously observed. She also applies tetracycline ointment, which has reduced eye infections.
- She has started providing newborns with vitamin K to prevent fatal bleeding disorders.
- Instead of giving newborns the traditional "kiss of life" using a tube and her own lungs, she now carries a manual resuscitator with her, which uses fresh air to assist newborns to breathe after delivery.

Overall, Zainab is confident that the training she received has significantly strengthened her ability to support mothers and their newborns through the delivery process.



HUMANITARIAN PROJECTS


Bangladesh

Health Center for Rohingya

In joint coordination with the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC), QFFD along with Qatar Red Crescent Society (QRCS) has funded the transformation of the field hospital to a Primary Healthcare Complex at the Palong Khali camp in Cox's Bazar, which offers primary healthcare for around 800,000 refugees and host communities.



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 Budget:
\$1,059,145

 Beneficiaries:
800,000 individuals


 Partners:
**Federation of the Red Cross
Red Crescent
Qatar Red Crescent Society**





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Added relief for Cox's Bazar Rohingya camps

With the escalation of the Rohingya crisis, refugees flooded to the Cox's Bazar district in Bangladesh. At 5,800 acres, the Cox's Bazar camp is considered the largest of its kind in the world today. To mitigate the suffering that rainy seasons bring, QFFD along with Qatar Charity (QC) has provided funding for reinforced housing and shelters and to improve pathways and roads in the camp areas. UNHCR is implementing this program.

 Budget:
\$2,387,304

 Beneficiaries:
350,000 individuals

 Partners:
**Qatar Charity
UNHCR**


Ethiopia

Improved living conditions for the people of Ethiopia

In partnership with Qatar Red Crescent Society (QRCS), QFFD has supported the most vulnerable groups living in Ethiopia by providing children, women and the elderly with shelter along with water, sanitation and hygiene services.



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 Budget: **\$3 million**

 Beneficiaries: **62,300 individuals**


 Partner: **Qatar Red Crescent Society**


Iraq

Supporting Mosul General Hospital

Being the only such center in the region, the Mosul General Hospital encourages those displaced by the humanitarian crisis to return to their homes by providing primary and secondary healthcare services to residents of the city of Mosul and the surrounding areas. QFFD has funded the hospital to help sustain its operations.



 Budget: **\$600,000**

 Beneficiaries: **500,000 individuals**

 Partner: **Qatar Red Crescent Society**

Support for Iraqi Nineveh Governorate

In partnership with United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), QFFD has supported 2 projects in the Nineveh Governorate benefitting over 68,000 refugees and providing 45,000 rehabilitated houses. The projects cover:


1. Construction of a primary school, health center, and water pumping stations in Kubak
2. Providing cash for shelter to encourage homeowners to return to the old city of Mosul



Before



After

 Budget: **\$6 million**


 Beneficiaries: **68,000 individuals**


 Partner: **UNHCR**




Support for Rehabilitating Waterworks in Iraq

In partnership with the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund (UNICEF) and Qatar Red Crescent, QFFD has supported the enhancement of the water quality in Mosul, improving water sanitation and hygiene facilities in primary healthcare centers and primary schools. In addition, to supporting the development of the Nineveh Water Security Plan.

 Budget: **\$3 million**

 Beneficiaries: **Citizens of Iraq**

 Partners: **UNICEF
Qatar Red Crescent Society**

Libya

Supporting the health sector

QFFD, along with Qatar Red Crescent Society (QRCS), has pledged a total of \$8 million for three different healthcare projects in Libya. These projects cover:

- Training and rehabilitating doctors and nurses and supporting 3 major hospitals and 3 health centers with medicines, medical devices and supplies, while also providing mobile medical teams
- Supporting the Misurata Central Hospital with medicines, basic medical supplies and equipment
- Supporting the Faculty of Medicine at Zaytuna University in Tarhona with educational equipment for laboratories, an electronic library of scientific references, and restoring and furnishing laboratories



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Budget:
\$8 million



Beneficiaries:
623,000 individuals



Partner:
Qatar Red Crescent Society

Papua New Guinea

Earthquake emergency response

QFFD, in partnership with Qatar Red Crescent Society (QRCS), assisted the Republic of Papua New Guinea with an emergency response for the relief of those affected by the earthquake that hit the region. It assisted in providing the basic needs to the displaced people, by providing them with WASH (Water, Sanitation and Hygiene) and non-food relief items.



Budget:
\$100,000



Beneficiaries:
3,500 individuals




Partner:
Qatar Red Crescent Society


 **Syria**


Emergency response projects

A number of agreements were signed by QFFD for emergency response projects through Qatari NGOs for the displaced populations of Deraa and Eastern Ghouta in Syria. The relief provided included food and emergency health services inside Ghouta, shelter and non-food items, health services for people displaced from Ghouta to Northern Syria and, shelter and medical assistance for people displaced from Deraa.



 Budget: **\$2,849,450**

 Beneficiaries: **100,000+ individuals**


 Partners: **Qatar Charity
Qatar Red Crescent Society**


Support for Internally Displaced People (IDP) in Syria

With the war in Syria entering its eighth year, QFFD has supported 6 projects in 2018.



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 Budget: **\$7 million**

 Beneficiaries: **1 million+ individuals**

 Partner: **Qatar Red Crescent Society**

The projects cover:

1. Operation of 11 health centers with comprehensive health services and 6 mobile health centers
2. Support of community health services
3. Integration of mental health and psychological support services into primary healthcare
4. Housing (compact bricks) for displaced Syrians
5. Restoration of houses in the Syrian city of Al Bab
6. Vocational Training Institute for alternative energy professions in Northern Syria


Support for Syrian refugees in Jordan


With the number of Syrian refugees in Jordan exceeding 1.4 million, QFFD has provided support with the following projects to alleviate the situation:


1. Secondary health referrals for chronic diseases
2. Qatar Comprehensive Primary Healthcare Clinic in Zatari Camp
3. Dialysis for Syrian refugees outside the camps (Phase VIII)



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 Budget: **\$2 million**

 Beneficiaries: **100,000+ individuals**


 Partner: **Qatar Red Crescent Society**

Yemen

Khalifa bin Hamad Hospital in Torba Governorate

In line with Qatar's unwavering support for the vulnerable, QFFD has joined hands with Qatar Red Crescent Society (QRCS) to rehabilitate, expand and operate the Khalifa bin Hamad Hospital in the Torba Governorate of Yemen for a period of two and a half years. The hospital provides essential health services for the nearby communities to alleviate the impact of war on their lives and livelihood.



 Budget: **\$2.125 million**

 Beneficiaries: **180,000 individuals**

 Partner: **Qatar Red Crescent Society**

10 Primary Health Centers in Taiz, Sanaa and Al Hudeidah

In response to the humanitarian crises in Al Hudeidah in western Yemen, QFFD and Qatar Red Crescent Society (QRCS) have made a commitment towards rehabilitating and operating 10 primary health centers in Taiz, Sanaa and Al Hudeidah that work 24/7 offering integrated healthcare services. With the funding, the centers are operated and supplied with medicines, consumables, and medical staff who work round-the-clock to offer integrated healthcare services.



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Budget:
\$3.234 million

Beneficiaries:
499,200 individuals

Partner:
Qatar Red Crescent Society



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Cash Grants and Rental Assistance to help IDP and Returnee families

QFFD and Qatar Charity (QC) responded to UNHCR's call to support the humanitarian needs of displaced Yemeni families and communities due to the ongoing crisis in the country with a tripartite agreement to support rental payments.

Budget:
\$3 million

Beneficiaries:
26,000 individuals


Partners:
**UNHCR
Qatar Charity**

Helping combat Cholera and Acute Diarrhea in Yemen

With the social service systems in Yemen, including health, water and sanitation, in a precarious condition, QFFD responded to UNICEF's call to fight the epidemic of acute watery diarrhea and cholera. So far, the project has enabled the training of 250 medical personnel for early detection and treatment of over 15,000 patients who have contracted both cholera and acute watery diarrhea along with hygiene awareness sessions for over 210,000 people.



 Budget: **\$5 million**

 Beneficiaries: **500,000 individuals**


 Partner: **UNICEF**


Rehabilitation of Water and Sanitation Sectors

Under His Highness the Amir of Qatar's directives during his speech at the 73rd United Nations



General Assembly session, QFFD signed an MoU to support the water and sanitation sector in Yemen, in cooperation with the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF). QFFD committed \$70 million to UNICEF to help the rehabilitation of water networks, distribution and drainage networks, water supply stations, and to reduce the spread of contaminated water-related diseases such as cholera and improve access to safe drinking water. In total, the grant would cover 53 projects in water, sanitation and institutional capacity building. The project will benefit 8.5 million Yemenis, of which 4.25 million are children.

 Budget: **\$70 million**

 Beneficiaries: **8.5 million individuals**

 Partner: **UNICEF**



WIN-WIN SOLUTIONS FOR SYRIAN



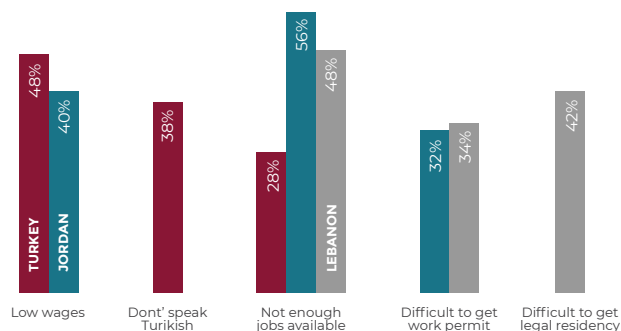
REFUGEES AND THEIR HOSTS

Over 12 million people have been displaced by the Syrian Civil War, with a majority of them now living in Turkey, Lebanon and Jordan. While these host countries have been generous in their hospitality, and although many Syrians are working, their sheer numbers are straining local labor markets, public services and social harmony.

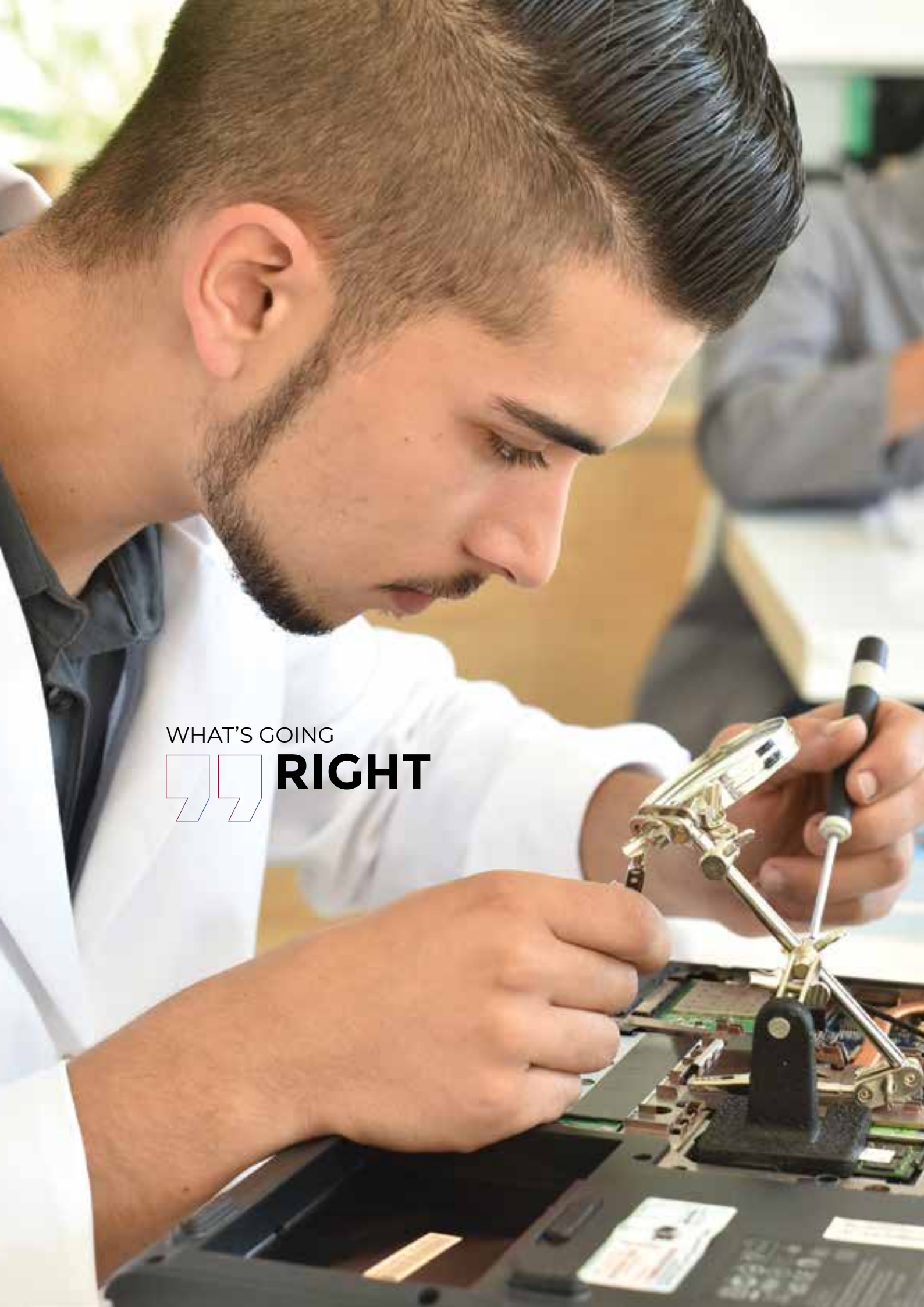
More than continued humanitarian assistance, the average Syrian refugee needs a job – because with a job comes self-sufficiency, dignity, opportunities and hope. Funded by QFFD, RAND researchers conducted six surveys with Syrians and local firms and 36 focus groups of displaced Syrians and host communities to pinpoint which policies might help create new economic opportunities, both for the refugees and for host-nation workers.

Syrian refugees have been working and contributing... but they need better opportunities and training

Many Syrians in Turkey, Lebanon and Jordan are working and finding ways to get by, and large majorities report that they are treated fairly by employers and co-workers. However, unemployment among refugees is high. Most work in low-skill, low-wage, and informal jobs. Provisions to allow them to work legally are not functioning as planned. Many would-be workers do not live in cities where the jobs are. Failure to enforce minimum wage laws for Syrians puts pressure on host-nation workers.







WHAT'S GOING



RIGHT



Hard Work

Employers find Syrians to be hardworking and willing to do work that locals do not want.



Women

More Syrian women are working in their host countries than in Syria before the war. Men and women alike find this socially acceptable, necessary, and respectable.



Goodwill

Policymakers think that host countries are providing a “public good” for the world by hosting the Syrian refugees. Thus, donor investments in large infrastructure projects will help host-country economies and Syrians alike.



Compassion

None of the three countries has significant social unrest because of the arrival of large numbers of displaced Syrians. While there is widespread resentment of Syrians in the labor market and in public services, there is also genuine concern for their plight.



Entrepreneurs

Syrians have been active entrepreneurs in Turkey, starting more than 10,000 registered businesses. Still, barriers to growth remain.



Employer Demand

Sizable proportions of the employers surveyed reported having recruited Syrians. There are opportunities for job growth in semiskilled jobs in manufacturing in particular zones or regions.

Adapted from Win-Win Solutions for Syrian Refugees – and their hosts, a Rand Corporation research brief funded by Qatar Fund for Development and conducted by Krishna B. Kumar, Shelly Culbertson, Louay Constant, Shanthy Nataraj, Fatih Unlu, Kathryn E. Bouskill, Joy S. Moini, Katherine Costello, Gursel Rafig oglu Aliyev, Fadia Afashe.

Download the report from:
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PROJECTS WITH



ORGANIZATIONS

'Qatar Creating Vision' - with Orbis



As an international non-profit non-governmental organization dedicated to saving sight worldwide, Orbis conducts programs focused on the prevention of blindness and the treatment of blinding eye diseases in developing countries through hands-on training, public health education, advocacy and local partnerships.

QFFD signed an agreement with Orbis in 2015 to contribute \$8 Million to establish a 5-year "Qatar Creating Vision" program in Bangladesh and India for a period of 5 years. To date, the QFFD-Orbis partnership has benefitted 5.5 million children in these two countries. In 2017, it was agreed to expand the program for one year to benefit the displaced Rohingya children in Southeast Bangladesh.

Over 5 million screenings have taken place across all the projects in India, Bangladesh and in the Rohingya camps. More than 63,000 people have been trained, over 260,000 spectacles prescribed, and over 14,500 surgeries performed.

The Global Fund - to fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria



Founded in 2002, The Global Fund is a new millennium partnership organization designed to accelerate the end of AIDS, tuberculosis and malaria as epidemics. It raises nearly \$4 billion a year to support programs run by local experts in countries and communities most in need.

In 2016, QFFD signed an \$10 million agreement with The Global Fund for a 3-year period to fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria. In addition to its activities in the least developed countries around the world, The Global Fund also sponsors projects in the MENA region, specifically in the refugee camps in Jordan, Lebanon, Syria, Palestine, Iraq and Yemen.



QFFD's contribution has helped lifesaving interventions for over 22 million people, with 11 million people supported with antiretroviral therapy for HIV. In addition, 795 million insecticide-treated nets to fight malaria were distributed. QFFD is today on the Board of the The Global Fund as a non-voting member.

Lives and Livelihoods Fund



The Lives and Livelihoods Fund (LLF) is the largest development initiative of its kind in the Middle East and was launched in 2016 by Islamic Development Bank (IsDB) with the objective of eliminating diseases, improving agriculture and providing basic infrastructure for the poorest among the 57 countries of the Organisation of Islamic Cooperation (OIC).

The QFFD grant of \$50 million will be disbursed in five annual installments of up to \$10 million with the LLF providing \$2.5 billion in soft loans to 30 of the least developed countries among member states.



QFFD's contributions will help improve maternal and child health services in Tajikistan, prevent malaria in Sudan, supporting maternal and child healthcare in Djibouti and supporting the National Reproductive Health Program in Mauritania.

Financial support for the UN Central Emergency Response Fund (CERF) through the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA)



While the Central Emergency Response Fund has proven to be one of the fastest and most effective ways to ensure urgently needed humanitarian assistance reaching people caught up in crises, the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) brings together humanitarian partners to ensure a coherent response to these emergencies.



QFFD signed a \$5 million agreement with OCHA for programs that cover healthcare, water and sanitation, food assistance, livelihood support and shelter provision.

Global Community Engagement and Resilience Fund (GCERF)



GCERF is a public-private partnership and the first global effort to support local, community-level initiatives aimed at strengthening resilience against violent extremist agendas. QFFD and GCERF signed an agreement in May 2015 where QFFD would contribute \$5 million, for a 5-year project (2015-2020) that would support local communities and non-governmental organizations to provide awareness and prevent violent extremism in all its forms. It is currently focusing on Bangladesh, Mali and Nigeria. QFFD's fund will benefit around 500,000 people in Bangladesh, 42,000 people in Mali and 78,000 people in Nigeria.



United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees (UNRWA)



Funded almost entirely by voluntary contributions from UN Member States, UNRWA's services extend to education, healthcare, relief and social services, camp infrastructure and improvement, microfinance and emergency assistance, including in times of armed conflict, with special emphasis on providing assistance and protection to registered Palestine refugees to help them achieve their full potential in human development.



In May 2018, QFFD contributed to UNRWA's core funding with an amount of \$50 million.

UNESCO's Heritage Emergency Fund



The Heritage Emergency Fund was established by UNESCO in 2015, to enable the Organization to respond quickly and effectively to crises resulting from armed conflicts and disasters caused by natural and man-made hazards all over the world.

In 2015, QFFD engaged with United Nations World Heritage Organization (UNESCO) for a 5-year funding of \$10 million to support



the emergency protection and emergency response programs, and to help preserve heritage sites in the stricken countries. This grant has seen a number of emergency projects implemented in Iraq, Syria, Yemen, Myanmar, Haiti and Ecuador.

World Health Organization and European Society for Parenteral and Enteral Nutrition (ESPEN)



In December 2018 QFFD contributed \$3 million to the WHO/ESPEN initiative that is bringing hope to millions of people at risk from the rampant tropical and marginalized diseases in 49 countries in Sub-Saharan Africa. The agreement focuses on funding for the elimination of neglected tropical diseases that are still rampant in Sub-Saharan Africa. These interventions will eventually contribute to poverty alleviation, increased economic productivity, improving the quality of life for 300 million to 400 million affected people.



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STRATEGIC



PARTNERSHIPS

Contribution to the UN Multi-Partner Trust Fund Office for the cholera-affected in Haiti



The UN Multi-Partner Trust Fund Office is hosted by the United Nations Development Program (UNDP) to support development effectiveness and UN coordination through the efficient, accountable and transparent design and administration of innovative pooled financing mechanisms. QFFD signed an agreement with MPTF with the contribution of \$1.5 million in a significant effort to reduce the spread of cholera in Haiti.

It is important to note that the State of Qatar was ranked 6th globally and as the first among Arab countries for contributions to the Multi-Partner Fund.

MoU with the Water Supply and Sanitation Collaborative Council (WSSCC)



The Water Supply and Sanitation Collaborative Council (WSSCC) is a global, multi-stakeholder membership and partnership organization that works with poor people, organizations, governments and local entrepreneurs to improve sanitation and hygiene at scale. QFFD signed an MoU with the WSSCC in order to align investments in sanitation with investments in education and health to promote and integrate approach to human development with direct impact on livelihoods to improve the living and working conditions of vulnerable people through improved access to sanitation and hygiene. The strategic cooperation will focus on strengthening cooperation and strategic partnership between WSSCC and QFFD in support of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).



\$500 million commitment to the United Nations

Under the guidance of His Highness Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad Al Thani, Amir of Qatar, QFFD's Chairman Sheikh Mohammed Bin Abdulrahman Al Thani, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs, announced the support of the State of Qatar to finance United Nations' organizations with an amount of \$500 million to strengthen the strategic partnership. Many of the UN developmental initiatives were signed in December of 2018.



Core funding for United Nations Development Program and UNDP's Country Acceleration Labs Network

The State of Qatar represented by QFFD has committed to a 2-year, \$16 million core resource funding to UNDP in December of 2018.

QFFD also became a 'launch partner' for UNDP's Accelerator Labs with a further funding of \$20 million. Qatar is the first country to support this UNDP initiative which will help accelerate the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) in 60 developing country.



Multi-year commitment to United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)

UNHCR, the UN Refugee Agency, is a global organization dedicated to saving lives, protecting rights and building a better future for refugees, forcibly displaced communities and stateless people. QFFD signed a 2-year commitment of \$16 million to UNHCR to help the organization support refugees and displaced persons, as well as to ensure their continued role in providing durable solutions for causes like refugees' voluntary repatriation, integration into host countries where they have sought asylum or resettlement in a third country. Qatar is currently ranked 13 amongst the top 20 donors to UNHCR.



Core Contribution Agreement with UNICEF

UNICEF works in 190 countries and territories to save children's lives, to defend their rights, and to help them fulfil their potential, from early childhood through adolescence. QFFD signed an agreement with UNICEF for an \$8 million grant on the sidelines of the 18th Doha Forum to promote children's rights.



Commitment to the United Nations Central Emergency Response Fund (CERF)

Established by the United Nations General Assembly in 2005 as the United Nations global emergency response fund, CERF enables humanitarian responders to deliver life-saving assistance whenever and wherever crises strike. QFFD has signed a commitment of \$5 million for 5 years (2017 to 2021) to support rapid humanitarian response for people affected by natural disasters and armed conflict.



Funding the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees (UNRWA)

UNRWA for Palestine Refugees in the Near East services encompass education, healthcare, relief and social services, camp infrastructure and improvement, microfinance and emergency assistance, including in times of armed conflict. QFFD, representing the State of Qatar, made a donation of \$50 million in May of 2018 to UNRWA to help protect Palestinian refugees' right to access basic education.

In addition, QFFD and UNRWA signed a contribution agreement to finance the core resources with an amount of \$16 million over two years (2019-2020) on the sidelines of the Doha Forum conference that took place in December 2018. The agreement aims to support the basic resources of UNRWA and to strengthen its pivotal role in protecting the rights of Palestinian refugees and providing them with quality education and basic health services in Jerusalem, the West Bank, Gaza, Jordan, Lebanon and Syria. Qatar is currently ranked 8 amongst UNRWA's top donor list.



Support for the Office of the Special Representative of the UN Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict (UN SRSG CAAC)

During the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) meeting, QFFD signed an agreement with the Office of the Special Representative of the UN Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict (UN SRSG CAAC) to support the core resources of the UN centre with \$1.5 million and to open and finance a centre in Doha for children affected by armed conflict with \$1.65 million over 3 years.



Support for the UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA)

OCHA is the part of the United Nations Secretariat responsible for bringing together humanitarian actors to ensure a coherent response to emergencies while also ensuring that there is a framework within which each actor can contribute to the overall response effort. On behalf of the State of Qatar QFFD signed an un-earmarked funding of \$40 million over four years - \$10 million annually from 2017 to 2020 - to support the core budget of the United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA). Qatar was ranked 8 as of January 2019 in the top donor list.

Qatar's commitment to the United Nations

- UNDP:** \$36 million
- UNICEF:** \$8 million
- UNHCR:** \$16 million
- UNRWA:** \$16 million
- SRSG-CAAC:** \$1.5 million
- SPTF (RC System):** \$2 million
- CERF:** \$5 million
- OCHA:** \$40 million

Scholarship Program for the Doha Institute for Graduate Studies (DI)



The Doha Institute for Graduate Studies (DI) is an independent institute for learning and research in the fields of Social Sciences, Humanities, Public Administration and Development Economics in Doha. QFFD signed an MoU with DI to inaugurate the Qatar Scholarship Program, which is sponsored and supported by the QFFD in cooperation with the DI and Qatari universities to enhance academic cooperation, taking advantage of the joint capabilities of the DI and the QFFD to support academic research relevant to developing countries. The MoU stipulates that the Fund will provide financial support for international students completing their graduate studies at the Doha Institute. The two parties will also work to strengthen cooperation in several areas, including the organization of joint events related to QFFD foreign aid and the conduct of relevant research, conferences and seminars.

Providing greater opportunities for the youth with Qatar Foundation



QFFD and Qatar Foundation signed an MoU to enhance cooperation in the fields of education, scientific research, and international development. As part of the agreement, QFFD will also participate in international events, including workshops and conferences that focus on humanitarian aid. In particular, those in the field of education, such as the World Innovation Summit for Education and the World Innovation Summit for Health, both of which are global initiatives of Qatar Foundation.

Partnering the Global Financing Facility for Women, Children and Adolescents (GFF)



At the Global Financing Facility (GFF) Replenishment event in late 2018, QFFD, on behalf of the State of Qatar stated that it intended raising a total of \$1 billion for GFF to help fill the financial gap and help it extend it expand to 50 countries. GFF invests in Reproductive, Maternal, Newborn Child, and Adolescent Health (RMNCAH) where it aims to reduce the Infant and Maternal mortality rates in low and lower-middle income countries by 2030. The State of Qatar has pledged to currently contribute an amount of \$30 million to the Fund for a period of 5 years (2018-2023). The agreement will be signed in 2019.

Promoting media support for developmental and humanitarian activities in association with Al Jazeera Media Network



QFFD signed an MoU with Al Jazeera Media Network to promote media support for humanitarian and developmental work, and to spread the culture of human rights and international humanitarian law. The MoU entails organizing workshops and training activities in the field of media covering human rights and international laws, as well as launching initiatives aimed at spreading the culture of development and human rights as a basic human right and a common goal between both institutions.

The partnership seeks to enhance the role of media in highlighting the efforts of humanitarian organizations to alleviate suffering of communities at times of conflict and crisis, to enable them to be heard, and to receive humanitarian and development assistance.

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