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Dalia Association
Because Community Giving is our National Wealth
A Yoga activity as part of Al Saha program.

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01 Love and Passion for our Palestinian Community



Greetings,

I would like to start by sharing with you how proud I feel with the accomplishments of the Dalia Association this year, as we have provided more opportunities for leaders of initiatives and programs, which we will explain in detail in the following pages.

Team Dalia is united by the passion and love for our Palestinian community, hoping for a better future.

During these circumstances, I wish everyone in the world safety and health.

Alia Nasser Al-Din
Chair of the Board of Directors

02 Now or Never

By Rasha Sansur



I know I know, you've heard it before. But stay with me.

I was in an exhibition in Ramallah the other day, and as I was moving from one piece of art to the other, I met the person who prints our materials. As we talked, he told me something that stuck with me for the rest of the evening: "Five local NGOs that I work with, closed at the start of 2020."

Civil society organizations in Palestine have been experiencing difficulties in finding funding. This has increased since Trump cut over \$200 million in aid to Palestine.

In addition, the strings attached to conditional funding sources are increasing. The European Union now demands organizations to sign so-called "anti-terrorism" clauses as a prerequisite for Palestinian NGOs to obtain outside funding. These policies label a number of Palestinian political and resistance factions as "terror groups".

Despite all these pressures, local NGOs are now more than ever fighting and lobbying to refuse such terms. This is why I crucially believe in our work at Dalia. I believe and

trust our community. I believe in our ability to come together, pool our resources, and come up with solutions to our everyday difficulties. This is what Dalia is working on: reviving an indigenous aid support system that ensures well-being of community members through *Al Ouneh**, and we particularly focus on four dimensions for a durable development: supporting the local economy, preserving the cultural and social heritage, and ensuring the protection of the environment.

In the words of *Al Ouneh*:

Nothing is conditional.
Everyone is a giver.
We respect our environment.
We grow organic crops.
We revive social and cultural traditions.
We preserve our heritage.
We define our own durable development.

With *Al Ouneh*, we are all a thriving Palestine.

* *Al-Ouneh* (indigenous aid system) is a form of collective effort led by the community to help individuals in their personal affairs and to enhance the wellbeing of the entire community.

03 Community Programs

The below articles are reflections from the Community Programs officers, on the importance of community controlled development in the context of Palestine, especially working with youth and women. To see all of the initiatives supported, please head to page 27.

Easy Come Easy Go

By Ali Alrozzi



It was five in the evening when I took a taxi back home after a long tiring day at work. I ran into an old friend of mine; we exchanged conversation on the way. He expressed great admiration for the way Dalia Association works, and how Dalia uses local resources in a way that helps in empowering and creating an independent, responsible civil society, in which transparency and accountability prevail. He also admired the quality of the initiatives implemented by Dalia Association in the Gaza Strip. This quick conversation made me proud to work with Dalia Association and made me realize how Dalia gained the trust of the community by being transparent in its mission, integrity and democratic work, which exceeded the reputation of many organizations operating in Gaza for much longer.

Over the years and despite the lack of resources, Dalia Association was able to build a sustainable impact, unlike many organizations that received more financial support but failed to build a supportive community base and invest in available local resources. Funding policies have been lately directed towards relief aid instead of locally grown sustainability efforts, thus, largely affecting the amount of funding directed towards the agricultural sector, infrastructure and projects of an operational nature. It is unfortunate that

while many people are aware of these matters, no one has moved to change the trends of external funding or to reformulate a comprehensive vision for civil work and its national and societal implications, which include complete independence from the foreign aid system.

A community change requires restoration of community steadfastness, through investing in local resources, and mobilizing them to ensure that NGOs continue to play their national, democratic, and developmental roles in enhancing livelihood resilience, resource sustainability, and social mobilization.

Easy come, easy go: a summary of the impact of available funding resources for the Palestinian community, specifically in the Gaza Strip. It is well known that foreign funding is based on destructive policies rather than constructive ones. This highlights the strong need for the occupied Palestinian society to simulate successful experiences, such as the experience of Dalia Association in enhancing community giving.



During 2019, we were able to fund 28 community-led initiatives in the Gaza Strip through various programs.

I remember seeing the astonishment of many people when they realized a small grant was able to bring about major community change, such as providing job opportunities and generating electricity from olive peat to charge mobile phones. Perhaps what distinguishes Dalia's work in Palestine is that the Dalia Association believes in the right of the Palestinian people to control their resources in order to achieve community development.

Despite the tangible impact of Dalia's work in the Gaza Strip, there are many real challenges that stem from the usual way in which organizations mainly rely on foreign funding. This has resulted in a dependency on foreign conditional funding and a loss of desire to participate in decision-making related to social activity. These are some of the results of organizational work based on conditional foreign funding, with the absence of accountability, transparency mechanisms and social democracy.

Working with Dalia for the second year, I have received much positive feedback about the way Dalia operates in the community and its positive impact in promoting community values. This certainly makes me feel very proud and enthusiastic to be involved in this work. Seeing the impact of Dalia on the individual and collective levels, I am full of happiness and contentment.



Many More Steps to Take

By Saja Shami



I remember feeling very impressed when I first saw Dalia's video from a voting day in the village of Susya, with the Women Supporting Women (WSW) program, which included the selection of "the weaving nature" project, an initiative to preserve an ancient traditional heritage of wool weaving that is disappearing. At the same time, the project is a humble intervention towards self-sufficiency, with simple local resources because it protects a traditional practice while using this very same tradition to fund its protection by selling and trading locally made wool products.

A few months later I had the opportunity to work at Dalia Association as the IBDA' Youth Program Officer in the West Bank. I was very delighted. Although the program was challenging, I knew that the process of change takes time, a considerable amount of effort, and most importantly, determination.

Youth mobilization is not an easy task in Palestine, as they face frustrating situations like the deteriorating political situation, high consumption habits, and an increasing rate of unemployment. Regardless, the youth effort allows this hardship to blossom into a deep feeling of satisfaction when they start implementing their initiatives.

Indeed, seven initiatives were accomplished, six of which began with only an idea, while the seventh was an ongoing youth project.

You can read more about the initiatives: Suq Al Natouf, The Creativity Room, Myiram, Al Ruwwad Service Center, Cycling Palestine, Paradise of Thoughts, and Kids Lab, on pages 29-30.

Surrounded with a culture of consumption, conditional aid, and deteriorating local philanthropy or *Al Ouneh*, our youth initiatives serve to resist these obstacles. There is no doubt that intellectual and political apathy is even more dangerous than economic dependency on foreign aid.

These small initiatives aim to contribute to creating a conscious, productive, and intellectually independent youth, who are able to rebuild their social fabrics by reviving the concept of *Al Ouneh*, steadfastness, and durable development. The major obstacles to our work are mostly mental obstacles around uncertainty and possibility and lack of self-trust. These initiatives serve to build a deep faith in the possibility to drive change in their community.

The overall experience was the best proof that diligence and going forward can indeed make miracles that pave the way towards the desired goal. I am very proud of these initiatives, especially when the youth organized entire villages around their ideas, and their initiatives had a great impact on reshaping an identity that was almost lost.



Source: Power Group

Ferdos, an activist in the village of N'ilin, came to me to express her tremendous happiness when her daughter Rawya, a diaspora Palestinian, was able to express herself through the Suq Al Naotuf initiative, a seasonal market that aims to revive Al Khawaja's castle, a local cultural site, and support local producers. This initiative embedded Rawya into the village's identity, bringing her closer to her indigenous community even though she was raised outside of Palestine.

Although each initiative met a tangible goal, the most important pay-off is the shift of the mindsets of the youth participating in the work and with their surrounding communities. This process circumvents the limited beliefs they have, as well as enhancing the concept of *Al Ouneh*.

Personally, I started adopting these concepts as well, knowing that there are still many things to learn and embrace as daily practices.

There will sure be many more steps to take.



Rethinking Women Empowerment

by Lina Isma'il



For the past twenty-plus years, the Palestinian community has been receiving considerable amounts of international aid for development projects, many of which come in the form of capacity building and economic empowerment projects. Yet women's organizations seem to have become less empowered and more dependent on such projects, to the extent of coming to a halt upon discontinuation of funding and orientation from donor agencies.

The question here lies in the term empowerment: What does empowerment mean for women? What does it entail? Is it only restricted to economic projects? Have women actually felt empowered after those countless "empowerment projects?" What are the real drivers for women empowerment?

At Dalia, we are continuously exploring and evaluating our role as a community foundation that is seeking to revive community philanthropy and mobilization of local resources, as a means for regaining power, autonomy, accountability and wellness within our communities.

For us, the current use of the term 'empowerment' within the conditional aid system implies a power structure where donor organizations have the upper hand in deciding how to grant power to the communities they work with. Stemming from our belief that the real power lies within the community's own resources and capabilities, we consider our role to be as facilitators in the mobilization of those resources and the realization of power and capabilities nested in our community. Therefore, we are constantly rethinking our approach in capacity building and 'empowerment', putting at the core, values of trust-building, self and collective care, nurturing environment, and belief in our own skills and resources as women, and as a community.

The year 2019 was a year of reflection and assessment of our work with the four women funds we work with in Tulkarem, Salfit, Jericho, and Ramallah under our program Women Supporting Women. With continuous discussions with the women funds, we are learning that our aim for inducing social change through community 'empowerment' entails deepening relationships of trust and providing space for understanding, sharing and support. We are learning that capacity building (apart from technical skill-building) should become knowledge sharing, where true holders of knowledge and wisdom would regain their voice and power. Based on that, another model for knowledge sharing and community mobilization was piloted with the women funds. A 3-day *mujawara** (convening) was designed to provide a space for deep reflection and connection, serving as a platform for addressing a number of topics, including self-care and collective healing, exposure to creative initiatives, networking among the four women funds, assessment of the current status of member associations in relation to their vision in supporting women within their communities, and exploring the potential for strengthening the women funds.



Equally important to the topic and content of the *mujawara* is the process and values under which we operate, our principles of the employment of local resources and support of local producers, strengthening of social cohesion, celebration of our culture, and practice of environmental consciousness.

As the saying goes, beauty is in the details. We believe that our resonating impact lies in the itty-bitty details of designing the setting of such *mujawara*, starting from creating a friendly and inviting environment, all the way to using non-disposable utensils.



We would like to share with you some highlights:

Supporting local economy and celebrating traditional culture

The mujawara was hosted in a beautiful B&B of Palestinian architectural heritage, located in the old city of Nablus, which is part of a multi-layered initiative, aiming at supporting the regeneration of the city with its social and cultural elements. We find it crucial to support local initiatives in hosting our events, which also creates a sense of belonging; an almost instant connection with the people and the place.

We also aimed at highlighting the cultural and health benefits of traditional seasonal meals through the provision of locally sourced cuisine from women associations and housewives, as opposed to the common fast food culture that dominates many organizations' events.



Environmental Considerations

In our efforts to promote environmentally friendly practices, we stress on the use of non-disposable utensils and tools inside and outside our office. This in itself was a challenge and achievement, as using disposable plastic utensils and containers became the norm in the growing consumerist culture, especially in workshops and conferences, as well as in our own homes. This brought attention to the matter and encouraged discussion about the effect of our behavior on the environment. It even created a participatory and cooperative environment, where the group took the lead in maintaining the space, bringing in a mutual sense of involvement and support.



Social responsibility- Contribution and Support

At Dalia Association, we encourage contribution and support from the community, to instill a sense of ownership. In this spirit, a collaborative and cooperative environment was created, where the participating women contributed to cover part of the expenses for the *mujawara*. Their contribution went to support local producers and initiatives involved in the successful implementation of the event.



The feedback received from the participating women was both magical and humbling. We learned that a little bit more thought and effort in listening and integrating knowledge sharing and collective care within our programs, could go a long way in bringing about the best of these experiences, thus contributing to realizing the power and resources rooted in our women and communities.

In conclusion, as organizations working with communities, and women specifically, we need to rethink our empowerment and capacity building programs, first by shifting our view of the grantees to be as equal, knowledgeable, and resourceful, and secondly by putting at the center their wellbeing and what it entails in creating an environment of collective-care and solidarity.

04 *Mujawarat* (convening) and Other Activities

This year, we organized a series of *mujawarat*, and a number of different activities that target and inform diverse issues in our community.

Summer Solidarity Talks:

We organized a series of solidarity talks with friends in solidarity with Palestine, about different topics: the situation of a struggling economy and under resourced communications, the Right to Education Campaign from Birzeit University, the violations inflicted upon the Palestinian prisoners by the Israeli occupation in prisons, the impact of international aid, and finally, gender-based violence and how the Israeli occupation helps systemize it.



Yoga at Sunset

At our new headquarters and as part of Al Saha program, we held a Yoga session with Farashe Yoga center and volunteer Teacher Nouran.

The Al Saha program is a community space, to hold gatherings, convenings, *mujawarat*, training, and workshops. Al Saha serves as a public space for knowledge and resource exchange. The space includes different facilities including meeting spaces and an organic garden.



Emancipatory Education:

We held a *muajwara* with Rosa Luxembourg on their research on the Palestinian school curriculum called "School Curricula: Investing in Human Capital or Wasting it" and authored by the Palestinian researcher Muhannad Abdul-Hamid.



Mujawarat for the Women Funds

In September, we held a *muajwara* for the women funds at Dalia (Ramallah, Salfit, Jericho, and Tulkarm), which lasted for three days in one of the most beautiful guest houses in the old city of Nablus: the Turquoise Hostel, a youth project aimed at establishing a research center while drawing on local sources of income from the guest house Turquoise and the Cafe Antique.



The aim of this *mujawara* was to isolate ourselves from the daily pressures, live a journey within ourselves, strengthen the relationship and communication between the participants, exchange experiences and knowledge, and evaluate the work of associations and women's funds in Dalia.

Later in December, we held a workshop in our community garden about agro-ecology* with the expert Saad Dagher. The workshop introduced the concept of agro-ecology and its importance, globally and locally, in achieving social justice for farmers and consumers alike. Saad talked about producing healthy and natural food, preserving natural resources like water, soil, and heirloom seeds, as well as supporting biodiversity, in addition to the high and varied productivity of food in small spaces.

The workshop also included theoretical and practical training on some farming techniques in agro-ecology, including making raised beds, compost, and bug hotels.

You can read an analysis on the importance of such *mujawarat* for women in the context of Palestine, on pages 11-16.



*Agro-ecology is considered the backbone of food sovereignty with regards to farming techniques and philosophy, as it applies clean methods of farming, originally derived from the traditional agricultural knowledge of indigenous peoples. It is based on the application of ecological principles that care for all forms of life including soil, water, air, biodiversity, animals and human beings, for the production of healthy food for humans and animals, using environmentally, socially and economically just practices.

Mujawara with the IBDA' Youth in Gaza

In October, the leaders of the initiatives from the IBDA' Youth program in Gaza, received a training workshop on designing, installing, and operating solar energy systems. The training covered both the theoretical and practical aspects of installing and operating solar systems, helping them independently reach a practical solution to the ongoing power shortages in Gaza and obtain an alternative source of income.



In November, another *mujawara* for the leaders of the initiatives from the IBDA' Youth program in Gaza was organized. The participating youth visited Al Qarara Cultural museum, established by volunteers. The activities addressed the concepts of community participation, community philanthropy and Al Ouneh, in addition to analyzing needs, linking, and mobilizing.



Later in December, we organized an educational and communal mujawara, where 30 young men and women participated in activities like expertise exchange, success stories, brainstorming solutions to challenges of the program's implementation.



Dalia's Community Garden

As part of Al Saha program, we began preparing our new space to include a community garden. Each season, we planted local seeds to preserve our indigenous heirloom, and tended to the garden using the agro-ecology model of agriculture.



Volunteer days

Al Ouneh, and community giving doesn't necessarily mean monetary giving only; it can mean volunteering among other forms of giving, which we highly encourage at Dalia in order to achieve an active civil society. We held many volunteer days throughout the year, but we would like to highlight the following:

- We organized *Al Ouneh* day in the Tawani village near Hebron in October. Groups from the IBDA' Youth Program helped stabilize the greenhouse in the village, which uses the agro-ecological model of agriculture. We also dug the earth between raised beds for water pipes. The Tawani Women group, from the Women's Rural Association, had received a grant from the Women Supporting Women Program two years ago to build the greenhouse, and after a wonderful vegetable yield that first year, the house was destroyed from tear-gas canisters from the Israeli soldiers, as well as the harsh winter.
- We held an olive picking activity with volunteers from the Access Program for teaching English at the Amideast as part of *Al Saha* program.
- We also held another volunteer day at *Dukkan*, our second-hand shop, with the same Access Program students, and students helped to sort donated goods and arrange items in the shop.



#FunRaiseForDalia

- We are extremely proud that our [Fun-raising* toolkit](#) is being adopted among Diaspora members all around the world. Rasha Tayeh, from Melbourne Australia, held a Tea Salon, and raised \$1,300 AUD (\$900 USD) for the Om Sleiman Fund, that supports community supported agriculture. (You can read an interview regarding this event [here](#))



Source: Tea Salon

*Fun-raise For Dalia: is a campaign to encourage local giving by individuals or groups, aiming to support community initiatives and solutions in Palestine. It includes a toolkit of which fun activities can be chosen to raise money. We believe that having positive energy in the activity will benefit us all, that's why we fun-raise, and not fundraise.

- Other fun-raising activities included a biking tour of the cities of Ramallah and Al Bireh by the youth group cycling Palestine in order to support the Education fund- in partnership with Esnad. The Fund aims to send students to get higher education at Palestinian universities. In return, these students give back to their local communities by tutoring schoolchildren in different subjects. To support the aforementioned Fund, Team Dalia and volunteers also organized the Smiling-Station, a face-painting activity.



• The Social Change Auction:

An annual event from Dalia aiming to support local community solutions and initiatives in Palestine. The event is similar to an auction, except that selected initiatives do a pitch about their initiative and how it contributes to community development in Palestine, in return, the attendees are welcomed to support the initiatives by offering donations on spot (live crowdfunding). Two initiatives were selected by a committee representative of our local population to take part in the Social Change Auction.

The first initiative: The telescope-making team from Nova is a voluntary youth association whose mission is to spread astronomical knowledge throughout Palestine among schools, universities, and society.



The Second initiative: The Camp's Cinema aims to screen movies within the Palestinian refugee camps in the central governorate of the Gaza Strip. The initiative includes cartoon films that contribute to increasing targeted children's knowledge of various topics and values such as human rights and promote the concepts of *Al Ouneh*. The Camp's Cinema received 8270 NIS (\$2378 USD). As for Nova, they received 5670 NIS (\$1630 USD).

We are proud to say that the Social Change Auction is funded by Palestine. ([read more](#))



• Diaspora Solidarity Program

For the second year in a row, we executed the Diaspora Solidarity Program in partnership with To Be There, from July 1st to July 10th. During these ten days, the participants learned about the political reality of Palestinians living under occupation. (You can read a detailed description by a participant [here](#))



05 Distributed Grants



Smiles of Hope A series of entertainment visits held by the students to children with cancer.

 **Community Program:** IBDA' in the Schools Program

 **Location** The Orthodox School-Bethany- Al Eizariyeh, Jerusalem Suburb

 **Grant Value \$US/NIS** \$400



Animal Friendly School Raising awareness about taking care of animals among school students and building a small animal shelter in the school.

 **Community Program:** IBDA' in the Schools Program

 **Location** The Orthodox School-Bethany- Al Eizariyeh, Jerusalem Suburb

 **Grant Value \$US/NIS** \$350



Peek@Palestine Creating a brochure of important landmarks in Ramallah and Al Bireh for tourists and locals alike.

 **Community Program:** IBDA' in the Schools Program

 **Location** Ramallah Friends School, Ramallah and Al Bireh

 **Grant Value \$US/NIS** \$400



Siti W Sidi (Grandpa and Grandma) Organize visits to old people's homes/shelters in Ramallah and Al Bireh, in an effort to lift their spirits.

 **Community Program:** IBDA' in the Schools Program

 **Location** Ramallah Friends School, Ramallah and Al Bireh

 **Grant Value \$US/NIS** \$350



Changing thoughts through colors Painting the school's mural with positive images and highlighting social issues, such as early marriage and school drop-out rates.

 **Community Program:** IBDA' in the Schools Program

 **Location** UNRWA Beit Jala co-ed school, Aida Refugee camp

 **Grant Value \$US/NIS** \$400



Nature Corner Rehabilitating one of the school's gardens and turning it into a green space for the girls in the school.

 **Community Program:** IBDA' in the Schools Program

 **Location** UNRWA Beit Jala co-ed school, Aida Refugee camp

 **Grant Value \$US/NIS** \$350



Reviving the Palestinian Identity Reviving and preserving the Palestinian cultural heritage through participation of students in local cultural festivals.

 **Community Program:** IBDA' in the Schools Program

 **Location** Ibad Al Rahman school, Gaza

 **Grant Value \$US/NIS** \$400



Hand in Hand to Plant together Raising awareness on urban agriculture and repurposing spaces in the city.

 **Community Program:** IBDA' in the Schools Program

 **Location** Ibad Al Rahman school, Gaza

 **Grant Value \$US/NIS** \$350



Kids Lab An educational summer camp for children.

 **Community Program:** IBDA' Youth Program

 **Location** Ramallah and Al-Bireh

 **Grant Value \$US/NIS** \$2,000

Source: Kids Lab



Cycling Palestine Building a special bike carriage that holds up to 30 bikes at once, to make cycling visits easier, involve more people, and increase participation.

 **Community Program:** IBDA' Youth Program

 **Location** Ramallah and Al-Bireh

 **Grant Value \$US/NIS** \$2,000

Source: Cycling Palestine



Al Ruwwad Service Center A center that provides services for students in the village in regards to printing, access to the internet, and training in research.

 **Community Program:** IBDA' Youth Program

 **Location** Qebya, Ramallah and Al Bireh

 **Grant Value \$US/NIS** \$2,000



Source: Power Group



Source: Myriam



Creativity Room A hub for developing the creativity, skills, and imagination of the youth in Beit Jala, executed by Power Group.

 **Community Program:** IBDA' Youth Program

 **Location** Beit Jala

 **Grant Value \$US/NIS** \$2,000

Myriam Helping women to market their home-made products, directly reaching customers both online and in-person.

 **Community Program:** IBDA' Youth Program

 **Location** Bethlehem

 **Grant Value \$US/NIS** \$2,000

Paradise of Thoughts Encouraging a reading culture by establishing a bookstore (Paradise of Thoughts) and selling stationery, while serving as a hub for the villagers to meet and exchange books.

 **Community Program:** IBDA' Youth Program

 **Location** Al Mughayer, Ramallah and Al Bireh

 **Grant Value \$US/NIS** \$2,000

Suq Al Natouf A seasonal market that aims to revive the cultural site of Al Khawaja castle, and support local producers in the region.

 **Community Program:** IBDA' Youth Program

 **Location** Ni'lin- Ramallah and Al-Bireh

 **Grant Value \$US/NIS** \$2,000



Taghreedah (Bird Call) Organizing a series of art festivals with the cultural initiative aiming to create job opportunities for young artists, while providing tickets to be sold to the public.

 **Community Program:** IBDA' Youth Program

 **Location** Al Saftawi, Gaza

 **Grant Value \$US/NIS** \$1,500



Artifact Restoration Lab A technical laboratory designed for the restoration of artifacts and monuments within the Gaza strip.

 **Community Program:** IBDA' Youth Program

 **Location** Al-Qarara- Khan Younis, Gaza

 **Grant Value \$US/NIS** \$1,500



Sol Band-Thank You Gaza The shooting of a new music video highlighting the emotions of the youth of Gaza.

 **Community Program:** IBDA' Youth Program

 **Location** Gaza City, Gaza

 **Grant Value \$US/NIS** \$1,500



Aslak/Wires Recycling metal wires in a creative way and turning them into high-quality pieces of art.

 **Community Program:** IBDA' Youth Program

 **Location** Al Bureij, Gaza

 **Grant Value \$US/NIS** \$1,500



Meshkah Lantern-Olive Cake Generating electricity from olive peat, taking advantage of the high heat resulting from combustion to generate power sufficient to charge a mobile phone or provide lighting.

 **Community Program:** IBDA' Youth Program

 **Location** Beit Hanoun, Gaza

 **Grant Value \$US/NIS** \$1,500



Let's Communicate Providing advanced training in the art of puppeteering for children, and performing 16 shows.

 **Community Program:** IBDA' Youth Program

 **Location** Beit Hanoun, Gaza

 **Grant Value \$US/NIS** \$1,500



Techno Plant-Stevia Using the leaves of the Stevia plant to help create a sweet and healthy alternative to white sugar thus promoting a healthier lifestyle among Gazans.

 **Community Program:** IBDA' Youth Program

 **Location** Rafah, Gaza

 **Grant Value \$US/NIS** \$1,500



"Ashab Al Hiram" (People of strong will) A training program to support special needs community members in the production of dolls and toys. The products sold create income, and further the role of these members within the community.

 **Community Program:** IBDA' Youth Program

 **Location** Al Nuseirat, Gaza

 **Grant Value \$US/NIS** \$1,500



My Story A digital platform to show the stories, dreams, fears, and challenges faced by the people of Gaza.

Community Program: IBDA' Youth Program

Location Gaza City, Gaza

Grant Value \$US/NIS \$1,500



Macro An electronic platform offering training, videos, courses, and communication with experts on nutrition. Designed to raise awareness on common mistakes among those interested in this field.

Community Program: IBDA' Youth Program

Location Deir Albalah, Gaza

Grant Value \$US/NIS \$1,500



Where to Start? A full training workshop to inform medical students about the methodology of medical scientific research.

Community Program: IBDA' Youth Program

Location Gaza City, Gaza

Grant Value \$US/NIS \$1,500



Herbs for Health Cultivating aromatic and medicinal herbs to sell in local markets, as well as generating income. This initiative raises awareness on the heavy reliance and consumption of chemically fabricated drugs.

Community Program: IBDA' Youth Program/ Supporting Farmers

Location Al Zaytoun, East of Gaza City

Grant Value \$US/NIS \$600



Home Fruits Growing plum and apricot trees on a 2-acre land in north Gaza, due to the lack of such fruits in the local market. The initiative also provides job opportunities and a source of income for the targeted farmers and their families.

 **Community Program:** IBDA' Youth Program/ Supporting Farmers

 **Location** Beit Hanoun, Gaza

 **Grant Value \$US/NIS** \$600



Local Guava Planting a 4-acre land with red guava, due to the lack of such fruits in the local market. The initiative also provides job opportunities and a source of income for the targeted farmers and their families.

 **Community Program:** IBDA' Youth Program/ Supporting Farmers

 **Location** Beit Hanoun, Gaza

 **Grant Value \$US/NIS** \$600



Our food from our land Planting a 4-acre land with wheat. The need for such an initiative derives from the fact that the families of the targeted farmers mainly rely on wheat products for food. This initiative will mainly provide a permanent source of income for the targeted farmers and will help renew the soil's fertility.

 **Community Program:** IBDA' Youth Program/ Supporting Farmers

 **Location** Khuza'a – Khan Younis, Gaza

 **Grant Value \$US/NIS** \$600



Victuals of Land Raising sheep, in order to make farmers self-sufficient in dairy and cheese products. This initiative also supports the idea of organic fertilization of farming lands, by using the sheep's manure.

 **Community Program:** IBDA' Youth Program/ Supporting Farmers

 **Location** Khuza'a – Khan Younis, Gaza

 **Grant Value \$US/NIS** \$1,500



Good Land for Our Children Growing potato crops on one-acre of farming land to support and enhance the resilience of the farmers' families through providing them with the necessary supplies to revive the land. The initiative provides an alternative source of income for the targeted farmers.

Community Program: IBDA' Youth Program/ Supporting Farmers

Location Al Fokhari, Rafah, Gaza

Grant Value \$US/NIS \$600



Revive the Land Cultivating sweet potatoes on one acre of land, to support the farmers and their family by providing the necessary supplies to revive the land that was destroyed by the Occupation more than once during the attacks on Gaza, and generate income.

Community Program: IBDA' Youth Program/ Supporting Farmers

Location Al Fokhari, Rafah, Gaza

Grant Value \$US/NIS \$600



Hakura Victuals Raising a certain sheep species that can produce good amounts of milk and wool, to produce different types of dairy and cheese which in turn provides a good source of food for the farmers' families. This will also provide organic fertilizers for the farming lands, reducing the percentage of chemical enrichers in the land.

Community Program: IBDA' Youth Program/ Supporting Farmers

Location Waddi Alsalqa , Gaza

Grant Value \$US/NIS \$600



Local Product This initiative supports the "Hakura Victuals" initiative, as the women farmers have established partnership to breed the high-quality "Assaf" sheep. This initiative focuses on breeding the sheep and selling them in the local market, therefore, providing the consumer with a good breed and providing income.

Community Program: IBDA' Youth Program/ Supporting Farmers

Location Waddi Alsalqa, Gaza

Grant Value \$US/NIS \$600



Organic Crops Reviving the culture of chemical-free, safe farming. The initiative applies the theory of optimal use of the available resources where leafy vegetables will be planted in the empty areas between the trees. This method will enrich the land with natural minerals and chemical-free, organic fertilizers.

Community Program: IBDA' Youth Program/ Supporting Farmers

Location Beit Hanoun, Gaza

Grant Value \$US/NIS \$600



Wheat Ears Planting wheat through green, chemical-free agricultural operations. This initiative will enhance the resilience of the farmers and provide an alternative source of income for the farmers and their families.

Community Program: IBDA' Youth Program/ Supporting Farmers

Location Beit Hanoun, Gaza

Grant Value \$US/NIS \$600



Tawani Women Association Reconstruction of the greenhouse destroyed by Israeli tear gas in the village of Tawani. The greenhouse provides organic produce to the villagers and the area of south of Hebron.

Community Program: Women Supporting Women Program

Location Tawani- South of Hebron

Grant Value \$US/NIS \$900



Masha's Charity Women's Association A kitchen specializing in bread and pastries which provides job opportunities for the women in the village in addition to meeting the needs and shortages in the production of bread and pastries in the region.

Community Program: Salfit Women Fund / Women Supporting Women Program

Location Masha, Salfit

Grant Value \$US/NIS \$4,860

Source: Masha's Charity Women's Association



Scissors and thread Training 20 women, ages 20-50, in the field of fashion design, recycling/upcycling clothes, modern techniques and thus contributing to providing an alternative source of income.

Community Program: Women Supporting Women Program

Location Deir Al Balah, Gaza

Grant Value \$US/NIS \$1,500

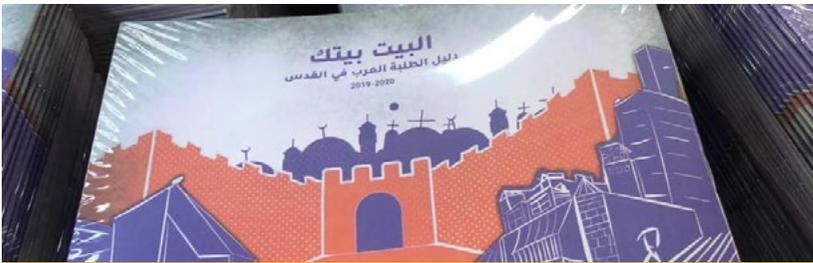


Art House Enhancing the skills of 15 women aged 18-30 years, by training them in the field of arts and handicrafts. An exhibition was held to showcase the works of the participants.

Community Fund: Women Supporting Women Program

Location Gaza

Grant Value \$US/NIS \$1,500



"Sayr w Sayrora" A movement of cultural events targeting Palestinian students at the Hebrew university.

Community Fund: Jerusalem Fund

Location Jerusalem City

Grant Value \$US/NIS \$1,000

Source: "Sayr w Sayrora"



Wadi Fuqeen Village Supporting small scale farmers in the village.

Community Fund: Wadi Fuqeen Fund

Location Wadi Fuqeen, Bethlehem

Grant Value \$US/NIS \$8,500



Source: Om Sleiman Farm

Om Sleiman Farm Constructing two greenhouses, the first to produce local trees, and the second to produce local seeds, for selling. The farm uses the model of community supported agriculture, for a more direct relationship between consumers and farmers.

Community Fund: Om Sleiman Fund

Location Bil'in, Ramallah and Al Bireh

Grant Value \$US/NIS \$10,169



The Camp's Cinema A mobile cinema that screens movies within the Palestinian refugee camps in the central governorate of the Gaza Strip. The cinema specifically targets children with cartoon films that contribute to increasing the children's knowledge of various topics and values such as human rights and the concepts of *Al Ouneh* and community participation.

Fun-raising event Social Change Auction

Location Gaza

Grant Value \$US/NIS 8,270 NIS



Source: Nova

Telescope-making initiative-Nova Nova, a voluntary youth association whose mission is to spread astronomical knowledge throughout Palestine among schools, universities and society. The Society manufactured several telescopes, the telescope being the most important tool in the field of astronomy to disseminate this astronomical knowledge in Palestine, especially with school students.

Fun-raising event Social Change Auction

Location Ramallah and Al-Bireh

Grant Value \$US/NIS 5,670 NIS

Tasneem Jawa'deh Architecture- Palestine Polytechnic University

 **Community Fund:** Education Fund

 **Location** Dura- Hebron

 **Grant Value \$US/NIS** \$600

Haneen Zeidan Media Studies- Birzeit University

 **Community Fund:** Education Fund

 **Location** Deir Jreer-Ramallah

 **Grant Value \$US/NIS** \$600

Ruba Kharousheh Accounting and Banking- An Najah National University

 **Community Fund:** Education Fund

 **Location** Al 'Ein Refugee Camp- Nablus

 **Grant Value \$US/NIS** \$600



Pass-Through Grants

As a partner with Rawa Fund, Dalia Association acts as the financial intermediary, through which administrative support is provided to initiatives funded by Rawa. This year, [nine initiatives were supported](#): Qalandia Academy, Metras, Kheil wa Khayyal, Children's book illustrators, Manjala, Political Education in Hizma, Om Sleiman Farm, Basta Theater. The total Pass-through grant amount was \$126,925 U.S.

06 Our Impact

Indicators	Cumulative 2019 Calendar Year
# of volunteers	127
# of Dukkan donors	50
# of donors: a. # individual donors from inside Palestine b. # individual donors from Diaspora c. # individual donors from solidarity community d. # corporate/institutional donors e. # Fun-raising events (local and international)	a.43 b.8 c.13 d.5 e.4
% Individual donations/ Institutions donations: a. total \$ amount donated by individuals/ total \$ amount from institutions b. total # individual donors/ total # institutional donors	a.43% b.80%
# of community receiving grants: (community programs, community fund and subject funds) a. West Bank b. Gaza c. Jerusalem and/ or 1948	a.13 b.6 c.1
# of grants distributed (community programs and funds) a. West Bank b. Gaza c. Jerusalem and/ or 1948	a.20 b.28 c.3

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