



Country card

Palestine 2021





HI Team and intervention areas

HI has 32 staff members in Palestine.

Palestinian Territories





General data of the country

a. General data

Country	Palestine	Neighbouring country (Jordan)	France
Population	4 803 269	10 203 140	67 391 582
IHDI	0.71	0.73	0.9
Gender-related Development Index	0.870	0.875	0.987
Maternal mortality	27	46	8
GINI Index	33.7	33.7	31.6
Population within UNHCR mandate	2 109 738	769 260	458 919
INFORM index	5.2	4.4	2.2
Fragile State Index	78.5	75.43	30.48
Public social protection	2.1	8.9	32.6
Net official development assistance received (M USD)	2 236.1	3 941.7	N/A

c. Humanitarian law instruments ratified by the country

Humanitarian law instruments	Status
Mine Ban Treaty	Joined on 2/4/14
Convention on Cluster Munitions	Not signed
UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities	Not signed



Summary of HI presence in the country

HI has been working in Palestine since 1996 with its main mandate being to support disability organisations. In 1999, the organisation set up first landmines and other explosive remnants of war education initiative. A large number of development initiatives have been run since then in a number of fields in partnership with local associations: functional rehabilitation (technical assistance, equipment, training, and publications), psychosocial support, Disabled People Organisations empowerment, and local inclusive development, access to education and access to employment.

Following the summer 2014 humanitarian crisis in Gaza until the recent escalation in May 2021, HI complemented its development intervention with emergency and post emergency response in the fields of rehabilitation, reconstruction and anti-personnel landmines and other explosive remnants of war risk reduction.



Overview on ongoing projects

Sectors where HI conducts projects and focus on beneficiaries and operational partnerships

Project title and main sector(s) of intervention	Objective of project in the sector	Main activities	Beneficiaries	Final beneficiaries	Partners	Location	Dates of beginning and end of the project and donors funding it
<p>Inclusive summer recreational activities for children</p> <p>Explosive Ordnance Risk Education / Mental health and Psychosocial support</p>	<p>Support the recovery of vulnerable children from the recent escalation in Gaza</p> <p>Children can access safe and inclusive learning opportunities through the emergency repair of education facilities and the provision of non-formal education services</p> <p>Reducing deaths and injuries caused by Explosive Remnants of War</p>	<p>Children with/without disabilities participated to inclusive recreational summer activities</p> <p>Training on Inclusive and adapted summer activities targeting animators and facilitators.</p> <p>Supply of needed materials including masks and psychosocial recreational kits</p> <p>Children targeted by psychosocial messages and sessions and delivery of risk education sessions.</p>	<p>930 boys and 930 girls (6 to 14 year)</p> <p>9 men and 12 women trained staff, animators and facilitators</p>	<p>930 boys and 930 girls (6 to 14 year);</p> <p>9 men and 12 women trained staff, animators and facilitators</p>	<p>Tamer Institute for Community Education (Tamer)</p> <p>The Culture and Free Thoughts Association (CFTA)</p>	<p>Gaza Strip</p>	<p>07/2021 to 10/2021</p> <p>OCHA</p>
<p>Basic service access for Everyone (B-SAFE) // COVID-19 RESPONSE</p>	<p>To contribute to prevent, mitigate and respond to the Covid-19 crisis' impact on the most vulnerable households in the occupied Palestinian territories;</p>	<p>Identification and referral of vulnerable individuals / households affected by the pandemic</p> <p>Distribution of Covid-19 family and hygiene kits</p> <p>Key awareness messages on Covid-19 along the services provision</p>	<p>2,500 among the most vulnerable individuals with disability and households with a member with disability (700 women, 700</p>	<p>2,500 the most vulnerable individuals with disability and households</p>	<p>Palestine Avenir for childhood Foundation (PACF)</p> <p>El-Amal Rehabilitation Societies (ERS);</p> <p>Ma'an Development Center (Ma'an);</p>	<p>Gaza Strip (the five governorates)</p>	<p>Ministry of Foreign Affairs Luxembourg</p> <p>03/2021 to 12/2021</p> <p>Centre de Crises et</p>



<p>Physical and functional rehabilitation/ Mental health and Psychosocial support (MHPSS)/ Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH)/ Food assistance</p>	<p>To respond to the most urgent needs of the populations affected by the Covid-19 crisis Ensuring continuous access to rehabilitation and psychosocial services to persons with disabilities, persons with injuries</p>	<p>Cash assistance Provision and support the continuation of multidisciplinary services to the identified affected persons (remote modality, self-rehabilitation, centre-based or home-based) Donation of wound dressing supplies and assistive devices Training for targeted caregivers on basic rehabilitation for better monitoring Technical support and follow up to local rehabilitation partners Facilitation of the identified referrals needs for people with disability, persons with injuries and elderly as per their specialized and mainstreamed needs (Gaza only)</p>	<p>men, 500 girls, 600 boys) 175 persons with disability, with injuries and elderly (75 women and 100 men) benefit from multidisciplinary rehabilitation session, ADs and wounded kits 175 caregivers of person with disability, with injuries and elderly (100 women and 75 men) are trained basic rehabilitation 35 rehabilitation professionals (15 women and 20 men)</p>	<p>175 persons with disability, with injuries and elderly (75 women and 100 men) 175 caregivers of person with disability, with injuries 35 rehabilitation professionals (15 women and 20 men)</p>	<p>Nuseirat Rehabilitation and Social Training Association (NRSTA)</p>		<p>Soutien (CDCS/ French MOFA) 12/2020 to 07/2021)</p>
<p>Humanitarian response to the most vulnerable population affected by extreme poverty, and</p>	<p>Mitigates the impact of crisis by providing cash assistance as well as protection services to vulnerable Palestinian individuals and communities. To address the needs of head of households with type of health</p>	<p>Assessment of specific needs of person with disabilities. Visit of the beneficiaries, assess their specific needs -involving caregivers and family members- and develop an individual treatment plan.</p>	<p>HI beneficiaries (exclusion of consortium’s beneficiaries) 75 individual referred to</p>	<p>75 individual referred to internal and/or external services</p>	<p>Palestine Avenir for childhood Foundation (PACF)</p>	<p>Gaza Strip</p>	<p>FCDO 07/2021 to 03/2022)</p>



<p>humanitarian crisis in the Gaza Strip</p> <p>Physical and functional rehabilitation/ Mental health and Psychosocial support (MHPSS)</p>	<p>issue especially physical disabilities, visual and hearing impairments with the provision of multidisciplinary rehabilitation services and assistive devices</p>	<p>Provision of Multidisciplinary Rehabilitation center-based services, including: physiotherapy, psychosocial support services, occupational therapy, nursing,</p> <p>Distribution of wound dressing kits and provision of assistive devices.</p> <p>Outreach services operated in case of specific needs and impossibilities of the beneficiaries in reaching the centers.</p> <p>Referral of beneficiaries to additional relevant services</p>	<p>internal and/or external services</p> <p>300 individual receiving PSS activities</p> <p>103 persons with disabilities receiving multidisciplinary rehabilitation services</p>	<p>300 individual receiving PSS activities</p> <p>103 persons with disabilities receiving multidisciplinary rehabilitation services</p>			
<p>Enhancing resilience of local population through the promotion of inclusive health services, re-construction and enhanced emergency preparedness to mitigate the impact of future crises</p> <p>Disaster Risk Reduction &</p>	<p>Needs of persons with disabilities and older persons are addressed through disaster risk planning and management including rehabilitation and COVID-19 preparedness</p>	<p>Update HI and partners' emergency response plan by HI and rehabilitation service providers.</p> <p>Training of volunteers' emergency response services in time of crisis and to increase resilience during the COVID crisis.</p> <p>An inclusive inter-sectoral emergency guideline is developed and disseminated to humanitarian actors to improve the responsiveness of humanitarian aid to people with disabilities and injuries' needs</p>	<p>250 emergency volunteers (50% Male, 50% Female)</p>	<p>19 local organizations members of the emergency committee</p> <p>250 emergency volunteers (116 male, 134 female)</p> <p>2077 persons with disability benefited from stocks (1394 M, 683 F)</p>	<p>Disability Representatives Bodies Network (DRBN)</p> <p>Maan Developmental Center</p> <p>The Culture and Free Thought Association (CFTA)</p> <p>National Society for Rehabilitation (NSR)</p> <p>Palestine Avenir Childhood</p>	<p>Gaza Strip</p>	<p>08/2017 to 07/2022</p> <p>BMZ</p>



<p>Climate Change Adaptation</p>					<p>Foundation (PACF) Society for Physically Handicapped People (SPHP)</p>		
<p>Promotion of inclusive health services, re-construction and enhanced emergency preparedness to mitigate the impact of future crises Accessibility of the environment & Information and Communication Technologies (ICT)</p>	<p>Persons with disabilities' access to services and market opportunities for economic recovery is enhanced through accessible physical infrastructures and home improvement</p>	<p>Training of Persons with disability members of DRBN on accessibility</p> <p>Training of engineering consultants and contractors on disability accessible construction</p> <p>Support the rehabilitation and accessibility of health and other service providers premises and public area.</p> <p>At least 100 home, 30 business places, and 10 service premises (3 rehabilitation centres, 4 humanitarian actors, 1 public area, 2 micro-finance service providers) are adapted to fit with accessibility standards.</p>	<p>100 persons with disability benefited from homes adaptation targeted 100 homes adaptation 120 Engineers (50% male and 50% Female) benefited from Accessibility capacity building 20 persons with disability (50% male, 50% female) benefited from Accessibility capacity building 4 beneficiary organizations 1 public beach area</p>	<p>146 persons with disability benefited from homes adaptation targeted 100 homes adaptation 120 Engineers (82 male and 38 Female) benefited from Accessibility capacity building 27 persons with disability (12 male, 15 female) benefited from Accessibility capacity building 4 beneficiary organizations</p>	<p>Palestinian Contractor Union (PCU) Disability Representatives Bodies Network (DRBN)</p>	<p>Gaza Strip</p>	<p>08/2017 to 07/2022</p> <p>BMZ</p>



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<p>Enhancing resilience of local population through the promotion of inclusive health services, re-construction and enhanced emergency preparedness to mitigate the impact of future crises</p> <p>Food assistance / Economic inclusion</p>	<p>Basic needs of poor households living with disabilities affected by COVID 19 crisis are secured through temporary food assistance and sustainable economic recovery.</p>	<p>Identification of vulnerable persons with disability and households affected by the pandemic.</p> <p>Assess impact of the pandemic on market functioning, on inflation and on value chains. Provision of food assistance to persons with disabilities and their households most affected by COVID19 crisis.</p> <p>Provision of Economic Recovery support to households who receive basic needs assistance.</p> <p>Provision of Economic Empowerment of the women and men with disabilities living in the target households who receive Economic Recovery</p>	<p>300 households received food assistance</p> <p>100 households supported with economic recovery services</p> <p>50 persons with disabilities increased participation</p>	<p>300 HH received food assistance</p> <p>100 HH supported with economic recovery services</p> <p>50 persons with disabilities increased participation to their HH</p>	Ma'an	Gaza Strip	<p>08/2017 to 07/2022</p> <p>BMZ</p>
<p>Inclusive Education</p>	<p>Support out-of-school children's access to education/ remote education in the Gaza Strip and West Bank</p> <p>Protection and safeguarding of girls and boys and children with disabilities in the Gaza Strip and West Bank</p>	<p>Awareness raising in mainstream schools and community on disability, inclusion and the rights of children with disabilities to access education.</p> <p>Assess the social and medical needs of CWDs to complement individualized education plans and develop if needed related personal support plan.</p>	<p>1000 children with disabilities</p> <p>2,219 Children without disabilities</p> <p>520 parents of children with disabilities</p> <p>290 parents of children without disabilities</p>	<p>351 (201Gaza + 150 WB) Children with disabilities</p> <p>245 (180 GAZA + 65 WB) Parents of children with disabilities</p>	<p>Palestine Avenir for Childhood Foundation (PACF)</p> <p>Al-Maghazi for Community Rehabilitation Society (MCRS)</p> <p>El-Amal Rehabilitation Society (ERS)</p>	Gaza Strip / West Bank	<p>06/2019 to 12/2021</p> <p>Donors:</p> <p>Government of Canada</p> <p>Ministry of Foreign</p>



	<p>Provide gender and disability positive education services, from pre-primary to the end of primary education, in the Gaza Strip and West Bank</p> <p>Increased ability of parents of girls and boys with disabilities, teachers, education staff and other key community members to recognize, respond to and critically reflect on their own gender and disability stereotypes</p>	<p>Provision of adaptive equipment and/or assistive technology for children with disabilities in mainstream schools.</p> <p>Technical support to the main early child development stakeholders in Gaza to promote children with disabilities needs in their kindergarten programmes.</p> <p>Improve the capacity of the education and protection cluster members and of the national education coalition members.</p> <p>Build the capacities of partners, directorate team, end beneficiaries and school personnel to adopt safeguarding principles and mechanisms into the school policies.</p> <p>Psychosocial counselling services for parents, teachers and children (debriefing sessions, provision individual and collective sessions).</p> <p>Review and update partners' emergency preparedness plans.</p> <p>Support the development and dissemination of an Inclusive Education guideline under the IE policy of the MoEHE including review of existing infrastructure standards.</p>	<p>40 special education teachers 55 cluster members 140 education stakeholders 200 mainstream teachers 1,650 community members 30 KG staff 14 Directorate staff 15 CBR workers 15 Taxi drivers 25 rehabilitation workers 36 HI Staff 900.000 Cluster members/ media campaign (Indirect benef.)</p>	<p>26 Special education teachers 30 Cluster members 87 (26 Gaza + 61 WB) Mainstream teachers +157.000 Cluster members/ media campaign (Indirect benef.) 9 Rehabilitation staff</p>	<p>The Culture and Free Thoughts Association (CFTA) Teacher Creativity Center Women Affairs Technical Committee In collaboration with MoE on the WB side</p>	<p>Affairs Luxembourg</p>
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		<p>Provision of specialized educational materials and equipment for mainstream schools.</p> <p>Support the development of accessible infrastructures and gender-responsive school facilities.</p> <p>Improve partners capacities to access and secure funds for their special schools services to sustain quality of services.</p>					
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<p>Centre de Crise-Soutien (France)</p>  <p>Ministère des Affaires étrangères et du Développement international</p>	<p>Global affairs Canada</p> 	<p>OCHA</p> 