A new and unusual debate topic concerning “CORONA Virus”, whereas DPNA discussed with responsibility how to pursue its work, activities and programs concerning working with community members. Between terror, fear, and daring, DPNA chose courage to approach these obstacles through training its human resources, employees and volunteers, on all aspects of awareness to reduce the risk of the virus in addition to the practices that best serve infected individuals. Whereas, specialized committees were distributed forming emergency teams, and a bold decision was taken in conjunction with the continuation of the association’s programs and activities. DPNA contributed to an agreement with UNICEF and developed the largest partnership with municipalities, non-profit organizations, and health institutions to confront the COVID-19 pandemic. Additionally, DPNA secured and distributed oxygen machines in addition to sterilization equipment to districts and municipalities. DPNA and within a wide working group, it sought to ensure food security in collaboration with international non-profit organizations, and the work of relief and emergency activities took primacy over other development projects as a result of the widespread COVID-19 virus.
About Our

ONGOING PROJECTS

- El Moltaqa Center
- Access to Safe Water for family livelihoods’ in Chwayya, South Lebanon
- Promoting Peace
- Youth for Tomorrow – Bussma Center.
- Local Empowerment Initiatives in Old Saida City
- Capacity Building and Public Awareness Raising on Values and Means to Preserve Cultural Heritage
- PROMAPIR – Protection and Management of Palm Island Reserve
- Sharaka – Encouraging Peace Partnerships through Civil and Political Engagement.
- Youth Resolve: Resilience, Education, Social Cohesion, Opportunities for Livelihoods and reduced Violence in Jordan, Lebanon, Turkey and Iraq (MADAD)
- Advanced Literacy and Numeracy - ALN
- Tripoli Film Festival
- WASH Intervention in South, Nabatiye and Mount Lebanon 2019

CORE OBJECTIVES

- To deliver a range of projects to promote civic education and participation
- To spread culture of peace, trust and understanding
- To protect and promote the importance of natural environmental resources
- To create a positive change in the local and national policies
- To improve leadership skills among municipal members and other key stakeholders
- To support entrepreneurial initiatives and economic opportunities for youth and women in rural areas

SCOPE OF WORK

01 Development and Youth
02 Environment
03 Emergency and Relief
OUR STORY

Established in 2003, we are a non-governmental independent, grassroots-led organization based in Lebanon which promotes sustainable development for people and place.

OUR VISION

A non-violent democratic society where individuals enjoy all their rights and freedoms without discrimination.

OUR MISSION

To empower, mobilize, and enable citizens to change and meet the needs of the communities, as individuals and/or groups, specifically the marginalized communities in rural, bordered, and poverty areas, through human rights based approach.

What Are Our VALUES

Those are the basis upon which DPNA builds its partnerships on the local, regional and international levels.

FREEDOM

JUSTICE AND EQUALITY

HUMAN SOLIDARITY

NON-VIOLENCE

TRANSPARENCY
EL MOLTAQA CENTER

Funded By
ASFARI

OBJECTIVES

Enhancing the status of the cultural center El-Moltaqa and building the capacity of a new generation CBOs at the grass-roots level through trainings and technical support

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Including (wall & cover works, breakers & moving joint carpets, wood flooring and ceiling and wall paint)
- Including (MDC air conditioner and metal ducts, copper piping, drainage piping)
- Including (light fixture led, led strip, ups, speakers, etc.)
- 10 CBOs trained on set topics (Financial Management, NGO Administrative Management, Advocacy, Proposal Writing and Fundraising)
- 25 capacity building trainings

TARGET AUDIENCE

10 CBOs, 45 persons participate in capacity building training

AREA TRAGETED

Saida, Lebanon

DURATION

25 Months
ACCESS TO SAFE WATER FOR FAMILIES IN CHWAYYA, SOUTH LEBANON

Funded by
Mennonite Central Committee

OBJECTIVES

The project aims to increase access to improved water services to 4500 rural individuals including 50 vulnerable Syrian refugee families and about 800 host Lebanese households in one deprived area in Lebanon – Chwayya community. In addition to the rehabilitation of the water network for better access, individuals living on the lines will be trained on water conservation, water handling and hygiene through education sessions and awareness activities.

TARGET AUDIENCE

50 vulnerable Syrian families and about 800 host Lebanese households in Chwayya

AREA TARGETED
Chwayya – South Lebanon

DURATION
48 Months

ACHIEVEMENTS

- 9 Committee members (5 Women, 4 Men)
- 38 families connected to main line (Syrian) – 108 Women/101 Men
- 400 families connected to main line (Lebanese) – 907 Women/893 Men
- ToT sessions beneficiaries – 5 Women/5 Men
ACHIEVEMENTS

- Issuing “Weaving Peace” publication which includes the best practices, learnings and success stories as well as a small guide on implementing peacebuilding projects in the 4 countries.
- Creating strategic partnerships and networks amongst all 17 CSOs
- Establishing 6 direct peer mentorships between higher and lower capacity CSOs
- Increasing the ability of the 17 CSOs to cultivate religious tolerance and mutual understanding via peacebuilding training
- Conducting 68 field visits in the four countries by which the team discussed various encountered challenges and successes
- Communicating the project’s impact through various online platforms and materials, resulting in a reach of 97,515

PROMOTING PEACE

**Funded by EU and in partnership with MCC**

**OBJECTIVES**

The overall objective of the project, keeping in mind the needs of the target groups and beneficiaries, is to combat religious intolerance and discrimination among target communities in Lebanon, Syria, Jordan and Iraq through enhancing mutual understanding and respect between different faiths, sects or none.

**TARGET AUDIENCE**

- 18-21 CSOs, 200 CSO leaders and members, 240 religious leaders (216 male, 24 female), 8,250 laypeople (4000 male, 4250 female), 4,500 youth (2,500 female, 2,000 male)

**AREA TARGETED**

Lebanon, Syria, Jordan and Iraq

**DURATION**

36 months
YOUTH FOR TOMORROW – BUSSMA CENTER

Funded By
Mercy Corps International (INGO) & BEAM (Local Partner)

OBJECTIVES
Reduced vulnerability of crisis-affected people, especially women and children as well as adolescents and youth have improved psychosocial wellbeing. Adolescents and youth have skills to pursue productive futures through capacity building and livelihood skills. Diverse groups build positive inter-community relationships by working together to promote protection and interests of adolescents and youth.

TARGET AUDIENCE
Youth in the age group between 12 to 19 years old who are living in poverty squares, youth Who dropped out from schools and the students in public schools in the same age group

AREA TRAGETED
Vulnerable and marginalized communities in the city of Saida and its suburbs.

DURATION
36 Months

ACHIEVEMENTS
- Over 40 community and advocacy initiated and implemented by the youth done
- 1080 youth graduated from the intensive courses
- 1500 youth benefited from the psycho-social activities in the center
- Over 700 mothers & fathers have their awareness raised on essential topics that impact their children behaviors and life
- 2050 female and male youth participants have their awareness raised on bullying, personal hygiene, private space, non-violent communication, etc.…
- Youth benefited from the social clubs (Music, painting, chess, etc.)
- Over 500 hundred attended life skills workshops
LOCAL EMPOWERMENT INITIATIVES IN OLD SAIDA CITY

Funded By
United Nations Development Program - UNDP

OBJECTIVES

Based on a participatory approach, the project aims to enhance the living conditions of vulnerable individuals (Women, Youth, etc.) residing in Saida through capacity building sessions, awareness raising topics, and entrepreneurial initiatives implementation yielding increased economic opportunities.

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Increase income generating skills of 30 youth.
- Enhanced socio-economic status of Old Saida city through initiatives

TARGET AUDIENCE

30 youth – 18-30 years old (Syrian, Palestinian, Lebanese; F & M)

AREA TRAGETED

Lebanon: South - Saida

DURATION

3 Months
Funded By
Unhabitat

OBJECTIVES
Individuals have enhanced skills to conduct awareness raising sessions on heritage value and preservation. Residents with increased knowledge in heritage value and preservation through awareness sessions conducted by the trained local volunteers. Local young people have developed skills as local touristic guides.

TARGET AUDIENCE
segregation of sex, nationalities, and ages for the beneficiaries: 80 local volunteers (All nationalities, 50% females), 300 resident (All nationalities, 50% females)

AREA TARGETED
Saida, South Lebanon
Tripoli, North Lebanon

DURATION
4 Months

ACHIEVEMENTS
- Touristic Companion Training for 40 local young people in Saida and Tyre
- ToT training on “skills to conduct awareness raising sessions on heritage value and preservation”
- Trained local volunteers implement awareness sessions to residents in the community;
PROMAPIR – PROTECTION AND MANAGEMENT OF PALM ISLAND RESERVE

EPC – Environment Protection Committee and OEPT - Office d’Exploitation du Port de Tripoli

OBJECTIVES

Improve the conditions of the Palm Island Reserve by installing new facilities, restoring and rehabilitating existing ones and spreading maritime protection awareness among Island’s visitors, fishermen and boat owners.

ACHIEVEMENTS

1. Assessments
2. Awareness Sessions
3. Follow-Up meetings
4. First Round of Tenders
5. Second Round of tenders

TARGET AUDIENCE

The Palm Island Reserve and Mina Port

Direct 3,500/ Indirect 12,000

AREA TRAGETED

The Palm Island Reserve and Mina Port

DURATION

18 Months
SHARAKA – ENCOURAGING PEACE PARTNERSHIPS THROUGH CIVIL AND POLITICAL ENGAGEMENT

Funded By
Mennonite Central Committee

OBJECTIVES

A national project for three years, working with 15 NGOs which aims to build social cohesion between 2,260 individuals in 6 governorates in Lebanon through increasing positive alliances and peacebuilding networks of communication between the layers of civil society to support the process of the rule of law and institutions.

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Establishing 4 environmental committees, 15 persons each.
- Supporting the civic festival, 500 persons;
- Implementing 4 events on World Environment day, 50 persons each.
- Holding 7 roundtables themes, 10 person each.
- Implementing International Day Events, 50 person each; (World Culture Day, World Youth Day, World Peace Day, International Day with people with disabilities);

TARGET AUDIENCE

15 Local NGOs, 2,260 individuals in
6 Governorates in Lebanon

AREA TRAGETED

Beirut, Mount Lebanon
North Lebanon,
Beqaa, Nabatieh, South Lebanon,
Baalbeck/Hermel, Akkar

DURATION

47 Months
YOUTH RESOLVE: RESILIENCE, EDUCATION, SOCIAL COHESION, OPPORTUNITIES FOR LIVELIHOODS AND REDUCED VIOLENCE IN JORDAN, LEBANON, TURKEY AND IRAQ (MADAD)

Funded By
European Union (EU)

OBJECTIVES
Social cohesion between youth from different nationalities and supporting youth committees to build resilience among the targeted communities

ACHIEVEMENTS
- 120 Lebanese, Syrian and Palestinian youth participated in the Youth Summer Camp
- 98 youth attended 7 ongoing arts sessions (Theatre, comic book, music and documentary)
- 2 songs, 1 theatre play, 1 comic book and 2 videos produced and shared with the community
- 5 community events targeting 1170 attendees
- 40 peer to peer sessions in all 10 communities across Lebanon, targeting 1508 Lebanese, Syrian and Palestinian youth

TARGET AUDIENCE
240 youth (120 per cycle) – Lebanese Syrian and Palestinian from ten different communities across Lebanon

AREA TRAGETED
South Lebanon: Hasbaya, Rashaya, Saida (2 locations), Tyre, Sarafand
Mount Lebanon: Ba’ja, Mghayriye
North Lebanon: Tripoli – El Minia, Tripoli – Qibbeh

DURATION
36 Months
ADVANCED LITERACY AND NUMERACY - ALN
Funded By
World Vision

OBJECTIVES
Enhance literacy and numeracy skills and well-being of 100-80 Syrian refugees and underprivileged host girls and boys aged between 15 and 24 years old in Bekaa area

ACHIEVEMENTS
- Strengthen literacy and numeracy skills through ALN program targeting 100-80 Syrian refugees and underprivileged host girls and boys
- Increase well-being of 80-100 Syrian refugees and underprivileged host girls and boys

TARGET AUDIENCE
80-100 Syrian refugees and underprivileged host boys and girls aged between 15 and 24 years old

AREA TARGETED
Bekaa

DURATION
2 months
TRIPOLI FILM FESTIVAL

Funded By
Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit - GIZ

OBJECTIVES

Insure common grounds for the youth of different specialties, majors, and skills to attain a short term employment, to learn new skills, and to interact in a safe and social exchange safe atmosphere.

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Selection of films corresponding to the current societal circumstances
- Maintain communication with stakeholders in all the areas for the shows execution
- Launch the first film event in Bcharre

TARGET AUDIENCE

segregation of sex, nationalities, and ages for the beneficiaries:
72 worker + 12 supervisors

AREA TRAGETED

Tripoli – T5 area

DURATION

6 Months
WASH INTERVENTION IN SOUTH, NABATIYE AND MOUNT LEBANON 2019

Funded By
UNICEF

OBJECTIVES
To provide sustainable, and equitable access to safe drinking water, sanitation and hygiene, as well as the elimination of open defecation.

ACHIEVEMENTS
- Data entry is covered for over 750 sites in South, BML and Nabatiye Areas with all the specified WASH needs, population data and WAP (WASH Assessment Platform).
- The full work plan is established with all the necessary mapping and site visits.
- All the needs were organized to start the implementation process and frequent site visits were done for the WASH assessment.
- Rehabilitation of 10 latrines targeting 33 individuals.
- Construction of 10 latrines targeting 91 individuals.
- Desludging activities (422 m³ Sludge removed) targeting 393 individuals.
- Conducting 22 hygiene promotion sessions targeting 1458 individuals.
- Providing 13 Domestic Tanks for 102 individuals.
- Rehabilitation of 2 latrines targeting 18 individuals.
- 2 Hygiene Promotion sessions were done targeting 72 beneficiaries (Hand Wash Critical Times).
- Providing 5 Domestic Tanks for 26 individuals.
- Construction of 5 latrines targeting 26 individuals.

TARGET AUDIENCE
Total number of beneficiaries 8045 (4827 Females, 3218 Males and 4424 Children).

AREA TRAGETED
- Saida District, South, Nabatiye, Beirut and Mount Lebanon.

DURATION
- 7 month
Jezzine (70 km from Beirut, 22 km from Sidon/Saida) is the most famous summer and touristic resort of South Lebanon because of its beautiful landscape, fresh climate, its 40m high waterfall and the festivals during the summer. Vital public facilities contributed in making Jezzine the most important town in the area. DPNA and in partnership with Al Shallel Club of Jezzine are managing Ein Zaarour Summer Camp Site, which aims at providing a safe and creative space for children, youth and adolescents. The summer camp also aims at welcoming organizations wishing to organize a summer camp, training, retreat, etc. It was first opened during summer of 2014, and has implemented until now more than 10 summer camps.

EIN ZAAROUR SUMMER CAMP

PARTNERSHIPS THAT SUPPORTED THE REHABILITATION OF THE SITE

- UNICEF
- Union of Municipalities of Jezzine
- The Netherlands Embassy

CAMPS IMPLEMENTED

1. L’ Atelier
2. Youth Resolve
3. Copain Du Monde

FACILITIES PRESENT

- Accommodates up to 120 people • Training and Sleeping Tents
- Kitchen
- Campfire area
- Horseback Riding Area • Campfire area
- Hiking area
BENWATI CAMP SITE

Benwati (70km from Beirut, 22km from Saida) is one of the oldest village in the south characterized by old houses and fruitful land, and surrounded by pine, making it a beautiful location and through the generosity and kindness of the village, DPNA and in partnership with (secours populaire français) and (driven & given association) are managing Benwati Summer Camp, which aims at providing a safe and creative space for children, youth and adolescents. The summer camp also aims at welcoming organizations wishing to organize a summer camp, training, retreat, etc. It was first opened during summer of 2017, and has implemented until now more than 5 summer camps.

FACILITIES PRESENT

- Accommodates up to 60 people
- Training and Sleeping Tents
- Kitchen
- Campfire area
- Hiking area