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DEVELOPMENT FOR PEOPLE AND NATURE ASSOCIATION





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DPNA's STORY

The story of **DPNA** reflects the journey and the possibility for activism and activists to be joint together in a team work and spirit towards initiating and engaging in positive change in their country. In October 2003, a group of diverse social activists, different age groups, educational, political, and social backgrounds established DPNA, a new development, nonprofit, non-governmental and secular association.

The founding team chose to struggle jointly for the rights of workers, students, women, youth and children. They believed that empowering an active civil society in Lebanon is the answer for starting the change. DPNA since its beginning **promoted justice, solidarity, human rights and environmental protection** and considered these principles as 4 pillars which will be guiding all interventions and actions as well as our attitudes and behaviors. Since the beginning we knew that we are part of a mosaic of actors on the local, national, regional and global levels, and therefore building strong and solid partnerships, networks and alliances was one of our targets to be impactful and we succeeded in doing that. Now DPNA is well known of its connections partnerships and networks which we value and appreciate.

In a journey of **10 years** we were able with the participation of local communities, stakeholders, local partners, the private sector, and community leaders to lead the following marked projects: peace ambassador, building bridges, leadership in community development, eye on peace, youth dialogue, peace caravan, YALLA, active citizenship, youth and entrepreneurship, human rights ambassadors, youth and municipalities, citizen Lebanon, leadership pyramid, building the capacities of local NGOs, and NGOs for change.

Having Human Rights as guidance in our interventions, DPNA worked on responding to the needs of displaced families from South Lebanon in 2007-2006 and now the needs of the Syrian Refugees in Lebanon. We have built an experience in providing food security, shelter, wash, non-food items, and psychosocial support assistant based on SPHERE standards.

We work to respond to the needs of local communities on the basis of sustainable development, and we work to appreciate and increase local communities capacities and values. We dream of real citizenship under the state of law where people in Lebanon are participating actively in decision making processes at all levels. DPNA will continue to work on national, regional, and international levels to reach its vision.

mission

Our mission is to make positive change through interaction and participation of people on a local and a regional level.

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 and 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 in rural communities
- + To deliver **vocational** training for youth and women living in poverty



BRIEF OF 2013

The story of **Development for People and Nature Association (DPNA)** is a growing story especially as it is on the verge of its tenth year anniversary and is currently reviewing those ten years in purpose of recognizing its strengths and weaknesses and identifying the risks and challenges as well as observing achievements, failures and lessons learned.

It is part of a story which nurtured the struggles of activists in the public matter, from municipalities and their unions, associations and networks of associations, Arab and international alliances, governmental and private sector partnership, civil society organizations, voluntary working days of participants in the programs of building bridges, active citizenship, entrepreneurship, peace education, human rights, the empowerment of municipalities, associations and individuals, paying forward our humane duty towards our Syrian guests, to finally organizing an introductory learning campaign on the subject of humanitarian response standards (Sphere), conflict resolution workshops, how to deal with conflicts and clashes of anger, relief work and support groups.

This is in addition to the emergency and relief programs for Syrian refugees, including their most basic needs to support them in reaching the minimum of standards for a decent living. Last but not least, not to mention our environmental projects and foremost coastal development and wise management of the coast, participating fully in the work of the Lebanon Eco Movement (LEM) and supporting awareness campaigns and participating in advocacy campaigns. We ought to focus as well on being proud of our work in the poor rural areas especially in Saida, building bridges with partners in various districts, provinces and communities in the Arab countries and the world.

And because change is a single network, we are honored to belong it and to be a modest part of it, in which we work together to bring about this positive change. As we come close to finishing our story of 2013, we hope to emphasize on our never-ending goal of achieving positive change.

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OUR PARTNERS



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PROJECTS OF 2013

- + Fostering Free Enterprise in Youth
- + Active Citizens
- + Building the Capacities of New Municipal Members and Their Community Youth and Women Leaders
- + Leadership Pyramid
- + Capacity Building for NGOs in South Lebanon
- + Youth Agents of Change/ FADA
- + Improving Living Conditions in Palestinian Gatherings Host Communities
- + Social Actors in Good Health
- Syrian WASH Program, SWaP
- Emergency, Winterization, NFIs and WASH for Syrian Refugees
- Rainbow of Hope
- Zwetini Garden Rehabilitation and Psychosocial Activities
- Winterization Project
- Shelter and Non-food Items for Refugees in Southern Lebanon

+ development + emergency and relief ■ projects starting 2013



FOSTERING FREE ENTERPRISE IN YOUTH

Partner: Center for International Private Enterprise, CIPE

Objective

Institutionalize the democratic concepts of civic education, responsibility and entrepreneurship in education curricula for Lebanese youth.

Areas Targeted

National

Duration

2007-2015

Project Targeted Groups



Youth



University Students



School Students



Ministry of Education



Teachers and Instructors

Project Activities

During this reporting period, FFEY has accomplished the following:

- Training workshop for teachers on the entrepreneurship curricula of Grades 7, 8, 9
- Testing the curricula by the teachers in 13 schools
- Holding a Meetup with Journalists on Life-Long Entrepreneurial Program for 12 media institutions
- Strengthening the relation with Center for Educational, Research and Development, CERD
- Formation of E2E Alumni Network
- Management Workshop for Steering Committee
- Capacity Building Workshops for Alumni Network Members
- Concept of Entrepreneurship Training

- Business Plan Development training
- Creative Leadership training
- My Social Personal Hub training
- Communication Skills training
- Networking Event
- Free Market Forum
- Two Seminars on “Entrepreneurs Sharing their Experiences”, “Entrepreneurship in Education” and “Youth and Entrepreneurship”
- DPNA and E2E Steering Committee Co-organizing Startup Weekend Saida
- Global Entrepreneurship Week 2012
- Meetings with GEW Eco System
- Entrepreneurship Exhibition
- Global Entrepreneurship Week 2013
- NGOs Meeting for Life Long Learning Program, LLEL
- LLEL Meeting with Economic Stakeholders with 25 business leaders
- E2E Seminar and GEW Workshops at SouthBIC
- GEW Chat organized by CIPE

Other activities:

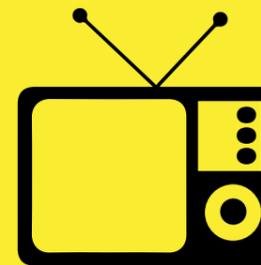
- Training at a Drug Rehab Center in Lebanon
- Representing DPNA in the Youth Advisory Council of the U.S. Ambassador to Lebanon
- Representing DPNA at the MUBS Business Plan Competition
- Piloting a Citizenship and Entrepreneurship Curriculum in a Private School in Beirut
- Participating as E2E SC in BIEL Entrepreneurship Forum
- Participating as E2E SC in the University Fairs
- Democracy that Delivers for Entrepreneurs Conference in Chicago, U.S.

Budget

\$179,928.00



**REACHING 1385 PERSONS
THROUGH TRAININGS, EVENTS,
SEMINARS, ETC.**



12 MEDIA INSTITUTIONS



**MORE THAN 60 NGOs,
INSTITUTIONS, COMPANIES
WORKING ON PROMOTING
ENTREPRENEURSHIP**

ACTIVE CITIZENS

Partner: British Council

Objective

Building understanding and trust between communities by establishing an enduring global network of community leaders, who can work together to address the global issues of the 21st century. "Active Citizens" helps tackle the major challenges facing communities. These include issues arising from differences in race, religion or culture, access to sustainable livelihoods, environmental pollution and protection, health and educational opportunities, democratic participation and opportunities for women.

Areas Targeted

National

Duration

2010-2017

Project Targeted Groups



1611 people majority youth

Project Activities

- 5 Training workshops in Broumana, Baakline, Jezzine and Houla reaching 175 people and implementing 4 social action projects
- 5 Forum theaters and Image theaters reaching 422 adolescents and children from 10 schools
- Active Citizens and Arab Spring Seminar reaching 30 participants majority are NGO directors and mayors
- Training workshops in Broumana, Baakline, Jezzine and Houla reaching 144 people
- Roundtable meeting for media institutions and journalists

Budget

\$37,100.00

BUILDING THE CAPACITIES OF NEW MUNICIPAL MEMBERS

AND THEIR COMMUNITY YOUTH AND WOMEN LEADERS

Partner: National Endowment for Democracy, NED

Objective

Empowering elected municipal members, women and youth leaders with skills and techniques to increase community participation in municipal work:

- To brace the technical and operational capabilities of youth municipal members;
- To increase youth engagement in decision-making process through providing concrete skills and techniques.

Areas Targeted

Ein Deleb, Tanboreet, Marjayoun, Nabateyeh, and Bkassine

Duration

2012-2013

Project Targeted Groups



20 Local leaders (municipal members and community leaders)

Project Activities

- Round Tables
- Village Data File
- Ideas Fair
- Municipal Committees

Budget

\$49,700.00

LEADERSHIP PYRAMID

Partner: Mennonite Central Committee, MCC

Objective

Empower young leaders in Lebanon with the skills to contribute to the decrease of conflict and the spreading of the culture of peace.

The targeted youth leaders will have increased knowledge and gain skills in the following fields: conflict transformation and peace culture, conflict analysis tools, understanding psychosocial trauma and restorative justice. They will be able to develop documents about conflict analysis in their communities and plans for peace interventions.

Areas Targeted

National

Duration

2012-2013

Project Targeted Groups



50 leaders

Project Activities

- Training for DPNA's Cadres for two full 3-day training workshops on Introduction to conflict transformation and peace culture, and understanding conflict, psychosocial trauma, and restorative justice.
- A series of 4 trainings for 25 youth leaders on the above mentioned topics.

Budget

\$35,000.00

CAPACITY BUILDING FOR NGOs IN SOUTH LEBANON

Partner: U.S. Embassy in Beirut

Objective

Building the capacities of 3 NGOs/youth groups in Southern Lebanon on institutional management.

Areas Targeted

South Lebanon; Ein El Deleb, Bourj Rahal and Sawane

Duration

2012-2013

Project Targeted Groups



3 Local CSOs in South Lebanon

Project Activities

- 5 capacity building workshops for the NGOs/groups on financial and managerial skills (administrative management, financial management, fundraising and proposal writing)
- Coaching sessions for the NGOs/groups
- Received applications for small projects in the three communities
- Monitored the implementation of the three projects

Budget

\$44,750.00

YOUTH AGENTS OF CHANGE/ FADA

Partners: Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency, SIDA and Mobaderoon Network

Objective

Youth are actively participating in decision making process in Syria through:

- Increase understanding among youth of democratic principles and the role of citizens and civil society in the formal, democratic decision making process;
- Strengthen youth ability to identify policies and issues needing change and to organize and influence policy-making through advocacy and citizen action;
- Increase youth ability to engage in cross-sectarian civic discussion and advocacy;
- Connect like-minded networks globally to exchange good practices and ideas;
- Promote a culture of human rights, democracy and non-violence among youth in Syria.

Areas Targeted

National, Syria

Duration

2013-2016

Project Targeted Groups



5,000 adolescents and youth aged 14-35

Project Activities

This project worked directly with 5,000 youth and adolescents from the age of 14 to 35 years, and focused on topics such as how to manage dialogues, discussions, facilitate workshops, participatory planning within groups of youth on the length of the project. All along working with them to deepen the concepts about the culture of citizenship, the social contract and its ties to our communities and local cultures and beliefs .

Budget

\$3,471,183.00



EMERGENCY AND RELIEF



Winterization

IMPROVING LIVING CONDITIONS IN PALESTINIAN GATHERINGS HOST COMMUNITIES

Partner: UNHABITAT, UNDP

The project aimed at rehabilitating a number of houses identified in the most vulnerable host gatherings in Lebanon and their surroundings targeting Palestinian as well as Syrian refugees displaced from Syria in addition to some original dwellers in urgent need. In order to provide equal relief, the project targeted the Palestinian gatherings as well their surrounding areas where Palestinian and Syrian refugees from Syria are living.

Activities

- Shelter Rehabilitation
- Winterization
- Water and Sanitation Hygiene (WASH)
- Household unit planning

By providing:

New doors & windows, or maintaining old ones, bathroom utilities, maintaining old ones, and even building bathrooms, kitchen utilities, and maintaining old utilities, water leakage or moisture treatment for walls and surfaces, Zinco treatment or providing new panels.

Areas of Intervention

Saida, Tyre, Beirut, Bekaa, Tripoli

Number of Houses Intervened

Saida: 90, Beirut: 30, Tyre: 90, Bekaa: 59, Tripoli: 48 Total: 317

Budget

\$303,000.00



Education

SOCIAL ACTORS IN GOOD HEALTH

Partner: UNFPA

- 1 . The project aimed to educate and guide young people and adolescents on both social and health issues, considering them as a resource of energy necessary to build a community.
- 2 . Reproductive health and life skills are not just services, but they are also knowledge, attitudes and behavior that include preventive aspects and maintain public safety related to sexuality and reproductive health behavior. And this project aimed to aware Syrian, Lebanese and Palestinian youth with this information, skills and attitudes essential to help them overcome the consequences of crises and build a better future for themselves and their families.
- 3 . The project also aimed to build the capacity of Syrian, Lebanese and Palestinian youth so that they can be proud.

Activities

The project targeted 905 young men and women of the Syrian and Lebanese and Palestinian, aged (15-25) in South Lebanon, from highschool to university. 35 sessions were implemented between reproductive health, life skills, decision making and appreciating one-self.

Budget

\$14,730.00

ONGOING PROJECTS STARTING YEAR 2013



Shelter and Non-food Items for Refugees in Southern Lebanon Partner: Mennonite Central Committee, MCC Budget: \$533,850.00



Emergency, Winterization, NFIs and WASH for Syrian Refugees Partner: CARE International Budget: \$152,974.00



Rainbow of Hope Partner: Arcenciel and U.S. Embassy in Beirut Budget: \$18,000.00

Zweitini Garden Rehabilitation and Psychosocial Activities

Partner: Danish Refugee Council, DRC Budget: \$4,800.00



Emergency, Winterization, NFIs and WASH for Syrian Refugees Partner: CARE International Budget: \$152,974.00

Syrian WASH Program SWaP Partner: Mercy Corps Budget: \$91,710.00



Emergency, Winterization, NFIs and WASH for Syrian Refugees Partner: CARE International Budget: \$152,974.00

Winterization Project Partner: French Republic and French Embassy in Beirut Budget: \$65,000.00

** Same project may appear under a different sector*



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حب الاقربين

و بلن

Peace,
unity &
acceptance

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