

GAZA EMERGENCY APPEAL UPDATE

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YOUR HELPING HANDS IN GAZA

Our work in Gaza is more vital than it has ever been before. Our dedicated local staff are working tirelessly in unimaginable circumstances, getting aid to those who most need it, while enduring the fear and danger of the bombings too.





**AID IS TRICKLING
INTO GAZA BUT
WE'RE ALREADY
THERE**

Your support allows our local team to continue providing food parcels, water, daily hot meals, and hygiene kits to displaced families. While aid struggles to reach the region, we're proud to say that we have been working in Gaza since 1991 and we remain on the ground with the Palestinian people, delivering every single day during this emergency.



FLOWING PROGRESS

Clean water reaches the people in Gaza.

Our desalination plant, the largest in southern Gaza is back up and running, providing 52,000 litres of water per hour.

Fuel provided by UNRWA has enabled us to reopen this lifeline in what is currently the most densely- populated area of Gaza.

This sustainable source of water is delivered to the local water network, and is accessible to displaced people via water tankers that can fill up there, or simply by filling up their own water tanks.



OUR LOCAL HEROES

Our commitment to Gaza is unwavering. Our team on the ground is comprised of local staff members who have a deep understanding of the community's needs, geography, and changing circumstances. Despite the significant risks they are facing, they are the heroes of our work, remaining dedicated to providing vital support.

An estimated 85% of people in Gaza have been displaced – after more than two months of this emergency, they urgently need help accessing their daily needs, and we're focusing our efforts on supporting these displaced families.

Our staff members have had their homes destroyed, lose communications for days at a time, have been displaced to live in agricultural land, but still they continue to deliver aid every single day. We cannot thank them enough for their dedication to humanity, and we pray Allah protects and rewards them.

Right now we're distributing family food parcels to last a month, providing hygiene kits, and delivering 16-litre containers of water to displaced families, all in an effort to prevent outbreaks of disease and infection.





HOW YOUR DONATIONS HAVE HELPED

Since the escalation began, you've helped us to support a total of **371,870** people.



19,660

people supported so far



117,510

people recieved food parcels



24,510

people received fresh vegetable parcels



89,070

people received hygiene kits



19,660

people received clean water



30,000

people received water from our desalination plant



33,386

people recieved hot meals



1,734

people recieved women's hygiene kits



55,000

people recieved medical supplies

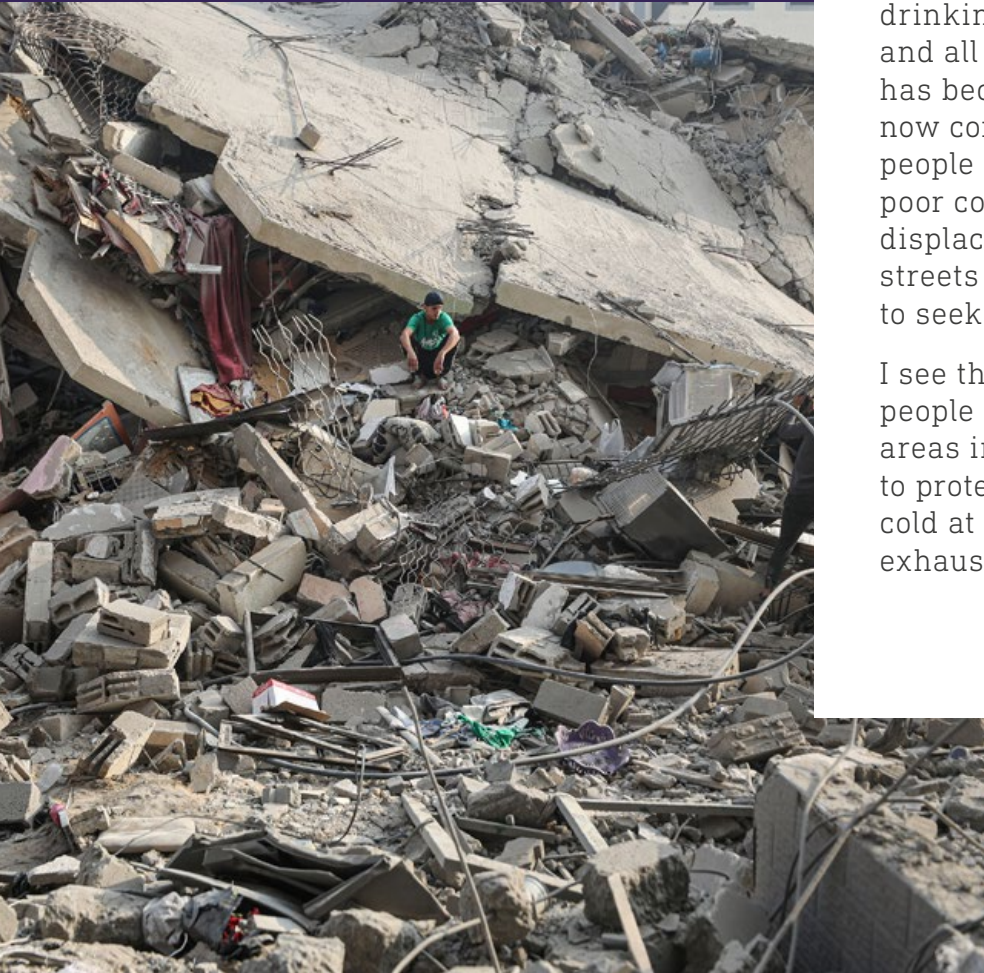


1,000

tents set up

A WORD FROM GAZA

A few words from Sherine,
our colleague in Gaza.



As for the essentials in life- food, drink, clothing and shelter, they are amongst the most challenging things to obtain now. Even in my comparatively better situation, we haven't had any clean drinking water for three days now and all the shops are empty: money has become worthless. Shelters are now completely overcrowded and the people there are living in extremely poor conditions. However, most of the displaced are now sleeping on the streets as they cannot find a place to seek any sort of refuge or safety.

I see this every day from my window— people arriving on foot from distant areas in the north and Gaza city, unable to protect themselves from the biting cold at night. They lie on the streets, exhausted from thirst and hunger.

I will never forget the sight of the children when we distributed drinking three days ago. They embraced the water bottles like long lost friends.

Food is no better. There is only one bakery in the central area. Daily, I see thousands of people standing in line, hoping to get one loaf of bread. I used to send my son at 1:30 AM to get a loaf of bread but now the bakery has been closed for three days. There is no fuel.

We hope that our message serves as a reason to end the conflict and also a lifeline for the orphans , who have lost their fathers or both their parents. We entrust you to Allah, who does not neglect His trust. May Allah bless you and reward you with the best for us.



LIFE-SAVING SUPPORT IN ACTION

Amid the challenges of a complete blockade, we are on the ground delivering aid every single day.



BUILDING SAFE SPACES

Almost 1.9 million people are displaced by the destruction. Last week, we began erecting tents in 29 UN schools where people have sought refuge. These tents, featuring a central iron frame and robust, fireproof, and waterproof materials, provide secure shelter for 5-10 people. We are the sole charity supplying and erecting these tents and aim to continue building more with your ongoing support.



HEALTHCARE HEROES IN ACTION

Disease is a looming threat, as 26 out of 35 hospitals are now non-operational, and 87 ambulances have been damaged. Your generous donations have allowed us to launch an emergency mobile clinic in a shelter school in Rafah, offering vital services to hundreds of victims, young and old. Despite the challenges, our dedicated team persists in delivering care, from routine checks to specialised treatments.





45 TONS OF AID BEING DELIVERED

In the heart of the crisis, 45 tons of lifesaving aid reached the hands of our brothers and sisters in the Gaza Strip last week, a result of a powerful partnership between Human Appeal and the Jordan Hashemite Charity Organization. Loaded with medicines, medical consumables, food products, and clothing essential for survival this winter, the aid entered Gaza through the Rafah crossing after arriving at the Egyptian port of El-Arish.



Our journey is far from over. Join us in continuing to make a positive impact in Rafah, Gaza, where our team over the weekend started to provide loaves of bread to displaced families, thanks to dedicated female volunteers. Despite challenges like closed bakeries and scarce cooking gas, they bake on firewood, igniting a flame of hope.

Your unwavering support and donations have allowed us to embark on this mission, bringing relief to those enduring terrible conditions since the onset of conflict. As winter intensifies the struggle for many displaced individuals, who are left with nothing but light clothing in the biting cold, your contributions are making a difference.



**Please keep our staff and the people
of Palestine in your prayers.**

**Thank you for your support.
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spread the message of hope.**

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