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Welcome back to Every Human, where we share snapshots, stories, and staff testimonies of our impact from across the 34 countries that we work in. Read this summer 2026 edition to hear from Youssef, a young boy in Gaza who's recovering his education at our mobile school.

We'll also pass the mic over to some of our staff and experts in the field, so you can hear all about our life changing projects from the people who work on them, day in, day out.

You'll hear from Ahmed, one of our field officers working on our mobile school project, as well as other projects in Gaza.

And you'll hear from Moussa, a fisherman in Senegal whose life and future were transformed with one simple gift. Then, Mohamed shares his story, and how he's found work in our community kitchens in Sudan.

Finally, we hear from Atheer and Bader, and how the gift of pistachio trees is helping change their lives.

So come, read on, and find out how your charity changes lives today and shapes a kinder tomorrow.

We hope you enjoy getting to know us a bit better, and from Every Human here at Human Appeal,

Thank You.

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My daily earnings have tripled

Moussa Fall is a father and a fisherman in Yarach, Senegal. Your charity provided him with a fishing boat, allowing him to employ four other fishermen and tripling his income.

I live with my extended family, and there are about ten of us. I have spent 63 years working in the fishing sector, so I don't just have experience, I know these seas like the back of my hand – I've never worked in any other field. I have a deep knowledge of this profession, with the help of Allah.

Before this project, we were surviving day by day; a friend of mine who had benefited from Human Appeal's project told me about your fishing boat project. He said there were people who support us and that was how we applied and found we were qualified to receive a fishing boat.

I attended an orientation where the entire project was explained and they provided us with a fishing boat as well as fuel for the motor and five life jackets.

It's a very good boat, and we haven't had any big problems, but if it were wider and had a GPS, it would be much more stable and navigable in rough seas.



Moussa Fall, father and fisherman from Senegal.

Before the opportunity from Human Appeal I was already a fisherman working on a small boat that went out to sea every day.

The new boat has increased my income, and it means I have been able to hire four additional people. Alhamdulillah, it has truly improved my situation.

Since then, I have remained in contact with the team. In fact, this is the third time that we've met since then. I genuinely feel Human Appeal's continued support. The [Human Appeal staff] often ask me how things are going, and I update them.

That is why I truly feel supported throughout the process.

There has been a tremendous change in my life. I have moved from one situation to a much better one. My daily earnings have tripled, and my family is also living in much better conditions.

We can only thank you. We pray for you and hope your work reaches even more people.

There are many others like us who still have no equipment to work or earn a living.

If they receive support, it will improve both their livelihoods and our community as a whole.

If you come to Yarakh, you will see that almost everyone here is a fisherman. But there are many vulnerable families that I could show you whose lives could be truly transformed if they had the equipment they need.

We sincerely thank you. You have fulfilled the commitments you made to us.



Moussa in his new fishing boat, going out to sea.



Fishing boat being pushed into the water.

What does ceasefire really mean?

Ahmed is a field support officer at Human Appeal in Gaza. He's been working with us for over 10 months. Today he shares with us an insight into the situation in Gaza.

Hunger and psychological impact

Even though there isn't a wide variety of foods in the markets, the bigger issue is that people can't afford them. Even if prices returned to pre-war levels, people don't have enough money to cover their basic needs.

Although there's an official ceasefire, the reality on the ground is very different. People aren't safe, and the fear is constant and unrelenting. Nowhere in Gaza is truly safe from the continuing strikes, which hit homes, markets, and vehicles.

There's a state of intense psychological pressure that, for many people, needs professional help.



Ahmed, hard at work.

Mobile clinics

Mobile clinics have made a tangible difference for residents, significantly reducing the need for people to travel to government or official hospitals that may be far from where they live. They've also played an important role in reducing the spread of disease, particularly infectious and skin conditions that have become common due to the harsh conditions of displacement.



Ahmed speaking with a colleague.

Mobile schools

Mobile schools have played a major role in helping children reintegrate — even partially — into educational and academic life. They've also helped ease overcrowding in classrooms caused by the shortage of available schools. Most importantly, they've contributed to improving children's psychological wellbeing, giving them a chance, even briefly, to step away from the atmosphere of war and bombardment.

One story that has stayed with me was this nine-year-old who witnessed the bombing of her neighbour's house and saw friends and relatives in critical condition. She developed an intense fear of loud noises, became unable to leave the house alone, and her sleep was badly disrupted — she needed someone beside her at all times. She also began missing school, afraid to go without her mother.

Through a psychosocial support programme, she received specialised care: weekly individual sessions, breathing and relaxation exercises, art therapy to help her express her emotions, and coordination with her family and teacher. Over time, her condition improved — her fear and anxiety decreased, she became more socially engaged with her friends again, and she was eventually able to go to school on her own again.

This story is unfortunately a very common one, and a reminder of how deeply war affects children, and how simple, consistent psychosocial support can help restore a piece of the childhood they've lost.

My situation

We, the Human Appeal team in Gaza, are from this community. My entire neighbourhood of Shujaiyya was destroyed. Now I'm displaced in Deir al Balah and live with my wife and children — as well as my mum, my sister, and her orphaned children. Transport is very difficult, so I walk to work every day.

The best part of my job is it fulfils me deeply to be able to make a positive difference in people's lives. But the scale of need is so enormous that the hardest part of my job is knowing we can't help everyone.

My message to you

My message to all our supporters is that although a ceasefire officially exists, the truth is that families in Gaza are still suffering every single day. Your support isn't just aid passing into someone's hands — it's the difference between a child who can return to school and one who is never able to recover their education. It's the difference between a family eating every single day, or a family fighting hunger.

Please do not let the label of ceasefire stop you from continuing to support these people. The suffering hasn't ceased and every contribution reaches someone, changes their life in a meaningful way.



Ahmed filling in paperwork.

I need to feel safe again

Youssef lives in Deir al-Balah with his parents and four siblings. He attends one of our four mobile schools for children in Gaza. Here he shares a snapshot of his life at this school.



Children playing during a break.



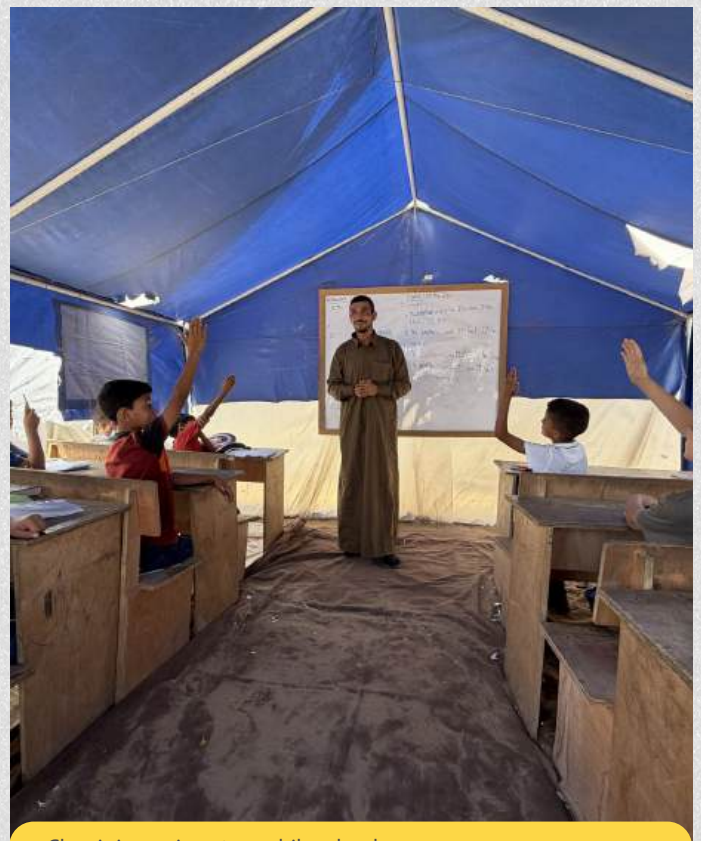
Youssef in class, raising his hand.

I miss the sense of security I used to have, and I miss the spirit we used to have at school. What I love most about this school is that we get to read the Quran every single day. We also study Maths, Arabic, English and Science.

I've made new friends at this school; their names are Muhammad and Khaled. We play football and tug of war with other children.

What I need most right now is food and to feel safe again. My dream is to remain safe in my home and to become a doctor when I grow up.

To those who donated, please keep providing us with an education, and please pray that children here continue to get emotional and financial support.



Class is in session at a mobile school.

Working at a community kitchen in Sudan



Our staff preparing hot meals in Sudan.

Mohamed lives with his parents and three of his siblings in Omdurman. He was displaced from his home in another district of Omdurman on the fifth day of the war. He's worked in our community kitchen. Let's hear his experience in his own words:

Life before the conflict was stable to some extent. Education was stable, job opportunities were available, all private and public hospitals were in service, there was transportation.

My house was simple, with three rooms, a kitchen, utilities. I was working and studying at the same time.

We decided to leave the house on the fifth day of the outbreak of the war. I had the whole family with me on the trip, my mother and father, my three sisters and two brothers. We didn't carry a lot of luggage with us, just some clothes and identity papers. All we saw around us were families being displaced, vehicles and destroyed buildings, until we entered the borders of the state of Al-Jazeera.

Now we have returned to Omdurman and we work daily. Life has been changed by the war, the economy has deteriorated, living is very difficult and work is hard.

Human Appeal helped me for the first time when we returned to the Omdurman area at the end of 2024, when we could not enter our homes in the old area of Omdurman.

They provided me with a job in a community kitchen which cooked meals for people passing through and vulnerable people. They provided us with all materials such as charcoal, onions, cooking oil, lentils, beans and other ingredients.

I also volunteered in a project that really improved our livelihoods while rehabilitating the living environment significantly. These experiences helped me with many things, including building relationships between communities, making connections and also finding work.

My biggest need at the moment is for my home - it has become completely destroyed and I can't afford to rebuild it. I also need a stable job.

My message to those who donated is to continue to donate so the work here can increase, so that more people can benefit from them. I hope that everyone who is able to donate to this organisation will not hesitate.

Growing hope in Mosul:

Bader and Atheer's pistachio trees

In Al Namrowd District, Mosul, Iraq, Human Appeal has been helping farming families put down roots for a better future. Families like Bader's and Atheer's have each received 105 pistachio trees, an integrated irrigation system, fertilisers, and training in the latest growing methods — trees chosen because they tolerate heat and drought, and because their fruit sells well. For families who have spent years surviving day to day, these trees represent something new: a source of income they are now growing, quite literally, from the ground up.



Atheer speaking to a Human Appeal staff member.



Bader next to one of the pistachio saplings.

Bader, a freelancer and father of nine in Al Abas village, is one of them.

I own a pickup truck and deliver goods for a fee — that's the only source of livelihood for my family. We live in a private house with one floor, two rooms and facilities, but high prices for food and life necessities make it hard to meet our needs, and I have blocked arteries.

Even so, the children attend school, and Mathematics is their favourite subject. Facilities in our area are available, and for that I'm grateful — health, protection and safety.

Through Human Appeal, I received 105 pistachio trees with an integrated irrigation system and fertilisers, after we were trained on the latest methods of growing pistachios. This was the first time I'd heard of Human Appeal or dealt with them.

What I want for my future is to develop my farm — drilling a well, having solar energy, and planting olive trees would help me get there. I pray for recovery from diseases, and may Allah have mercy on our dead.

Thank you for what they gave. Don't stop doing more.



Bader showing the growth of a sapling.

Atheer, who lives with an extended family of eighteen in Al Khader village, received the same support starting in November 2025.

I heard about the pistachio sapling project through the Mosul Agriculture Department, where our names were registered. I received 105 pistachio trees, an integrated irrigation system and fertilisers. At first the quality of the trees was good, but because of the heavy rain many of them were damaged.

Pistachio is a good tree to farm — it tolerates high temperatures and lack of water, and its fruits are expensive. Before this, I farmed olives, grapes and figs.

My life and my family's life will change after we save the fruits and sell them. With that income, I'll be able to afford farm development and crop cultivation diversity — selling either to merchants who come to my farm, or in Mosul's markets.

I would like my farm to progress further, with a farm fence, drilling a well, and having solar energy.

May Allah reward those who donated with the best reward, have mercy on them, and bless them.



Atheer, one of the recipients of the pistachio saplings.

A young child wearing a green jacket and a white knit beanie is shown in profile, reading an open book. The background features a large, ornate minaret of a mosque with a golden spire, set against a deep purple sky with a few white clouds. A white dove is depicted in flight above the minaret. The title 'SHARED BLESSINGS' is written in large, white, sans-serif capital letters across the upper part of the image.

SHARED BLESSINGS

Who is it that would loan Allah a goodly loan so He
will multiply it for him and he will have a
noble reward?

(The Holy Quran, 57:11)

A child reading the Quran.



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