

One more year with Lebanon Trust: what we did in 2024



Blankets and other necessities for the displaced, funded by Lebanon Trust and distributed by Najdeh

Dear friends and supporters,

Thank you from the bottom of our hearts for your continued support, not only from all the volunteers of our association, but especially from the people we are trying to help.

The year 2024 has been a real calamity for Lebanon, a country already sorely tried by a very deep economic crisis and political instability. The conflict between Hezbollah and Israel escalated in September and culminated with very intense and prolonged Israeli aerial bombardment of almost the entire country, including the capital Beirut, and the invasion of the south, until the ceasefire on November 27; resulting in an estimated 1.2 million displaced people and thousands of dead, as well as total destruction of many population centers, burned fields and destroyed plantations. Demolitions and attacks unfortunately continue to this day.

Of course, our friends and work partners in Lebanon were deeply affected by all this. FAID, the school for deaf children that we have been supporting since 2008, was able to reopen only in December. The Association Najdeh, which is active in refugee camps, has worked tirelessly to rescue displaced people, who have to camp on beaches, in public gardens, vacant buildings and on sidewalks. We were able to help 206 displaced families!

Thanks to all of you, we could send 11,000 dollars in donations. Another 4,000 euros (about 4170 dollars) could not be sent due to bank transfer difficulties but will be sent as soon as possible in 2025.



FAID, the school for deaf children in Beirut, was able to start classes again – at last!

Income: donations to Lebanon Trust (€) (1.12.2023 – 30.11.2024)

Fundraising initiatives, private donations, corporate sponsorships	
Total	14568.71

(Year close 30.11.2023; EUR/USD/CHF currency exchange rate: as applied by our bank in Ireland)

Expenditure: disbursements to the supported institutions, expenses (€)

Bank and PayPal fees, web hosting & domains	189.70
Donation to FAID (school for the deaf)	5836.00
Donations to Association Najdeh (refugee camps, displaced ppl)	4600.00
Total	10625.70
<i>Difference (Corresponding approx. to the sum of USD 4000 that has not yet been possible to transfer to Lebanon)</i>	<i>3943.01</i>

Many generous people donated through *Benevity*, *The Irish Online Giving Foundation* and *The UK Online Giving Foundation* (thank you Mick!). Our friend Kevin Boyle in Tralee again organised a splendid choir concert in June in favour of our projects. Thank you so much!

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