

INTERNATIONAL CAMP - THE YOUTH VILLAGE



EXCHANGING CULTURE! BELGIUM - PALESTINE

Sharek Youth Forum welcomed a group of Belgian youth at the Youth Village over a 4-day accommodation with the goal of gaining a better understanding of Palestinian youth-related issues and how they can be empowered through their culture, traditions, and social life. While at the village, the delegates were able to exchange ideas with young people about ways that they can make change. The goal of this visit was not only to learn from one another but also empower Palestinians so that they have more power when it comes to influencing government decisions.

On these four days, there were a number of different activities going on. These included cultural, environmental, recreational and voluntary work.

**WITH THE HELP OF THE PALESTINIAN REPRESENTATIVE IN BELGIUM-
ABDALRAHIM ALFARRA, WE HAVE RAISED THE INCREDIBLE AMOUNT OF
3.230 EURO**

***YOUR CONTRIBUTION CAN
MAKE A REAL DIFFERENCE!***

3.230 EURO DONATION

The Belgian delegation donated about 3.230 Euro for the Youth Village to install:

- 20 Solar Panels.
- 8 Wooden Benches.





LEISURE NIGHTS AT THE YOUTH VILLAGE

With a beautiful atmosphere around the bonfire, the Belgian delegation experienced three magical nights, with Palestinian dinner, songs, and hikes. The delegation enjoyed Palestinian heritage music and learned the stories that went behind it.

The Palestinian and Belgian youth listened to the stories of their peers, discussing how Israeli occupation affects them every day. Belgian people knew first hand how Palestinians spend almost one-third of their lives waiting at a checkpoint.

They experienced a full day as Palestinian citizens, living their lives in accordance with the culture and traditions of this land.

VISITS TO PALESTINIAN MUSEUMS



VOLUNTEERING AT THE YOUTH VILLAGE

The Palestinian youth and the delegation worked together to plant trees at the entrance of Youth Village and the Hope Road. This act symbolizes their commitment to working together for a better future.

While they watched the beautiful sunset and listened to music, the Belgians learned a traditional Palestinian dance called "debkeh".

