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Sharek, in collaboration with UNFPA and in cooperation with UNRWA and other CBOS in the Gaza Strip, has been steadfast in implementing its humanitarian and social initiatives, leveraging youth mobilization and voluntarism.

It is noteworthy to highlight that all the mentioned initiatives have been backed up Sharek's network of youth volunteers. These dedicated individuals firmly believe in their mission and responsibilities to address the people's needs to the best of their abilities. Further details regarding the implemented initiatives are specified below:





Education Support initiative:

Following the success of the Tawjehi initiative, we are currently in the initial stages of broadening this initiative to encompass students from grades one to 12. Our team is actively conducting assessments in selected shelters to determine the number of students and the optimal methodology for implementing this initiative.

Entertainment Days for Children Aged 5-12:

Given the paramount importance of the mental well-being of children during challenging times, Sharek continues to organize entertaining and uplifting days. These events feature various psychological relief activities across 18 shelters located in the Deir al-Balah Al-Wosta and Rafah governorates. Recognizing the significant role of play in a child's development, this initiative aims to restore a sense of normalcy and joy for children who have been deprived of such opportunities due to the challenging circumstances they face. This week we reached to 260 children which left the total number to 8060 children aged between 3 and 16 years old.



Cinema of Displacement:

as a result of the imposed aggression on the Gaza Strip and its psychological impact on the entire community, particularly children, the Cinema for Displaced initiative has emerged by a group of volunteers. Recognizing the importance of visual learning, given that children's memories tend to retain images more effectively, the initiative focuses on organizing film screenings with educational, moral, and entertaining content within UNRWA shelters and external displacement camps. The Initiative mainly aimed at:

- Enhance the psychological well-being of children and their families.
- Cultivate an environment infused with educational, moral, and entertaining values.
- Revitalize visual learning during periods of crisis. The initiative involves hosting film screenings and animations with educational, moral, and entertaining content within.

The initiative has been implemented several times in three shelters, where the attendance for these screenings exceeded 2,000 children and adolescents, accompanied by their families. This initiative is a sustainable concept that can be further developed during and after the period of aggression.





Shelter Entertainment Shows:

stands as a commendable initiative crafted and executed by a group of dedicated young volunteers. The core of this endeavor revolved around the creation of engaging performances, incorporating artistic displays and showcasing traditional Palestinian "Dabke." The primary objective was to provide a source of relief for children, allowing them to experience moments of joy amidst the ongoing crisis in Gaza.

This initiative has been implemented in two Shelters reaching to more than 150 children and adolescents

Psychological Support and Relief Initiative in GAZA City :

Given the profound traumas and heightened pressures faced by displaced individuals in Gaza, compounded by continuous shelling, our team recognized the urgent need for psychological assistance. Children, in particular, grapple with nightmares and anxiety in this challenging environment. In response, one of our dedicated Y-peer members in Gaza City successfully organized and implemented an initiative aimed at assessing and supporting the displaced population during these difficult times. She in addition to her team actively listened to their stories and introduced simple stress relief techniques to help cope with these intense emotions. They used various strategies include engaging in conversations with friends, practicing relaxation techniques, taking walks in the schoolyard, seeking solace in spiritual connections, and enjoying music through the radio. The initiative by now, reached to 380 children, this and 50 women.



Water for displaced people:

initiative was launched in response to the critical shortage of drinking water and the challenging access for displaced individuals, particularly in Deir Al-Balah. Sharek volunteers spearheaded and successfully implemented this initiative with the primary goal of securing and providing safe drinking water for the displaced population.

Our volunteers were able to address the pressing need for water in the entire camp, extending their reach to more than 170 families housed in 150 tents. The initiative not only mitigates the immediate water scarcity issue but also highlights the commitment of Sharek volunteers to ensuring the well-being of the displaced community.





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