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Advancing the WPSA

Lebanon

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LEBANON

National Consortium Design

Lead Organisation: EuroMed Feminist Initiative (EFI), providing technical guidance and support, progress follow-up, regional coordination, conflict-and gender-sensitive monitoring, evaluation, accountability, and learning (MEAL) and reporting.

National Partner Organisation: Association Najdeh led in Lebanon project implementation, follow-up with funded feminist civil society organisations (CSOs) and women-led community-based organisations (CBOs), thematic capacity-building, monitoring and evaluation (M&E) and national reporting.

Beneficiary Organisations

Feminist CSOs

- Lebanese Council to Resist Violence Against Woman
- Solidarity Association (TADAMON)
- Popular Aid for Relief and Development (PARD)
- Lebanese Women Democratic Gathering (RDFL)
- Dar Al Amal - Space of Hope

Women-led CBOs

- Himaya Daeem Aataa (HDA)
- Learning through Action (LTA)
- Women's Platform to Lead (WPL)
- Justice Without Frontiers (JWF)
- Sama for Development (SFDO)
- Developmental Action to All People Mousawat
- Ahla Fawda

Advancing the WPSA in Lebanon

Lebanon has faced significant challenges linked to displacement, political instability, sectarian violence and economic pressure. Women, particularly displaced or otherwise affected by conflict, face heightened vulnerabilities and multiple forms of gender-based violence (GBV), including sexual and gender-based violence (SGBV).

Funded by the Agence Française de Développement (AFD) through the Support Fund for Feminist Organisations (FSOF) and the Minka Peace and Resilience Fund, the cascade-financed projects contributed to advancing the WPSA through GBV prevention, protection and access to justice, participation, leadership and advocacy, psychosocial and humanitarian recovery and livelihoods, and economic resilience.

Despite severe disruptions caused by Israeli attacks across Lebanon, the beneficiary CSOs and CBOs delivered critical, life-saving and empowering outcomes for affected communities.

Their rapidly adjusted interventions responded directly to displacement, protection risks, and psychological distress and improved immediate living conditions, strengthened protection mechanisms, and restored access to basic rights and services.

Economically and socially, vocational training, entrepreneurship support, leadership development, and advocacy workshops enhanced women's livelihood opportunities, confidence, and public engagement as they became better equipped to participate in community initiatives and amplify their voices through civic platforms.

LEBANON CASCADE FINANCING PORTFOLIO

Presentation of Key Results

March 2023 - March 2026

National partner: Association Najdeh

Geographic coverage: Beirut, Mount Lebanon, Bekaa/Baalbek-Hermel, North and South Lebanon, including refugee camps and gatherings

The project supported feminist CSOs and women-led CBOs to advance the WPSA through prevention and response to violence against women and girls (VAWG), psychosocial support (PSS), access to justice, women's participation and leadership, livelihoods, organisational strengthening and adaptive support during conflict-related displacement.

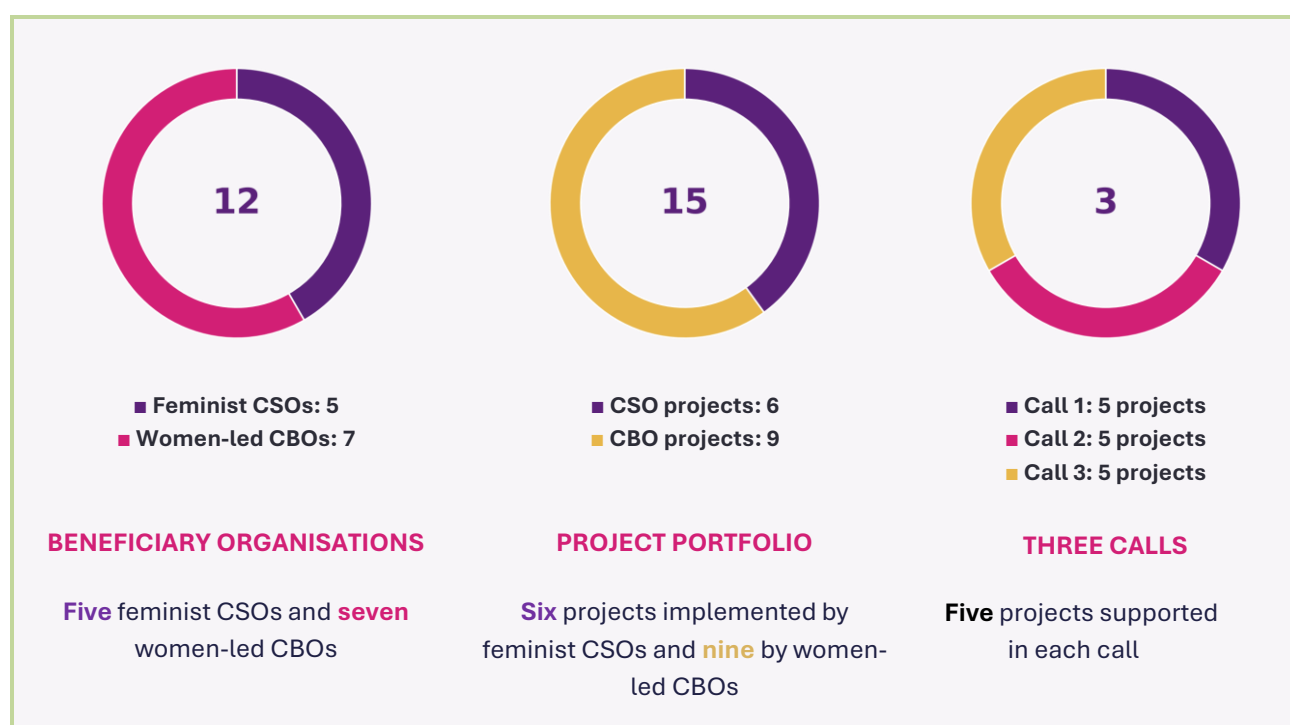
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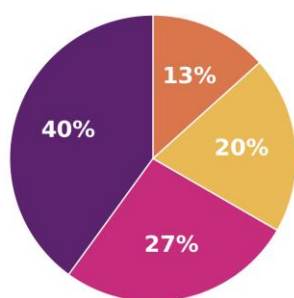
**WOMEN, PEACE
AND SECURITY AGENDA**

Lebanon

Features of the supported organisations

Who received cascade financing and how the portfolio was distributed





- GBV prevention / protection / justice
- WPS participation / leadership / advocacy
- Psychosocial / humanitarian recovery
- Livelihoods / economic resilience

PRIMARY PROJECT FOCUS

The portfolio combined several WPSA dimensions. For a simple country-level overview, all projects are grouped by their dominant focus:

- 6 projects - GBV prevention, protection and access to justice
- 4 projects - WPS participation, leadership and advocacy
- 3 projects - Psychosocial / humanitarian recovery
- 2 projects - Livelihoods and economic resilience

NB: This is a grouping for portfolio presentation purpose; several projects addressed more than one theme.

Selected capacity-building and organisational strengthening results

Examples showing how cascade financing strengthened women, organisations and frontline actors

14 TRAINERS Prepared by WPL to cascade VAWG and creative-advocacy learning	17 STAFF & VOLUNTEERS Of Ahla Fawda strengthened in safe-space, protection and referral systems	36 MEMBERS OF CSOS AND CBOS Enhanced knowledge on WPSA and UNSCR 1325, and established a 1325 FORUM
315 WOMEN Strengthened in communication, peacebuilding, leadership and advocacy by PARD	40 YOUTH In Saida improved social skills financial literacy and conflict resolution by Sama	20 WOMEN From five women-led CBOs strengthened on GBV case management and PSEA by HDA

CAPACITY BUILDING AS A PORTFOLIO PILLAR

Capacity strengthening combined WPSA and VAWG training, referral systems, legal and psychosocial support, leadership and advocacy, and livelihoods skills.

CAPACITY BUILDING BENEFICIARIES

Five thematic capacity-building trainings provided for 113 activists (82 women and 31 men), strengthened gender-sensitive MEAL and the collective influence in advancing the WPSA in Lebanon.

Policy, advocacy and collective action results

Selected changes and outputs generated through feminist CSOs and women-led organisations

01

GBV PREVENTION, PROTECTION AND ACCESS TO JUSTICE

LECORVAW reached 1,375 women and girls with GBV/WPS awareness and supported 25 GBV cases. **RDFL** provided 25 legal consultations and represented 20 female survivors. **Sama** adapted during the conflict, reaching 760 women and girls through 38 sessions on GBV, protection from sexual exploitation and abuse (PSEA) and PSS, and referring 55 protection and mental-health cases.

02

WOMEN'S PARTICIPATION, WPS AND LOCAL LEADERSHIP

HDA linked United Nations Security Council Resolution (UNSCR) 1325 with women's leadership and municipal dialogue in Zgharta (85 direct beneficiaries; 500 community members). **Mousawat** supported 300 Palestinian women and five women-led initiatives in Nahr al-Bared and Beddawi. **Sama** trained 20 young activists and supported a post-crisis campaign reaching over 1000 people online.

03

PSYCHOSOCIAL SUPPORT AND CONFLICT-RELATED RECOVERY

PARD combined psychological support, leadership, interactive theatre and dignity assistance, adapting activities during displacement. **Dar Al Amal** provided PSS and mental health and psychosocial support (MHPSS) as well as drama therapy for female prisoners and ex-prisoners while advancing dialogue on prison and justice reform.

04

ECONOMIC RESILIENCE AND ORGANISATIONAL STRENGTHENING

LTA combined literacy, vocational and digital skills with protection networks. **Ahla Fawda** linked upcycling and entrepreneurship with safe-space systems and civic dialogue, while **WPL** strengthened referral procedures and developed PSEA, gender-equality and advocacy.

Regional networking and exchange

PARTICIPANTS FROM FEMINIST CSOS, WOMEN-LED CBOS AND STAKEHOLDERS TOOK PART IN REGIONAL EVENTS AS PART OF THE PROJECT



They joined over 180 participants from Iraq, Jordan, Palestine, international actors, United Nations (UN) Agencies and decision makers through two regional forums. The forums examined shared regional challenges, country-specific gaps and barriers and further identified policy recommendations for advancing the WPSA. These events strengthened collaboration among feminist CSOs and women-led CBOs, and with key stakeholders and decision-makers, enhanced learning and exchanged good practices for the implementation, monitoring and evaluation of the WPSA in the four countries and at the regional level.

Empower and Secure Vulnerable Women and Girls in Beirut and its Districts

Beneficiary organisation: Lebanese Council to Resist Violence Against Woman (LECORVAW)

Implementation period: 1 September 2023 – 29 February 2024

Location: Beirut

The Lebanese Council to Resist Violence Against Woman (LECORVAW) is a feminist CSO working to prevent GBV and support women and girls at risk. LECORVAW combines safe-space services, case management, WPS and GBV awareness, community dialogue and capacity-building for CSOs and governmental actors in Beirut.

This project raised WPS and GBV awareness, provided survivor-centred case management and institutional capacity-building, and supported community dialogue through a women and girls safe-space approach. Women and girls were supported to understand WPS and protection issues, while CSOs and public actors strengthened their ability to respond to violence and staff wellbeing needs.



MAJOR RESULTS

- 1375 women and girls participated in GBV and women, peace and security (WPS) awareness sessions, while 400 women later joined community events on women's role in peacebuilding.
- 25 GBV cases received case-management support, and all cases were referred externally to appropriate services.
- CSOs and governmental entities received training on WPS and UNSCR 1325; 12 CSOs were also trained on safety, security and staff wellbeing/self-care.
- Project visibility included social-media posts reaching to 8455 people on Facebook and 669 on Instagram.

KEY HIGHLIGHTS

1375 Women and girls raised awareness on GBV and WPS	400 Women engaged in community events	25 GBV cases supported and referred
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“Before the sessions, I did not know that support existed or where a woman could safely ask for help. I now understand my rights and feel more confident seeking help when it is needed.”

A 36-year-old woman, beneficiary of case management

Empowering Young Girls and Women to Advocate Women's Rights and Defence

Beneficiary organisation: Solidarity Association for Social and Cultural Development (TADAMON)

Implementation period: 1 September 2023 - 29 February 2024

Location: Ain al-Hilweh, Nahr al-Bared and Al-Buss refugee camps

Solidarity Association for Social and Cultural Development (TADAMON) is a feminist CSO who works with Palestinian refugee communities in Lebanon on women's rights, participation and social development to strengthen women's voices and engagement with the WPSA.

The project used awareness, dialogue and advocacy across Ain al-Hilweh, Nahr al-Bared and Al-Buss Palestinian refugee camps, to strengthen women's rights, participation and engagement with the WPSA. Activities responded to insecurity and the wider regional conflict while bringing women together with civil-society, community and legal actors.



MAJOR RESULTS

- 3327 participants reached through awareness and dialogue activities, notably 3030 female participants in awareness workshops.
- Five dialogue tables brought women together with civil-society actors, popular committees, trade unions and legal figures to discuss WPSA.
- Women's groups received advocacy and media-content training, alongside videos featuring influential feminist figures.
- Public activities during the 16 Days campaign used exhibitions, petitions and open events to challenge violence and amplify women's roles.

KEY HIGHLIGHTS

3327 Participants raised awareness on WPSA and UNSCR1325	5 Dialogues gathered women, civil society, popular committees and legal figures and discussed WPSA	31 Organisations and Institutions involved in dialogue and coordination
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"My name is M. R. I previously didn't know what Resolution 1325 was or what rights it guarantees for women, but through my participation and learning about it, I became more aware of my rights and my role. I realized that women have a voice and the right to participate in decision-making and contribute to building a more just and peaceful society. Today, I know my rights better and feel more confident in expressing my opinion and demanding them."

Empowerment of Refugee Women through Psychological Assistance, Training and Advocacy in 13 Gatherings of South Lebanon and Beirut

Beneficiary organisation: Popular Aid for Relief and Development (PARD)

Implementation period: 1 March 2024 - 28 February 2025

Location: South Lebanon, Beirut, Saida

Popular Aid for Relief and Development (PARD) is a feminist CSO working with refugee and displaced communities across Lebanon. Through this support, PARD combined psychological assistance, rights awareness, leadership and advocacy with interactive theatre, women's committees, male engagement and adaptive humanitarian support, responding to both long-term protection needs and conflict-related displacement.

This project supported refugee and displaced women across South Lebanon, Beirut and a temporary internally displaced persons (IDPs) shelter in Saida, provided psychological assistance, rights awareness, leadership and advocacy. When conflict-related displacement intensified, implementation adapted to shelter-based needs and later returned to the original gatherings after the ceasefire.



MAJOR RESULTS

- 150 women participated in group therapy and 100 women received individual counselling; a study on VAWG and depression documented links between violence and mental-health outcomes.
- 261 women attended awareness sessions on human rights, women's rights and gender justice, while 315 women were trained in communication, peacebuilding, participatory leadership and advocacy.
- Five women's committees were formed in the IDPs shelter and 100 women participated in 10 interactive-theatre workshops.
- 170 dignity kits were distributed to refugee women in South Lebanon after the activity was adapted to changing displacement conditions

KEY HIGHLIGHTS

150 Women in group therapy	315 Women trained in leadership skills	170 Dignity kits distributed
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"The sessions helped me understand that I am not alone, and there is help available to break the cycle of violence".

GBV Session participant

Refugee Women's Empowerment, GBV Awareness and Interactive Theatre

Beneficiary organisation: Popular Aid for Relief and Development (PARD)

Implementation period: 1 March 2025 – 28 February 2026

Location: South Lebanon, Beirut and Wadi Zeine

The project expanded PARD's refugee-women empowerment model across South Lebanon, Beirut and Wadi Zeine. It combined psychological assistance with WPS and GBV awareness, engagement of men, interactive theatre and advocacy, using community-based activities to strengthen protection, wellbeing and women's participation.



MAJOR RESULTS

- 236 women participated in group therapy; 126 women were identified as GBV cases for individual support, and 40 follow-up psychological sessions were conducted.
- 128 men were engaged in GBV awareness activities, strengthening men involvement in prevention and community support.
- 70 awareness sessions covered reproductive and sexual health, UNSCR 1325, mental health, GBV and early marriage, with strong pre/post knowledge gains reported.
- 242 women participated in interactive-theatre workshops; the final theatre event reached 180 participants, and a roundtable engaged 56 stakeholders on refugee women's roles in WPS and Lebanon's National Action Plan (NAP) for UNSCR 1325.

KEY HIGHLIGHTS

236 Women in group therapy	128 Men engaged in GBV awareness	242 Women in interactive-theatre workshops
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"I used to blame myself for everything and see myself as the cause of all these circumstances. Now I don't. I know when to hold myself accountable, and I understand that we lived under incorrect social standards. And most importantly, it's not my fault."

Group therapy session participant with psychologist

Access to Legal Services for GBV and SGBV Survivors

Beneficiary organisation: Lebanese Women Democratic Gathering (RDFL)

Implementation period: 1 March 2024 - 28 February 2025

Location: Bekaa, South Lebanon, Mount Lebanon

The Lebanese Women Democratic Gathering (RDFL)

is a feminist CSO working on women's rights, protection and access to justice. RDFL provides legal consultation and representation for GBV and SGBV survivors and conducts public advocacy on the situation of women and girls, particularly those who are displaced and refugee.

This project strengthened women's access to justice through legal consultation and court representation while adapting the action to conflict-related emergency needs. When planned advocacy roundtables became impossible because of the war, resources shifted to dignity support and public advocacy on the realities faced by displaced women and girls.



MAJOR RESULTS

- 25 women received legal consultations in the Bekaa, and 20 female survivors received legal representation, including support on alimony, divorce, custody, protection orders and family-status documentation.
- Planned roundtable discussions were cancelled because of the war and resources were redirected to the emergency response: 257 dignity kits were distributed to displaced women and girls: 150 in Bekaa, 54 in South Lebanon and 53 in Mount Lebanon.
- A video following the journey of a displaced woman raised awareness of shelter conditions and recorded 1756 total reach/interactions/playtime across social-media platforms.

KEY HIGHLIGHTS

25 Legal consultation cases	20 Survivors receiving legal representation	257 Dignity kits distributed
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"I was living trapped inside a circle, but I didn't realize it. After the legal consultations, I began to see and think about my legal rights and how I could move beyond it; the circle of violence, deprivation and silence."

A.R. - A Woman who received legal consultations

Breaking Barriers: Stories of Empowered Women Behind Bars

Beneficiary organisation: Dar Al Amal - Space of Hope

Implementation period: 1 March 2025 - 28 February 2026

Location: Baabda Women Prison \ Sin El Fil Centre

Dar Al Amal - Space of Hope is a feminist CSO working with female prisoners and ex-prisoners on psychosocial wellbeing, dignity, reintegration and rights. They provide PSS and MHPSS, use drama therapy and storytelling, advocate for more gender-sensitive prison practice and for removing justice-system barriers affecting incarcerated women.

This project was implemented with female prisoners and ex-prisoners, provided PSS, drama therapy and storytelling, advocated for improving women's wellbeing and self-expression, challenged stigma, and promoted a national dialogue on gender barriers affecting incarcerated women.



MAJOR RESULTS

- 10 written stories and 5 advocacy videos were produced with female prisoners and ex-prisoners, with ethical safeguards around confidentiality, consent and do-no-harm principles.
- More than 60 female prisoners benefited from psychosocial support; 20 women joined a specialised drama-therapy programme and focused MHPSS support also reached women including ex-prisoners.
- 13 female prison staff members completed a three-day training on GBV, women's rights and gender-sensitive approaches in detention premises.
- A high-level roundtable on the right of incarcerated women to expedited trials brought together 22 judges, lawyers, government representatives and civil-society actors.

KEY HIGHLIGHTS

10 + 5	20	13
Written stories + advocacy videos	Female prisoners in drama therapy	Female prison staff trained

Rasha: *“Through the drama, I was able to express emotions, I had kept inside for a long time. For a moment, I felt free to be myself, to speak and to be heard”*

Women and Girls in Action

Beneficiary organisation: Himaya Daeem Aataa (HDA)

Implementation period: 1 September 2023 - 29 February 2024

Location: Tripoli and Zgharta

Himaya Daeem Aataa (HDA) is a women-led CBO working in North Lebanon, particularly Tripoli and Zgharta. HDA works in the field of combating all forms of VAWG, economic empowerment and leadership, and advocacy.

This project enabled HAD to strengthen organisational capacities of women-led organisations, raise awareness and advocate for gender equality and the WPSA and engage communities for support of women's rights and participation. Women and girls were supported to build skills and participate more actively in civic and community decision-making.



MAJOR RESULTS

- Over 670 community members reached across project activities, with women and girls making up about 60% of those reached.
- 20 women from five women-led organisations received capacity-building on GBV case management, PSEA and related protection topics.
- A *Women's Club* was created and 40 women trained on the WPSA became community-level ambassadors and advocates.
- 20 Religious and community key leaders were engaged to strengthen support for women's rights and women's participation in decision-making.

KEY HIGHLIGHTS

670 + Community members reached, 60% of whom women	20 Key community decision makers and religious leaders engaged in support of women's participation	5 Women-led organisations strengthened	40 Women became ambassadors for implementation of the WPSA on community-level.
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"I came to the training thinking I needed to learn how to become a leader. I left realizing that the leader was already inside me, I simply needed the confidence to let her speak."

Rouwayda Ramez - A 27-year-old participant in one of the leadership skills trainings

Women for Peace, Development and Municipal Engagement in Zgharta

Beneficiary organisation: Himaya Daeem Aataa (HDA)

Implementation period: 1 March 2025 - 28 February 2026

Location: Zgharta

The project linked women's participation in local governance with leadership development, economic empowerment, engagement of men and boys and community awareness on VAWG and UNSCR 1325. It sought to translate the WPSA into practical local action in Zgharta while strengthening women's agency and dialogue with municipal actors.



MAJOR RESULTS

- The project reached 585 people: 85 direct beneficiaries (75 women and 10 men) and 500 community members through awareness activities.
- Women participated in leadership, and vocational training designed to strengthen civic engagement and economic resilience.
- Workshops with men and boys promoted positive masculinity and support for women's participation in political and economic life.
- Dialogue with municipal actors and awareness campaigns strengthened understanding of the link between WPS, VAWG, women's rights and available support services.

KEY HIGHLIGHTS

585 Community members reached in total	85 Direct beneficiaries	500 Community members reached indirectly through awareness actions
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"I never thought I could contribute financially to my family, especially with my physical limitations. This training changed everything. I feel useful, confident, and proud."

Zeina - A 45-year-old woman who enrolled in the digital literacy and tailoring training. Today, she earns a steady income by selling handmade products through social media platforms.

Women Steps Forward

Beneficiary organisation: Learning through Action (LTA)

Implementation period: 1 September 2023 - 29 February 2024

Location: Kab Elias, Zahle and the middle and west Bekaa

Learning through Action (LTA) is a women-led CBO working in Bekaa with women, children and local organisations, providing capacity building for local organisations, GBV prevention, vocational trainings linking them with income-generating opportunities.

Through **this project**, LTA linked women's participation in local decision-making with practical skills, GBV prevention, protection networks and economic opportunity. The initiative used training, community outreach and local partnerships to strengthen women's confidence and access to support.



MAJOR RESULTS

- Over 60 women participated in multiple skills tracks, including training in literacy, English, leadership, digital-violence awareness, sewing and soap-production.
- 120 children got awareness on violence against children through awareness and arts-based activities, alongside school and university outreach.
- A protection/capacity network linked 10 CBOs and supported stronger referral and community response pathways.
- A rural food market promoted women's economic participation.

KEY HIGHLIGHTS

60	120	10
Women gain skills in multiple training tracks	Children reached through violence-awareness activities	CBOs linked through protection / capacity work

“Holding a place on a table where we got the chance to speak freely and gained vocational training, we felt the strength of initiating our own business and advocate for safety and rights for other women”

Final beneficiary from the multiple skills tracks

Solidarity to Combat VAWG

Beneficiary organisation: Women's Platform to Lead (WPL)

Implementation period: 1 September 2023 - 29 February 2024

Location: Baalbek-Hermel

Women's Platform to Lead (WPL) is a women-led CBO in Baalbek-Hermel focused on women's leadership, gender equality and prevention of VAWG. WPL works with young women and men, provides training, advocacy, referral-system strengthening and internal governance development.

This project enabled WPL to combine youth training, creative advocacy and organisational strengthening to challenge VAWG. The project built a local trainer pool, equipped young people to use artistic tools for public advocacy and formalised referral procedures for people affected by VAWG.



MAJOR RESULTS

- 14 trainers were prepared through a three-day ToT programme and 81 young people subsequently received cascade training on VAWG, life skills and creative advocacy tools.
- Creative advocacy used theatre, marionette performance, painting, mosaic art and short film to engage wider audiences on VAWG.
- WPL activated a clearer referral procedure and referred 16 VAWG cases to specialised organisations.
- Three internal governance instruments were developed: a Code of Conduct, PSEA policy and Gender Equality Policy.

KEY HIGHLIGHTS

14	81	16
Trainers prepared	Young people reached through cascade training	VAWG cases opened and referred

"Before the training, I was shy and did not know how to express myself. The training helped me develop my skills and increase my knowledge. Drawing helped me discover my talent and build my self-confidence. After that, I started developing my drawing skills and believing more in my abilities. I sold the painting I created during the training for \$110 at an exhibition. This encouraged me to start my own business, and I now have a makeup salon that helps me cover my expenses." Nour Akouri - 19 years old, from Shlifa. She participated in a training course on reducing VAWG through the arts

A Safer and More Just Society for Women and Girls

Beneficiary organisation: Justice Without Frontiers (JWF)

Implementation period: 1 March 2024 - 28 February 2025

Location: Beirut – Mount Lebanon

Justice Without Frontiers (JWF) is a women-led organisation that works on women's access to justice and legal awareness in Lebanon. JWF provides legal consultation and support, capacity building and community awareness.

This project sought to improve women's access to justice while building knowledge of rights, referral pathways and gender-aware support in a context affected by conflict and institutional disruption. JWF provided legal consultation, strengthened referral pathways, raised community awareness and strengthened women as peacebuilders and community actors.



MAJOR RESULTS

- 520 women were reached through community awareness activities and dignity-kit support, while 100 women received legal consultation or related support.
- 52 community actors and women peacebuilders were trained to share legal information, identify and refer cases and support access to justice.
- Six podcast episodes and a social-media campaign raised public awareness of women's legal rights and protection against VAWG.

KEY HIGHLIGHTS

520 Women reached through awareness / dignity-kit support	100 Women received legal consultation	51 Community actors and women peacebuilders trained
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"The community session explained the law in simple language. For the first time, I felt that legal information was accessible to women like me."

Sawsan L. - A woman receiving legal consultation

Integrating VAWG Prevention and UNSCR 1325 Implementation in South Lebanon

Beneficiary organisation: Sama for Development (SFD)

Implementation period: 1 March 2024 - 28 February 2025

Location: South Lebanon, focus in Saida

Sama for Development (SFD) is a women-led CBO working in South Lebanon, particularly Saida and surrounding areas, on conflict-resolution, youth leadership and advocacy, GBV awareness and prevention, psychosocial support and protection referrals, and career-readiness activities. Following the escalation of conflict in September 2024, SFD adapted its programming to the needs of displaced women, girls and youth while maintaining a focus on the WPSA.

The project combined youth skills and advocacy with protection and women's rights. After the conflict escalation and due to large-scale displacement, activities were focused toward GBV, psychosocial support, case management and emergency referrals. Youth advocacy was refocused on post-crisis recovery, linked to advancing of UNSCR 1325.



MAJOR RESULTS

- 38 GBV, SEA and psychosocial-support awareness sessions reached 760 women and girls in Saida. 90% of participants reported increased awareness of GBV, rights and available support pathways.
- 55 child-protection, GBV, special-needs, mental-health, health and social-support cases were identified and referred between January and February 2025 through coordinated pathways with Amel, Intersos, PUI and primary health-care actors.
- Conflict-resolution training reached 40 youth (38 women and 2 men), while leadership and advocacy training engaged 20 young activists and fed into a post-crisis MHPSS advocacy campaign that reached more than 1000 people online.
- A career-readiness *Open Day* reached 120 youth (114 women and 6 men). Additional MHPSS and university activities strengthened coping, employment readiness and mental-health awareness.

KEY HIGHLIGHTS

760	55	40	1000+
Women and girls benefited from GBV/PSEA/PSS sessions	Protection and mental-health cases referred	Young people (38 women and 2 men) trained in conflict-resolution	People reached through youth-led advocacy online

"Before attending the Open Day, I wasn't sure how to present my skills or where to start looking for opportunities. The one-on-one guidance helped me improve my CV, prepare for interviews, and gave me the confidence to explore both employment and entrepreneurship as realistic paths for my future."

23 years old female participant

WPSA is Addressed by LNGOs and Community

Beneficiary organisation: Developmental Action to All People – Mousawat

Implementation period: 1 March 2024 - 28 February 2025

Location: Tripoli and North Lebanon

Developmental Action to All People - Mousawat is a women-led CBO that works in North Lebanon and Palestinian refugee camps on community empowerment and the WPSA inclusive implementation. Mousawat provides capacity-building and awareness on UNSCR 1325, psychosocial support, theatre and supports women-led community initiatives with leadership development and social-cohesion action.

This project adapted activities to insecurity and displacement while keeping women and girls at the centre of WPS awareness and community support. Mousawat worked to localise UNSCR 1325 through capacity-building of CSOs and CBOs, community awareness, psychosocial support and creative public engagement.



MAJOR RESULTS

- 15 CSOs and CBOs were trained on UNSCR 1325 and the WPSA.
- More than 482 people were reached through awareness activities and public engagement.
- 105 young women and girls received psychosocial support through 120 psychosocial-support sessions.
- Theatre activities reached approximately 240 beneficiaries and some implementation shifted to safer locations and IDP settings in response to insecurity.

KEY HIGHLIGHTS

482+	105	240	15
People reached through awareness	Young women and girls receiving PSS	IDP beneficiaries reached through theatre activities PSS	CSOs and CBOs trained on UNSCR 1325

“I participated in a two-day capacity-building training on UNSCR 1325 and the Women, Peace and Security Agenda. Before the training, I had heard about UNSCR 1325, but I did not really understand what it was or how women could participate and make a difference through it. During these two days, I learned a lot about women’s participation, the challenges and obstacles women face, even when living in cities, and the importance of women’s role in peace and decision-making. I truly benefited from this workshop, and I hope to share what I learned with others and transfer this experience to more women and community members.”

Mira Abbouchi – 25-year-old Lebanese participant in the ToT on UNSCR 1325 and the WPSA

Palestinian Women Applying 1325 in Nahr al-Bared Camp

Beneficiary organisation: Developmental Action to All People - Mousawat

Implementation period: 1 March 2025 - 28 February 2026

Location: Nahr al-Bared and Badawi camps

The project strengthened Palestinian women's leadership, rights awareness, social cohesion and community participation in line with UNSCR 1325. It responded to a context of regional conflict and displacement through women-led initiatives, psychosocial activities and leadership support.



MAJOR RESULTS

- 300 women participated directly: 202 from Nahr al-Bared and 98 from Badawi, with 75% of direct participants being young women aged 18-30.
- Five women-led community initiatives addressed environmental, educational, security and food-security priorities.
- Psychosocial-support outdoor activities reached 100 women, strengthening wellbeing and peer connection.
- An additional leadership component supported 12 women in negotiation, public speaking and engagement with decision-makers;

KEY HIGHLIGHTS

300	100	12	5
Women direct beneficiaries, majority young women aged 18-30	Women participated in PSS outdoor activities and strengthened wellbeing and peer connection	Women participated in negotiation, public speaking and engagement with decision-makers	Women-led community initiatives strengthened capacities

"I participated in a two-day capacity-building training on UNSCR 1325 and the Women, Peace and Security Agenda. Before the training, I had heard about UNSCR 1325, but I did not really understand what it was or how women could participate and make a difference through it. During these two days, I learned a lot about women's participation, the challenges and obstacles women face, even when living in cities, and the importance of women's role in peace and decision-making. I truly benefited from this workshop, and I hope to share what I learned with others and transfer this experience to more women and community members."

Mira Abbouchi: 25, Lebanese participant in the ToT on UNSCR 1325 and the WPSA

FemGenius

Beneficiary organisation: Ahla Fawda

Implementation period: 1 March 2025 – 28 February 2026

Location: Beirut

Ahla Fawda is a community-based organisation working with women and local communities in Lebanon. It works on strengthening women's protection, confidence and economic resilience.

The project FemGenius combined protection with women's economic skills, creative expression, civic participation and an added an English-language sessions. Activities were designed around practical, low-cost livelihood pathways and small-group learning while also strengthening Ahla Fawda's safe-space and referral capacity.

MAJOR RESULTS

- The action reported 43 primary beneficiaries (40 women and 3 men); 14 women completed vocational and entrepreneurship training in upcycling and business skills.
- 15 staff members and 2 volunteers were trained on safe-space practice, child protection, GBV response, referral pathways and standard operating procedures (SOPs).
- Women engaged local governance representatives and co-drafted a recommendation paper; a collective mural amplified women's voices in public space.
- An added eight-session English course reached 16 women and 11 children.



KEY HIGHLIGHTS

14 Women completed in entrepreneurship training upcycling and business skills	15 Ahla Fawda staff members strengthened safe-space and referral capacity	16 VAWG cases opened and referred
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“Nothing is lost; everything is transformed.. You’re reminding me of the first rule in chemistry from school. Being here helped me reconnect and helped me turn practical skills into something I could imagine using for income. This training will help me build my own sustainable business to support my family after I retire without harming the environment. Thank you, Ahla Fawda, for this opportunity.”

Rima – A 52-year-old Lebanese participants in the upcycling training

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