



# Monthly Newsletter

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Jafra for Relief and Youth Development



### **Statement condemning the Israeli aggression against Lebanon**

Earlier this month, the Jafrā Foundation issued a statement condemning the war on Lebanon. On Monday, March 2nd, Israeli warplanes launched a wide-scale attack on several areas of Lebanese territory, resulting in the death and injury of dozens of civilians, including children, as well as widespread destruction of infrastructure and public and private property.

The ongoing aggression has resulted in the deaths of 2,167 people and injuries to 7,061 others, in addition to the displacement of more than 1.5 million people from various areas targeted by the bombing or due to evacuation warnings. This is particularly true in southern Lebanon, the southern suburbs of Beirut, the Bekaa Valley, and Palestinian refugee camps. Many of these families are living in extremely difficult humanitarian conditions, struggling to secure shelter from the harsh weather conditions of cold and rain, in addition to the need for water, food, medicine, and other necessities.

This blatant aggression comes at a time when Lebanon and other countries in the region are suffering from severe economic and humanitarian crises as a result of years of wars and conflicts fueled by regional and foreign powers seeking to protect their interests. The Foundation has also called on the international community to assume its responsibility in enforcing international law on the occupation to stop its crimes against innocent civilians.



As part of its efforts to enhance education in the Nahr al-Bared and Beddawi camps in Tripoli, North Lebanon, the Jafra Foundation, in partnership with the German Grant, is implementing an academic support program at its centers. The program targets elementary school students and also offers specialized Arabic and English language courses for middle and high school students, contributing to the development of their skills and improving their academic performance.

The Jafra Foundation places exceptional importance on education, with educational programs constituting a key part of its work. Jafra is committed to focusing on the quality of education and the competence of its teaching staff, recognizing the vital role they play in shaping future generations.



As part of the “Youth Power: Unlocking Potential for Conflict Prevention Between and Within Communities in Lebanon” project, implemented by Jafra, Mada, and We-World, funded by the European Union, a fundraising training workshop was held in Beirut for local civil society networks and youth-led organizations.

The training focused on enhancing participants’ skills in proposal writing, donor outreach, resource mobilization, and strategic fundraising planning.

By equipping youth organizations with practical tools and approaches, this initiative contributes to their sustainability and independence, and strengthens their long-term impact within their communities.

Furthermore, enhancing their fundraising capabilities empowers these organizations to transform ideas into practical initiatives that contribute to strengthening social cohesion and building community resilience.



The Jafra Foundation mourns the passing of the progressive Lebanese artist Ahmad Kaabour, who died on the evening of March 26, 2026, in Beirut. He has left behind a distinguished artistic, cultural, and national legacy spanning nearly five decades, a legacy that witnessed a pivotal stage in the struggle for the Palestinian cause. The late artist presented works that glorified the Palestinian and Lebanese resistance and championed the causes of justice and freedom. He was a leading figure in socially conscious song in Lebanon and the Arab world. Among his most important songs are: "I Call Upon You," "O Pulse of the West Bank," "Leave," "O Lovers of the Land, Come Forth," "Southerners," and "O You Who are to visit My Country."



Jafra recognizes the importance of women's role in change and emphasizes supporting Palestinian women in particular in their profound struggle for freedom.

The Jafra Foundation continues to implement its programs in Syria and Lebanon to strengthen the resilience of our people in refugee camps and empower Palestinian youth to defend the legitimate and inalienable rights of the Palestinian people. Foremost among which are the right of return to the home land, an end to the occupation, and the right to self-determination.



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