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**KING SALMAN**  
HUMANITARIAN AID & RELIEF CENTRE

# MONTHLY BULLETIN

JULY 2021





60 

USD Million

6 

Months

4.9 

Million Beneficiaries

# PARTNERSHIPS FOR HUMANITY

In Rome, KSrelief signed a joint cooperation agreement with the World Food Programme (WFP) to implement an immediate-response project to meet urgent humanitarian needs and prevent famine in Yemen. The project aims to battle starvation by providing urgent food assistance to people currently suffering from acute food insecurity.



**DAVID BEASLY**

**WFP EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

“This partnership with KSrelief has been ongoing; we have been working together for many years saving lives. We will continue to work together today and in the future, because the needs around the world are becoming greater, especially because of climate change and COVID-19. We are working together to help people wherever they may be. “This is a tremendous step in saving the lives of millions of people inside Yemen. So, to all the people in KSA, thank you for your contribution; it is going to save lives and change lives as KSrelief works in collaboration and coordination with the World Food Programme.”

## Beneficiary Areas

- Al Dhale
- Al Bayda
- Al Hudaydah
- Al Jawf
- Dhamar
- Hajjah
- Ibb
- Saada
- Sana’a
- Taiz
- Abyan
- Al Mahrah
- Hadramawt
- Ma’rib

## Joint cooperation agreement between KSrelief and the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD).

### Objectives:

- Improve food security
- Combat malnutrition globally
- Build capacities in the humanitarian and relief fields
- Enhance knowledge and the transfer of experience



# VOLUNTEER CAMPAIGN

## IN ZAATARI CAMP, JORDAN

KSrelief recently carried out a volunteer campaign in Zaatari refugee camp in Jordan, with the participation of 45 volunteers. The volunteer campaign was comprehensive and covered such areas as education, health, empowerment, sports and more.



### Education

Through the education volunteer program, the volunteers carried out a number of activities aimed at providing educational support for refugee children, both within and beyond the classroom. Extra support for specific subjects, including mathematics and English language, was given to help the students while also engaging the teachers to be able to lead these efforts continuously. Strong emphasis was also placed on storytelling as means of unleashing creativity, promoting self-expression, and fostering emotional intelligence. The volunteer team also implemented a "small entrepreneur" activity, which engaged students in creating business plan ideas with the aim of developing a greater sense of financial awareness.

**Educational program** ▶ **363** beneficiaries



### Medical Support and First Aid Training

As part of the campaign, health sector support was provided through the Saudi medical clinics in the camp, including training for local medical staff to help them deal more effectively with emergency cases. Due to the lack of medical emergency centers in the camp, a first aid training program was implemented to prepare a number of trainees, both male and female, to become certified in providing first aid services and care.

**Medical program** ▶ **1232** beneficiaries

**First aid training** ▶ **180** beneficiaries



### Psychosocial Support and Economic Empowerment

Through this program, a pottery-making studio was fully set up with all needed supplies and materials. The studio will enable some of the camp's most vulnerable refugee women to further develop their pottery-making skills. Subsequent sales of their handcrafted products will be a potential source of income for the women and their families. Creating avenues of economic empowerment is crucial to ensuring effective early recovery. Vital psychosocial family support sessions were also provided for mothers as part of this program.

**Mental and psychosocial support** ▶ **145** beneficiaries

**Empowerment program** ▶ **87** beneficiaries



### Sports

Since sports play an important role in health and wellbeing, a football field was built in the camp to support young refugee athletes and build their athletic capacities. This initiative was implemented by KSrelief in cooperation with the Saudi Ministry of Sports and the Saudi Football Federation.

# HOPE IN A BOTTLE



From the very first day after Abdulhadi was born, his mother noticed that her son was not able to drink milk normally like other infants. Four days later, when all of her attempts at feeding him had failed, she took him to the Saudi Medical Clinics in Zaatari camp. He was diagnosed with cleft palate, a condition in which a baby is born with a hole in the roof of the mouth. The only treatment for this condition is surgical intervention, but surgery can only be performed when a baby has reached a specific weight – normally at the age of around nine months.

Doctor Batoul Bassalloum, a pediatrician who took part in the KSR relief volunteer campaign in Zaatari refugee camp in Jordan, explains the challenges. “One of the problems that occurs with babies who suffer from cleft palate is that they have difficulties with feeding, which leads to a lack of nutrition resulting in delays in their growth and development. As time goes by, they also face challenges with speech, hearing problems and higher than average infection rates.”

“We first saw this child when he was four days old,” Doctor Batoul adds, “and his case was severe. We immediately provided his mother with a specific kind of feeding bottle that is used in such cases; this bottle enables the baby to drink normally until he reaches the age at which he can undergo corrective surgery. Without this bottle, the child wouldn’t have been able to feed properly, which would likely have resulted in acute malnutrition, recurring infections, and possibly even death.”

After the family received the bottle, Abdulhadi was able to drink like any other healthy infant, and every cell of his tiny body was soon receiving vital and long-awaited nourishment.

“I was extremely happy when I knew that we would be helped; I had lost all hope before,” says Abdulhadi’s mother, with a huge sigh of relief. She knows that now her child will grow and thrive normally and have the best possible chance for a healthy, happy future.



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