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and humanitarian assistance  
in Palestine***

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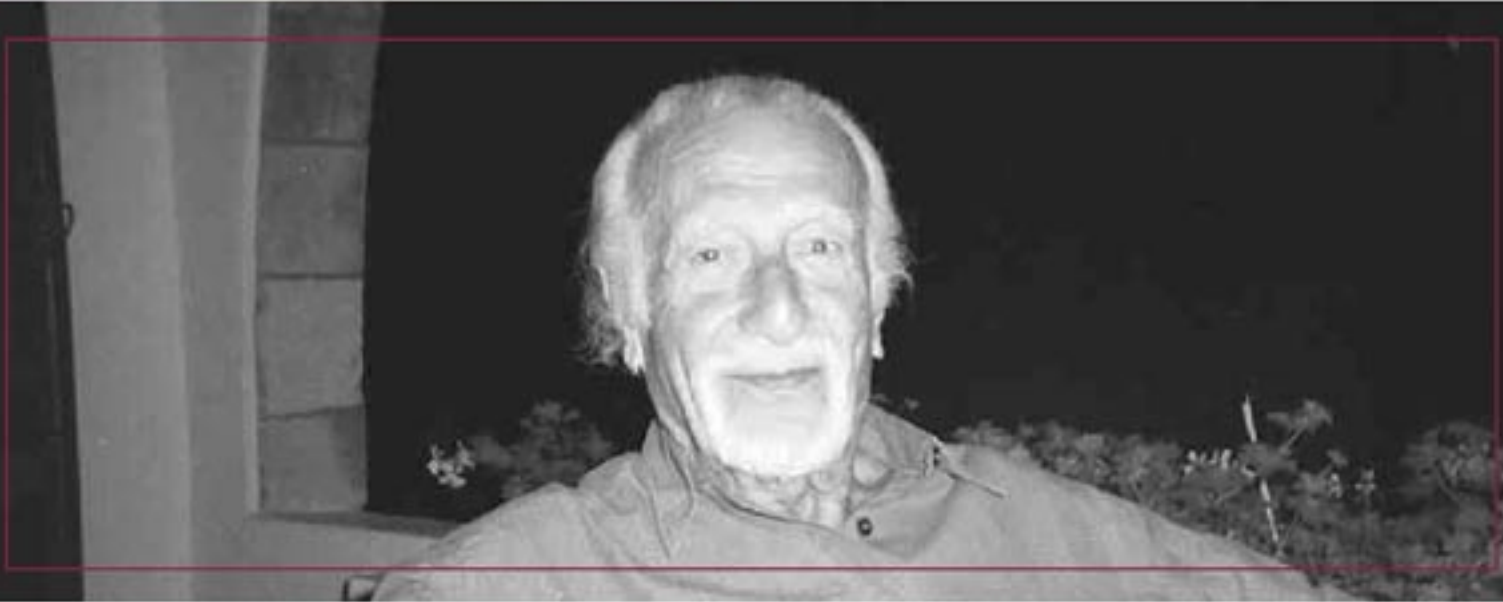
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## *In Memoriam*



***Dr. Yousef Sayigh [1916-2004]***

**Welfare Association Board of Trustees Honorary Member  
Eminent economist, researcher and critic, and an important member  
of the intellectual vanguard of the Palestinian movement throughout  
his life.**

Dr. Yousef Abdullah Sayigh was a distinguished economist and strategist, and a preeminent member of the intellectual vanguard of the Palestinian national movement in the Diaspora. Born in Palestine in 1916, he lived most of his life in Lebanon in exile. He obtained his BA from AUB, MA in economics and PhD in political economy from Johns Hopkins University.

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He was a vocal advocate for Palestinian rights. As a member of the Board of Trustees of Welfare Association, he served as a leading light over the past 10 years for the Lebanon program.

Dr. Sayigh belongs to a generation that the Palestinians will miss for its wisdom, commitment and perseverance.

# Acknowledgments



*Welfare Association extends a special Award of Appreciation to the*  
**Arab Fund for Economic and Social Development**

for its significant contributions in 2003 to emergency support and sustainable development in Palestine and for its distinguished and ongoing commitment to the region. The Award was announced in Dubai at the 20th anniversary conference of Welfare Association in December, and presented to Mr. Abdlatif al-Hamad, Chairman of the Board of Directors and Director-General of the Arab Fund, in Kuwait by members of the WA's Board of Trustees.

Welfare Association would also like to acknowledge the generosity of the following organizations, corporations and individuals for their contributions during 2003. Their generous support for Welfare Association has made possible the implementation of hundreds of emergency assistance and development projects by Palestinian non-governmental organizations for the benefit and sustainability of the Palestinian people.

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**Committee for the Support of the Palestinian People (Qatar)**

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and to the many individuals  
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and to the Welfare Association in 2003



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## Message from the Director-General

In 2003, despite efforts by the Welfare Association and other organizations to redress part of the damage caused by Israeli incursions, re-occupation, closures and destruction, the occupied Palestinian territories entered a phase of de-development. Statistics show that about 70% of the population are now below the poverty line, 50% of working age people are not only unemployed but have lost hope of finding jobs and almost 2.5 million are barely surviving on under \$2 per day. Approximately 40% of the population are estimated to have reduced both quantity and quality food intake and half the Palestinian population is unable to access their usual health services due to lack of security, closures and curfews. Twenty two percent of casualties were among Palestinian children. Gaza and especially Rafah was very hard hit with hundreds of homes being systematically demolished near the border with Egypt. During military re-invasions, the historic core of the city of Nablus saw further damage, in addition to demolitions in refugee camps in the West Bank.

In response to these increasingly dire circumstances, the Welfare Association intensified its fundraising activities to meet the emergency needs of Palestinians for basic provisions, humanitarian relief, education and jobs. On the other hand, its ongoing development programs and projects for civil society institutions continued at a higher level of implementation, better efficiency in management and supervision of funds, and a wider range of programs and projects. Committed funds from external donors also increased due to WA's established international credibility.

About 50% of project disbursements handled by the Programs and Projects Department in 2003 was directed toward meeting special emergency needs, such as completing the first phase of the 20-million-dollar program funded by Arab financial institutions and managed on their behalf by the Arab Fund for Economic and Social Development in support of 11 Palestinian universities and 22 colleges. In addition to starting of the rehabilitation of damaged buildings and infrastructure projects, WA's Programs and Projects Committee closely supervised the Association's assessment of emergency needs, development and relief priorities and emergency proposals. New staff were hired to work with existing core staff in a decentralized organizational framework to handle the expanding work load and regional field work. In addition, a new Research and Planning Department was established to ensure that intervention decisions by WA are research linked and based on priority development and sustenance needs. To ensure compliance and contribute to quality improvement, an Internal Auditor post was also created.

Alongside its commitment to meeting some emergency needs, the Welfare Association has been able to provide well-targeted quality development projects to Palestinians through adherence to its vision and commitment to sustainable development. Through this increasingly important role within Palestinian society, WA has been able to continue its support for civil society's contributions towards the state-building process in Palestine. At the same time, the Welfare Association continued to provide support for Palestinians living within the Green Line and in Lebanon.

Thus, despite the escalating obstacles and difficulties within Palestine in 2003, its 20th anniversary year that was commemorated with the "Palestine Tomorrow" conference in Dubai in December 2003, WA has managed to demonstrate a growing commitment to the Palestinian people through accomplishing a quantum leap with regards to its development role by increasing project disbursement from approximately \$5 million in 1998 to \$34 million in 2003 and improving the quality of its interventions.

Dr. Ismail El-Zabri, Director-General



## WELFARE ASSOCIATION ON

### Program Disbursements in 2003

	Programs	Emergency	TOTAL (USD)\$
<b>1. WA Programs/Projects</b>			<b>22,130,013</b>
<b>(a) Basic tracks</b>			<b>3,231,223</b>
<i>Human Resource Development</i>	1,114,821		
<i>Institution Building</i>	1,132,660		
<i>Culture and Identity</i>	617,272		
<i>Assistance for the Palestinian Community in Lebanon</i>	366,470		
<b>(b) Emergency Programs</b>			<b>18,898,790</b>
<i>Rehabilitation Services</i>		311,710	
<i>Support for Higher Education</i>		11,428,354	
<i>Medical Equipment /Supplies</i>		3,392,886	
<i>Relief to Needy Families</i>		571,330	
<i>Emergency Employment Generation</i>		3,107,629	
<i>Agricultural Relief</i>		86,880	
<b>2. OCJRP<sup>1</sup></b>			<b>2,011,370</b>
<b>3. PNGO Project<sup>2</sup></b>			<b>7,263,010</b>
<b>(a) Development</b>			<b>4,593,288</b>
<i>Partnership, Development &amp; Emergency Programs</i>	1,917,552		
<i>Development Grants</i>	1,323,028		
<i>Sector Support Program</i>	196,019		
<i>Direct Project Implementation Costs</i>	1,156,689		
<b>(b) Emergency</b>			<b>2,669,722</b>
<i>Emergency Development Projects</i>		2,669,722	
<b>4. IT4Youth (IYF)</b>	492,389		<b>492,389</b>
<b>5. Emergency Employment Generation Program (UPA)</b>		1,746,837	<b>1,746,837</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$33,643,619</b>

<sup>1)</sup> Old City of Jerusalem Revitalization Program

<sup>2)</sup> Palestinian NGO Project (World Bank)



## Programs and Projects

2003 was the most remarkable year in terms of Welfare Association's grant assistance for Palestinian community organizations in its 20-year history. Nearly \$34 million in funds from diverse donors and individual contributions was channeled to Palestinians through more than 300 projects. 170 of these projects were supervised and monitored through the Programs and Projects Department. In addition, separate management structures directly implemented technical projects through WA special programs: the Old City of Jerusalem Revitalization Program (OCJRP), the Palestinian NGO Project (PNGO), Information Technology for Youth Project (IT4Y), and the Emergency Employment Generation Program (EEGP)

### Programs and Projects Department

Working under the direction of the Programs and Projects Committee, the Programs and Projects Department (PPD) supervises projects within Welfare Association's main program tracks of Human Resource Development, Culture and Identity, Institution Building and Assistance for Palestinians in Lebanon. PPD staff work closely with NGOs and other organizations to monitor and supervise implementation, build and develop capacity and assist organizations in making quality improvements in their activities. Since 2000, the PPD has also handled assistance through Emergency Programs, helping to establish criteria to ensure that such assistance reaches the neediest, monitoring construction and procurement procedures for services and supplies and guaranteeing efficient and rapid disbursement of humanitarian aid. In 2003, the PPD monitored the implementation of 170 projects and disbursed \$22,088,399.



Mughazi Community Rehabilitation Society, Gaza / SS

## **The Palestinian NGO Project (PNGO)**

**1997-2005**

The PNGO Project has been operating since 1997 to assist NGOs in delivering services to poor and marginalized sectors, to improve their capabilities and to strengthen the working relationship between NGOs and the Palestinian National Authority.



Qalandia Society for Women, West Bank.

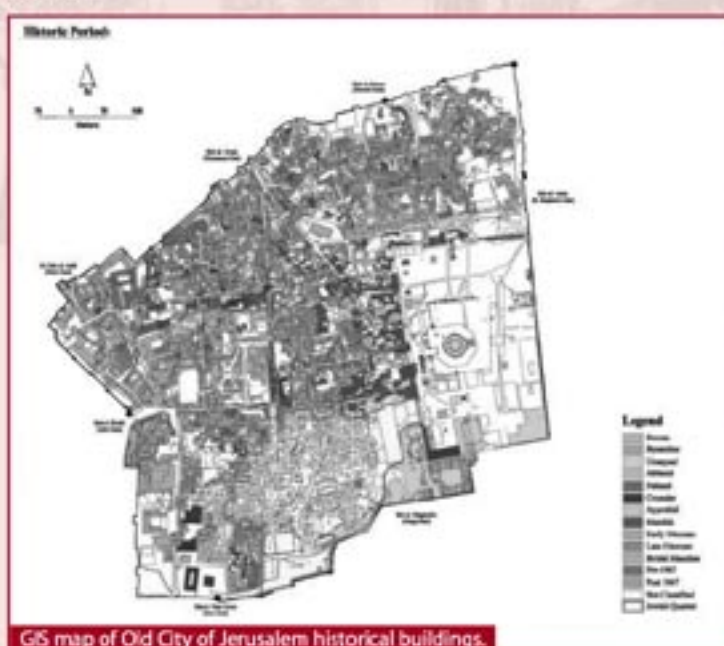
The project was supported primarily by the World Bank, with contributions from Italy, Saudi Arabia, Canada and others. Welfare Association is the lead member in the consortium with the British Council and Charities Aid Foundation that acts as the Project Management Organization (PMO). The Project awards development grants, block grants to larger NGOs and funds research activities on the non-profit sector, according to a competitive selection process. It also subcontracts for capacity-building training of NGO staff. The PMO is responsible for daily management, with oversight by the Steering Committee and the Supervisory Board. The World Bank is charged with ensuring that the Project operates as designed.

Following the success of Phase I, the World Bank approved an additional three-year project (2001-2004), extended to mid-August 2005 in light of current political conditions, and a budget of \$19.70 million. An additional allocation of \$5.70 million was made by the Agence Francaise de Developpement and further emergency components of \$3.20 million were also added to the project, bringing the total budget to around \$28.60 million. *(See page 29)*

## The Old City of Jerusalem Revitalization Program

In 1994, the Welfare Association established The Old City of Jerusalem Revitalization Program (OCJRP), with primary funding from the Arab Fund for Economic and Social Development, as part of its efforts to protect the cultural heritage and community in the Old City of Jerusalem. The Program's overall purpose is to preserve the religious and cultural heritage of the Old City and use building improvements to stimulate the community's productive reuse of historic buildings.

A special technical unit began operating in 1995, designing and implementing projects for the revitalization of the Old City through the rehabilitation of housing and related services, preservation of cultural, historical and religious monuments and improvement of residents' living standards. The Program also trains architects and contractors in restoration techniques, maintains a documentation center, carries out a community awareness program and issues publications on architectural heritage.



(See page 21)

# Basic Program Tracks

## I. Human Resource Development

In 2003, the Programs and Projects Department (PPD) and the PNGO Project supervised the implementation of 47 projects in the field of Human Resource Development. The projects involved the construction of schools and educational facilities for NGOs, provision of educational material, supporting the operational costs of educational institutions and developing civil society's capabilities through training courses and workshops. Welfare Association continues to support efforts by non-governmental organizations to expand and update vocational education and training, non-formal education in community centers, and in-service training for teachers, technicians and professionals.

### A. Education

#### 1. Early Childhood Education

In 2003, WA funded the establishment of six model preschools and the upgrading of other preschool facilities operated by NGOs in the West Bank and Gaza. In addition, the PNGO Project



supported 13 NGO projects in early childhood, focusing on training preschool teachers and developing infrastructure that also generated short-term jobs for out-of-work laborers.



Salahiyya secondary boys' school, Nablus / 55

## 2. Basic Education

A special school construction program in Nablus, funded by the city's Diaspora community to help alleviate the shortage of classrooms and school overcrowding, succeeded in completing four new schools in time for the 2003/04 school year: the Salahiya secondary school, Abdul- Rahim Jardaneh primary school, Burhan Kamal secondary school and Naim Abdul Hadi school. The cost of the school building program amounted to \$2.15 million to which WA will make an additional contribution of \$100,000 to provide computer labs and IT teacher training for the four schools.

The schools will be maintained by the municipality and staffed by the Ministry of Education.

## 3. Higher Education



Al-Quds University, Abu Dis campus / 55

Grants were made to a number of higher education institutions for improving infrastructure and/or services: **al-Quds University** to develop its Medical School (\$20,000), improve the University's Old City-based Community Center (\$89,000) and support the University's operational costs (\$25,000); **Birzeit University** to support computer training for the disabled (\$20,000) and to begin construction of a building to house the Institute of Women's Studies (\$50,000). The PNGO Project made grants of \$56,000 to **Hebron University** and **Khadoury Agricultural College** to rehabilitate and renovate buildings damaged by Israeli shelling.

## ***B. Non-Formal Education***

The \$1 million Sheikh Mohammad Bin Rashed Al Maktoum Children's Cultural Center in Hebron was inaugurated on December 4, 2003, through a satellite link between Hebron and Dubai, as part of Welfare Association's 20th anniversary event in the UAE. WA worked with the Hebron Municipality in finishing the complex, which is designed as a model multi-use center, and features a 400-seat theater, library, and computer center, as well as activity and music rooms. A children's park has already been incorporated into the grounds around the center. WA will equip and furnish the computer center and will establish a mobile library and educational unit for outreach to villages. The complex will host local schools and NGOs in the southern West Bank as a venue for children's theatre, IT and cultural activities and is expected to be fully functional by summer 2004.

The PNGO Project contributed almost \$1 million to support non-formal education projects in the West Bank and Gaza Strip implemented by 11 NGOs; the projects include building and/or expanding centers, designing educational programs and adult literacy.



Hebron Children's Cultural Center

## ***C. Information Technology Skills for Youth***

Over the past four years, WA has significantly expanded its work in developing access to and training in information technology for Palestinians. It has supported the construction and equipping of labs, provision of educational materials and development of curriculum, teaching and vocational training of IT in school settings, community and training centers, and introduced IT from preschool level to university libraries. Most of the support has been complemented by grants and contracts from the private sector and international IT development companies for equipment and training assistance, and in partnership with the International Youth Foundation.

The \$4 million **IT4Youth project** --- a four-year project due to be completed in 2004 and turned over to a Joint Council --- brought computer technology to schools and communities in 11 villages in the rural West Bank. This pilot project was developed jointly by WA and the International Youth Foundation and funded by USAID's Community Services Program with the aim of enhancing the learning skills, creativity and employability of Palestinian youth, aged 10-24. Computer labs were installed in 14 rural schools and a regional IT center for youth was established for out-of-school access. As a result, over 4,000 young people are being trained annually in the villages in computer-based information technology.

*(See Inset page 17)*



Intel Computer Clubhouse, Ramallah

The **Futurekids** training program continues to be an important part of Welfare's IT initiatives involving children. The program is being extended to four private schools in the Ramallah-Jerusalem area, benefiting approximately 5,000 children. Training courses are being provided also for the parents of children trainees at the Futurekids center in Ramallah and a new curriculum was developed for teaching Internet access and utilization.

The WA-sponsored **Intel Computer Clubhouse** in Ramallah, the first of its kind in the Arab Middle East, serves underprivileged children and youth (aged 10-18 years) from the three surrounding refugee camps of Qaddura, al-Am'ari and Qalandia and students from al-Bireh and Ramallah.

The high-tech clubhouse and mentoring methodology develops computer-based creative design skills of youth from poor and underserved areas. Membership has exceeded the target number of 400 supported by 12 volunteer mentors.



**Computer centers** were established at: Dar al-Fatah al-Laji'a Girls' School in Jerusalem, benefiting more than 200 female students annually; Hamdi Manco Children's Cultural Center in Nablus in cooperation with Nablus Municipality; and al-Quds University (final phase of a \$300,000 project).

The Center of Excellence at Birzeit University or the Bizreh Project brings quality e-learning to Palestine in an innovative project initiated by Birzeit and WA. The Project is to develop generic e-learning academic programs that are scientific in nature and not dependent on geographic, social or political contexts such as basic engineering, sciences, or economics. Bizreh will "match-make" between trainees and e-learning providers or support the delivery of existing e-learning content by procuring existing e-learning resources, by developing new generic material, or by customizing e-content ("localization") for the region. Translating into Arabic is an obvious task involved in localization, but also content is modified to fit the local culture, or socio-economic, political and technical contexts. The project target population will include school students (through curriculum support and life skills training), university students at all levels, and adult continuing education. The Center will also cooperate with the Euromed Virtual University, currently in the planning stage, which joins WA and two Palestinian universities with partners in the region.



## IT4Youth Project (2001-2004)

The 4-year IT4Youth project, supported by IYF/USAID, is being implemented in a cluster of 11 villages and hamlets with a population of 30,000 in the Nablus and Jenin districts (Silet ad-Daher, Jaba, Fundaquimiya, Attara, Asa'sa, Burqa, Bizariya, Beit Imrin, Sebastiya, Nisf Jbeil and Ijnisiyya. There is high unemployment and few services in these agricultural communities: The program annually targets 4,000 rural students and youth aged 10-24, IT and other teachers, and parents and adult community members. The IT4Youth program has already built positive attitudes towards technology among students.

In 2003, completion of the Regional IT Center involved installation of a music room, computer software and furniture for a computer clubhouse that serves approximately 50 youth a day with Internet access, computer games, educational programs and vocational training. The program has completed the IT4Youth website, at [www.it4youth.org](http://www.it4youth.org)



Regional IT center, Silet al-Daher, Jenin.

Despite sometimes overwhelming logistical problems in accessing the villages and working during constant movement restrictions, the program made very good progress and has been cited by the Ministry of Education as a model pilot project. Training and other elements will be adapted in other Ministry programs to promote IT education and the use of computers to improve learning outcomes. The Project, which ends in mid-2004, has been short-listed for an international award in Best Practices by the UN-HABITAT and Dubai Municipality.



Computer classroom, Sebastiya girls' school, Nablus.



## II. Culture and Identity

Welfare Association is one of the few donor organizations that have committed themselves to developing the cultural sector, an area where "impact" may be difficult to measure but that nurtures a society in deep and invaluable ways. The Welfare Association has been assisting NGOs, especially in rural and under-served areas such as the Galilee and Naqab, to build their capacities and expand programs to help local communities preserve their culture and identity, including activities promoting Arabic language and literature, traditional arts, music, extracurricular activities, cultural exchange and architectural heritage. In 2003, the total number of disbursements for the culture and identity program exceeded \$600,000.

Among the cultural projects, WA awarded a development grant to the Handicrafts Center at the Sidreh Society for Community Development in Lakiya in the Naqab. Funds were utilized to transform traditional skills into employability and earning power for 220 Bedouin women, which also keeps alive an important part of Bedouin heritage. The women were provided training courses in spinning and dyeing wool from the native Awassi sheep, setting looms and weaving the distinctive Bedouin striped carpets. The training included modernizing marketing opportunities, such as via the internet. See [www.lakiya.org](http://www.lakiya.org).



Sidreh Society for Community Development, Lakiya, Naqab.



PRCS summer camp, Al-Amal City, Khan Younis, Gaza / 35



In the Galilee, two children's libraries were established in the villages of Kufr Kanna and Jdaldet al-Makr where 10 training courses for children were held in computer and internet skills in addition to school curriculum subjects.

During the year, WA also supported the filming of a documentary on the Palestinian villages evacuated in 1948, the renovation of the Arab Heritage Museum at Dar al-Tifl al-Arabi in Jerusalem and the development of the Abasan Rural Heritage Society's infrastructure in Gaza.

#### **House Rehabilitation**

In the old cities of Jaffa and Acca and other towns inhabited by Palestinian families, the poor conditions of the buildings often force migration out of the area. WA worked with local committees to help residents repair their homes as part of a cost-sharing scheme. In 2003, 30 houses sheltering 36 families in Jaffa, Haifa and Acca were rehabilitated at a total cost of \$32,600.



Jaffa / 55



Dabke troupe at Birzeit University.

### III. Jerusalem

The unique history and unresolved status of Jerusalem creates a variety of problems threatening its Arab-Islamic/Christian culture and identity and the security of the Arab population and the indigenous Palestinian institutions that serve them. Jerusalem has been a special focus for Welfare Association, both programmatically and in fundraising efforts. WA interventions in East Jerusalem aim at promoting Palestinian residents' survival and steadfastness, and enhancing culture and identity through education and training, architectural restoration and artistic festivals, and supporting other NGO services.



Dawn, January 1, 2003, Jerusalem.

Since 1994, the **Old City of Jerusalem Revitalization Program (OCJRP)** has been the Welfare Association's main intervention program in Jerusalem (see insert). In addition, WA support for NGO projects in the city in 2003 included the rehabilitation of the national Museum of Heritage at Dar el-Tifl el-Arabi, the establishment of a computer center at Fatah al-Laji'a school, implementation of the final phase of developing the computer center at al-Quds University, and support for the publication of the Jerusalem Statistical Yearbook by the Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics.



Silwan-Ras al-Amoud, Jerusalem / SS



Jerusalem Statistical Yearbook, PCBS, 2003.

## **The Old City** *of Jerusalem Revitalization Program (OCJRP)*

The buildings within the walls of the Old City of Jerusalem are the visible layer of accumulated constructions of different civilizations, each representing distinctive architectural styles and building techniques. This unusual collection of human history makes Jerusalem a rich living museum. But the Old City also suffers from social, economic and institutional decline, environmental degradation, physical dilapidation of buildings and harsh political and security conditions.

The OCJRP's approach to revitalization has considered the socio-economic factors as well as the physical environmental conditions within the valuable cultural and religious context of Jerusalem. The main objectives of the Revitalization Plan that is the blueprint for its work are to improve the living conditions for Jerusalem residents and rehabilitate their homes while protecting the city's valuable heritage. Additionally, it aims to create a suitable economic and service base to attract selected social and economic groups to live and invest in the Old City. The four components of the comprehensive OCJRP Program are: rehabilitation and restoration, training, documentation and community outreach.

### **1. Rehabilitation and Restoration**

The Program identifies, researches, designs, contracts and supervises the implementation of each restoration or rehabilitation project. OCJRP Office works with property owners and managers, residents and the community at large to meet their specific needs. It adapts historic buildings for community use, restores houses or structures and ensures that international standards and conventions are applied in all stages of the restoration work it supervises.





Al-Awqaf offices, al-Manjikiyeh, Jerusalem.

More than \$1.8 million was disbursed for rehabilitation and restoration projects in 2003. These projects included the rehabilitation and restoration phase 4 of the 600-year-old Dar al-Aytam al-Islamiyyeh complex and its magnificent Mamluk stone facades, al-Madrassa al-Manjikiyeh, al-Madrassah al-Ashrafiyyeh, the Old City building housing the Community Work Center of Al-Quds University, the Islamic Museum and the adaptive reuse of Al Hawash house into WA Offices in the Old City.

Additionally, OCJRP is carrying out emergency restorations to ensure that historic buildings remain used by the community, and that they provide healthy and safe shelter. Two houses required emergency structural consolidation. Better utilization was made of limited space through redesign. Re-pointing, plastering and rehabilitation of services enhanced the beauty of the building while keeping the historic structure intact.



Al-Awqaf offices, al-Manjikiyeh, Jerusalem.

After the restoration of Al Aqsa Library in 2000 and Al Budeiriyya Library in 2002, OCJRP prepared the interior design and attended to the procurement of furniture and equipment as part of their development plan for both projects.

Suq al-Qattanin, once one of the most beautiful of oriental bazaars, has been badly neglected over the last century and until this year stood dark and practically abandoned. In 2002, OCJRP completed restoring the vaulted roof of the suq and started the restoration of the walls and ceilings of the arcade. In 2003 the team embarked on restoration work of one of its eastern buildings, the Khan Tankaz. The complex dates back to the Mamluk period when Sultan Seif-ed-Din Tankaz ordered it built as a hostel for pilgrims after his visit to Jerusalem in 1327. The link between the Khan and Suq al Qattanin incorporates the offices of Haj & Umra of the Islamic Waqf. Along with a large portal entrance. The two-storey structure surrounding the courtyard provides office space and facilities of the study centre of Al Quds University. The design and tender documents were completed in 2003 and restoration should be completed by mid 2004.



Mashrabiyya, al-Manjikiyeh, Jerusalem.

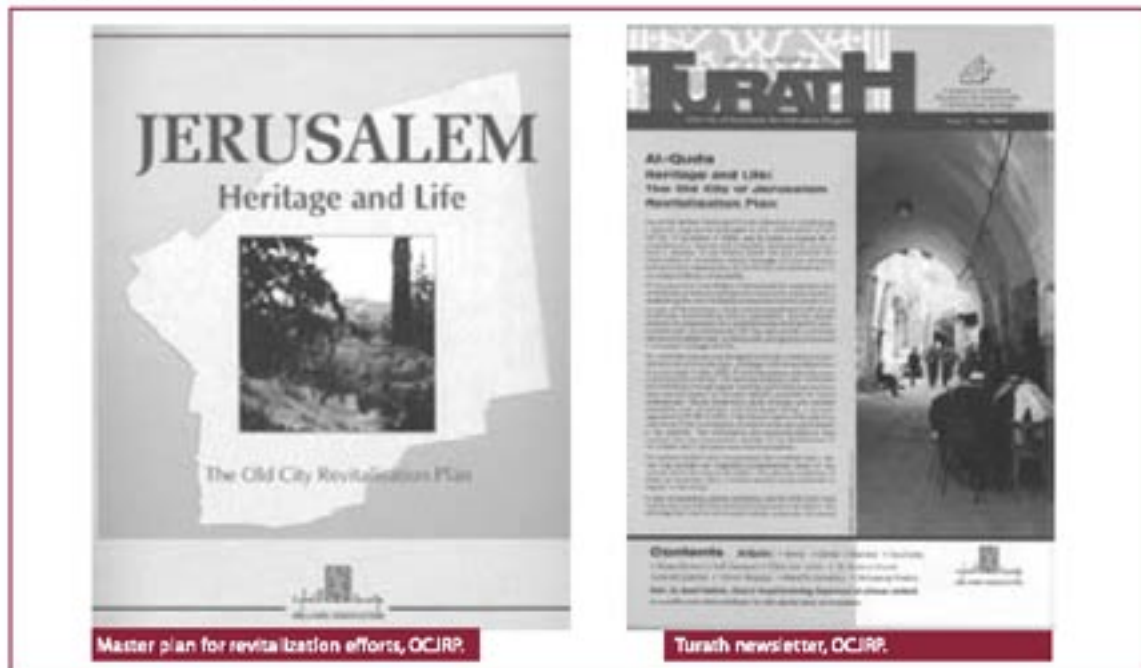
## 2. Scholarships/Training

A theoretical and practical training program in **stone restoration**, arranged with the cooperation of visiting experts from the Institute of Venice, was completed for 12 architects and engineers including contractors, using the facades of the Mamluk portals of Dar al-Aytam al-Islamiyya as a training and work site. As a follow-up, four architects from the OCJRP technical office and one from the Islamic Awqaf attended advanced restoration technique training courses in Venice during the year.

## 3. Documentation and Information

OCJRP's GIS specialist continually updated information for Old City buildings and sites during the year, and information became known or changed. The GIS is the core geographically referenced information database for the program, combining many levels and layers of information about sites as well as various topographical maps. Apart from the information related to a complete physical analysis of buildings within the Old City of Jerusalem, some historical information and referencing is also available. Thus, the GIS permits a more comprehensive understanding of the history, current status and future plans of networks and buildings.

An updated English version of the master plan for the revitalization of the Old City of Jerusalem, **Jerusalem: Heritage and Life**, was published in 2003, following the Arabic version. The plan is based on historical, physical, social and economic surveys of the Old City that were carried out by a multi-sector team of Palestinian experts, taking into consideration current political, legal and administrative constraints.



OCJRP's seventh issue of *Turath*, the technical newsletter devoted to architectural preservation, was published in 2003, with Ford Foundation funding. The special issue was devoted to architectural heritage of Jerusalem.

#### **4. Community Awareness for Preservation of Historic Sites**

The second phase of OCJRP Community Outreach Programme continued with emphasis on community participation in the restoration process.

A special community outreach program began implementation simultaneously with the comprehensive rehabilitation project of the Ribat Ala' al-Din al-Basæer, one of the oldest pilgrims' hostels in Jerusalem. Most recently, since the late Ottoman period the complex has been home to the Palestinian African community. The community relations aspect of the project is considered crucial to the successful restoration of the complex. OCJRP will be working with the community to rehabilitate the structures, and to upgrade and maintain facilities, including its front façade, retreats and courtyards, to provide healthy residential and community space.

Monographs on cultural and historical sites of interest were prepared and published for distribution to schools and community organizations with emphasis on the youth. Other activities in 2003 included field tours of historical sites in the Old City of Jerusalem, workshops and meetings with the community, the production and staging of a play and preparation for the implementation of an awareness raising program on heritage within schools in the Old City of Jerusalem.



## ***Restoration and Rehabilitation projects (2003)***

### **Comprehensive Restoration and Rehabilitation of Dar al-Aytam al-Islamiyya Complex**


Project Total Budget: \$3 million

Disbursed in 2003: \$658,000

Built around 1388 A.D. as the palace of Sitt Tunshuq al-Muzaffariyya, today the 8,000-square-meter built complex, which neighbors the Haram al-Sharif, houses an orphanage for boys, industrial trade school and factories, as well as an academic school and Awqaf offices. The monumental complex is one of the largest in the Old City and shows the architectural transition from the Mamluk era to the Ottoman, with construction dating from the 14th century and extending over a 150-year period. Today, it houses an academic school for 650 boys, an industrial training school with a print shop, bookbinding and carpentry workshops, a boarding dormitory, an Islamic traditional soup kitchen and a small mosque.



**Project:** The restoration and rehabilitation of the structure is on-going through five phases, and is expected to be completed in mid-2004. The upgrading of infrastructure of the 600-year-old building now used as an Industrial School was completed in 2003. This included renewing the sewage networks, water lines, electricity, communications network and rain drainage systems, and involved some large-scale underground work.



The restoration of the three monumental Mamluk entrance portals was also completed in 2003, with technical assistance from the Institute of Venice. The portals are built in typical Mamluk style with stones of alternating colors, and are decorated with arches, carved geometric designs and Arabic inscriptions.

In 2003, the 4th phase started with the restoration of the orphans dormitory located on the upper floor of the main Mamluk palace. The work included the restoration of the main magnificent reception hall and a number of rooms leading to this hall that are now used for various activities such as a music room, a gym, a T.V. room, archive, clinic and a prayer hall. The dormitory which was located in the main hall was moved to the space behind it where a two-storey structure surrounds a courtyard, thus giving the students more privacy, better accommodation and more facilities.

#### **Restoration of al- Madrassa al-Manjikiyeh**

Project Total Budget: \$300,000

Disbursed in 2003: \$235,833

The Madrassa is situated in the west part of al-Haram al-Sharif at Bab al-Majlis. It was built in 762 A.H./1360 A.D. by Emir Sayfuddin Mounjik. The beautiful Mamluk madrassa is now the offices of the Department of Islamic Waqf.

**Project:** Restoration was completed in 2003 and began with the insulation and tiling of the roof and the dome as well as restoration and rehabilitation of all offices located in the 3-floor building and installation of wood windows. Also, a complete heating and cooling system was installed.

#### **Restoration and Adaptive Re-use of al-Madrassa al-Ashrafiyah**

Project Total Budget: \$750,000

Disbursed in 2003: \$128,676

Al-Madrassa al-Ashrafiyya was built in the late fifteenth century by the Mamluk Sultan al-Ashraf Sayf al-Din Qaytbay and is the only structure which was ever allowed to be extended past the Riwaq, or arcade, onto the plaza of al-Haram al-Sharif. Known as the "third jewel" in al-Haram, it is situated in a prime location close to the Dome of the Rock.



**Project:** This Mamluk structure underwent a first phase of restoration in 2001, and was to be equipped for environmental control to house the rare manuscript library of al-Aqsa. A "fund in trust" agreement was signed with UNESCO for the training of staff and purchase of the specialized equipment needed for the establishment of the manuscript restoration laboratory, to be arranged by UNESCO. The final stage of restoration and equipment installation was started in 2003 after the lifting of restrictions by the Israeli occupation authorities that had prevented the necessary material and equipment from being brought into the building for two years. The work is going slowly due to continued restriction and the project is expected to be completed by the end of 2004.

#### **Restoration of the Community Work Center, al-Quds University**

**Project Total Budget: \$150,000**

**Disbursed in 2003: \$93,007**

A historic structure located near the entrance to Suq al-Qattanin, possibly of Byzantine origins and later used as a Crusader church, tannery and carpentry, had been an Old City eyesore. The building was cleaned and underwent heavy structural consolidation. The building's supportive arches were in such bad condition that stones from the top of the supporting arches were found lying on the floor. A special blend of lime mortar, incorporating ancient ingredients and methods, was used to reintegrate these fallen stones back into their proper places and to consolidate the rest of the crumbling building. The building, whose renovation was completed in 2003, is currently serving a useful community role as the al-Quds University Center for Social Work Counseling.

#### **Restoration of the Islamic Museum**

**Project Total Budget: \$235,000**

**Disbursed in 2003: \$110,182**

The Museum is located within al-Haram al-Sharif, to the west of al-Aqsa mosque, in two buildings dating back one millennium. Established by the Higher Islamic Council of Palestine in 1922, the Islamic museum is the oldest museum in the city. Work in the museum had been postponed since August 2001 due to the Israeli authorities' decision to ban building materials and deny the Islamic Waqf and OCJRP workers access to the site. The much-needed rehabilitation of its roof was finally able to be completed in 2003. Also, OCJRP began the drying phase for the interior of the museum and rebuilt the western wall, which had partially collapsed due to damage from dampness that was anticipated 3 years ago, but delay in carrying out the repair, due to Israeli obstruction, aggravated the building's condition.

#### ***IV. Institution Building and Community Development***

The ultimate aim of WA interventions is to develop the community and respond to different unmet needs. Consequently, institution building and community development is a theme that cuts across many of its projects, even emergency projects. For some, however, it is the prime and specific focus.



In 2003, PNGO project interventions amounted to more than \$1 million and covered infrastructural improvement for communities/societies, construction of child centers and nurseries, vocational training for women, training of professionals and overall institutional capacity building with more than 60 beneficiary organizations. In addition, institution building projects implemented by the Programs and Projects Department at a total value of \$420,000 included renovation of senior citizen's houses, establishment of community multi-activity buildings, youth and cultural centers, clubs and public parks.



## **The Palestinian NGO Project (Phase II)**

**2001-2005 Partnership, NGO Development and Sector Support**

*Following the success of Phase I, the World Bank approved a three-year phase 2 of the Project (PNGOII) (2001-2004), with a budget of \$22 million, and in view of political exigencies, approved an extension of one year (to mid August 2005).*

In 2003, approximately \$15 million was allocated for the Development Grants Program, the Partnership Grants Program and the Emergency Program, and \$1.3 million to the Sector Support Program. From this total allocated sum of \$16.3 million, \$7.6 million has already been disbursed, i.e., 48% of the allocated budget. The number of projects that have been implemented until now are 6 Partnership Grants Projects with 89 partner NGOs, 19 Development Grants projects and 82 Emergency Program projects, in addition to the Counseling Center for Women in Difficult Circumstances. Four important projects were implemented within the Sector Support Program in 2003: supporting NGO networks and unions, preparations for designing the portal for NGOs in Palestine, helping civil society institutions review their administrative systems, and awareness raising campaigns on tax and customs exemption procedures for civil society institutions.

### **Partnership Grants Program**

This program awards grants for the implementation of service delivery projects by lead NGOs in partnership with smaller ones. The projects target poor and marginalized communities through smaller projects that address the needs of populations underserved due to their geographic location, in addition to population groups who are vulnerable due to their social or physical limitations.

With the approval of the grant for the Youth Development Department at the Arab Studies Society in partnership with ANERA for a sum of \$409,000, six partnership grants became operational, reaching a total sum of \$5.47 million. The program targets a number of



Dar al-Shelab for Arts & Culture - Non-formal Education, Gaza.

sectors: youth, agriculture, formal education, primary health care, early childhood, water resource management and rural development. In 2003, the total sum disbursed was \$1,917,552 or 36% of the allocated budget.



Al-'Araqa Agricultural Marketing Cooperative Society - Rehabilitation & Development of Agricultural Land, Jenin.

### **Development Grants Program**

Nineteen development grants were approved by the Supervisory Board for a total of \$3.16m in funding, distributed as follows: (3) projects in Jerusalem \$574,000, (6) projects in Gaza \$783,000 and (10) projects in the West Bank \$1,802,453. The total sum of disbursements in 2003 reached \$1,323,028 or 41% of allocated sums. By December 2003, 12 plans for supporting capacity building activities for civil society institutions were placed; they aspire to improve NGOs' performance in offering services to the community and strengthening the impact and sustainability of their projects.

### **Counseling Center for Women in Difficult Circumstances**

The Italian government contributed \$2.5 million to establish a center in Bethlehem aiming at providing support, therapy, advocacy, empowerment and vocational training services to Palestinian females subjected to domestic violence, focusing on prevention programs aimed at reducing violence against Palestinian girls and women. Palestinian and Italian NGOs submitted project proposals in early 2003. Following a process of appraisal and negotiations, the PMO signed a partnership grant agreement in December 2003 with the Women's Center for Legal Aid and Counseling (the Palestinian partner) and Differenza Donna (the Italian partners). The Palestinian and Italian partner NGOs are responsible for implementing the technical assistance component of the project, which is expected to begin January 2004 at a cost of \$1.05 million.

The center will promote an enhanced role and status for women in society, raise awareness concerning gender discrimination and advocate for women's empowerment. The program will also provide loans, counseling services for abused women and support therapy and vocational training for this marginalized group of the society. It will be established in cooperation with the Palestinian Ministry of Social Affairs and the Ministry of Women's Affairs.

The PMO is directly responsible for the construction of the center in Bethlehem. An amount of US\$1.3 million has been allocated for the construction, furnishing and equipping of the center. The PMO contracted the services of PETRA/ MIMAR who is developing the concept design of the project with the assistance provided from an Italian expert in the design of shelters.


#### **Urgent Development Grants**

In March 2003, the Supervisory Board decided to use unallocated funds from core grants programs for a new Urgent Development Grants Program. These target particularly poor and marginalized communities in the north and south of the West Bank. After advertisement, evaluation, decision, and approval from the Supervisory Board and the World Bank, 17 NGOs have been approved for a total of \$1,552,134.



#### **Emergency Grants**

The Emergency Grants Program, which was the Project's response to the violence and deterioration that hit the West Bank and Gaza after the Intifada began, is almost two thirds completed. The components funded by the Islamic Development Bank and the UK Department for International Development (DfID) have proceeded to 99.85% and 93.40% disbursement respectively. 79,615 person days of employment have been created. The third donor, the Italian Cooperation Office of the Italian Consulate, is funding 24 NGOs with a total of \$1.5 million. This contract was signed on 30 July 2003, and 16 NGOs are currently operational with over \$242,027 disbursed.



In addition, an agreement was signed with the Agence Francaise de Developpement (AFD) in July 2003 for the amount of €5 million for the Emergency Employment Generation Program in Gaza.

### **Sector Support Program**

The Sector Support Program, which emerged as a result of the recommendations from Phase I, was designed to respond more substantially to the broader needs of the NGO sector. It promotes strategic planning and operations so that NGOs can better meet the basic needs of the poor and marginalized. A special 5-member committee was established that includes representatives of the NGO sector, civil society organizations, the Commission of NGO Affairs and the PMO. Five studies were prepared that deal with defining needs and priorities of the organizations, unions, networks and the Commission for the coming years. The Committee approved the plan of the Sector Support Program and the 2003 budget was as follows:

#### *Sector Support Program, 2003*

Networking, information exchange and evaluation of civil society	<b>\$361,000</b>
Placing Development policies for civil society	<b>\$351,500</b>
Supporting civil society's financial continuity	<b>\$292,000</b>
Supporting civil society networking capabilities	<b>\$450,000</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,312,750</b>

Bidding documents were floated in the local newspapers for the NGO portal and a team of technical consultants are studying the 11 tenders received. In addition, an agreement was signed with the Commission for NGO Affairs for holding awareness raising workshops on civil society tax and customs exemptions and the publication of a handbook on the subject. Four agreements were signed with NGO networks and the Commission for a sum of \$365,250 to build their capabilities following their needs assessments.



## **V. Emergency Programs**

During 2003, Israeli occupation measures, such as curfews, movement restrictions, extension of the separation wall and expansion of the network of Jewish settlements, created new obstacles for the population in accessing jobs and necessary social services. With average per capita income falling by half since 1999, many more households have become pauperized as a direct result of the occupation policies and restrictions, and for many, humanitarian assistance has been crucial for meeting basic needs. The sheer force of military attacks and deliberate destruction of infrastructure have also hindered efforts of civil society organizations to aid the population, so that providers of services have also required emergency assistance themselves.

Welfare Association sought to respond to the increasingly urgent needs of the population, while linking emergency projects to a longer term development perspective. WA programs developed and supported emergency improvements to health care, food production and job opportunities for Palestinian communities, especially in hard-hit localities. Programs benefiting both individuals and institutions were implemented by local NGOs, councils and municipalities. The total sum of WA disbursements for emergency and relief programs and projects was almost \$19 million in 2003.

Some of the direct relief and humanitarian aid efforts supported by WA during the year were: emergency employment to raise household income, food assistance, tuition credits for university students, relief for families experiencing social hardship, rehabilitation services for the disabled and housing assistance for families whose homes were damaged or destroyed. These programs benefited some of the poorest, most marginalized and needy families in the West Bank and Gaza, who had suffered injury or loss of livelihood or shelter due to Israeli occupation policies and practices. WA also provided urban and rural medical and rehabilitation centers with medical supplies, equipment and service support.



Separation Wall, Rafat, Jerusalem / 55

The emergency projects have been primarily funded through special appeals for individual contributions as well as programs sponsored by international donors. Part of WA's methodology in this field is the rapid identification of beneficiaries and rapid disbursement to relieve communities in distress.



Destroyed homes, Rafah, Gaza.



Destroyed land, Belt Hanoun, Gaza/SS



Separation Wall inside the West Bank.

## 1. Emergency Rehabilitation Services

Of the 26,000 Palestinians who have been injured between October 2000 and December 2003, many suffered permanent or long-term disabilities, loss or severe impairment in function of a limb or organ, sight or hearing. The seriously injured required extensive treatment as well as physical and occupational rehabilitation, in addition to counseling in order to deal with their disabilities.


Welfare Association disbursed \$311,710 for emergency services and support for both health and rehabilitation of disabilities sectors in 2003. Twelve organizations have been supported that work closely with injured and disabled Palestinians, many of whom are children. This aid was used to sustain community-based rehabilitation services (physiotherapy, occupational therapy and counseling), supply of medical aids and equipment loan programs, hospital and outreach services, adaptation of houses for accessibility for disabled persons, and primary and emergency rehabilitation care infrastructure and services.

The PNGO project also had substantial emergency input into the rehabilitation field. Fifteen institutions on the West Bank and the Gaza Strip received nearly \$1 million in support of a variety of activities including: construction and operation of specialized rehabilitation centers and services, especially for the deaf, blind and those with cerebral palsy; improving quality of services for profoundly disabled women; promoting early intervention programs; and expanding educational and employment opportunities for the disabled.

## 2. Support for Higher Education

Poor employment prospects have encouraged more youths in Palestine to seek higher education, but the decrease in household incomes due to deteriorating economic conditions means that fewer students could afford higher education costs. Students became hard-pressed to pay tuition fees that universities depend on for 60% of their budgets. To respond to this crisis in higher education, Arab Funding Institutions and OPEC funded a 2-year \$20-million student loans and assistance program managed by WA in the form of a revolving credit fund benefiting both students and universities. The program covers about 8% of the universities' annual operating budget during the 2002-2003 and 2003-2004 academic in years. In 2003, \$11,428,354 was disbursed emergency aid for higher education.





During 2003, a total of \$9.4 million was disbursed as student loans, benefiting 52,600 students, 46% of whom were females. The funding covered 47% of the total sum of fees of the student population at 11 universities and 22 community colleges, and 15% of staff salaries. WA's role was to monitor and supervise the implementation of the program in coordination with the Ministry of Higher Education and ensure that proper criteria was used to select needy students for loan guarantees, as well as to build capacity of the Student Loan Fund. A survey conducted by WA indicated that the loans had a positive impact as 11% of the students who were potential drop-outs were able to remain at their universities and 60% of the students whose families were completely without income benefited from the program.

A secondary impact of the program on the families of student beneficiaries was that families could redirect their resources, otherwise spent on fees and living expenses, to other urgent family needs. The program resulted also in strengthening the relationship between the MOEHE and higher education institutes as well as impacting the market with additional funds.



Al-Hajjah University, Nabrus.

### 3. Health

#### a. Emergency Provision of Medical Equipment and Supplies

Purchase and distribution of medicines and medical equipment and Supplies to hospitals and health centers was coordinated by Welfare Association, and supported by funding from a number of sources.

Medical equipment was provided to 92 hospitals and medical centers in most of the Palestinian territories through a procurement process supervised by representatives from the Palestinian Ministry of Health, Red Crescent Society, Union of Medical Relief Committees and WA. As a result, agreements were



Ramallah Hospital ward / SS

signed with 11 companies for a total sum of \$6 million in order to purchase urgently-needed equipment for 31 hospitals and 61 rural health centers. In 2003, \$3.1 million was disbursed for this purpose.



In addition, grant agreements were signed totaling \$5 million and implementation plans drawn for three major projects subsidized by the Kuwait Fund for Arab Development for constructing, furnishing and equipping new buildings for the Abu Rayya Rehabilitation Center in Ramallah, the Arab Society for Rehabilitation in Beit Jala and al-Wafa Rehabilitation Hospital in Gaza. As part of the project, medical equipment was also provided to the Head Injury Department at the Arab Society in Beit Jala and 9 specialists were employed to operate it. Two of these specialists received extra training on the new equipment in Jordan.

#### **b. Hospitals and Primary Health Care Centers**

172 hospitals and health centers were provided with medical supplies and equipment and a contribution was made towards the treatment of 15,600 needy patients. A second floor of the Sheikh Zayed Hospital in Ramallah was also funded and completed.

In addition, in order to enhance the medical services rendered to children, a memorandum of understanding was signed by WA, the Palestinian Economic Council for Development and Reconstruction (PECDAR), and the Palestinian Ministry of Health in order to prepare for building the "Bahrain Children's Hospital" in Ramallah, funded by the Bahrain Committee for the Support of the Palestinian People.

Special emphasis was placed on upgrading or establishing emergency units of hospitals (al-Ahli and al-Awdeh Hospitals in Gaza) as well as emergency units run by the Patient's Friends Society in the West Bank and the Gaza Strip.

The PNGO project disbursed around \$700,000 to 10 organizations in support of primary health care infrastructure and services, establishment of clinics, maintenance of health units, construction for new services and training of professionals.

Overall, support for health was characterized by a large constituency of beneficiaries (over 150 institutions) both governmental and non-governmental as well as the Palestine Red Crescent Society, with a wide range of disbursements in 2003 ranging from less than \$5,000 for smaller projects/NGOs to more than \$400,000 for larger hospitals.

#### **4. Humanitarian Family Support**

Special individual relief programs were devised to assist needy families to cope with the loss of income, breadwinners and housing. WA continued to raise funds and channel donations in 2003 for families in financial support, food supplies and in-kind contributions.

The Family-to-Family Program provided aid by granting a basic subsistence income through sponsorships of families. Six hundred poor families referred for assistance by local charitable




committees benefited by receiving \$300 each from the direct relief program which is managed and monitored by Welfare Association. In addition, 1,100 families were allocated \$1,200 each and support was given to find shelter for 50 families whose houses were demolished in Nablus. In Rafah \$120,000 was distributed to 600 families whose houses were demolished during the September and October 2003 incursions in the Rafah border strip, while 50 families were housed in rented houses until their damaged homes were renovated or rebuilt.

#### **5. Employment Generation**

##### **a. Emergency Employment Project (Al-Aqsa Humanitarian Fund)**

Welfare Association's al-Aqsa Humanitarian Fund supported emergency employment generation programs in which small-scale construction projects implemented by NGOs employed out-of-work laborers while building community assets. Overall, the program supervised 35 NGO projects at a value of \$826,000 and generated over 22,000 work days for unemployed workers in areas of high unemployment. The buildings that were constructed or finished amounted to approximately 9,000 sq. meters of completed construction. The projects are expected to have the impact of expanding NGO services within various communities.



In addition to health centers, playgrounds, a 7,000-person capacity football stadium, and women's embroidery and school sweater knitting projects, 45 houses were rehabilitated for disabled persons, and the Disabled Loan Center of the Union of Medical Relief Committees in Hebron was renovated. Its social workers received 4 training courses in the fields of disability and rehabilitation.

**b. Emergency Employment Generation Project (United Palestinian Appeal/USAID)**

Through a USAID grant of \$2.7 million to United Palestinian Appeal (UPA), Welfare Association implemented an 18-month program in the West Bank and Gaza. The project began in September 2002 and is expected to generate 66,000 workdays. The EEGP was developed to generate income for laborers who have become unemployed due to the prevailing movement restrictions, and the resulting economic crisis in the occupied territories.

The program supports 55 small-scale construction and renovation projects that are carried out by Palestinian community organizations in areas of high unemployment. Area policy of local procurement will also give an added boost to local economies. Projects were selected to build community assets such as health clinics, kindergartens, public spaces, and community activities centers. The total sum disbursed for projects in 2003 was \$1.4 million (73% of the total fund) and 44,000 job opportunities were provided. Five project staff and a consulting engineer ensure quality implementation, with Welfare Association staff providing indirect support for the program.

**c. Houses and Infrastructure Rehabilitation project**

As part of the \$4 million House Rehabilitation Project funded by the Arab funds, supervised by WA and implemented by the Palestinian Ministry of Public Works, 23 tenders were approved with a total value of \$904,000 to rehabilitate and rebuild 2,890 houses in various areas. Eighteen contracts were signed in 2003 (9 in each of the West Bank and Gaza) with contractors. In addition, 7 tenders for the \$7 million Infrastructure Rehabilitation Project (also funded by the Arab funds, supervised by WA and implemented by the Palestinian Economic Council for Development and Reconstruction (PECDAR)) were also prepared. Full-scale implementation of those two projects will occur during 2004.

Employment generation was also a main cross-cutting theme for a large number of activities implemented by the PNGO project ranging from infrastructure development for KGs to health centers and social service institutions and house rehabilitation as well as agricultural works. The PNGO disbursed approximately \$2.7 million for these projects in 2003.

## 6. Agricultural Relief: Replanting Trees in destroyed land

More than 1 million productive trees were uprooted from September 2000 until March 2004, trees that once covered 63,000 dunums in the West Bank and Gaza Strip. The land itself is being stripped by Israeli military tanks and bulldozers in operations that are destroying present and future prospects for poor farmers. The targeted areas are adjacent to settlements and along borders that are constantly being "thickened" by dispossessing Palestinian farmers. In 2003, the building of the Separation Wall cut off hundreds of thousands of dunums of land --- reaching up to 22% ---



Playground, Munabitat Charitable Society, Qalqilya, West Bank.

from the rest of the West Bank; it has already destroyed an estimated 100,000 trees in its path.

Welfare Association continued to cooperate with agricultural societies working in rural areas to help poor farmers replant devastated land with fruit trees and repair destroyed irrigation systems. The PNGO project contributed around \$0.5m towards agricultural relief benefiting 10 organizations and a large number of workers.



KG, Palestinian Early Childhood Education Program.



School, Physically Handicapped Society, Rafah, Gaza.



## **VI. Assistance for Palestinian Refugees in Lebanon**

Palestinian refugees in Lebanon have lived in refugee camps and other temporary shelters since 1948. Palestinian refugees in Lebanon currently registered with the United Nations Relief and Works Agency (UNRWA) exceed 380,000 and represent an estimated 12% of the population of Lebanon. Fifty-six percent live in 12 UNRWA camps dispersed throughout Lebanon and constitute a marginalized refugee community that is excluded from the benefits of citizenry, receiving only the barest assistance from international institutions and organizations.

Several of the problems faced by the Palestinian refugees in Lebanon are similar to those of refugees in other areas, especially in relation to primary health care, education, and relief and social services. In addition to these hardships, shelter conditions in the camps have been deteriorating because of obstacles in some camps to the improvement of shelters to accommodate population growth.

Many refugees depend on UNRWA as the only source of educational, health and other social services, particularly so since access to employment in Gulf countries was curtailed, ending remittances as an important source of income. There is low school enrollment, a high drop-out rate and poor student motivation as a result of over-crowded classrooms, and the limited economic opportunities.

Welfare Association works with camp-based Palestinian NGOs to develop and support quality services in the fields of pre-school and non-formal education, vocational training, health and disability. In 2003, \$366,000 was disbursed for 26 projects supporting 5 early childhood projects focusing on KGs, a cultural center, 13 health and disability projects, and 3 vocational training and tutoring programs.

### **1. Education**

#### **a. Early Childhood Education**

WA supports an active learning curriculum in KGs by assisting in teacher training courses, providing equipment and materials, rehabilitating kindergarten facilities and grounds, and supporting teachers' salaries in all 12 camps and non-camp population areas. In addition, WA also supports special KGs for disabled children and began a 3-year program, funded by the Community Fund through WA-UK, to promote the inclusion of disabled children into mainstream schools and social activities.

WA members have also contributed \$150,000 to establish children's libraries in five refugee camps. In 2003, two more multimedia libraries were officially opened. Approximately 1,250 children benefit from the services provided by these libraries daily.



KG playground, Ghassan Kanafani Culture Foundation, Ain el-Helweh camp, Sidon, Lebanon.

## **b. Vocational Training**

WA supports a number of specialized Palestinian NGOs that operate vocational training centers for refugee youths. The courses are very popular with young Palestinians who are



Nursing program, vocational training.

interested in improving their skills and income, and in aiding their communities. Nursing, business informatics, computer design, mechanics, preschool teacher training, auto mechanics and accounting are some of the long-term courses offered to more than 1,000 trainees a year. In 2003, training courses were also provided to the deaf. WA has assisted the NGOs to upgrade the curriculum, modernize training equipment and offer scholarships to students from families with more difficult social circumstances.

## **c. Support for Higher Education for Refugees**

Welfare Association also supports a revolving fund to assist Palestinian students in meeting the costs of higher education. University graduates are expected to repay the fund after they obtain employment. In 2003, WA disbursed \$28,000 to the Palestinian Student Fund.

## **2. Health**

### **a. Health Care for Needy Patients**

Through the Health Care Society, WA supports a special fund that helps poor patients afford proper medical care and oversees its disbursement. The fund provides for needed care to 600 patients annually, including cancer patients and the chronically ill, providing for medicines, treatments, surgery and counseling services. \$100,000 was disbursed in 2003 to support needy patients through defraying costs of major surgery and treatment for chronic illnesses.

### **b. Dialysis Treatment for Kidney Patients**

A special donation, renewed annually, and made through WA helps to defray the cost of regular dialysis treatment for chronically ill kidney patients at the Palestine Red Crescent Society's al-Hamshari Hospital in Sidon. \$75,000 was disbursed in 2003 to provide life-saving dialysis treatments for needy patients. In addition, WA supported the dialysis department at al-Hamshari Hospital by purchasing equipment and medication worth US\$ 43,000.

### **c. Rehabilitation**

In 2003, the WA continued to support rehabilitation centers and improve the learning environment for disabled children. Together with WA(UK), WA implements a 3-year \$500,000 grant from the Community Fund to improve inclusion of disabled children in education which also supports upgrading of skills of rehabilitation workers.



Nabl Badran center, al-Bus camp, Tyre, Lebanon.



## **Resource Development**

During 2003, the Welfare Association received a total of \$35.1 million from funding institutions and individual contributions for its development and emergency projects. External donations of \$28.4 million constituted 80% of total income. Major external donations included \$19.8 million from the Arab Fund for Economic and Social Development and other Arab Finance institutions for the WA Emergency Program to support educational institutions. Other major external donations included \$6.04 million from the World Bank, \$1.76 million from United Palestinian Appeal, \$506,000 from the International Youth Foundation and \$150,000 from the Kuwait Fund for Arab Economic Development.

Earmarked program donations totaled \$5.2 million. The Family to Family program received \$1.6 million from Qatar, Lebanon and other donors. The Nablus Schools campaign received \$601,000 from its members. In addition, WA received \$543,000 from WA(UK), its sister organization in the UK, and \$393,000 from the al-Aqsa Humanitarian Fund campaign. \$100,000 from Consolidated Contracting Company (CCC) which were allocated to the Center of Excellence for Information Technology at Birzeit University. Other earmarked donations totaled \$679,000 from different supporters, including \$165,000 for the kidney dialysis project and the Health Care Society in Lebanon and the Arab Cultural Society in Nazareth and \$100,000 from Prince Salman Bin Abdul Aziz for the Health Care Society. Commitments to the 2004 calendar and diary campaign reached \$116,000 and were earmarked for youth projects in the Old City of Jerusalem.

WA received \$1.12 million in unrestricted donations, including \$538,000 in annual membership fees and \$100,000 from the Arab National Bank.

WA members also contributed \$387,000 to the Endowment Fund.



### **International Support**

In 2003, the Welfare Association received funding for 24 projects from a growing number of international and regional donors totaling \$25.6 million, indicating a growing number of donations from major Arab and other international donors. The Arab Fund for Economic and Social Development pledged \$11 million to support projects for the rehabilitation of damaged buildings and infrastructure. \$6.25 million was committed from the French Agency for Development for support of the Emergency Employment Generation Project in Gaza. The Committee for the Support of the Palestinian People in Bahrain approved \$5 million for establishing the "Bahrain Children's Hospital" in Ramallah. The European Union, through WA (UK), approved \$758,000 for a project aimed at strengthening coordination among East Jerusalem Hospitals.



### **Sister Organization and Local Committees**

Weifare Association's sister organization, WA(UK) raised public and private funds for development and emergency projects and, together with WA, developed a program for "Improved Access to Education for Disabled Palestinian Refugee Children in Lebanon", which was funded by the UK Community Fund with a \$500,000 grant over 3 years.

WA (UK) also obtained proposals for the funding of various projects to a number of British donors and obtained \$137,000 for tree-planting campaigns, a community center in Gaza and a kindergarten in Lebanon, in addition to emergency projects in Palestine. WA (UK) held its annual fundraising dinner in October 2003 and proceeds of the event reached \$500,000, which were allocated to childhood, disability and youth in Palestine and Lebanon.



### **20th Anniversary Celebration**

In December 2003, the Association commemorated its 20th anniversary by organizing the "Palestine Tomorrow" conference and a dinner. Proceeds from the event totaled \$266,000.



**Committed Funds from Regional and International Donors  
to Welfare Association, 2003**

**Table (1)**

<b>Funding Agency</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>USD</b>
Arab Fund, Arab Monetary Fund, BADEA	Rehabilitation of destroyed infrastructure and homes	11,000,000
French Development Agency	Emergency Employment Generation Project (EEGP) – WA Consortium	6,250,000
Palestinian People Support Committee in Bahrain	Children's Hospital in Ramallah	5,000,000
Italian Government	Emergency Employment Generation Project (EEGP) – WA Consortium	1,532,000
European Union (through WA(UK))	Coordination between East Jerusalem Hospitals Project	758,000
Community Fund	Integration of Disabled Children in Elementary Schools	568,000
WA(UK)	Disability & ECD in Lebanon ECD, IT, Relief, Renovation in Palestine	96,000 302,000
Certified Microsoft Training Centers	Microsoft (in-kind donation)	7,000
<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>25,625,000</b>

## Contributions Received, 2003 (USD)

Table (2)

No.	Kind of donation	USD (thousands)	USD (thousands)	Source of Funding
1.	<b>Earmarked Donations</b>			
	- al-Aqsa Humanitarian Fund	5,208	393	Public Campaign
	- Bahrain Children Hospital		1,260	Public Campaign, Bahrain
	- IT Center of Excellence		100	C.C.C.
	- Family to Family		1,500	Public Campaign, Qatar
	- Several projects (see table below)		485	WA supporters In UK
	- Nablus Schools		601	WA Members
	- Calendar & Diary Campaign		81	WA Members
	- Family to Family Campaign		109	Public Campaign
	- Other donations		679	Fundraising Activities
2.	<b>External Grants</b>			
	- Emergency Support Program	28,405	19,780	Arab funds
	- Old City of Jerusalem Revitalization		109	Arab Fund
	- Palestinian NGO Support project		6,042	World Bank
	- Emergency Employment Generation		1,759	UPA/USAID
	- Rehabilitation Centers		150	Kuwait Fund
	- INTEL Computer Clubhouse		66	IYF/intel foundation
	- IT4YOUTH		440	IYF/USAID
	- Lebanon Program		59	WA (UK)
3.	<b>Unrestricted donations</b>	1,121		WA Members fees, Supporters and Private Institutions
4.	<b>Endowment donations</b>	387		WA Members
<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>35,121</b>		

## Welfare Association-UK Project Support in 2003

Table (3)

Diana Fund/ Community-based Rehabilitation Program In Gaza	\$66,420
Tree Planting in the West Bank and Gaza	\$20,088
Early Childhood education in Lebanon	\$95,531
Several development Projects and Emergency Appeals in the west Bank and Gaza	\$303,359
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$485,398</b>





## **Information Activities**

### **Website**

The Welfare Association's website was updated and a new design is being developed. An Arabic mirror site will also be established.

**[www.welfareassociation.org](http://www.welfareassociation.org)**

### **WA Newsletters**

One issue of *Tanmiya* (English quarterly newsletter) and 3 issues of *Tazwoun* (Arabic quarterly newsletter) were published. Issue number 7 of **TURATH** (English/Arabic newsletter), and the Old City of Jerusalem Revitalization Plan in English, were also produced. In addition, 5 issues of the e-bulletin were published, the first of which appeared in April 2003.

### **20th Anniversary Commemoration – "Palestine Tomorrow Conference."**

Preparations began for events and special publications early in 2003 to commemorate Welfare Association's 20th anniversary. A 20th anniversary desk book-diary, standing calendar and a pocket calendar were produced especially for the occasion. A film prepared by Mr. Omar Al-Qattan was screened during the commemoration ceremony which took place in early December 2003 in Dubai.

Other activities included the publication of more than 20 brochures, pamphlets and booklets in addition to 46 posters in both Arabic and English on the various programs and projects run by WA. In addition, many articles on the Association's activities and programs were published in newspapers in both English and Arabic. The "Palestine Tomorrow" conference was also covered extensively in Dubai newspapers. Moreover, interviews were held on Dubai satellite channel on the occasion of the 20th anniversary ceremony, during which parts of the film on WA and some video clips were screened.

## WA Publications for the year 2003

No.	Publication	Language	No. of Pages
1	Posters	Arabic/English	23 posters each
2	Progress Report on projects funded by "for Jerusalem" festival	Arabic	12
3	Third Progress Report on projects funded by "The Jerusalem Appeal" festival	Arabic	20
4	Third Progress Report on projects funded by "For the Palestinian Child" festival	Arabic	27
6	A Brochure on projects implemented for the Palestinian communities in Lebanon	Arabic	9
6	A Booklet on the Palestinian NGO Project	Arabic	-
7	A Brochure on the Old City of Jerusalem Revitalization Program	Arabic	-
8	A Booklet on the Emergency Employment Generation Program	Arabic	27
9	A Booklet on the Emergency Aid Program	Arabic	-
10	A booklet on the Culture & Identity Program	Arabic	8
11	The Membership Brochure	Arabic	-
12	The Endowment Brochure	Arabic	-
13	The "Children of today...Hope of Tomorrow"	Arabic	33
14	Annual Report 2002	English	80
15	Tawasul Bila Hudood: A comprehensive narrative on WA's mission in 20 years (1983-2002)	Arabic	250
16	Brochure on packaged projects "For Building Tomorrow's Palestine 2003-2005"	Arabic	40
17	Qafelat Al Ataa': A complete list of individual & corporate donors who have contributed to the WA's mission in 20 years.	Arabic	76
18	Brochure on Promotion of computer-based IT for Palestinian youth	English	-
19	General Brochure: "Making an effective contribution to Palestinian development"	English	16
20	Taawon Quarterly Newsletter: Issues # 32-34	Arabic	4
21	Tanmiya Quarterly Newsletter: Issue # 68	English	12



## **Independent Auditor's Report**

**To The General Assembly of  
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We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statements presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Welfare Association (Not-for-Profit Organization) as of December 31, 2003, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards.

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## WELFARE ASSOCIATION, GENEVA

### STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2003

ASSETS	Note	December 31,	December 31,
		2003	2002
Current Assets:		U.S. Dollar	U.S. Dollar
Cash in hand and at banks		1,685,718	2,282,404
Time deposits		27,999,524	33,048,378
Accounts receivable	3	1,602,084	1,593,673
Accrued interest and dividends receivable		83,664	603,493
Prepaid expenses and other receivables		49,482	65,703
<b>Total Current Assets</b>		<b>31,420,472</b>	<b>37,593,651</b>
Revolving loans receivable	4	910,000	962,000
Financial assets available for sale	5	35,313,341	21,276,417
Fixed assets, net	6	1,900,194	2,003,535
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<b>69,544,007</b>	<b>61,835,603</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</b>			
<b>Current Liabilities:</b>			
Arab Fund Micro Credit Loans	7	1,893,368	1,893,368
Accounts payable	8	220,983	129,082
Accrued liabilities and other credit balances		204,875	210,810
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>		<b>2,319,226</b>	<b>2,233,260</b>
Provident fund, reserve for severance pay and annual leave	9	996,470	866,485
<b>NET ASSETS:</b>			
<b>Endowment</b>	10	<b>38,970,039</b>	<b>38,271,136</b>
<b>Temporarily Restricted Net Assets:</b>			
Committed and approved projects	11	12,242,032	15,108,154
Waiting for approval		8,958,088	6,104,084
		21,200,120	21,212,238
<b>Unrestricted Net Assets:</b>			
Committed and approved projects	11	1,226,486	1,398,161
Surplus/(Deficit)		723,289	(1,434,960)
		1,949,775	(36,799)
Cumulative Change in Fair Value	12	4,108,377	(710,717)
<b>Total Net Assets</b>		<b>66,228,311</b>	<b>58,735,858</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</b>		<b>69,544,007</b>	<b>61,835,603</b>

## WELFARE ASSOCIATION, GENEVA

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2003 (cont. next page)

Year Ended	Note	Year Ended December 31, 2003.				
		Unrestricted U.S. Dollars	Temporarily Restricted U.S. Dollars	Endowment U.S. Dollars	Total 2003 U.S. Dollars	December 31, 2002 U.S. Dollars
<b>Revenues, Gains and Other Support:</b>						
Donations for Endowment	13	--	--	186,903	186,903	2,030,000
Annual Dues from Members	14	538,245	--	--	538,245	872,906
Donations from Institutions and Individuals	14	347,997	--	--	347,997	161,689
Temporarily Restricted Donations	15	--	3,947,815	200,000	4,147,815	6,762,008
External Donations	16	--	29,680,530	--	29,680,530	14,842,958
Interest Earned	17	279,212	--	312,416	591,628	927,860
Project Cancellation		--	102,000	--	102,000	299,731
Other Income (Projects)		65,009	--	--	65,009	10,656
Prior Year's Adjustments						
Realized Gain (Loss) from Investments		43,423	66,173	--	109,596	(17,150)
		--	--	2,367,663	2,367,663	(500,201)
Net Assets Released from Restrictions		36,060,404	(33,286,350)	(2,774,054)	--	--
<b>Total Revenues, Gains and Other Support</b>	18	<b>37,334,290</b>	<b>510,268</b>	<b>292,828</b>	<b>38,137,386</b>	<b>25,390,657</b>
<b>Programs Disbursements and Administration Expenses:</b>						
<b>Programs Disbursements</b>						
<b>Administration Expenses:</b>						
Salaries and Related Expenses	19	1,003,648			1,003,648	977,409
Part Time Salaries		26,837			26,837	--
Employees External Travel		59,853			59,853	33,473
Employees Internal Travel		26,514			26,514	20,757
General Office Expenses		83,333			83,333	118,033
Utilities		13,495			13,495	17,675
Office Stationery and Supplies		25,859			25,859	17,692
Newspaper and Advertisements		1,898			1,898	1,182
Postal Delivery and Courier		7,736			7,736	19,117
Office Telecommunications		55,026			55,026	36,386
Publications and Media		84,824			84,824	30,547
Professional Fees		90,649			90,649	44,346

Year Ended		Year Ended December 31, 2003.				
Revenues, Gains and Other Support:	Note	Unrestricted U.S. Dollars	Temporarily Restricted U.S. Dollars	Endowment U.S. Dollars	Total 2003 U.S. Dollars	December 31, 2002 U.S. Dollars
Institutional Development Expenses		51,966			51,966	39,811
Financial Charges and Fees		3,077			3,077	3,181
Meetings and Conferences		18,008			18,008	70,358
Miscellaneous Expenses		3,248			3,248	--
SNGF Expenses		70,618			70,618	--
GIF		1,626,579			1,626,579	1,429,987

#### WELFARE ASSOCIATION, GENEVA STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2003

##### Year Ended December 31, 2003

	Unrestricted U.S. Dollars	Temporarily Restricted U.S. Dollars	Endowment U.S. Dollars	Total 2003 U.S. Dollars	Year Ended December 31, 2002 U.S. Dollars
B/F	1,626,579			1,626,579	1,429,967
Special Administrative Expenses	89,733			89,733	11,068
Managements Reimbursements Fees	(235,214)			(235,214)	(88,088)
Portfolio Management and Financial Expenses	31,073			31,073	44,216
Depreciation and Amortization	181,890			181,890	195,495
OCJRP Unallocated Expenses	171,327			171,327	167,589
Exchange (Gain)/Loss	(32,911)	--	(94,075)	(126,886)	(148,138)
<b>Total Administration Expenses</b>	<b>1,812,477</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>(94,075)</b>	<b>1,718,402</b>	<b>1,612,109</b>
<b>Total Programs Disbursements and Administrative Expenses</b>	<b>35,456,102</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>(94,075)</b>	<b>35,362,027</b>	<b>16,502,846</b>
<b>Changes in Net Assets</b>	<b>1,878,188</b>	<b>510,268</b>	<b>386,903</b>	<b>2,775,359</b>	<b>8,887,811</b>
<b>Net Assets at Beginning of Year</b>	<b>(36,799)</b>	<b>21,212,238</b>	<b>38,271,136</b>	<b>59,446,575</b>	<b>50,858,495</b>
Project Cancellation	--	(102,000)	--	(102,000)	(299,731)
Transfers Among Funds	108,388	(420,388)	312,000	--	--
<b>Net Assets at End of Year</b>	<b>1,949,775</b>	<b>21,290,120</b>	<b>38,970,039</b>	<b>62,119,934</b>	<b>59,446,575</b>

## Project Disbursements in 2003

PNGO Project implementation indicated by shaded areas.

<b>Childhood – Preschool</b>				
<b>Region</b>	<b>Beneficiary</b>	<b>Project title</b>	<b>Approved funding</b>	<b>Total disbursed in 2003</b>
<b>West Bank</b>	Hahool Women's Charitable Society.	Development of Model Kindergarten.	40,000	3,600
	Aroura Charitable Society	Development of Society's K.G.	5,000	4,950
	Rameen Women's Charitable Society.	Renovating activity center in Rameen K.G.	40,000	36,000
	Union of Charitable Societies.	Upgrading and Renovating 3 KGs.	60,000	45,000
	Kufur Dan Charitable Society	Renovating activity center	45,000	39,500
	The Early Childhood Resource Center	Towards an Empowered Community in Early Childhood Education and Development (ECED)	146,300	93,100
	Bani Naim Charitable Society	Construction and Equipment of Model KG and a Hall for Al Jaijajel area	182,145	74,000
	Union of Charitable Societies	Kindergartens Development Project /Emergency	50,000	33,780
	Jainsafut Club	Construction of Kindergarten /Emergency	60,000	23,524
	Mutha'ath Al Shuhada Charitable Society	Kindergarten /Emergency	25,542	20,432
	Bazarya Charitable Society/Nabius	Building a Model KG /Emergency	35,000	28,000
	Union of Palestinian Women Committee	Woman and Child Centre /Emergency	41,778	24,500
	The Beit Ummar Charitable Society	Roof for the Northern Playground /Emergency	12,000	10,327
Union of Charitable Societies – Hebron	Development of KGs in the District /Emergency	42,764	8,500	
<b>Jerusalem</b>	The Palestinian Centre for Microprojects Development	Rehabilitation and Developing KGs in Shu'fat camp /Emergency	100,000	20,000
<b>Gaza</b>	Union of Health Work Committee.	Establishment of Kanafani KG in Jabalia.	50,000	49,500
	Association of Women Committees for Social Work	Construction & Development of Al-Mansour Kindergarten (Heikr al – Gamaa) /Emergency	72,220	49,574



Region	Beneficiary	Project title	Approved funding	Total disbursed in 2003
	El-Amal Society for Child Care	Development of KGs in damaged areas in Khan Younis /Emergency	98,885	67,255
	Islamic Association/Gaza Districts	Development of the KGs and Providing them with Educational Tools /Emergency	84,133	67,303
<b>Lebanon</b>	Al Khe'isa Social Association.	Supporting Zahra' El Mada'en KG.	5,000	2,450
	National Association for social medical care & vocational training.	Supporting KG in Burj Al Barajneh & Shatila Camps.	15,000	6,000
	El-Najdeh Association.	Supporting Ein El Heiweh Camp K.G.	25,000	10,000
	KG Resources & Training Center.	Intensive training course for KGs.	8,000	2,920
	Association for Development of Palestinian Camps.	Renovating KG in Mar Elias Camp.	20,000	19,800
	Ghassan Kanafani Cultural Center.	Supporting a handicapped children center.	30,000	12,000
	National Association for Social Care & Vocational Training	Support Services & activities of Burj el-Shameil Camp	30,000	12,000

#### Basic Education – Schools

Region	Beneficiary	Project title	Approved funding	Total disbursed in 2003
<b>West Bank</b>	Nabius Municipality	Establishment of El-Saahiyeh School.	1,000,000	150,000
	Nabius Municipality	Establishment of Abdel Raheem Jardaneh School.	500,000	178,444
	Nabius Municipality	Establishment of Burhan Kama' School.	400,000	327,273
	Nabius Municipality	Establishment of Naim Abde' Hadi School.	400,000	250,000
	Azzakat Committee/ Tukarem	Building a surrounding wall for the Isra' Girls School. /Emergency	29,510	23,610

## Higher Education

Region	Beneficiary	Project title	Approved funding	Total disbursed in 2003
West Bank	Arab American University/Jenin	Student Revolving Loan Program	350,250	260,000
	Al-Najah University / Nablus.	Student Revolving Loan Program	3,496,708	1,748,354
	Hebron University	Student Revolving Loan Program	9,998,561	668,061
	Bir Zeit University	Student Revolving Loan Program	2,172,872	1,418,122
	Al-Quds University	Student Revolving Loan Program	1,997,122	1,330,122
	Bethlehem University	Student Revolving Loan Program	343,094	341,410
	Arab American University/Jenin	Student Revolving Loan Program	158,930	158,930
	Polytechnic Hebron	Student Revolving Loan Program	1,188,665	1,167,963
	Palestine Technical College / Khadoury	Student Revolving Loan Program	85,198	51,030
	Al-Najah Community College	Student Revolving Loan Program	40,476	31,989
	Hebron Nursing College	Student Revolving Loan Program	20,482	15,393
	Andalib El Amad College for Midwifery & Nursing	Student Revolving Loan Program	4,578	4,578
	Ibn Sina College of Nursing	Student Revolving Loan Program	12,635	7,250
	Al-Rawda Technical Community College	Student Revolving Loan Program	44,377	30,353
	Modern Community College	Student Revolving Loan Program	22,059	11,483
	Hisham Hijawi College of Science & Technology	Student Revolving Loan Program	17,969	13,755
	Palestine Technical Colleges-Ramallah.	Student Revolving Loan Program	6,802	6,802
	Palestine Technical Colleges- Al - Arroub.	Student Revolving Loan Program	7,620	4,250
	Bir Zeit University	Building of Women Studies Institute.	500,000	50,000
	Bir Zeit University	Computer training for disabled youth	50,000	20,500
Foundation of Al-Quds/ medical school.	Support for medical school	20,000	20,000	
Arab American University	Student Revolving Loan Program	50,000	500	
Al-Quds University	Supporting operational costs.	10,000	25,000	

Region	Beneficiary	Project title	Approved funding	Total disbursed in 2003
	Hebron University	Rehabilitation for the University /Emergency	60,000	12,000
	Khadoury Friends Charitable Society	Rehabilitation and renovation of Buildings Damaged by the Shelling /Emergency	60,000	41,174
Jerusalem	Makasaed Nursing College.	Student Revolving Loan Program	7,095	6,035
Gaza	A-Aqsa University	Student Revolving Loan Program	677,435	676,667
	A-Azhar University	Student Revolving Loan Program	1,657,564	1,624,718
	College of Sciences & Technology/Khan Younis	Student Revolving Loan Program	59,313	32,132
	Palestine college of Nursing/ Khan Younis.	Student Revolving Loan Program	23,770	13,644
	Community College of Applied Science & Technology	Student Revolving Loan Program	31,966	19,866
	Community College of Applied Science & Technology	Student Revolving Loan Program	40,290	40,290
	Palestine Technical Colleges / Deir el-Balah	Student Revolving Loan Program	7,183	7,183
	Faculty of Intermediate Studies	Student Revolving Loan Program	43,801	43,801
	Arab Community College/Rafah	Student Revolving Loan Program	6,968	3,782
WB/Gaza	A-Quds Open University	Student Revolving Loan Program	475,806	333,106
	Palestine University Students	Financial assistance to needy students	32,518	32,518
Lebanon	Palestinian Student Fund	Revolving fund for educational loans	35,000	350
	Palestinian Student Fund	University Education loans program	70,000	28,000

#### Non-Formal Education

Region	Beneficiary	Project title	Approved funding	Total disbursed in 2003
West Bank	The Palestinian Federation	Developing The Mother's School program	64,570	52,700
	Belt Liqya Cultural Centre	Rehabilitation of Belt Liqya Cultural centre /Emergency	19,123	11,400
	The Solidarity and Cooperation Charitable Society	The Construction of aRehabilitation and Capacity Building Centre /Emergency	100,000	60,000

Region	Beneficiary	Project title	Approved funding	Total disbursed in 2003
	Al-Rihyeh Social Charitable Society	Construction of a Training Centre for Teachers and Mothers /Emergency	50,535	10,000
	Palestinian National Theatre (Nuzha / Ahakawati)	Supporting and Capacity Building of the Palestinian National Theatre /Emergency	80,000	23,500
<b>Jerusalem</b>	Women's Center - Community Development Centre	Expanding the Community Development Centre in Shu'fat Camp with new / adjacent floors for multiple purposes /Emergency	100,000	29,410
<b>Gaza</b>	El Arna Rehabilitation Society	Child Educational Enhancement Center	202,955	83,000
	Red Crescent Society for Gaza Strip	Expanding and Developing Program of Adults Education and Literacy	77,387	38,600
	Maghazi Community Rehabilitation Society-Community Development Foundation	Enhancing Non-Formal Education and Community Awareness in the central Gaza Strip area.	68,942	56,300
	Yabus Charitable Society	Talented Child Centre /Emergency	55,902	33,400
	Culture and Free Thought Society	Completion of the Building for a Women's Credit Program /Emergency	50,000	30,000
<b>WB/Gaza</b>	The Palestinian Center for Micro projects Development (PCMD)	Partnership Grant for Formal & Non-Formal Education	996,300	453,663

#### Information Technology for Youth

Region	Beneficiary	Project title	Approved funding	Total disbursed in 2003
<b>WB/Gaza</b>	Dar al-Fatah el-Laj'a School	Establishment of a computer center	30,000	9,000
	WA/Future Kids Center	Development of educational C.Ds	18,000	10,700
	Nabus Municipality	Establishment of a computer center	60,000	30,000
	WA/Ramallah Intel Clubhouse	Establishing Intel computer clubhouse	315,000	160,641
	Social Communications Center/Ajyal	Establishing a computer training center	5,000	2,600
	Village Local Councils & Schools/ Jenin and Nabus	Establishing IT Labs and Regional IT Center in 11 villages (IT4Youth)	4,200,000	492,389
	Al-Quds University	Development of a computer center	315,000	89,080
	Red Crescent Society	Support for Training disabled children in IT.	50,000	45,500

## Culture & Identity

Region	Beneficiary	Project title	Approved funding	Total disbursed in 2003
West Bank	Bir Zeit University	Support for cultural activities	2,000	2,000
	Jenin Center for Strategic Studies	Encyclopedia of Popular Proverbs.	3,000	3,000
	Palestinian Remembrance Museum	Palestinian Remembrance Museum Program	251,000	19,000
	Palestinian Housing Council	Rehabilitation of Housing for the Poor	240,000	43,600
	The Society for the Protection of the Old City of Nablus	Renovation and revitalization of Old Buildings in the Old City /Emergency	100,000	20,000
Jerusalem	Dar el-Tefe' el-Arabi	Development of the Heritage Museum	720,000	442,992
	Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics	Statistical data base on Jerusalem	100,000	50,500
	Al-Awqaf al-Islamiyyeh/ Old City	Restoration & rehabilitation of Dar el- Aytam al-Islamiyyeh	3,000,000	658,462
	Welfare Association/ Old City	Restoration of al- Hawwash House	150,000	49,016
	Al-Awqaf al-Islamiyyeh/ Old City	Restoration of al-Madrassa al-Manjikyyeh.	300,000	213,802
	Al-Awqaf al-Islamiyyeh/ Old City	Restoration & adaptive reuse of al-Aqsa Center for Restoration of manuscripts (al-Madrassa al-Ashrafiyya).	750,000	105,181
	Al-Quds University/ Old City	Restoration of Community Services Center	115,000	80,607
	Al-Awqaf al-Islamiyyeh/ Old City	Restoration of al-Madrassa al-Jawhariyyeh.	300,000	22,580
	Al-Budeiri Waqf/ Old City	Development of al-Budeiriyya Library.	25,000	18,092
	Al-Awqaf al-Islamiyyeh/ Old City	Restoration of the Islamic Museum.	235,000	101,000
	Local architects / Old City	Training program in renovation of stone facades.	120,000	60,000
	Palestinian African Community / Old City	Community awareness for preservation of historic sites.	130,000	91,896
Gaza	The Society of Preservation and Development of the Palestinian Home	Construction of a New Building for the Society /Emergency	30,000	24,000

Region	Beneficiary	Project title	Approved funding	Total disbursed in 2003
	The Mercy Association	Rehabilitation of Houses for the poor & marginalized children /Emergency	99,580	59,800
	Palestinian Housing Council	Rehabilitation of houses for the poor /Emergency	98,807	59,200
Palestinians within the Green Line	Acre Reparation Association	House Reparation Project	32,250	750
	League of Arabs of Jaffa.	House Reparation project	32,250	750
	Acre Reparation Association	House Reparation project	30,000	300
	League of Arabs of Jaffa.	House Reparation	30,000	600
	Arab Cultural Society	Supporting operational costs.	35,000	350
	Acre Reparation Association	House Reparation project	20,000	10,200
	League of Arabs of Jaffa.	House Reparation project	20,000	10,000
	Social Development Society / Halfa	House Reparation project	20,000	10,000
	Ai-Zakerah Association /Amabeh	Construction of memorial	15,000	10,000
	Nazareth Municipality	Construction of memorial	40,000	20,000
	Arab Cultural Society	Supporting Cultural programs	5,000	5,000
	Rural Heritage Society	Establishment of Handicraft Center.	20,000	2000
Lebanon	Institute of Palestine Studies	Publication of a book on Palestinian stamps.	5,000	5,000

Rehabilitation				
Region	Beneficiary	Project title	Approved funding	Total disbursed in 2003
West Bank	Union of Medical Relief Committees – Hebron.	Development of Hebron Loan Center for Medical Equipment.	21,750	15,000
	Patients Friends Society / Tulikarem.	Development of rehabilitation center.	40,000	16,000
	Patients Friends Society / Ramallah.	Development of rehabilitation center.	50,000	500
	Palestinian Housing Council	Adapting houses & public facilities for the disabled.	93,000	37,200

## Rehabilitation

Region	Beneficiary	Project title	Approved funding	Total disbursed in 2003
West Bank	Union of Medical Relief Committees – Hebron.	Establishment of Hebron loan center for medical equipment.	55,000	4,950
	Al Murabitat Charitable Society – Qaqilia.	Developing School & Center for the deaf.	30,000	2,700
	Union of Health Care Committees/Nabius	Development of a -Arnai Center for rehabilitation.	20,000	8,200
	Bethlehem Arab Society for Rehabilitation.	Supporting rehabilitation services.	50,000	25,000
	Patients' Friends Society / Ramallah.	Supporting Rehabilitation of disabled children.	50,000	12,500
	Patients' Friends Society / Ramallah.	Support for rehabilitation services at Abu Rayya.	2,000,000	105,000
	Bethlehem Arab Society for Rehabilitation.	Establishment of head injury unit.	1,000,000	324,525
	Young Men's Christian Association	Development of the YMCA Rehabilitation center.	40,000	4,000
	Birzeit University	Computer Training for the Disabled.	25,000	250
	Patients' Friends Society/Jenin.	Development of rehabilitation center & provision of services to the injured.	5,000	5,000
	Patients' Friends Society / Ramallah.	Development of rehabilitation center & provision of services to the injured.	50,000	25,000
	Al Arnai Association for the Deaf/ Tuikarem	Construction of a Specialized Center for the Deaf	243,906	44,300
	The Local Committee for Rehabilitation of the Disabled	Developing Services for Poor Children with Cerebral Palsy	130,000	53,200
	The National Society for the Visually Handicapped/ Beit Ja'a	Empowering the Blind and Visually Impaired	118,604	48,519

Region	Beneficiary	Project title	Approved funding	Total disbursed in 2003
	Patients' Friends Society- Abu Rayya Rehabilitation Center/ Ramaiah	Establishing a Complementary and Holistic Rehabilitation Unit for the Physically Disabled	297,000	54,000
	The Local Committee for Rehabilitation/ ai-Fawwar Camp Hebron	Construction of a Center to develop rehabilitation programs /Emergency	72,430	42,600
	The National Committee for Rehabilitation/ai-Ram	Manufacturing Wheelchairs for the Handicapped /Emergency	48,250	38,089
	Palestinian Red Crescent Society/ Jericho	Building Centre for Rehabilitation /Emergency	95,000	57,000
	The National Committee for Rehabilitation/ Fawwar/Hebron	Enlargement of the Building to Absorb the National Rehabilitation Program /Emergency	52,000	41,268
Jerusalem	The Jerusalem Princess Basma Center for Disabled Children	Development of rehabilitation services.	30,000	14,700
	The Four Homes of Mercy	Improving the Quality of Services for Profoundly Disabled Women:	190,500	76,970
	The Jerusalem Princess Basma Center for Disabled Children	Accessibility to Inclusive Education	276,540	50,280
Gaza	National Society for Rehabilitation/ Rafah.	Development of rehabilitation center.	63,000	5,760
	National Society for Rehabilitation/Rafah.	Support for Community Based Rehabilitation	49,200	24,800
	Al-Wafa Rehabilitation Hospital.	Support for medical rehabilitation & outreach program.	50,550	25,000
	Al-Wafa Rehabilitation hospital.	Expansion of Hospital Buildings.	2,000,000	400,000
	Coordination committee of the community rehabilitation center.	House Adaptation for the Disabled.	110,000	9,900
	Al-Wafa Rehabilitation hospital.	Support for medical rehabilitation & outreach program.	50,000	24,500
	Atfana Society for Deaf Children	Family Centered Early Intervention Program for Deaf Children	146,175	92,875
	Society of Friends for the Rehabilitation Center for the Visually Impaired (RCVI)	Expanding Education and Employment Opportunities for Visually Impaired Children and Youth	137,720	112,000
	The Palestinian Injured Association	Completion of the Construction of the Society's Center /Emergency	60,000	41,200
	Rafah Society for Community Rehabilitation	Construction of a New Center for the Society /Emergency	33,107	26,487



Region	Beneficiary	Project title	Approved funding	Total disbursed in 2003
	Palestinian Housing Council/Gaza	Rehabilitation of Houses for People with Special Needs /Emergency	64,000	51,200
	A/ Ansal Society for Rehabilitation / Rafsh	Completion of the School Building for the Deaf /Emergency	42,138	33,713
	Right to Live Society	Construction of a Management and Service Building /Emergency	80,000	54,931
	The Islamic Association	Construction of el-Khairy Center for Physiotherapy /Emergency	50,000	34,320
	A/-Wafa Medical Rehabilitation Hospital	Establishing a special Playground & a Garden /Emergency	99,970	68,620
Lebanon	Social Association for Rehabilitation of the handicapped.	Supporting two rehabilitation centers.	15,000	6,000
	Social handicapped Association.	Support for operational costs of the Association.	15,000	6,000
	El-Wazir Institution for Rehabilitation.	Supporting maintenance workshops.	5,000	2,000
	Nabeei Badran Center for the Handicapped.	Improved access to education for disabled.	13,140	1,280
	Nabeei Badran Center for the Handicapped.	Support for operational costs of the Center.	15,000	6,000
	Ghassen Kanafani Cultural Federation.	Improved access to education for disabled children.	47,460	5,010

#### Health

Region	Beneficiary	Project title	Approved funding	Total disbursed in 2003
West Bank	Patients' Friends Society Hospital / Hebron.	Supporting provision of services to the injured.	10,000	2,900
	Red Crescent Society/Hebron.	Purchase medicines and necessary equipment.	10,000	2,900
	Red Crescent Society/Arrabah.	Completion of Society's health center.	50,000	12,500
	Ramallah Emergency Committee.	Completion of the second floor of Sheikh Zayed Emergency Hospital.	80,000	40,000
	Patients' Friends Society/ Tulkarem.	Development of Emergency Room.	10,000	5,000
	Belta Zakat Committee.	Supporting construction of a health center.	40,000	36,000
	Women Union hospital	Supporting operational costs of WU hospital in Nablus	50,000	500
	Jaba' Charitable Society/ Jenin	Construction of a Maternity Center/Emergency	50,000	19,620

Region	Beneficiary	Project title	Approved funding	Total disbursed in 2003
	Rihayeh Society for Social Development	Establishment of a Health Clinic /Emergency	50,000	40,000
	Little Hands Charitable Society/ Nablus	Emergency Preparedness for Children /Emergency	64,200	51,410
	Palestinian Red Crescent Society / Tulkerem	Maintenance of Hospital and Emergency Unit /Emergency	50,500	10,000
	Al-Razi Hospital/ Jenin	Supporting Treatment for Poor Patients /Emergency	41,900	8,400
	Abu Shkeidem Charitable Society/ Ramallah	Establishing a medical center /Emergency	23,400	4,700
	Palestinian Medical Relief Society	Job Creation /Emergency	50,000	34,320
<b>Jerusalem</b>	Augusta Victoria Hospital.	Support for establishing of cancer treatment center.	124,000	62,000
<b>Gaza</b>	Nuseirat Islamic Society.	Establishing el-Razi health center.	50,000	5,000
	Union of Health Work Committees.	Development of Emergency Department at Al-'Awdah hospital.	30,000	19,700
	Patients Friends Benevolent Society.	Development of emergency room in PFS hospital.	30,000	14,700
	Ahli Arab Hospital.	Development of the emergency department.	30,000	4,700
	Union of Health Work Committees.	Development of emergency services of Al-Awda Hospital.	40,000	9,500
	Nuseirat Islamic Society.	Electrical & medical works in Al Razi health center.	5,500	4,000
	Union of Health Work Committees	Job Creation-women Health Center /Emergency	70,000	48,028
<b>WB/ Gaza</b>	Ministry of Health	Medical Equipment to public hospitals.	150,000	148,547
	Government & NGO Hospitals & medical centers.	Providing emergency medical equipment.	8,000,000	3,085,000
	Palestinian Medical Relief Societies	Partnership Grants for Primary Health Care	931,460	324,392
<b>Lebanon</b>	Popular Aid for Relief & Development.	Support for maternity center in Sabra / Shatila.	25,000	10,000
	Health Care Society-Beirut.	Support for kidney dialysis department at Al-Hamshari Hospital/ Sidon.	90,000	75,000
	Health Care Society-Beirut.	Support for needy patients with Chronic Diseases.	70,000	700
	Health Care Society-Beirut.	Support for medical treatment for needy Patients.	100,000	98,500

### Family Humanitarian Support & Emergency Employment Generation.

Region	Beneficiary	Project title	Approved funding	Total disbursed in 2003
West Bank	Al-Quds Society for Social Services	Production & Distribution of sweaters for needy children.	10,000	5,000
	Poor families	Humanitarian support for 168 needy families	200,000	31,990
	Kalandia Camp Women's Handcraft Cooperative	Production & distribution of sweaters for Needy Children.	48,000	33,840
	Hawwa Center for Culture & Arts	Establishment of Bakery	25,000	12,750
	Hawwa Center for Culture & Arts	Establishment of Bakery	40,000	36,400
	Agricultural Development Society	Emergency Relief Food Packages.	100,000	5,000
	Nabius Civil Committee	Humanitarian Support for Families	200,000	40,000
	Nabius Civil Committee	Emergency Rehabilitation of houses in Nabius	200,000	100,000
	Early Childhood Resource Centre	Infrastructure Development Early Childhood Institutions "Job Opportunities Creation" /Emergency	50,000	34,320
Gaza	Women's College Graduate Society	Production & Distribution of woolen sweaters.	80,000	30,000
	Gaza Cultural & Development Group	Provision of girl students uniform	10,000	40,000
	Needy families in Rafah	Emergency support the Rafah	300,000	120,000
	El Belt El Samad Society	Emergency sweaters project	7,500	3,750
	Agricultural Engineers Association	Employment of workers and agriculture engineers /Emergency	50,000	45,000
Jerusalem	Several Marginalized Families	Legal empowerment	380,000	51,331
WB/Gaza	Poor families in WB/GS	Humanitarian support for 1000 needy families	1,200,000	200,000
	Poor families in WB/GS	Humanitarian support for 600 needy families	360,000	180,000
	Palestinian Economic Council for Development And Rehabilitation (PECDAR)	Reparation & Rehabilitation of public infrastructure	7,000,000	1,340,000
	Economic Policy Institute (MAS)	Research on Palestinian Trade services	50,000	12,50
	Ministry of Public Works & Housing	Reparation of Damaged Houses.	4,000,000	785,548
	Palestinian Student Fund	Emergency support for needy Palestinian students	100,000	16,600

### Agricultural Relief & Development

Region	Beneficiary	Project title	Approved funding	Total disbursed in 2003
West Bank	Agricultural Development Society	Constructing support walls	10,000	100
	Agricultural Development Society	Planting fruit trees in Wadi Rahhal	10,000	100
	Agricultural Development Society	Planting wild almond seeds	9,000	900
	Agricultural Development Society	Tree plantation in threatened areas	7,200	5000
	Agricultural Development Society	Planting trees in Huwara	32,000	320
	Union of Agricultural Works Committee	Planting trees in Ya'bad	29,000	290
	Jenin agricultural marketing cooperation	Establishment of rainfall collection wells	40,000	400
	Agricultural Marketing Cooperative in Jenin District	Rehabilitation and Development of Agricultural Lands	150,000	95,068
	Kufr al-Deek Agricultural Cooperative Society	Rehabilitation of Agricultural Land /Emergency	17,921	16,161
	Tammoun Cooperative Women's Society	Beekeeping /Emergency	9,000	2,650
	Agricultural Cooperation Union-Al-Ouja	Rehabilitation and development of the Al-Ouja canal /Emergency	43,000	34,400
	Al-Simia Cooperative Agricultural Society	Construction of Water Collection Wells /Emergency	50,000	4,920
	A'qaba Charitable Society/Jenin	Digging and Equipping 30 Water Wells /Emergency	40,000	32,000
	Beit Kahel Charitable Society/Habron	Digging Rain Water Catchments Wells /Emergency	37,200	29,760
Palestinians within the Green Line	Al-Ahali Society for Agricultural Development	Planting olive trees in several areas	50,000	49,500
	Al-Ahali Society for Agricultural Development	Replanting trees in destroyed land	50,000	25,000
Gaza	Al-Tawfeeq Cooperative for Fishermen	Producing and Fixing Fishing Nets /Emergency	70,000	56,000
	Al-Mawassi Development Society	Repairing Damage to Agricultural Lands and Improving Farmers' Livelihood /Emergency	50,000	22,500

Region	Beneficiary	Project title	Approved funding	Total disbursed In 2003
	Union of Agricultural Work Committees	Job Creation in the Agricultural Field /Emergency	87,780	39,510
	Agricultural Engineers Association	Maintaining Citrus Trees /Emergency	20,000	18,000
	Arab Centre for Agriculture Development	Replanting 120 Dunums in Beit Hanoun /Emergency	97,720	19,500
	Union of Agricultural Work Committees	Reclamation & Replanting of damaged Agricultural Areas /Emergency	99,845	59,900
<b>WB/ Gaza</b>	Paestnian Agricultural Relief Committees	Partnership Grants in Animal Production Development	1,054,448	272,832
	Paestnian Hydrology Group (PHG)	Partnership Grants in Water resources, rural development and Gender	1,040,000	217,025

#### Community Development – Institution Capacity Building

Region	Beneficiary	Project title	Approved funding	Total disbursed In 2003
<b>West Bank</b>	Beit Ja'a Senior Citizens Society	Renovation of Home for the elderly	30,000	3,000
	Deir Izzee' Village Council	Establishment of multi-activity compound	40,000	400
	Tourism Promotion Society	Completion of youth activities building	40,000	36,000
	Deir Jreer Women Society	Renovation of activities building	36,400	36,400
	Emergency Employment Generation Program	Co-funding community development projects	100,000	80,100
	Hebron Municipality	Establishing a children's cultural center	35,000	6,000
	Safest Municipality	Establishing Public Park	30,000	3,000
	Culture Social Charitable Society / Nablus	Completion of Dar el- Mahabba Home for the Elderly	40,000	4,000
	Qalandia Camp Women Handicraft Cooperative	Completion of multi-activity hall	40,000	4,000
	Society of In'ash El Uza	Completion of Girls' Residence Project	229,928	94,050
	Beit Doqqa Community Development	Development Needle work and Embroidery /Emergency	30,000	11,772
	Senior Citizens Society	Rehabilitation of old premises and establishing a food processing unit /Emergency	52,821	5,185
	Qarlout Charitable Society	Finishing Works for the Society's Building /Emergency	8,000	793
Al-Yamoon Charitable Society	Continuation of the Society's Building /Emergency	77,000	52,840	

Region	Beneficiary	Project title	Approved funding	Total disbursed in 2003
	The Arab Orthodox Benevolent Society	Renovation of Children Educational and Recreational Centre /Emergency	28,000	2,761
	Hebron Women Charitable Society	Developing the Kindergarten /Emergency	23,200	15,925
	Ithra Youth Club	Construction of a Child Center and Nursery /Emergency	75,251	51,010
	Al-Burj Youth Club	Construction of a Child Center and Nursery /Emergency	43,500	16,675
	YMCA – Beit Sahour	Preparation of the YMCA's Forest to be Used for Youth /Emergency	63,000	12,600
	Palestinian NGO Network	Capacity Building	103,750	46,560
	Palestinian NGO Network	Financial and Administrative Review	61,200	5000
	Palestinian National Institution for NGOs	Capacity building	94,150	33,500
	The Palestinian General Union of Charitable Societies	Capacity building	102,250	36,169
	Commission of NGO Affairs	Capacity building	75,290	20,400
Jerusalem	Arab Graduates Club/Jerusalem	Renovating club	50,000	25,000
	Jerusalem Clubs Association	Renovation of Headquarters & provision of equipment	30,000	2,700
	Palestine Center for Micro Projects Development.	Completion of public gardens at Burj el- Laqiaq	50,000	25,000
	Al-Aqsa Mosque Islamic Charitable Society / Old City	Renovation & Development of Society	90,000	3,000
	Arab Orphans' House	Supporting Operational Costs	50,000	500
	Qalancia Camp Women's Handicraft cooperative	Empowering Extremely Marginalized Women Through Provision of Vocational Training	107,209	67,546
Gaza	Al-Maghazi Society for Social Development	Building a multi purpose hall	60,000	54,600
	Al-Tuffah Neighborhood Council	Renovation of Society's Center	25,000	12,500
	El-Shujaiyah Neighborhood Development Committee	Development of 3 playgrounds	25,000	6,250
	Deir el- Baiah Services Center	Improvement of football Stadium.	47,000	47,000
	Peace Center for Community Training & Research	Establishing cultural center in Khan Yunis	50,000	5,000
	Society for Social and Cultural Development	Development of children centers in Deir el-Baiah	60,000	24,600
	Red Crescent Society	Developing a club for disabled children	50,000	45,000
	Al-Bait al-Samed Society	Developing Sewing, Embroidery and Knitting Skills	150,000	93,000

Region	Beneficiary	Project title	Approved funding	Total disbursed in 2003
	Community Training & Crisis Management	Training Social Workers to Support Families During Difficulties /Emergency	68,146	13,600
	Palestinian Rural Heritage Society	Training for the Preservation of Rural Heritage for Youth /Emergenc	40,000	8,000
	Shaza Association for Art & Culture	Developing the Association's Children's Zoo /Emergency	40,000	8,000
	Al-Bait al-Samed Society	Constructing the Organization's Center /Emergency	100,000	68,639
Lebanon	Joint Christian Committee for Social Services.	Developing & Equipping Agricultural Training Center.	15,000	6,000
	Association for the Development of Palestinian Camps.	Supporting the Association's capacity building	6,000	3,000
	Palestinian Cultural & Social Society	Supporting operational costs for the Society	6,000	3,000
	Norwegian Peoples Aid	Co-funding of development projects	30,000	30,000
	National Association for Social Medical Care & Vocational Training.	Co-funding of development projects	53,000	53,000
	Brotherhood Institution for Educational and Social Care	Supporting the Institution's tutoring program	5,000	2,450
	WA-Lebanon Committee	Completing the establishment of 5 libraries	111,000	15,000



<b>Youth</b>				
<b>Region</b>	<b>Beneficiary</b>	<b>Project title</b>	<b>Approved funding</b>	<b>Total disbursed in 2003</b>
<b>West Bank</b>	Shukba Club	Developing a Services Center /Emergency	60,000	40,935
	Shebteen Youth Charitable Society	Construction of Society Centre /Emergency	55,000	17,258
	Rameen Sports Club	Construction of Club Activity Center /Emergency	60,000	41,174
<b>Jerusalem</b>	Arab Studies Society - Youth Development Department & ANERA	Partnership Grants in Youth Club Support	408,250	117,624
	Arab Orthodox Union Club	Upgrading Facilities at Club Activity Center /Emergency	25,000	9,810
	Youth Development Department-Jerusalem	Development of Children's and Youth Clubs in Jerusalem /Emergency	96,205	76,965
	Al-'issawiyeh Charitable Society	Establishment of a Sports Playground /Emergency	97,875	77,444
<b>WB/Gaza</b>	MA'AN/BISAN	Partnership grants for Supporting Youth Clubs in Jerusalem and North Gaza	1,038,975	472,018