

STRENGTHENING LOCAL CAPACITIES FOR SOCIAL STABILITY IN TRIPOLI AND BEKAA





Duration: 2022 Budget: 801,254 EUR Geographical area: Tripoli and Bekaa RDPP thematic area: Protection Implementing partner: Basmeh and Zeitooneh (B&Z) and House of Peace (HOPe)

Direct Beneficiaries:

- 120 youth
- 200 children
- 150 parents
- 4 youth groups
- 4 youth and women committees
- 15 CSOs in the targeted areas

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The project will work to reduce social tensions between host communities and Syrian refugees in Bekaa and North Lebanon through five objectives:

I. Strengthened capacities of (child protection, education and livelihoods) organisations to work on social stability

CSOs in the Bekaa and North will be selected to participate in the project and will receive trainings on Conflict Sensitivity from HOPe. The CSOs will design, implement and evaluate community initiatives with support from International Alert (Alert). These CSOs will selected for their access and networks within their communities.

II. Strengthened capacities of local community mechanisms (youth and women's groups) in Bekaa and Tripoli to engage in dialogue and lead community initiatives and youth trainings

Two youth dialogue groups in Tripoli and Bekaa will be established and trained to roll out online training in addition to two existing youth groups on emotional competencies, 21st century skills and conflict resolution, which will be then delivered to an estimated 120 youth. Also, 4 existing youth and women community committees will be supported with tailored peace education and social peace workshops, followed by a dialogue workshop and support to write concept notes for community initiatives.

III. Communities engaged in initiatives to reduce tensions and improve social cohesion

Initiatives will be implemented by the youth dialogue groups' and the community committees in Tripoli and Bekaa, with Alert and partners providing follow-up, technical support and evaluation support throughout the process.

IV. Social cohesion strengthened and peaceful mechanisms to deal with inter and intracommunal conflict instilled in and among children and parents from different backgrounds around B&Z community centres in Bar Elias and Tripoli

B&Z will provide peace education sessions to 200 children from different nationalities in Tripoli and Bekaa. The sessions will be followed by small initiatives that will be open for their parents, friends and community to participate in. Two of these sessions will engage 150 parents with their children. Parents will also be targeted separately in group psychosocial support (PSS) sessions.

V. Documentation, storytelling and evidence – to include youth groups and some of the NGOs

Alert and partners will collect stories of impact and share them through social media; practical lessons for replication and scaling impact will be compiled in a brief and shared with partners. Additionally, Alert will produce an evidence and learning paper based on reporting reflections on the implementation of community initiatives by groups and organisations and on a reflection workshop, which will be presented externally.



