

**occupied Palestinian territory 2018 (part of 2018-2020 HRP)**

<b>Appealing Agency</b>	<b>HEALTH WORK COMMITTEES (HWC)</b>
<b>Project Title</b>	Connecting children and adolescents with health services in East Jerusalem.
<b>Project Code</b>	OPT-18/H/114385
<b>Sector/Cluster</b>	Health and Nutrition Cluster
<b>Refugee project</b>	No
<b>Objectives</b>	<p>To sustain and enforce the ongoing School Health Program implemented in East Jerusalem schools through providing vaccination, checkup, and screening, provision of emergency first aid and curative services.</p> <p>To enhance the students, parents and teachers' knowledge, skills and positive attitudes towards healthy practices, violence and risky behaviors.</p> <p>Specific objective:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. To increase the accessibility of children and adolescents to preventive, diagnostic, therapeutic and health services through school health program services.</li> <li>2. To enhance the children and adolescent's psychosocial health.</li> <li>3. To enhance children, parents, teachers, and adolescents' knowledge, skills and positive attitudes about healthy practices and risky behaviors.</li> </ol>
<b>Beneficiaries</b>	<p>Total: 18,092</p> <p>Female: 11,460</p> <p>Male: 6,632</p> <p>Children (under 18): 18,092</p>
<b>Implementing Partners</b>	N/A
<b>Project Duration</b>	Jan 2018 - Dec 2018
<b>Current Funds Requested</b>	<b>\$152,150</b>
<b>Location</b>	Projects covering just West Bank
<b>Priority / Category</b>	NOT SPECIFIED
<b>Gender Marker Code</b>	2a - The project is designed to contribute significantly to gender equality
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<b>Cash transfer programming</b>	<p>Is any part of this project cash transfer programming (including vouchers)? <span style="float: right;">No</span></p> <p>Conditionality:</p> <p>Restrictions:</p> <p>Estimated percentage of project requirements to be used for cash/vouchers: <span style="float: right;">0</span></p>

**Needs**

The multiplicity of educational authority in East Jerusalem hinders the educational system and makes it difficult to create a unified educational plan. There are 242 schools in East Jerusalem, 44(19%) are under the supervision of the Israeli Municipality (inside the Wall J1), the rest (198 schools) are under the supervision of the Palestinian Authority (Al WAQF), the UNRWA and the private sector, forming 81% of the total schools in J1+J2 (outside the wall). Schools in East Jerusalem suffer from a clear discrimination in infrastructure, educational and health services and budgets. Palestinian schools receive only 11% of the education budget. There is a severe shortage of classrooms, infrastructure, and most schools lack a healthy environment, laboratories, libraries, and playgrounds. Most schools operate in rented buildings not designed for school use with unhealthy learning environment especially schools located in the old city, where the majority of the schools are in bad shape, despite this fact, the students' attendance is high where the families are suffering and dedicated to keep their presence within the walls, to maintain the population within the old city. These schools suffer a classroom overcrowding ranging between 0.5-0.9 square meters per student compared with the global ratio ranges from (1.25 - 1.50) square meters per student. Access restriction threatened the students safety, as they face difficulties in reaching schools, in addition to the violence and fear they are exposed to through the checkpoints and the violence from the settlers causing a state of stress and depression that leads to students' drop out and delay in academic achievement. The result is that 36% of children in East Jerusalem fail to complete a full 12 years of school which in turn leads to the increase in underage employment, especially in the settlements, where children are subjected to physical, economical and sexual abuse, the exposure to drugs and addiction, and the spread of illiteracy among the Palestinian community. Access obstacles also are hindering the teachers' access to schools, for many of them live outside Jerusalem, also plays a role in threatening the existence and continuity of schools. This in turn forces many of the teachers to go and work for the Municipality schools where they also get higher salaries. Restrictions on the right of access to basic education, and the deteriorating economic situation resulted in many social and behavioral problems such as the spread of drug abuse and alcohol consumption, early marriage, lack of security and stress, which is reflected on the individuals and their families in the form of violence that is directed towards women in particular and the Palestinian people as a whole. Social and behavioral problems including drug abuse, alcohol drinking and smoking are very much abundant among Jerusalem youth and at increasing pace. Schools are an entry point to discuss and educate the population in healthy life styles, risky behaviors and violence in all its forms. The Palestinian Authority has limited control over its schools in Jerusalem, making it a necessity for the Health Work Committees (HWC) to continue providing health services to schools in order to empower the educational process and fill the gap and needs of Palestinian schools in Jerusalem. Accordingly, the HWC coordinates with the Palestinian Ministry of Education to facilitate its entry to schools and the Ministry of Health provides the vaccines for HWC to implement the National Vaccination Program. HWC school health services provided in 66 schools in J1 and J2 areas, it includes services for students' physical screening, hearing, speech and vision that's been undertaken by a number of skilled staff. HWC worked on providing school community (students, teachers, parents) health education, emergency preparedness, raising awareness among students and their parents about healthy lifestyles, violence, and adolescence risky behaviors.

### **Activities or outputs**

1. screening and early detection of diseases for students are provided in 32 schools in East Jerusalem:
  - provide medical examination and screening services for students of 1st grade in 32 schools.
  - conduct vision tests for 1st, 5th and 8th grade students in 32 schools.
  - providing dental checkup for 1st, 4th, 7th, and 10th grade students in 35 schools.
2. The Palestinian Unified National Vaccination Program is implemented in 47 schools
  - provide students with vaccinations according to the national program
3. Students, teachers and parents increased their skills and information about healthy behaviours, nutrition, smoking, drugs and violence.
  - Organize 300 health lectures for students in 60 schools.
  - Organize 6 open days for school students.
  - Organize 2 campaigns for school students about healthy and risky behaviors.
  - Organize 15 health awareness lectures for parents.
  - Organize training on first aid for school teachers and form emergency preparedness team in 20 schools.
  - Organize training on psycho social support for school teachers.
  - Develop and distribute 4000 brochures.
  - Distribute 20 first aid kits for 20 schools.

### **Indicators and targets**

- 1.1. 1,091 students (504 males, 587 females) received medical examination and screening services.
- 1.2. 2,848 students (1,059 males, 1,789 females) received vision tests.
- 1.3. 4,502 students (2,011 males, 2,491 females) received dental checkup.
- 2.1. 2,359 students (898 males, 1613 females) received vaccinations.
- 3.1. 300 health lectures for 6,000 students (1,800 males, 4,200 females).
- 4.1. 6 open days benefited 600 students (180 males, 420 females) and 25 parents.
- 5.1. 2 campaigns benefited 200 students (140 females, 60 males).
- 6.1. 15 awareness lectures benefited 300 students (210 females, 90 males).
- 7.1. One training on first aid and emergency preparedness benefited 40 school teachers.
- 8.1. One training on psycho-social support benefited 40 school teachers.
- 9.1. Distribution of 4000 brochures.
- 10.1. Distribution of 20 first aid kits.

Indicator	Project target
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<b>Health Work Committees(HWC)</b>	
<b>Original BUDGET items</b>	<b>\$</b>
Operational Medical Staff	85,150
Implementation of the Unified National Vaccination Program	12,000
Training	21,000
Equipment (First aid, medications, disposables)	15,000
Publication	4,000
Admin Cost	15,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>152,150</b>

<b>Health Work Committees(HWC)</b>	
<b>Current BUDGET items</b>	<b>\$</b>
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