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# WHAT IS MAP DOING TO HELP PALESTINIANS IN GAZA AND THE **WEST BANK?**

MAP's team in Gaza were among the first to respond to the current emergency and remain one of the only international organisations working to provide humanitarian and medical services, including in the north.

Since Israel's military bombardment and complete closure of Gaza began, the health system has all but collapsed. In that time we've delivered over \$9 million USD worth of aid to Gaza.

While our emergency response is mainly focused on Gaza, we are also supporting medical services in the occupied West Bank, amid a significant escalation of Israeli military and settler violence against Palestinians.

### In Gaza we have:

- provided more than \$638,000 USD worth of pre-positioned stocks of drugs, medical disposables, and other humanitarian supplies held in our warehouses, to hospitals and shelters
- sourced more than \$1.9 million USD worth of medicines, supplies and medical equipment from the local
  market, which have been distributed to hospitals, including in northern Gaza. This includes medical
  disposables such as bandages, catheters and surgical gloves; assistive devices for people with disabilities;
  and lab reagents
- procured some \$2.9 million USD worth of humanitarian supplies for Palestinians driven from their homes
  by the Israeli military, including hot meals, blankets, hygiene kits, winter clothes and nutritious food
  packages. This also includes nearly \$350,000 USD worth of shelter supplies, provided with ShelterBox,
  including tents, mattresses and bed sheets
- delivered more than \$4.3 million USD worth of medical items including antibiotics, ultrasound gels, intravenous paracetamol, and saline – as well as food items and humanitarian supplies, through the border crossings into Gaza
- organised seven emergency medical teams (EMTs) with the International Rescue Committee, comprised
  of medical and humanitarian specialists, to treat injuries and infections among Palestinians, and to support
  Palestinian healthcare workers and the capacity of the local health system. So far, our EMTs have worked
  in Al Aqsa Hospital, Nasser Hospital and the European Gaza Hospital, and delivered 1,240 consultations
  and 360 surgeries
- established 12 medical points in central and southern Gaza, in collaboration with our community partners
  and with support from the oPt-Humanitarian Fund, to provide primary health care services, monitor and
  respond to the outbreak of communicable diseases, and provide sexual and reproductive health services
- supported the rehabilitation of Nasser Hospital in Khan Younis, which was forced to shut down following
  an <u>Israeli military siege and attacks</u>, by redeveloping the general surgery and orthopaedic surgery
  departments, the intensive care unit, operating theatres, and hemodialysis and sterilisation services. We
  have also worked to enhance infection prevention and control measures
- launched a nutrition programme to protect 150,000 women, children, and others at risk of malnutrition, through frontline health services, nutrition screening, and prevention over the next two years

#### In the West Bank we have:

- supplied \$223,075 USD worth of trauma and emergency supplies to Palestine Red Crescent Society teams in Tulkarem, Nablus, and Beita
- delivered clinical practice training to 35 first responders in Nablus and its surrounding villages, along with emergency bags
- equipped four urgent care centres in Silwad, Beita, Bedyya, and Ni'lin with \$274,390 USD worth of
  medicines, equipment and medical supplies they need to treat the wounded and to prepare for future
  crises. We have also trained 151 staff on primary trauma care
- provided psychological first aid training to 64 mental health and psychosocial support providers and health workers operating in UNRWA refugee camps – in Tulkarem, Noor Shamas, Balata, and Asker – as well as Palestinian Medical Relief Society mobile clinic teams serving 22 Bedouin communities in the Jordan Valley and Hebron
- pre-positioned emergency supplies in Nablus and Ramallah to be released rapidly in case of further escalation, amid growing movement restrictions on healthcare workers and patients, and critical emerging health needs
- released pre-positioned emergency medical items to the main hospitals in Tulkarem and Jericho, as well an
  urgent care centre in Silwad. This is due to the current escalation in Israeli military and settler violence in
  these areas

### **DONATE TO OUR EMERGENCY APPEAL**

MAP is also calling on the international community to demand an **immediate and permanent ceasefire** in Gaza and take steps to protect civilian life and infrastructure – including healthcare facilities – from attack. We are demanding that the international community uphold its Responsibility to Protect Palestinians from atrocities, and pressure Israel to end its total siege on Gaza, so that food, water, fuel, electricity, and medical and shelter supplies can enter and be safely distributed to those who need them.

In our latest campaign, we are calling on the UK and other governments to **suspends arms transfers to Israel** to prevent their use in further atrocities in Rafah.

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