

Project: WCLAC - Strengthening Resilience in E.J

WCLAC will build on its success and lessons learnt in Phase I to address the lack of social and legal services provided to women in East Jerusalem and contribute to changing attitudes of targeted communities on women's rights. WCLAC will support East Jerusalem women who face domestic violence or violations of their personal status rights with legal and social advice; as well as to gain more understanding how patriarchal values affect their rights in awareness sessions. Awareness sessions also target professionals dealing with women whose rights are being violated, such as lawyers, social and health workers and university students who will become professionals in those fields. Building the capacity of professionals and CBOs staff will contribute to more sustainable impact on institutions and communities as more individuals become engaged in changing their environment. At the same time, WCLAC will document the impact of violations of international humanitarian law particularly on women in East Jerusalem (i.e. home demolitions), drawing on the experiences of women targeted by the different consortium members. The gender specific impact of IHL violations is a little explored field. Documentation will feed into advocacy towards e.g. UN treaty bodies but also the wider public.

Actor: WCLAC Womens Centre for Legal Aid a Counselling

The Womens Centre for Legal Aid and Counselling (WCLAC), founded in 1991, aims to address the causes and consequences of gender-based violence within the Palestinian community as well as the gender-specific effects of the increasing militarisation associated with the Israeli occupation. WCLAC combines research, training and lobby (national and international) with direct service provision to female victims of violence. The organisation co-operates with Palestinian grassroots organisations and official institutions in order to build capacities for providing good quality assistance to victims of gender-based violence. WCLAC also gives assistance itself, but only to the most severe or sensitive cases. In addition, the organisation lobbies for new or amended legislation that does not discriminate against women. In 1998, WCLAC was awarded the prestigious French Republic Award for Human Rights for its work on human rights.

Financial

Total Budget		469,999 EUR	
Past expenditure	Oxfam Novib public funds	2016-06-01	16,149 EUR
Past expenditure	European Union EU: ENPI (former TACIS)	2016-06-01	134,776 EUR
Past expenditure	Oxfam Novib public funds	2017-03-01	64,638 EUR
Past expenditure	European Union EU: ENPI (former TACIS)	2017-11-01	128,728 EUR
Past expenditure	European Union EU: ENPI (former TACIS)	2018-11-01	92,005 EUR
Committed expenditure		2019-03-01	8,943 EUR
Committed expenditure		2019-11-01	24,760 EUR

Achieved Outcome

- 42 men living in poverty and injustice use their enhanced knowledge and skills to ensure an environment that rejects and prevents VAW and protect victims and survivors.
- 1916 women living in poverty and injustice use their enhanced knowledge and skills to ensure an environment that rejects and prevents VAW and protect victims and survivors.
- 3 CSOs increasingly participate in or initiate influencing and advocacy efforts to protect and widen civil society space -DD5


Realised Output

- 43 men directly supported by Oxfam Novib/partners to enhance their capabilities
- 1925 women directly supported by Oxfam Novib/partners to enhance their capabilities
- 3 organisations supported with means (financial, knowledge, skills, networks, training etc.) to strengthen capacity in specific areas -DD6

Related 6

ID	Projects
A-04171-02	WCLAC - Strengthening Resilience in E.J
A-04171-03	PMRS - Strengthening Resilience in E.J
A-04171-07	CO-ON - Strengthening Resilience in E.J
A-04171-08	HO-HQ - Strengthening Resilience in E.J
A-04171-09	PARC - Strengthening Resilience in E.
A-04171-10	PCC - Strengthening Resilience in E.J

Project Information

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