

ANNUAL REPORT 2022



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Walaa M. Ahmed
Founder of BWOCD and Director



DIRECTOR MESSAGE

“2022 taught us that learning is life long -journey, and the challenges are the main tool of it. We discovered that we have the power of change and we are leading the change. We are honored to have passionate youth around us where we motivate each other to stay strong and do not give up.”

WHO ARE WE?

A group of youth who believe that Better World is possible by working together with being committed to values of

TRANSPARENCY

HUMANITY

DIGNITY

JUSTICE

EXCELLENCY

SINCERITY

OBJECTIVES

- 1 To ensure women and girls protection and advocate for their rights.
- 2 To empower women and youth in all perspectives focusing on economic development.
- 3 To build the resilience of people from IDPs, returnees, refugees and needed people in the host community.
- 4 To promote social cohesion and peace building in the target communities.

WHY BWO ESTABLISHED?

- * The humanitarian need in Iraq in particular the need of ISIS conflict survivors
- * The motivation of youth for development and social change
- * The need of women participation in leadership



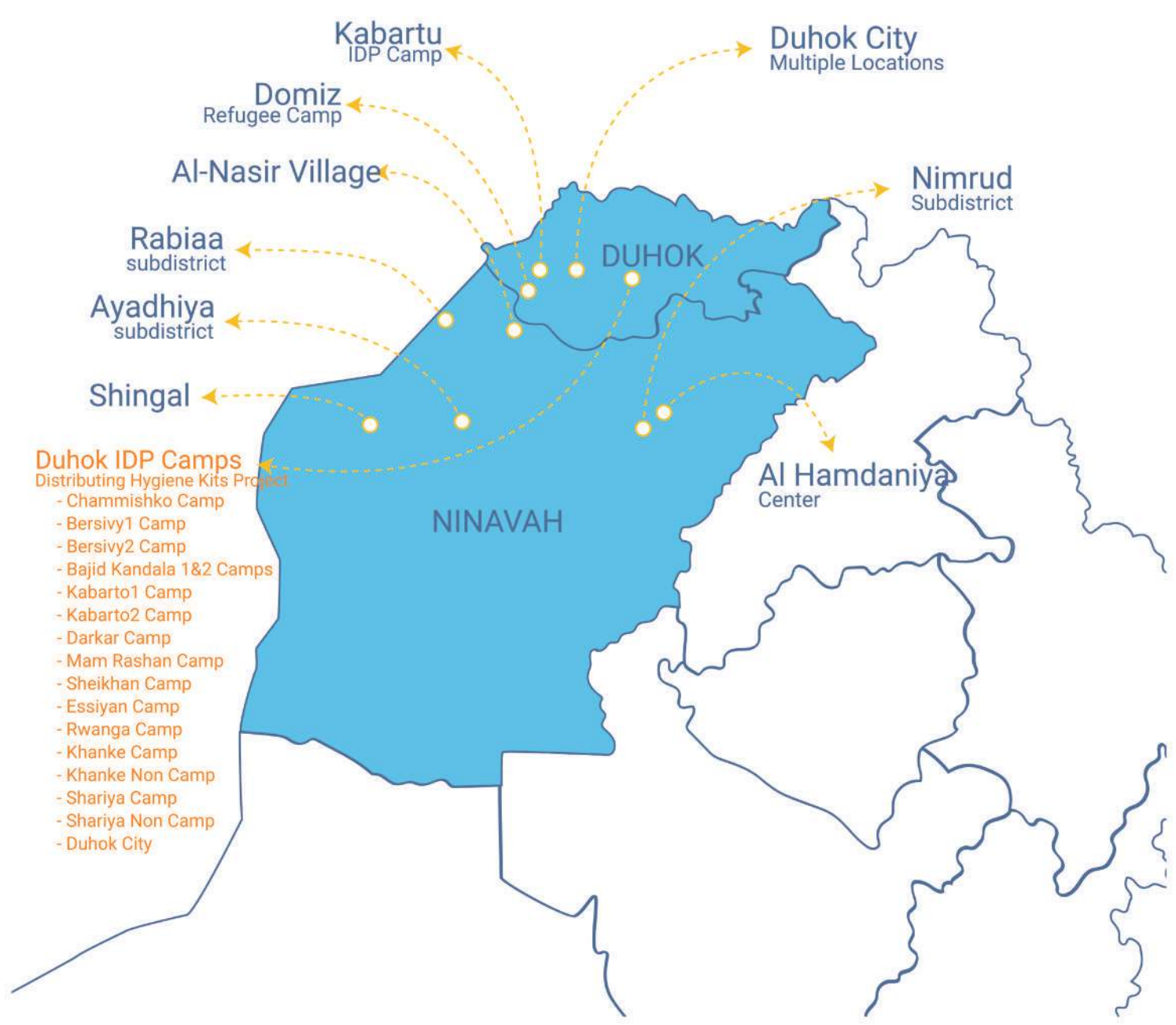
Introduction Better World Organization for Community Development (BWOCD) is a humanitarian, non-governmental organization (NGO), independent and non-profit established on 24th May 2017 in Kurdistan/Iraq under the code (3520-L). The organization registered in Baghdad on 3rd April 2019 under the number (1M1904006). A group of motivated young women founded the organization to work to empower and protect women, youth, and adolescents to improve the psychosocial and economic situation of people, and to advocate for social cohesion and peace in the community.

Mission To ensure women, youth, and adolescents protection in which they have their rights and they are protected from all types of violence and discrimination and they are independent and empowered. To develop the community in which people accept and respect each other regardless to the religious, political, or ethnical differences.

Vision A world where vulnerable and disadvantaged women, youths, adolescents and people with special needs have their rights, protected from all kind of violence and discrimination, empowered and live in peace and happiness.

SCOPE OF OPERATIONS

For 2022 the organization targeted several locations in Duhok and Ninawa Governorates as shown in the map



SCOPE OF OPERATIONS

2022

GBV prevention and response services for women and girl's returnee, IDPs, refugees, and host community living in Telafar, Al-Hamdaniya districts and Mosul city in Ninewa governorate, Duhok city, Sumail district and Shekhan camp in Duhok governorate

Funded by (UNICEF) from July 2021 to March 2024

Improving the Mental Health and Psychosocial Wellbeing of IDPs, Refugees and Returnees using the Minimum Service Package (MSP) as a guide in Duhok and Ninewa governorates.

Funded by (UNICEF) from November 2021 to November 2022

Strengthening the Resilience of the Community in Kabartu 1&2 Camps through the provision of psychosocial support center.

Funded by (IOM) from April 2019 to April 2023

Enhancing Safe Environment in Vulnerable Families from Host-community in Duhok City

Funded by (SOS (Kinderdörfer weltweit)) from September 2021 to June 2024

Provision of Income Generation Opportunities for Vulnerable Families in the Field of Agricultural for Economic Development Ninewa Governorate/Telkaif District

Funded by (Hungarian Interchurch Aid) from July 2021 to May 2023

Strengthening women's rights movements on the women, Peace, and security agenda in three fragile contexts Ninewa Governorate

Funded by (CARE Iraq) from July 2021 to June 2025

Distributing Hygiene Kits for the new arrived families from Sinjar to Duhok IDP camps

Funded by (UNICEF) in June 2022 in Duhok IDP Camps

Protecting Most Vulnerable Children from Harsh Effects of Winter in Ninewa Governorate/Sinjar District

Funded by (UNICEF) in December 2022





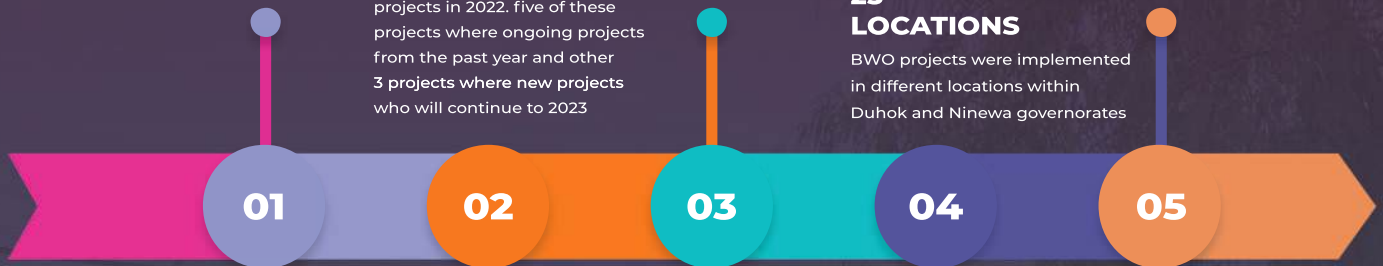
OVERALL STATISTICS

8 PROJECTS

BWO Has implemented eight projects in 2022. five of these projects were ongoing projects from the past year and other 3 projects where new projects who will continue to 2023

25 LOCATIONS

BWO projects were implemented in different locations within Duhok and Ninewa governorates



50 VOLUNTEER

Volunteerism is the core concept of BWO work. Providing space to youth to work voluntarily is creating the sense of belonging and responsibility for them to contribute in the positive change they want to see."

122 EMPLOYEE

Work is not always easy, but our employees make it successful by their dedication and commitment

48,850 BENEFICIARY

In 2022 BWO was able to support beneficiaries from (IDPs, refugees, returnees, and people from host community)



<p>1 NO POVERTY</p>	<p>2 ZERO HUNGER</p>	<p>3 GOOD HEALTH AND WELL-BEING</p>	<p>4 QUALITY EDUCATION</p>	<p>5 GENDER EQUALITY</p>	<p>6 CLEAN WATER AND SANITATION</p>
<p>7 AFFORDABLE AND CLEAN ENERGY</p>	<p>8 DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH</p>	<p>9 INDUSTRY, INNOVATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE</p>	<p>10 REDUCED INEQUALITIES</p>	<p>11 SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES</p>	<p>12 RESPONSIBLE CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION</p>
<p>13 CLIMATE ACTION</p>	<p>14 LIFE BELOW WATER</p>	<p>15 LIFE ON LAND</p>	<p>16 PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS</p>	<p>17 PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS</p>	

The Sustainable Development Goals that BWO Focuses On

SOS
KINDERDÖRFER
WELTWEIT

DONERS

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SOS
KINDERDÖRFER
WELTWEIT

"Enhancing Safe
Environment in Fan
Host Commu
in Duhok City"

IOM
UN MIGRATION

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unicef
for every child

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PROJECT-1

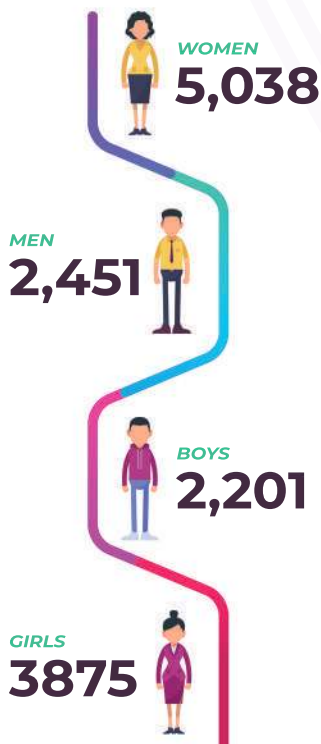
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MAIN OBJECTIVE:

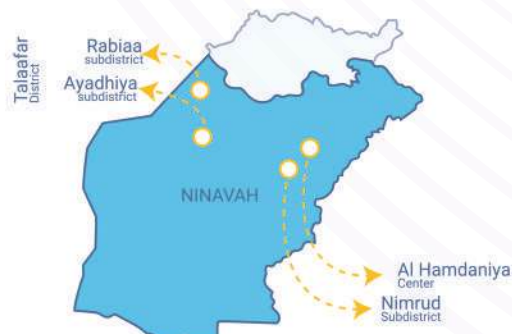
Support access of Returnee, Refugee, and Host community women and girls to GBV services as well as community-Based interventions to address risks to their safety and well-being.

MAIN PROJECT ACTIVITIES:

- PSS Programs
- Case Management
- Community Based Activities
- Vocational Training
- Capacity Building on GBV Core Concept and Referral Mechanism Include.
- Messages on PSEA
- Community Care Discussions
- Awareness on GBV Related Issues



LOCATIONS



Success Story

Location : Al-Ayadhiyah (Ninewe)

SANA is 46 years old from Al-Ayadhiyah, she is a mother of four daughters, she was forced to marry at an early age because of customs, traditions, and misconceptions about the role of women in the society, which is limited to marrying and doing housework. During her marriage, she was subjected to physical violence, economic violence and deprivation of the most basic requirement for decent life.

Sana said “I live in a society that consider a shame to the women that give birth to girls.” She said these words while she was crying, the violence which she was exposed led her to significant health damage, resulting in heart disease. Because Sana gave birth for girls only, her husband married for second and third times and in both marriages, he forced her to prepare the wedding food which affected her mental health. Financially, the husband doesn't spend anything for Sana and her daughters. Sana and two of her daughters participated in PSS sessions that provided by the BWO, as well as they participated in the awareness sessions. After her participation, Sana said “There are no words that can describe how my confidence has increased, now I can be the source of strength for my daughters, now I can get out of the house without worrying about the society's view of me. After I participated in PSS sessions, I have changed my outlook on life and I can think positively about our future and I will struggle and work in order to live with dignity. Sana ended her words by saying, I wish everyone in the village would be able to participate in awareness sessions and psychosocial support sessions so that we can change our society's view about women and I wish if there are more sessions for men about how do they better treat the women in our society.”

PROJECT-2

Improving the Mental Health and Psychosocial Wellbeing of IDPs, Refugees and Returnees using the Minimum Service Package (MSP) as a guide in Duhok and Ninewa governorates.

PROJECT OBJECTIVE:

Strengthening and scale up Mental Health and Psychosocial support activities through testing Minimum Standard Package for IDPs, Returnees and Refugees in Duhok and Ninewa governorates.

MSP ACTIVITIES:

- Support MHPSS competencies of staff and volunteers
- Provide group activities for children's mental health and psychosocial well-being
- Support caregivers to promote the mental health and psychosocial well-being of children and provide MHPSS through staff spaces for women and girls.

MAIN PROJECT ACTIVITIES UNDER MSP

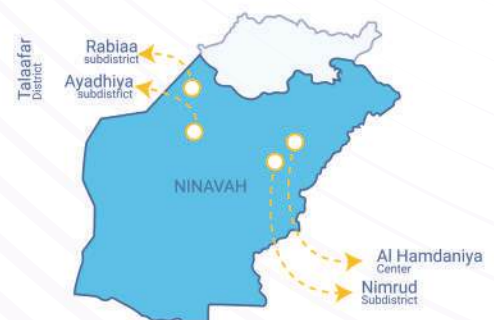
- Child Resilience Program
- Youth Resilience
- Parenting Skills Program
- Adolescents Girls Program
- Women Speak Out Program
- Recreational Activities



BENEFICIARY GROUP

- IDPs
- Returnee
- Refugees

LOCATIONS



DURATION

FROM : November 2021
TO : November 2022

TOTAL NUMBER OF BENEFICIARIES

18,698

Success Story

Location: One of the camps in Duhok

Shireen is 11 years old; she is living in one of the camps in Duhok. Shireen is one of the participants of adolescent girl's toolkit program, vitiligo is covering almost 90% of Shireen's body. Shireen was introverted girl, she always refused to make connections with other people and she used to spend most of her time alone, after her participation in AGT program conducted by BWO, the program facilitator said "At the first and second sessions Shireen was very quiet and she was very shy, she wasn't able to talk or to participate as much as the other participants, later during the third and fourth sessions I noticed that Shireen has begun participating gradually, when we get to the eighth session she was very comfortable and confident, she started acting like her colleagues, started speaking and sharing ideas" again the facilitator said "After finishing all the sessions Shireen used to come to our center, she was always requesting for more sessions, for this we continued talking to her and giving her more support to be more confident". Shireen said "Before participating in the sessions delivered by BWO I wasn't able to mingle with the community due to that I am infected by vitiligo, the people at my age always used to make fun of me and that made me feel like I am not normal as much as other kids. But after the sessions, BWO team has encouraged me and made me feel like I am normal person as others, I started connecting with others and share what I want and what I feel" her mother and father said "Thank you so much for providing such sessions to our daughter, her behavior now has positively changed and she started communicating with us and with her friends better".



ADULTS

2080



CHILDREN

7269



MALES

3311



FEMALES

6038

PROJECT-3

Strengthening the Resilience of the Community in Kabartu 1&2 Camps through the provision of psychosocial support center.

BWO HPSS services were provided in according to IOM MHPSS Service provision modality which was in line with IASC-Guidelines for MHPSS in emergency settings. Who definition of mental health and IOM's manual on community based MHPSS in emergency and displacement.

MAIN PROJECT ACTIVITIES

- Drawing Activity
- Music Activity
- Elderly Persons Support Group
- Mental Health Awareness Raising
- Informal Learning for (Kurdish, Arabic AND English Languages)
- Religious, National and International Occasions Celebration.
- Hand Craft Activity
- Emborder Course
- Sport (Football, Basketball, Volleyball and Biking)
- Life Skills Training
- Little Friend Program

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT ACTIVITIES

- Engaging the community where they are active partner of the process of Design, Planning and Implementing the center activities.
- Volunteers Engagement in Community-Based activities.

AWARENESS RAISING ACTIVITIES

- Awareness Raising and Group Discussions
- Suicide Prevention Awareness Raising Intervention and Posttension Activity
- PFA Training and Awareness

VOCATIONAL TRAININGS

- Sewing
- Hand crafting
- Embroidery

 **DONER**

 **IOM**
UN MIGRATION

 **DURATION**

FROM : April 2019
TO : April 2023

 **BENEFICIARY GROUP**
IDP'S

 **TOTAL NUMBER OF BENEFICIARIES**
1631

 **LOCATIONS**



Success Story

Location: Kabartu1 center

The embroidery course was a very new idea to revive the old style of art in the camp community and an opportunity for a group of girls to get out of the house and change their routine and learn a new art. For some of the participants this was the first time they had left home and participated in a course with an organization, and the course helped them to know themselves more, build new friendships that positively affected themselves and their lives. This course was an opportunity for some of the participants to start their own projects that they have been trying for a long time

One of embroidery course participations who was 22 years old and originally was from Shingal narrated about her experience in our center and her participation in the embroidery course:

“At the beginning of my participation in the activities that were conducted in Better World center I joined literacy course, during this course I went through several levels of learning how to read and write that at the end of the course I had learned enough to depend on myself in reading and writing. After my graduation from the literacy course I heard that there will be an embroidery course, I decided to join this course as well, I was very happy about my participation in this course as day by day step by step I learned this art and gained new skills, after this course finished I also participated in an online marketing training in the center, the online marketing training was very helpful. The training aimed to prepare and enable participants to learn about the basics of entrepreneurship, communication skills, customer service, business planning, taking photos and videos, creating and operating accounts on social media to promote their products and talents to be sold , during the course I learned how to promote and start my own project, , Now I have already started my own business of handcrafting and embroidery. I have an online page, I work online and I aspire to become a source of income for myself and my family.”



Feedback from one of participants in handcrafting training “I was a person with very low self-confidence ,I had fear and anxiety about leaving the tent and getting to the center. After participating in the hand-craft training, I felt good about myself, I felt I’m a valuable person that helped me to have more confidence on myself, now I’m able to leave the tent without fear or shame, because I have a strong personality, a relaxed mind and high self-esteem.



PROJECT-4

Enhancing Safe Environment in Vulnerable Families from Host-community in Duhok City

MAIN OBJECTIVE:

To ensure safe environment for adolescents and youth of vulnerable families from host community living in Duhok city

PROJECT MAIN ACTIVITIES

PSYCHOSOCIAL SUPPORT PROGRAMS:

- AGT (Adolescent Girls Toolkit)
- Youth Resilience Program
- Sport Activities Focusing on Football and Basketball
- Life Skill Training Focusing on (Self-Awareness, Communication Skills, Decision Making, Problem Solving, Critical Thinking and Creative Thinking, Stress Management, Leadership, and Networking) topics.
- Reading and Art Clubs.
- Staff Care Activities.

PROMOTING COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT, MOBILIZATION AND AWARENESS RAISING ACTIVITIES:

- Conducting outreach activities to engage target community in the project. To aware them about project activities and register the interested members from vulnerable families.
- Awareness raising session white parents about child rights and the impact of domestic Violence on family environment, in addition to other awareness topics per need of each community.
- Designing and printing leaflet and poster about child right and the impact of domestic violence on family environment.
- Celebrating nation and international occasions related to children, parents and youth during the implementation period of the project.

ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT

- Conducting KAB (Knowing About Business) Training to 30 Families, Supporting the 30 trained women to design and plan their (Home Based) small Business.
- Provide supported women with needed materials for their businesses.

DONER



BENEFICIARY GROUP

HOST COMMUNITY

LOCATIONS



DURATION

*FROM : September 2021
TO : June 2024*

TOTAL NUMBER OF BENEFICIARIES

3,901

Feedbacks


- **PSS Facilitator:** "One of the participants in Adolescent Girls Toolkit program in the first sessions of joining the group which were held during end of summer, she mentioned that she had left school and didn't have the will to study again. During the sessions related to importance of studying, we (facilitators) focused more on her but yet she wasn't convinced. One day after she was graduated from the group and the new year of study had started, she visited the center with wearing her school uniform and wanted to show the team her school bag and stationary. She mentioned that after she attended all the sessions and her mother participated in the mothers' sessions they talked again and she decided to study again.

- **A mother** " my daughters' personality has changed too much, she was careless for her study and she used to spend too much time on phone, but now she is much better, her father recently asked me about this change in her personality and behaviors, I told him about her participation in your program (Youth Resilience Program).


1,980
INDIVIDUALS


660
FAMILIES


26
SCHOOLS


WOMEN
463

MEN
351



BOYS
472



GIRLS
448



CHILDREN
187



PROJECT-5

Provision of Income Generation Opportunities for Vulnerable Families in the Field of Agricultural for Economic Development Ninewa Governorate/Telkaif District



 **DONER**




 **BENEFICIARY GROUP**
RETURNEES

 **LOCATIONS**



 **DURATION**

FROM : July 2021
TO : May 2023

 **TOTAL NUMBER OF BENEFICIARIES**
435

Providing low-income families with employment opportunities in the agriculture sector to improve the economic situation is one of better world organization's projects, carried out in talkaif district for one year with the support of qudra2 program due to the availability of agricultural resources and the fact that agriculture and livestock are the main sources of income of the residents in the area and since the lack of job opportunities for youth. we have implemented our projects in these areas, in which the participants learned the best and most appropriate farming and livestock breeding techniques, both theoretically and practically. the protection of environment through reducing the use of chemical substances. The adversely impact humans and the environment. recycling of materials such as compost, silage and biological pesticides are considered as the project's primary objectives and activities.

SUPPORT TYPE



INFRASTRUCTURE



OPEN FARM



LIVESTOCK



GREENHOUSE

GILRS
43



18 - 24

BOYS
40

MALES
35



25 - 34

FEMALES
23

BENEFICIARIES BREAKDOWN

GIRLS
98



0 - 17

BOYS
115

WOMEN
46



35>

MEN
35

MALES
108



FEMALES
39



PROJECT-6

Strengthening women’s rights movements on the women, Peace, and security agenda in three fragile contexts Ninewa Governorate

This project came to strengthen the capacity of women-led organizations link them with other groups and existing networks, and help them to make their voices heard to influence the wps agenda and in setting the priorities and enabling access of all women’s groups and excluded women and girls who, due to lack of capacities, such as training, finances, knowledge or experience, feel hesi- tant to participate The women, peace and security (wps) agenda recognizes gender equality and women’s participation as key rights in conflict prevention, peace processes and post-conflict rehabilitation. the 2000 united nations security council resolution (unscr) 1325 on wps acknowledged the disproportionate impact of conflict on women, as well of the necessity of women’s voice and leadership in peacebuilding security and recovery initiatives, since then, the security council has adopted nine further resolutions to expand the wps agenda, and civil society and women’s rights movements have rallied around these mechanisms as a vehicle for achiev- ing and maintaining peaceful and stable societies One of the activities the project aims to accomplish in 2023 is to conduct and operational capacity building through a total of 6 trainings, one per month starting of march, 2023]

 **DONER**



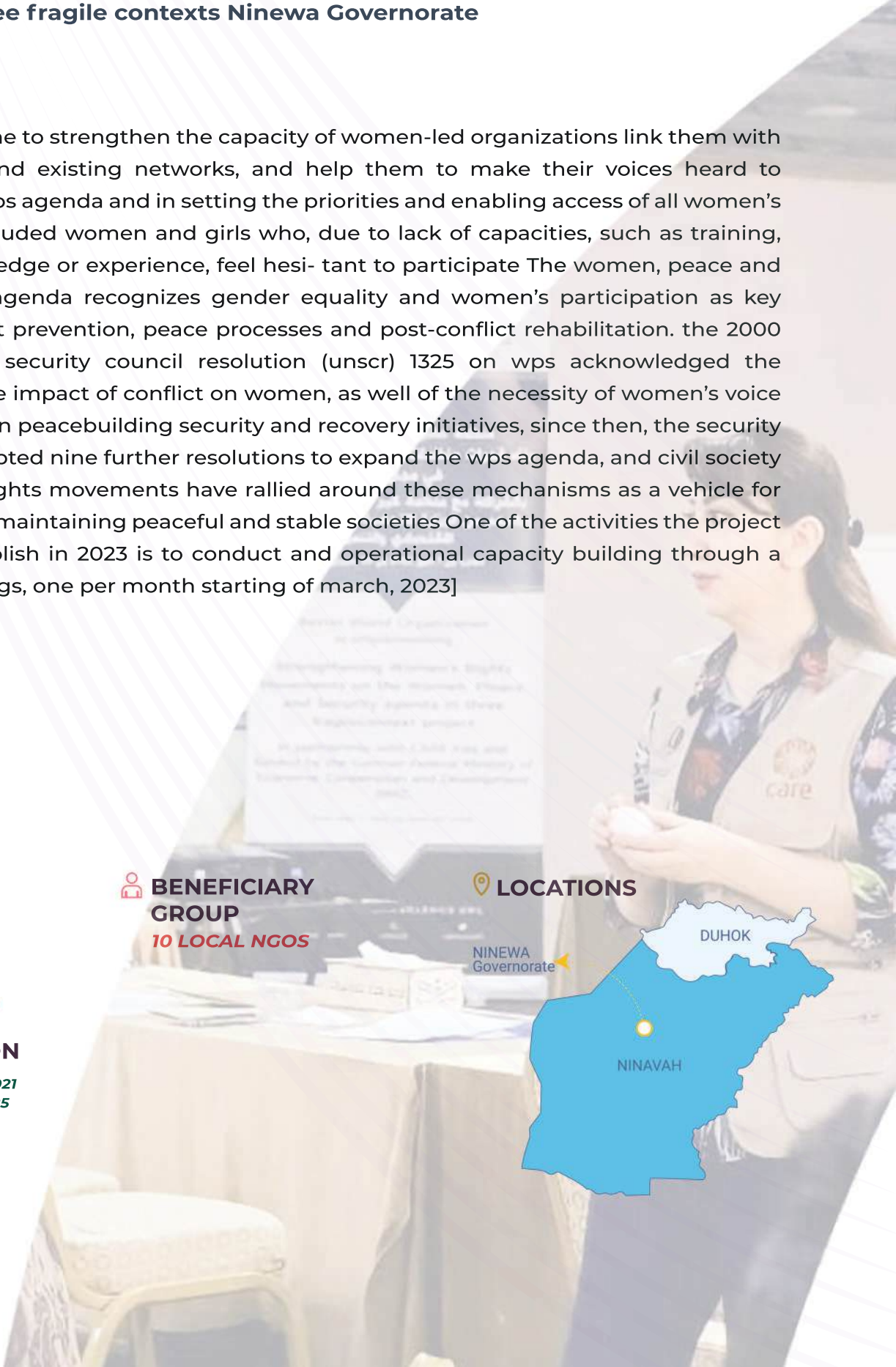
 **DURATION**

FROM : July 2021
TO : June 2025

 **BENEFICIARY GROUP**
10 LOCAL NGOS

 **LOCATIONS**

NINEWA Governorate



PROJECT-7

Distributing Hygiene Kits for the new arrived families from Sinjar to Duhok IDP camps



 **DONER**

unicef 
for every child

 **DURATION**

June 2022

 **BENEFICIARY GROUP**

IDP'S

 **TOTAL NUMBER OF BENEFICIARIES**

4793

 **LOCATIONS**



PROJECT-8

Protecting Most Vulnerable Children from Harsh Effects of Winter in Ninewa Governorate/Sinjar District



GIRLS
2920
 CHILDREN

BOYS
2821
 CHILDREN

86
 PREGNANT

DONER



BENEFICIARY GROUP

*IDPs
 Returnees
 Host Community*

LOCATIONS



DURATION

December 2022

TOTAL NUMBER OF BENEFICIARIES

5827

“And here we are, starting the new year with new ideas,
aims, and journey full of power and enthusiasm.”

Better World Family



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