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## WHO ARE WE?

Nusaned is a Lebanese non-profit community-based humanitarian and development organization, that is apolitical and impartial and that believes in the power of collaboration to create faster and stronger Impact.

The organization began its journey in December 2019 just two months after the October uprising with a vision to empower marginalized communities throughout Lebanon to live sustainably supporting communities based on a non-biased, egalitarian, and value-based needs assessment process with the ultimate goal of these communities becoming self-sustaining.

Nusaned was officially registered on May 18th, 2020 and created 3 main programs "Roofs That Shield", "Crops That Yield", and "Goods In Need", aimed at providing shelter, food security, and economic opportunities to underprivileged communities. The activities under these programs are implemented through innovative and effective partnerships with communities as well as locally engaged, international organizations and donors.

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Our vision is to empower the marginalized Lebanese communities throughout Lebanon to live sustainably. Our mission is to support under-served Lebanese communities to become selfsustaining by offering access to food security, building shelter, and providing ongoing opportunities for productive economies. We do this through innovative and effective partnerships with communities as well as locally engaged international organizations and donors.



## WHY NUSANED?



#### **Collaborative Approach**

By valuing the knowledge of others, building trust-based relationships with stakeholders and taking a community-participatory approach, we are able to pool resources and experiences to reinforce the unity of purpose and create more impactful solutions.

Partners include local NGOs, INGOs, UN agencies, governmental institutions

Referrals Officer on board Nusaned is sitting on the independent oversight board (IOB) of the 3RF

Nusaned was elected as a member of Five Core Groups in Five UN sectors in 2023: Basic Assistance, Food Security, Shelter, Livelihoods, and Social Stability.

Nusaned is on the steering committee of LHDF (the Lebanese Humanitarian and Development Forum) including 90 local NGOs,

Nusaned is on the advisory board of the LHF (Lebanon Humanitarian Pooled Fund), representing women-led local NGOs.

Nusaned board members are also members of private sector networks, which facilitates contact and job placement in private sector companies.

#### Corporate Governance, Transparency, and Accountability

We ensure complete transparency, efficiency, and accountability in dealing with our donors, partners, and the people we humbly serve, through the steps we take in conducting our projects and by maintaining constant and clear communication with all stakeholders Received ISO 9001 for adopting a quality management system

Our board members are IFC certified for corporate governance

Complaints and Helpline Officers on board

AnnualReport2020; AnnualReport2021; AnnualReport2022 are available on www.nusaned.org

Audit reports 2020, 2021 and 2022 are available on the website

Nusaned Mobile Application shows in detail all activities as well as pictures and videos



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#### Diversity, Inclusiveness and Unbiased Approach

Policies on protection from sexual abuse and Gender very well developed PSEA Officer and AAP Officer on board

National coverage, with offices in BML, Akkar, Marjeeyoun, and potential offices in Tyre and Baalbeck

#### **Compassion and Integrity**

We abide by our fundamental values in every aspect of our endeavors, and we live by showing honesty, courage, and transparency in our promise and our actions.

#### Circularity

Nusaned believes that circularity is critical to achieving the NGO's vision and mission in a more effective, responsible, and sustainable manner. By adopting circular principles, Nusaned can reduce waste generation, optimize the use of resources, and build more resilient and equitable closed-loop systems. Circularity also helps Nusaned increase its operational efficiency, social and environmental performance and impact, and stakeholder engagement while creating new revenue streams and cost savings.



#### Sustainability

Nusaned believes that sustainability empowers people to build their communities, that's why all its programs are accessible, affordable and replicable across different areas and various communities, durable in their effects, responsive to the needs of the community, and in harmony with local cultures and the environment. Nusaned aims to support the development of sustainable communities through multi-tier, integrated interventions based on the three pillars of sustainable development.

Economically, Nusaned aims at identifying opportunities that create living incomes and ensure gender balance within the communities, at creating employment in the agricultural and construction sectors, at supporting micro-enterprises, and at instilling a sense of sweat-equity.

Socially, Nusaned strongly believes in cultivating a community participatory approach in every one of their projects, whether it is rehabilitating and building healthy houses, neighborhood community spaces or investing the local capacity and development of the workers.

Environmentally, Nusaned aims at promoting sustainable agriculture to achieve food security, engaging the community in waste management activities, creating green domestic and shared spaces, increasing access to green and affordable energy, and reducing the ecological footprint of construction projects.



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#### **Partners Recommendation Letters**





## **Our IMPACT up till 2023**

Families Supported: 100,000+ Projects Implemented: 87 Labor Workers Contracted: 3,700+ Women Trained: 350 Volunteers Onboarded: 400 Donations Received \$12,092,828 including 1,500,000 In Kind Donors: 2,474

### Letter from our Board

Global challenges facing the world in recent years, from epidemics to economic crisis to wars to global warming, has led to change in people's priorities, perceptions and attitudes towards social interactions, livelihoods, economy and trade, and health and wellbeing.

For our beloved Lebanon, it has been four years of unimaginable suffering! The year 2023 brought about continued challenges, starting with an earthquake that left vulnerable people homeless and culminating in floods in the North and bombardments in the South, displacing over 90,000 internally to community shelters and relatives' houses in Tyre, Zaakrani, Hasbayya, and other villages. Despite this adversity, the Lebanese people have shown resilience, refusing to let calamities destroy their country and their will to survive.

Nusaned, a community-based organization, emerged to address unmet needs. Over the years, it has remained apolitical, unbiased, transparent, and professional, impacting over 100,000 families and implementing 87 projects across Lebanon. Our support has expanded from Akkar and the North, to Beirut and Mount Lebanon, and in 2023 to Tyre, Marjeyoun and the South as well as Baalbeck and Hermel.

This annual report details the projects and impact of 2023, as well as cumulative achievements since its establishment in 2020. Such impact would not have been possible without the support of 2,474 donors from various sectors, contributing \$11,712,270 to date. Thanks to their belief in the power of local NGOs to effect change, every dollar was directed where it could make the most impact.

A heartfelt thank you extends to the Nusaned team for upholding the organization's values of accountability, transparency, collaboration, and sustainability. A Nusaned member embodies an empathetic heart and a business mind, standing in solidarity with team members to support those in need. Believing in Lebanon's people and potential, each member commits to making a difference to the best of their ability.

#### **Board of Directors**







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# **HUMANITARIAN & DEVELOPMENT Nasma Pads**

Grant Amount \$12,232 Date: August 2022 - July 2023 Location: Mar Mikhael, Beirut. **Donor:** Japanese Embassy, Australian Embassy, UN Women, and Acted



#### **Project Impact**

• One manufacturing entity established at Nusaned Hub in Mar Mikhael, Beirut, equipped with sustainable solar panels and a production line of sanitary pads, which includes:

- Semi-Automatic Menstrual Hygiene Pad Production Machine
- Three Dyes (for three sizes of pads)
- Raw materials sufficient for the production of 400,000 pads with 5 layers each
- 20 women trained and receiving cash-for-work in the production facility
  - Production is estimated at 8,000 to 9,000 pads per day (in line with expected standards based on the technical specification of the machine)
  - 400,000 pads produced in total

• 100 women trained and receiving cash-for-work for sales and marketing and 6 independent women sellers mobilized

 5091 women and girls reached and 10,182 free pads distributed during the peer-to-peer awareness-raising sessions

 250 women and girls reached with the community level awarenessraising messages and 5000 free pads distributed during the community awareness sessions at schools

- 792 women and girls reached with free pads distribution
- 62,702 pads in total distributed free of charge
- 392 women purchased pads

 30,218 boxes sold to clients, including Unicef, DCA, Amel, Solidarites International, Irshad W Islah, and St. Vincent de Paul.

12,518 boxes distributed

## **Project Description**

Nasma is a project launched by Nusaned in partnership with Acted and UNWomen and funded by the Japanese and Australian embassies aiming to provide affordable and quality sanitary pads to women and girls in underprivileged areas in Beirut. Unlike other products on the market, Nasma is the outcome of a social and humanitarian effort, whereby women are empowered by actively being engaged in the production and sales of the pads through Business-to-Consumer and Business-to-Business channels. The pads are available in small, medium, and large sizes with 10 pads per box. Nasma received the IRI certificate, confirming compliance with the technical requirements stipulated by the Lebanese standards for sanitary feminine pads No 452-2002, with reference to absorbency, retention, pH level, and the level of germs.

#### **Project Activities**

#### Phase 1:

- Produce 300.000 Pads
- Provide Cash for work for 120 women: 100 women in sales and 20 in production
- Distribute 30% of the produced pads to vulnerable communities

 Sell 70% of the produced pads to ensure the project's sustainability. Phase 2:

- Produce 100,000 Pads
- Provide cash for work for 60 women: 40 women in sales and 20 in production
- Distribute 30% of the produced pads to vulnerable communities
- Sell 70% of the produced pads to ensure the project's sustainability.



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# HUMANITARIAN & DEVELOPMENT **Beryt** | Econawl

#### Grant Amount \$24,400

Date: September 2023 - April 2024 Location: Mar Mikhael, Beirut, Lebanon **Donor:** Initiated by UNESCO in the framework of project BERYT (Beirut Housing Rehabilitation and Cultural and Creative Industries Recovery), and implemented by UN-Habitat and Live Love Lebanon through funding from the Lebanon Financing Facility (LFF) that is administered by the World Bank (WB).

The Cultural and Creative Industries component is implemented by UNESCO Beirut.





#### **Project Impact**

13 vulnerable women are receiving technical training on the Nawl machine.

## **Project Description**

The EcoNawl pilot project aims to preserve and modernize the traditional Lebanese cultural heritage of Nawl weaving. This initiative involves transferring knowledge and skills from an experienced Lebanese Nawl artisan to a new generation of vulnerable women. It further emphasizes sustainable consumption and production practices by using the handloom machine to produce upcycled handwoven fabrics made from plastic waste (single-use plastic bags) to produce eco-friendly packaging materials. The project seeks to create sustainable green jobs, empower women, improve artisans' livelihoods, address solid waste management, and contribute to environmental sustainability in Beirut. Ultimately, it strives to preserve cultural heritage while adapting to contemporary market needs.

**Project Activities** 

- Train 13 vulnerable women in Nawl weaving, PSEA, with gender-based violence, women empowerment, and entrepreneurship.
- Produce upcycled hand-woven packaging materials, offering cash for work opportunities for trained women.
- Source raw materials from ReFuse in exchange for the collected recyclables from Nusaned's waste collection project, Nudawwer.
- Sell sustainable packaging products
- Utilize the packaging for the Nasma hygiene kit, Nusaned's active project.
- Conduct awareness sessions for school students.
- Disseminate the project impact, while promoting sustainable and green job creation.



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# HUMANITARIAN & DEVELOPMENT Lebanon Humanitarian Fund

# HUMANITARIAN & DEVELOPMENT AKKAR

Grant Amount \$699,862.43 Date: 14 August 2023 - 13 July 2024 Location: Akkar (Mhamara, Bebnine, Halba, Berkayel) Donor: Lebanon Humanitarian Fund LHF UN OCHA

Food Security, Shelter, and Basic Assistance Sectors, Targeting Households, in 4 cadasters in Akkar

### Project Impact

• 634 households are benefiting from food and non-food vouchers for 6 cycles (6 months), each voucher amounts to \$100 divided into mini-market, poultry, and butcher shops vouchers.

• 172 households out of the 634 are receiving additional multi-purpose cash assistance, amounting to \$25 for the duration of 6 cycles (6 months)

• 50 households out of the 634 are benefiting from the food and non-food vouchers and MPCA, as well as receiving shelter rehabilitation and adaptation for an average budget of \$1,512 per house.

• 15 MSMEs are selected and will be supported throughout the project 6 cycles.

## **Project Description**

The Lebanon Humanitarian Fund (LHF) project covers a multi-sectoral intervention including Food and Non-Food Vouchers and Multi-Purpose cash Targeting 634 households in 4 villages in Akkar, as well as the rehabilitation and adaptation of 50 sub-standard residential shelters for Persons with Disabilities.

The sectors targeted are Food security (79%), Basic Assistance (5%), and Shelter (16%). The project participants were selected based on a Vulnerability Assessment Score, targeting women heads of households, elderly, and persons with disabilities.

## **Project Activities**

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• Distribute food vouchers to 634 households, through 6 cycles of distribution, indirectly supporting 15 MSMEs. Households have direct access to food through Cash-Based Transfers (CBT) - food and non-food vouchers of \$100 per distribution. Those vouchers are redeemable at minimarkets, supermarkets, butcher shops, and poultry shops.

• Distribute Multi-Purpose Cash Assistance of \$25 per distribution for 6 cycles (months) to 172 households out of the 634 selected households.

• Rehabilitate and Adapt 50 sub-standard residential shelters for Persons with Disabilities.









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# HUMANITARIAN & DEVELOPMENT Lebanon Humanitarian Fund

# HUMANITARIAN & DEVELOPMENT MARJEYOUN

Grant Amount \$340,034.48 Date: 14 August 2023 - 13 June 2024 Location: Marjeyoun (Blat, Ebel-Esaki, Dibbine, Jdeideh, Kleia) Donor: Lebanon Humanitarian Fund LHF UN OCHA



Food Security, Targeting Households, in 5 cadasters in Marjeyoun

## Project Impact

 400 households are benefiting from Cash for Food for 6 cycles (6 months). Each cycle amounts to \$100.

## **Project Description**

The Lebanon Humanitarian Fund (LHF) project covers a Food Security intervention in the form of Cash for Food Targeting 400 households in 5 villages in Marjeyoun. The sector targeted is Food security (100%). The project participants were selected based on a Vulnerability Assessment Score, targeting women heads of households, elderly, and persons with disabilities.

## **Project Activities**

Distribute Cash for Food to 400 households, through 6 cycles of distribution. Households have direct access to food through Cash-Based Transfers (CBT) Cash for Food of \$100 per distribution.

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# HUMANITARIAN & DEVELOPMENT Hadkoun | La Guilde

Grant Amount €325,942 Date: July 2023 - April 2024 Location: Baalbek (Baalbek, Douris) - Saida (Saida, Mie w Mie) **Donor:** La Guilde



#### **Project Impact**

• 600 Households benefited from the multi-sectoral project approach:

300 households benefited from access to food and non-food vouchers amounting to \$115 each for 4 cycles (4 months). Those vouchers were redeemable at minimarkets, supermarkets, butcher shops, and poultry shops.

0300 households received multi-purpose cash assistance, amounting to \$50 for the duration of 10 cycles (10 months)

• 8 MSMEs supported throughout the project 4 cycles.

## **Project Description**

The La Guilde Hadkoun project covers a multi-sectoral intervention, including Food and Non-Food Vouchers and Multi-Purpose cash, targeting 600 households in 2 areas in Baalbek and 2 areas in Saida. The sectors targeted are Food security (50%) and Basic Assistance (50%). The project participants were selected based on a Vulnerability Assessment Score, targeting women heads of households, elderly, and persons with disabilities.



## **Project Activities**

• Distribute Food Vouchers to 300 households, indirectly supporting 8 MSMEs.

• Distribute Multi-Purpose Cash Assistance to 300 households.

• La Guilde contributes in supporting Nusaned teams on the "nutrition" segment of Hadkoun by developing and raising awareness on good food and nutritional practices, which includes:

•Train teams on baseline and end line surveys targeting Nusaned-Hadkoun beneficiaries;

• Train teams on modules related to Nutrition in the stages of life and Stories and Customs of Lebanese Cuisine.

• Conduct awareness-raising sessions for 400 beneficiaries during distributions.



### Grant Amount \$373,700.15

Date: January 2023 - June 2023 Location: Beirut and Mount Lebanon (Msaytbeh, Mazraa, Aramoun, Bchamoun) **Donor:** CARE International in Lebanon Latter-day Saint Charities (LDSC)

### **Project Impact**

• Food and non-food vouchers distributed to 579 households for 3 cycles (3 months), each voucher amounts to \$185 divided into mini-market, fresh-produce, and butcher shops vouchers. • 21 MSMEs selected and supported throughout the project cycle.

## **Project Description**

The food security project benefited 579 households across three cycles, providing \$185 worth of food and non-food vouchers per household, distributed among mini-markets, fresh produce, and butcher shops. Throughout the project, participants were able to cover their nutritional needs, ensuring a comprehensive impact on both food security and overall well-being. Additionally, 21 MSMEs were selected and supported, contributing to local economic development and sustainability.

## **Project Activities**

- Distribute Food vouchers to households in BML over three cycles.
- Conduct Food Safety awareness sessions for 21 vendors.
- Implement mystery shopper activities and spot checks to ensure food safety standards were met.
- Collect and monitor vouchers.



# **HUMANITARIAN & DEVELOPMENT**





# SOUTH EMERGENCY RESPONSE World Central Kitchen Hot Meals

Grant Amount \$ IN-KIND Date: October 2023 - Ongoing Location: Tyre, Hasbaya, and Saida, South of Lebanon Donor: World Central Kitchen



#### Project Impact

- Meals provided to over 850 Individuals on a daily basis.
- 61,303 meals were distributed in the South of Lebanon between 23 October and December 31, 2023
- Ready to eat parcels provided to 55 families in Hasbaya

### **Project Description**

Nusaned participated in the emergency response in Tyre, South of Lebanon, by providing meals on a daily basis for internally displaced individuals at the collective shelters.

Nusaned provided ready to eat parcels for internally displaced individuals in collective shelters in Hasbaya.

## **Project Activities**

- Distribute meals daily for internally displaced people taking shelter in 4 schools and 1 university in Tyre, and 1 Hotel in Ghaziyeh.
- Distribute 55 ready to eat parcels for internally displaced people in 7 shelters in Hasbaya.





# SOUTH EMERGENCY RESPONSE World Central Kitchen Hot Meals









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# **SOUTH EMERGENCY RESPONSE**

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**Grant Amount \$54,775 Date:** November 2023 - January 2024 **Location:** Tyre, South of Lebanon **Donor:** CARE International in Lebanon

#### **Project Impact**

- A mobile kitchen unit (Food Truck) equipped with necessary cooking facilities and resources.
- 15,475 meals provided over the project's duration; 7,660 distributed between December 16<sup>th</sup> and December 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023 and 7,815 distributed in January 2024.
- Women Cooperatives and MSMEs supported in Tyre, South of Lebanon.
- Cash for work program conducted for 16 days in one cooperative.

## **Project Description**

The project involves the creation of a mobile kitchen infrastructure that moves between different locations engaging the displaced individuals in preparing meals. Through the Cash for Work program, participants will have the opportunity to earn a living wage while actively contributing to the project's objectives. The food truck project involves a dual approach, combining community involvement and a cash-for-work model at a central kitchen hosted by a cooperative. Purchases from local farmers, cooperatives, MSMEs, and community kitchens support these entities, encouraging sustainability and livelihood improvement.

## **Project Activities**

- Set up a mobile food-truck
- Distribute 15,475 meals over the project's duration.
- Provide cash for work for women working in Women Cooperatives
- Support Women Cooperatives and MSMEs



















# SOUTH EMERGENCY RESPONSE **Mercy Corps Emergency Response**

# SOUTH EMERGENCY RESPONSE **Concern Emergency Response**

Grant Amount \$100,648.13

Date: December 2023 - January 2024 Location: Tyre, South of Lebanon **Donor:** Mercy Corps



#### Grant Amount \$104,300

Date: December 2023 - February 2024 Location: Tyre, South of Lebanon **Donor:** Concern

### **Project Impact**

• 41,955 meals provided over the project's duration for internally displaced people (IDPs) in collective shelters in Tyre, South of Lebanon, prepared and served using Nusaned's Food Truck (19,110 distributed between December 11th and December 30th, 2023 and 22.845 distributed in 2024.

#### **Project Description**

As part of Nusaned's emergency response in Tyre, South of Lebanon, Nusaned will be preparing and serving meals on a daily basis through the food truck for internally displaced individuals at the collective shelters.

## **Project Activities**

- Prepare meals over the project's duration in Nusaned's Food Truck.
- Serve meals to IDPs residing in the collective shelters in Tyre, South of Lebanon.

## **Project Impact**

• 39,590 meals provided over the project's duration to internally displaced people (IDPs) in collective shelters in Tyre, South of Lebanon (6,920 distributed between December 24 and December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023 and remaining 32,670 distributed in 2024. • Canteen-like-environment established by setting up tables and chairs at the collective shelters Food wrapping paper waste sorted and collected for recycling

## **Project Description**

The project aims to address the immediate nutritional needs of IDPs in the south, specifically those residing in three schools and one university serving as collective shelters in Tyre. The meals offer meat-based and vegetarian choices, ensuring balanced and culturally appropriate nutritious food for the beneficiaries. In addition to providing nutritious meals, this initiative is committed to environmental sustainability. To minimize plastic consumption, sandwiches will be wrapped in paper, which will be collected by Nusaned's dedicated team for recycling. Furthermore, a more supportive canteen-like serving approach will be introduced, featuring sets of tables and chairs displayed three times per day, fostering a communal dining experience for the displaced individuals.

## **Project Activities**

- Distribute 38,250 meals over the project's duration.
- Create a canteen-like environment
- Collect paper waste from sandwich wrapping
- Address the immediate nutritional needs of the displaced individuals residing in the collective shelters





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# **PEANUT PILOT PROJECT**

#### Grant Amount \$30,500 out of an overall \$141,892 project

Date: July 2023 - July 2025 Location: Akkar Cluster of Municipalities (Koueikhat - Nahr Al-Estwan Union of Municipalities and Al-Chaft Union of Municipalities). **Donor:** United States Agency for International Development (USAID) through

Rene Moawad Foundation (RMF)/ **Promoting Sustainable Livelihoods** (PSL) activity

#### **Partners:**

- Rene Moawad Foundation (RMF)
- Lebanese Maronite Order (OLM)
- University of Saint Esprit Kaslik (USEK)
- Maronite Foundation in the World (MFW)



#### **Project Impact:**

- At least 20 small peanut farmers supported in planting, harvesting, post-harvesting, and acquiring processing techniques during two peanut cultivation cycles.
- The quality and quantity of peanuts produced improved through the Capacity Building on Good Agricultural Practices (GAP), IPM (Integrated Pest Management), and sustainable agricultural practices.
- Local farmers helped to get back on track and stay in their region and plant their lands.
- Product diversity increased and market access improved to peanut farmers through the establishment of a peanut processing facility. This will sustain and improve the livelihood of 3 beneficiaries from the local community by offering training and job opportunities.
- The livelihoods of at least 58 small farmers and cash for workers will be sustained which will ensure their food security by providing a better income.
- Short-time job opportunities for a number of cash for workers secured.
- The agricultural sector and its stakeholders are supported.

## **Project Description:**

The Peanut Pilot Project aims to reintroduce peanut cultivation in the Akkar cluster through direct support to local farmers to cultivate peanuts in addition to establishing and equipping a facility for processing and packaging peanuts and peanuts byproducts and derivatives. In-kind support is provided to at least 20 small farmers in the area to cultivate and harvest their lands with peanuts Virginia crop variety as an intercrop that will increase their soil fertility and improve their agricultural yields, in addition to building their capacities. Moreover, the cash-for-work component will engage the local community residents from the cluster in the execution of the cultivation and harvesting works of around 15 hectares of land for the selected farmers. Furthermore, René Moawad Foundation (RMF) will be procuring machinery and equipment for the peanut facility that will be established in Akkar and operated and managed by the House of Zãd S.A.L.

### **Projects Activities:**

- Support farmers in the area of the Akkar cluster to provide them with an opportunity to grow a successful crop.
- Directly sustain the livelihoods of at least 50 farmers who will benefit from this intervention through the cultivation of their lands with peanuts and the series of capacity building and training which will ensure their food security.
- Provide 50 farmers with technical assistance and build their capacities to increase their agricultural yields and enhance the quality of their production.
- Support the livelihoods of 8 beneficiaries from the local community through short-term job opportunities (Cash for work).

 Provide theoretical and practical training and capacity-building sessions to cash-for-work workers and farmers.

- Equip the peanut facility with needed equipment and tools for processing and packaging of peanuts and peanuts byproducts and derivatives.
- Create three (3) job opportunities in the facility (operators/labors).
- Build the capacity of the operating team in food safety requirements, thus improving food safety and production compliance, working conditions, diversity, and efficiency of production.
- Build the capacity of the operating team on the marketing and export aspects to help them gain a market share and enter the market in addition to increasing their sales in the long run.



# **DAYS TO REMEMBER**

In reflection, Nusaned acknowledges a year highlighted by impactful volunteerism and community engagement. The driving force behind the success of Nusaned's key programs has been our dedicated team of volunteers. Notably, this inclusive group comprises students from schools and universities, along with employees from various companies, who have actively participated in Nusaned's initiatives. The Nasma project, in particular, stands out as a collaborative effort, demonstrating the collective impact achievable when diverse groups come together. This year underscores the pivotal role played by volunteers, shaping the trajectory of our mission and contributing to positive change within marginalized communities across Lebanon.

#### CMACGM donation of 600 Food boxes and 600 blankets

#### Christmas Distribution of Turkey and Buches to 500 families at Hub, donated by WCK and Mayrig





Special thanks to World Central Kitchen, Aline Kamakian, Mayrig and Batching for their kind donation. Thank you for Strategy & team and to AUB students who volunteered with Nusaned on that special dau!



#### Installation of solar panels on 2 wells in Akkar: Bebnine and Berkayel

Installation of solar panels on 2 wells in Akkar: Bebnine and Berkayel

Ecowells is a transformative WASH initiative in Akkar! Nusaned has empowered 155 households by equipping them with water, harnessed by using the boundless energy of the sun to extract water from wells. In Bebnine, 90 homes now have access to water through 26 sets of 555W solar panels, providing a sustainable energy source for water extraction. Meanwhile, in Berkayel, 65 households are benefiting from 12 sets of 555W solar panels. This project ensures a reliable and eco-friendly water supply, marking a significant stride towards a brighter, more sustainable future for these communities.

Donors were invitees at a dinner who decided to contribute to community instead of getting gifts!



On December 26th, 2022 more than 400 partners from different countries joined Nusaned in its annual gathering at Bar Du Port restaurant, and celebrated the milestones of the whole year.



Colgate Palmolive team supporting Nasma on "Care" day



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#### **PSEA training for SEF Liban**

Nusaned conducted a comprehensive Protection from Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (PSEA) training for SEF Liban. This training underscores our commitment to ensuring a safe and secure environment within the organization.

#### Team retreat day

Nusaned organized, in the summer, a rejuvenating team retreat day in the mountains, designed to enhance team building and foster camaraderie among our dedicated members. Amidst the scenic surroundings, our team actively participated in activities that not only promoted collaboration and unity but also provided a platform for everyone to unwind and enjoy each other's company.

#### **PMI partnership**

The Nusaned team successfully delivered a presentation to the Project Management Institute (PMI), showcasing our impactful work and the positive outcomes of our projects. We highlighted the critical role of effective project management in achieving our mission and shared specific success stories to illustrate the transformative

## **TOGETHER** WE THRIVE

At Nusaned we believe that the power to create change comes from working collaboratively. This has definitely come to fruition in the past years thanks to successful collaborations with like-minded organizations as well as committed team members, generous donors, and dedicated volunteers both on the ground and behind the scenes. Every means of support and every act of kindness, no matter how small, significantly contributes to building stronger communities and to transforming the lives of those in need.

We are committed in our mission to support vulnerable communities to become self-sustaining and with the backing of our extended Nusaned family, we will achieve our goals and beyond. We couldn't do it without you and we're looking forward to your continued support!

For more information and to know how you can make a difference please visit our website **www.nusaned.org** 





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