

Requesting department	Middle East and North Africa Program: Arab Regional Office
Grantee	Welfare Association (مؤسسة التعاون) (WA)
Proposal title	Gaza Under Fire Appeal 2014: Urgent Response to Gaza Needs
Reserve Fund	General Reserves: MENA and Southwest Asia
Recommended by	Anthony Richter
Amount Requested	520,542 USD
Unforeseen Need (250 words)	<p>The ongoing Israeli military attacks on the Gaza Strip since July 7th 2014 is leading to a catastrophic humanitarian situation. People in Gaza are subjected to intensive escalating Israeli military offensive leading to another major humanitarian catastrophe in Palestine. This offensive, has dramatically intensified the ongoing siege, systematic infrastructure destruction, the acute shortage of fuel, power, food, water and electricity. The Israeli air missiles are targeting the most densely populated area in the world, with a population of 1.8 million. The humanitarian situation is escalating, as yesterday whole neighborhoods are being bombed and numbers of houses destroyed and people displaced are increasing by the hour.</p> <p>This 9-month project will support the immediate needs of medical supplies and fuel to health facilities as well as enable directly affected people to cope with daily living. In coordination with international agencies and organizations, the Palestinian Ministry of Health/WHO operations room and NGO partners, WA is working with its donors to meet the needs of health facilities for fuel and medical supplies during this Gaza emergency. Fuel supply will be procured to enable continuous healthcare, especially with the electrical cut offs on Gaza. In addition, provision of available local medical supplies and emergency equipment, and supplies will be done through partnerships from external suppliers, as required by hospitals. WA has launched an appeal seeking further funds to be able to reach the urgent needs, and the WA team is currently working on-the-ground to assess and provide the needs as funds are secured.</p>
Activities Proposed (500 words)	<p>The project will support affected people of Gaza to get back to their life, homes, schools and KG's, through supporting repair a number of partially damaged homes, schools/KG's in addition to provide psychosocial support and counseling sessions for traumatized children. On the other hand the project will work on providing health services providers with urgent needs of fuel, drugs and disposable in order to keep providing main health services. The 9 month project will be coordinated with international agencies and organizations to facilitate and avoid any duplications.</p> <p>WA will focus on immediate response to through life saving and right based interventions and/or preventing the further erosion of livelihood assets and coping mechanisms of the affected communities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Repair of 20 partially damaged school\KGs to enable students reports back to school

- Repair of 80 partially damaged houses to enable internally displaced families to return to their homes
- Developing and operating six counseling units within schools in the neighborhood of damaged areas and provide individual and group counseling, psychosocial support interventions for traumatized children and their families as well.
- Provision of drugs, disposables and fuel for Hospitals/health facilities.