Al-Ataa Charitable Society

Field of Activity
Gender Equality and Gender Based Violence (GBV)

Vision and mission
Al Ataa Charitable Society is an independent, non-profit community association that aims to protect and empower women, youth and children development through the capacity development program and the women’s empowerment program and access to social justice based on strengthening the mechanisms of community participation. Al Ataa is a leading women's association in empowering and protecting vulnerable groups within the process of sustainable community development in North Gaza.

ACTIVITIES
Al Ataa most important activities work around psychosocial support; awareness for all segments of the society; building the capacities of youth children and women; providing in-kind assistance to vulnerable groups; economic empowerment of female heads of household and battered women.

MAIN ACHIEVEMENTS
- Establishing a building for community services adapt to disabled persons.
- Inclusion of people with disabilities in the General Assembly.
- Raising awareness among women, girls, youth and people with disabilities about the concept of gender-based violence, its forms, protection mechanisms and diversion pathways with puppet theatres, playing and awareness sessions.
- Providing in-kind (medical) aid to the elderly.
- Providing in-kind assistance following the consequences of the Israeli attacks and health disasters such as the Corona pandemic.
- Providing group and individual psychological support services for vulnerable groups, children, women with disabilities, and survivors of violence.
- Providing legal support that includes awareness, advice, and transfer to the relevant partner institutions.
- Organizing open days for survivors of violence, men and boys.
- Vocational training for women as a form of economic empowerment.
- Adopting poor families and providing guarantees for orphans from northern Gaza.
- Contributing to the restoration of a number of homes for very poor families who live in unsafe housing.
- Developing youth capacity building through volunteering programs and training courses.

Country: OPT
Year of foundation: 2000
Areas of intervention:
Beit Hanoun, Ezbet Beit Hanoun, Ma’ir Erez area, the Bedouin village

STAFF: 29 employees, 20 are women

Network:
- Palestinian NGO Network; Access to Justice Network; Arab Network for NGOs; Child Protection Network; Legal Task force Group; National Anna Lindh Network; Amal Coalition to Combat Violence against Women; National campaign to end the division; National Coalition for Resolution 1325; Coalition of Activities for Disability Issues in North Gaza; Community Libraries Network; Palestinian Education Coalition; Palestinian Social Forum; Gender Forum in Local Governance; The Arab Campaign for Education for All - ACEA

Al Ataa FB page

Al-Ataa’s Contributions to Naseej’s workstreams

1 Service Delivery

Naseej: Connecting Voices and Action to End Violence Against Women and Girls in the MENA Region
Al-Ataa’s activities supported by Naseej: an overview

Project title: Empowerment of Women, Girls and people with Disabilities at Risk Initiative through knowledge, awareness and psychosocial support in North Gaza

Locations
Beit Hanoun, Ezbet Beit Hanoun, Ma‘ir Erez area, the Bedouin village

Budget
€ 49,691

Timeframe
April 2021 – April 2022

Naseej’s workstreams

Stream 1 (Services Delivery)
Strengthening support and referral services and reporting systems for women and girls GBV survivors

Stream 2 (Community Engagement)
Transforming the social norms that perpetuate GBV with a special focus on youth engagement

Stream 3 (Policy Change)
Strengthening development and implementation of national GBV legislation

Guide of service delivery for GBV
Introduce a guide of service delivery and referral pathways for cases of gender-based violence.

Capacity building for youth
Building youth capacities to enhance their skills to engage in awareness programs and raise their level of awareness on gender-based violence.

Awareness raising initiatives
Raising awareness for marginalized groups, women, boys and men, about gender-based violence in all its forms, sexual violence, early marriage and protection mechanisms. Specific interventions for school students.

Reducing gender-based violence by targeting influencers, dignitaries and mayors and holding community and dialogue meetings.

Media coverage on GBV issue
Shedding light on various issues of violence through different media such as radio stations, public meetings, radio spots, funded advertisements and educational brochures (publications).

Case management services for GBV survivors
Providing a case management service for gender-based violence cases.