

ANNUAL REPORT 2019

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In the name of Allah, the Most Gracious, the Most Merciful

"Whatever you spend, He will replace it. He is the Best of all Providers." Surah Saba, verse 39



His Highness the Amir of the State of Kuwait

SHEIKH SABAH AL-AHMAD AL-JABER AL-SABAH

May Allah protect him "Leader of Humanitarian Work"



His Highness the Crown Prince of the State of Kuwait

SHEIKH NAWAF AL-AHMAD AL-JABER AL-SABAH

May Allah protect him



Direct Aid Society's Board of Directors (2019)



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The nine members of our Board of Directors are trusted by the General Assembly to oversee the society's operations. The General Assembly gathers annually under the direct supervision of the Ministry of Social Affairs and Labor, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, and an international legal accounting firm. Together, these parties ensure the lawful practice of the society's activities according to annual plans that were officially agreed on by the African host countries' governments.

PP A Message from our Chairman



Dr. Abdulrahman Al-Muhailan Chairman

Thanks to Allah Almighty, this year has marked steps forward in Direct Aid Society's mission towards alleviating the complex challenges Africa faces. The accomplishments we realized were a combined result of the many helping hands that worked alongside us, including fellow humanitarian and charitable organizations that continually strived to provide better quality services while displaying patience and determination. Every person who open-heartedly donated to those in need, including the loval volunteers who gave much of their time and exposed themselves to genuine danger, is a part of the Gulf community that has pushed the

society to the level its at today.

One must not forget the role of governance and leadership that the government of Kuwait and its ministries has saliently shown, which provides a sound basis for high volumes of donations.

Executing the society's plan for 2019 that aimed at striving for even more development, we expanded our educational and healthcare projects, water wells, and social care projects, in addition to caring for the quality of our graduates. We aimed for excellence in providing our services to communities in Africa, which couldn't have been done without increasing our collaborations with different regional humanitarian and charitable organizations, as well as the member countries of the United Nations.

Whatever Direct Aid has achieved in terms of successes are due first to the blessings of Allah SWT, after which they go to a man who dedicated his life, time, and health to charity, and wiped the tears of the poor and the orphans: Dr. Abdulrahman Homoud Al-Sumait, may Allah have mercy on him.

This guide marks another year that has passed in shadow of a man who lived to lessen people's pain, and his legacy moves on under our responsibility. May Allah accept our good deeds and yours, always.

P A Message from our General Manager



Dr. Abdullah Al-SumaitGeneral Manager

Brothers and sisters,

Peace be upon you,

At Direct Aid our chosen approach to every part of our work is transparency, and imbued with this value, this guide gives an overview of the projects that are under implementation by our society. And they give good-hearted people the chance to see which area they would like to contribute in.

The main goal of our work is to better establish humans, which is why all of our developmental, educational, and healthcare projects focus on

extending their skills and capabilities to the point of self-sufficiency. By letting go of the need for external help, individuals in even the most remote villages can make a positive impact in advancing their communities.

It gives me great pleasure to extend my warmest thanks to every benefactor and philanthropist, including Dr. Abdulrahman Homoud Al-Sumait—the pioneer of Kuwaiti charity in Africa and the founder and previous manager of Direct Aid Society may Allah grant him mercy and Paradise—and every employee and volunteer who left their imprints in selfless giving, which led the society to the success it has today.

In closing, we thank Allah SWT for the blessing known as people who devote themselves to helping others, who love good and that goodness loves them in return, and may He save them from the torment of Judgment Day.

Your donations lights up their lives.



C Our values

- Collaborating to accomplish the society's goals;
- Believing in our society's noble mission and protecting its interests;
- Working with dedication, objectivity and diligence to realize our society's aims;
- Committing to implementing and preserving rights and duties;
- Ensuring our performance and practice of serving beneficiaries convey leading industry standards;
- Respecting human dignity regardless of religion, race, or gender.

ee Strategic aims

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2019's Projects

Seasonal

3,334,904 | sign

5,441,460

Water

1745

2,873,481

Educational

1,200

90,815

Developmental

8727

179,834

Orphans

2,765

ives touched

20,789

Awareness

Projects

548

es touched

52,380

Healthcare

rojects

1,360

ives touched

549,774

Construction

rojects

598

ives touched

303,297

Relief

Countries

15

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721,799

Total

Projects

3,351,862

touched

10,233,629

e Governance

Whether for-profit or non-profit, international organizations are increasingly applying principles of governance to guarantee sound administrative control.

When considering Direct Aid's interaction with multiple parties such as donors, beneficiaries, employees, and governmental institutions across all of its activities, the concept of governance becomes all the more imperative. Our Board of Directors has ensured the rules and standards of governance are built into the society's culture, holding its representatives accountable for their work and ready to answer inquiries from official sources. This system safeguards the delivery of donations across channels, and instills good faith in our donors and recipients. To further secure our operations, the society undergoes financial regulation reviews from governmental institutions such as the Ministry of Social Affairs and Labor, and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. In addition to regular audits from our internal auditing department, we consult with third party firm RSM Albazie and Co. to conduct financial audits. The result is reinforced values of transparency and honesty at Direct Aid, and reduced risks associated with our work. To give governance structure within the society, management decision 2016/409 was issued, and it concerns setting a hierarchy and a qualifications guide for Direct Aid's organizational units, as well as setting the roles and responsibilities of the Board of Directors and its associated committees and offices.

e Sustainability

The assets that are donated or bequeathed as a source of ongoing charity for a specific cause are known as endowments, or waqf, and they play a major role in achieving the sustainability and continuity of work. Recognizing the importance of waqf, Direct Aid Society established a dedicated department that manages its funds and investments, and pays out its annual dividends to sources determined by the donor, or waqif. The effects of this ongoing charity extend beyond the waqif donor's life, aiding in developing less fortunate communities and easing the burden of those in need.

At Direct Aid Society, we commit to holding an annual program for waqif donors who provide a type of endowment we refer to as obligations waqf. This waqf either sets a predetermined amount presented once to a certain cause, or is paid on an annual basis like sponsoring an African pilgrim. The following table lists the projects implemented from obligations waqf proceeds in 2018:



Projects implemented from waqf proceeds in 2019

Development projects

793 | Solution | 198 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 199 | 1

Construction projects

63,797 | Soluties 167 | Soluties 167

Relief projects

Sponsoring an orphan

Well drilling

13 Countries 336 | 000, 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 | 336 |

Adha'hi

195,300 | Projects Countries Countries 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300 | 196,300

Sponsoring an African pilgrim

Projects Countriles

Healthcare projects

140,702 | 1,059 | 26

Awareness projects

58,980 | 261 | 26

Educational projects

202,857 | star 792 | star 24

Well drilling

Trues touched 58,016 | 22 | 58,016 | 59,016 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50,017 | 50

Iftar saem

Printing copies of the Quran

1,000,000 | Gountties

Sponsoring a Islamic preacher

65 Countries 449 Projects

C Technology

With support from executive management and the Board of Directors, in 2018, the IT department worked on numerous updates and installed the latest applications with the aim of improving our systems. As a result, employees across divisions of the society are more connected, and are able to perform their daily tasks faster and with increased accuracy.

In terms of managing and monitoring network performance and security, we have upgraded our servers and updated our CITRIX program to its latest version to increase the performance of programs on site.

The first phase of upgrading computers on site was also successfully completed with 48 new computers installed for site office managers, accountants, and facility representatives, and complemented with upgraded internet capacities in our bases in host countries.

To boost security measures, we replaced surveillance cameras in the society's premises and stores with those that provide more coverage and clarity.

Remaining improvements were realized by our computer management department, which is now successfully operating new accounting software in all our host countries, and has activated this system for procurement and warehousing units, and to keep track of fixed assets. To successfully deploy this software, the department has focused on training all relevant staff in Kuwait and on site in Africa on its usage. The department has also activated this program to encompass budgeting features, and has installed the HR-management program "Maestro" in all host countries. By the end of the year, two projects reached a %90 completion rate, which where Microsoft Dynamics' project management and **CRM** applications



ee Technology

Aiming to be a competitive destination that attracts individuals with professional experiences and first-rate qualifications, Direct Aid continually works towards adding members with diverse skillsets to its team.

Since the quality of the services we provide are tied to our people, we are keen on achieving the highest standards of employee satisfaction through fostering a work environment that is safe, healthy, comfortable, and lively. Treating our staff with respect and fairness is a priority, as is maintaining trust and integrity. Our staff is our prime investment, so we continuously train and empower them to encourage better participation and enhance their abilities.

The total number of employees at Direct Aid as of the end of 2018 is (7672)



The association achieved %73 job satisfaction this year



?? Strategic partnerships

Some of the main pillars humanitarian and charitable work is built on are strategic partnerships between humanitarian and aid organizations, as well as governmental and official agencies. Through these partnerships, organizations have better chances of extending their help to different conflict zones whose natures add to the inherent challenges the charities face. Evidently, these alliances are essential in developing poorer communities, but they require proper mechanisms that provide coordination and control within these joint initiatives.

Partnerships are engrained in Direct Aid's work and their goal is to integrate with governmental, civil, international institutions and their like, and form local alliances to amplify the volume of achievements and make a bigger difference.

Partnerships on the Field

international organizations

jurisdictional / governmental

local organizations

framework conventions

51

30

Total

175

Direct Aid's Partners in 2019



Yeryüzü Doktorlar (Doctors (Worldwide Turkey



Arab Fund for Economic and Social Development



Turkish Red Crescent Society



Kuwait Red Crescent Society



Islamic Development Bank



World Food Organization



إنسانية الصناديق الإنسانية



United Nations Children's Fund ((UNICEF



Islamic Relief



Hayrat Aid



Federation of International Student Associations



Islamic Solidarity Fund for Development



United Mission for Relief & Development



Nama Foundation



Eye of the World Team

Direct Aid cooperates with

charitable foundations in Kuwait to develop charitable and humanitarian work

Direct Aid have partnerships with 7

universities to support research and development



APIF



Albasar International Foundation



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1 Fighting illiteracy

- **PP** Educational programs
- PP Higher education
- PP Vocational training
- Establishing an educated generation of leaders nurturing orphans
- PP Awareness and values programs

The society's work stems from a clear vision that targets fighting illiteracy, poverty, and disease through a set strategy that extends humanitarian aid in a responsive manner. This help comes in the form of improving African people's healthcare, education, or standards of living, thereby alleviating their suffering from the challenging conditions they live through.





?? Strategic partnerships

One cannot advance African nations by overlooking the high rates of illiteracy and ignorance in social, economic, and healthcare matters its societies live through. To eradicate these qualities, we moved from a traditional approach to charity to a more comprehensive methodology that focuses on spreading and applying the peaceful teachings of Islam. Developing on this idea, we decided to establish multidisciplinary centers (projects like orphanages, schools, mosques, artisanal wells, clinics, income-generating development projects, benevolent loans, vocational training centers, and others) that provide a well-rounded range of services to cater to poorer communities.

Our journey in carrying out Direct Aid Society's mission has changed the lives of millions of Africans. In big part, this was due to lifting their children from the holds of illiteracy and poverty, and nurturing them through sponsorship projects into productive citizens with high-ranking positions in both public and private sectors.



Strategic partnerships

- Enabling African citizens to obtain a valuable and fair education, regardless of their gender or color;
- Providing a proper standard of education across all levels, including higher education;
- Guaranteeing vocational training to those with learning difficulties to increase their chances at landing a job, and earning an income for themselves and their families;
- Spreading awareness and healthy habits between marginalized communities in remote areas.

Direct Aid Society contributes in eradicating illiteracy through education:

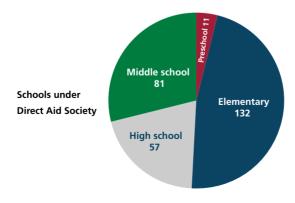
Education is the basic driver behind the advancement the world is undergoing. It is an indicator of civilization, and a method for finding solutions to current crises and their potential mitigation measures—in a way, education has become synonymous with a brighter future. From such, offering proper education is one of the most essential rights we should focus on providing, especially to children in their early years. In Africa, studies have shown that 40% of children do not attend elementary because of high tuition rates, the lack of schools, or the far distance of schools that makes it difficult for daily attendance. Statistics as such are one of the reasons Direct Aid Society puts fighting illiteracy in the forefront of its priorities.

ee Schools

- The society works on:
- Offering the latest technologies like equipped computer halls and science labs in all schools that fall under its administration:
- Stocking libraries with different science and literature books, hosting various educational programs, providing school uniforms, creating accommodating educational environments by supplying classes with teaching aids like maps, and preparing sports halls;
- Providing school meals to nourish children and help them better retain information, spreading a
 healthy competitive spirit between students by recognizing top students, discovering children's
 talents, and encouraging creativity;
- Preparing students for the real world through educational, cultural, sports, and social activities that contribute in developing their life skills in areas like communication, collaboration, teamwork, decision-making, problem solving, self-confidence, self-management, self-control, and positive thinking.

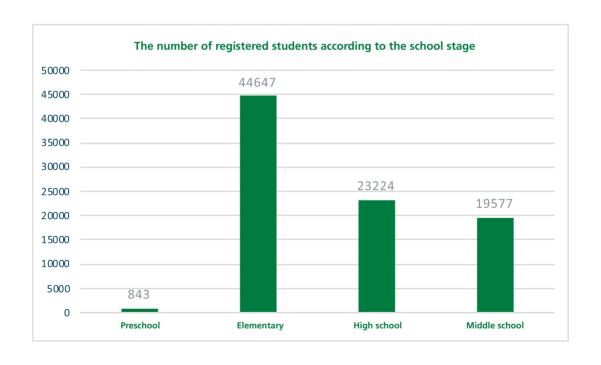
Direct Aid Society's schools hosted 1,073 school programs and

activities that were distributed according to grade-level



Statistics on schools and students under Direct Aid's administration

Grade-level	Number of schools	Number of students	
Elementary	134	843	
High school	55	44,647	
Preschool	12	23,224	
Middle school	80	19,577	
Total	281	88,291	



Scholarships

As a society, we also offer a sponsorship program that gives students from our orphanages or those who are unable to pay their own tuition a chance to acquire a proper education, and to grow into skilled citizens that benefit their communities.



1444

General education grants

1351

University education grants

Total Grants

2795

Vocational training

- Guaranteeing vocational training to those with academic learning difficulties to improve their chances of
- securing a job, and earning an income for themselves and their families;
- Developing these individuals' technical and professional abilities to better guarantee a source of income
- that covers their own needs and those of their families;
- Building and equipping vocational training centers to cover a range of activities, staffing them with
- talented technicians to train the students, and doing the same for vocational centers concentrated on
- training women.

Number of courses

Number of Beneficiaries

2524



Staff training

To maintain the high standards of our educational programs, we invest in training our teaching staff through a number of courses, each year.

Number of Beneficiaries

3373

Number of courses

206

These courses focus on classic and modern techniques in teaching, and encompass a variety of subjects like classroom management, how to best utilize available educational tools, methods in preparing for lectures, presentation skills, and time management.



e Higher education

To propel Africa as a nation forward, our society believes higher education should be a vital component of its development framework.

Within our plan for enhancing higher education, we have focused on the quality of the teachings, staff qualifications, providing translated curricula and books to graduate specialized intellects that will lift their societies. Eventually, we aim to establish universities in each African country that will offer a variety of majors, with a focus on the scientific like medicine, engineering, and computer sciences, which are rarely found in diminished communities.

Offering distinguished higher education that proves promising at graduating a generation of moral and qualified leaders.





- **Umma University**
- **Abdulrahman Al-Sumait** Memorial University - Zanzibar
- **Simad University** Somalia
- **Muslim University of** Morogoro – Tanzania

Achievement of Direct Aid Universities for 2019

The University	Academic programs	Number of graduates 2019	Number of scholarships awarded 2019
Umma	22	654	50
Simad	27	421	50
Abdulrahman Al-Su- mait Memorial	22	364	50
Morogoro	23	436	50

Total grants

200

Total graduates

1,875





Supporting higher education scholarships

- Supporting the Africa Education Development Fund that grants interest-free loans to students seeking higher education (Master's degrees and above);
- Developing our higher education scholarship system to prioritize scientific majors that are rare within Muslim communities in Africa:
- Establishing agreements with educational institutions to waive student tuition or decrease rates in exchange for funding support;
- Following up on graduates to learn from their experiences, and pinpointing any shortages or deficiencies in any of the host countries' education system.

The Direct Aid Society is currently operating Doing technical studies To establish a new university in the State of Benin Which will focus on technical education in particular The project is expected to start work next year, God willing



C Establishing an educated generation of **leaders – nurturing orphans**

A major humanitarian role we take responsibility for as a society is fostering orphans. And in doing so, we raise and educate the children, cultivate their values, and raise their potentials, to grow into individuals who do good and who are accountable members of their Islamic communities.

Number of countries

29 countries

Number of orphans

20,789 orphans



We care about:

- Offering integrated centers that provide comprehensive care for orphans, and fairly utilizing educational, healthcare, and similar institutions for their benefit;
- Creating a disciplined environment that caters to the children's emotional and moral needs;
- Continuously developing in orphanage supervisors and administrators through scheduled educational and administrative training sessions.

Number of sponsored orphans

Males

18,559

Females

2,230

Total number of orphan

20,789

2,765 are the total number of programs that the society has provided to orphans across its centers in Africa in 2018.



?? Awareness and values programs

Although we focus on spreading the peaceful teachings of Islam, our policy at Direct Aid Society is to provide aid regardless of a person's religious beliefs or ethnicity, so we make not distinction between Muslims and non-Muslim. When approaching communities, we aim on instilling such values of equality between its members.

27 African countries

1,596 Islamic preachers sponsored

Spreading awareness on Islam and its peaceful teachings



31,000 Quran students 40

Quran schools

Awareness programs we've offered

Program	Number offered	
The Garmin	23	
Radio program	103	
Village Imams	15	
Program		
Radio development	3	
Enhancing a Quran	44	
school		
Religious Institute	3	
Development		
Muslim converts' orientation program	78	

Program	Number offered	
Print copies of the	8	
Koran		
Awareness convoys	93	
Sponsoring a new		
daee (Islamic	38	
preacher)		
Quran competition	24	
Daee requirements	18	
Awareness meeting	17	
Women's Islamic	98	
awareness meeting		
The Achievement	548	



Construction Seasonal programs

Every year, our society sends a number of pilgrims from all over Africa to perform Hajj. This comes as a part of our awareness strategy, were we select influential members of these communities like their sheikhs and tribe sultans, imams and duaat (Islamic preachers), as well as women who aren't able to afford hajj expenses on their own.

Programs we've offered in 2019

Најј	
348	

Kaffarah (expiation) 263,780

Adha'hi 37,696

Zakat al-Fitr 275,553

Iftar Saem 2,754,300

Sacrifices and vows 3,227

Mosques and Quran schools

Direct Aid Society puts great care into building, furnishing, maintaining, and providing support services to mosques and Quran schools for their importance in raising more society's values. Other than their basic intended function, these buildings have a vital contribution in social ties. In them, youth listen to beneficial lectures that protect them from straying, and there are often places where disputing tribes resolve their issues, and families strengthen their unity.

During 2019

203 sanbsou

39 Quran Schools



2 Fighting poverty

- ► Developmental programs
- ▶ Benevolent loans
- ► Relief contributions



75%

of the world's poorest countries are in Africa



1.25_s

is the daily income per person for half of Africa's inhabitants, who suffer from severe lack of basic needs such as food, drinkable water, and a place to live.



45%

of African children under the age of 5 die due to malnutrition.



? Developmental programs

From our early beginnings, we set strategic targets to fight hunger and poverty in Africa in a sustainable way, reinforcing the need for developmental projects that provide financial freedom to families in poorer communities and that raise their living standards. Funding income-generating projects such as equipping and operating a bakery, supporting cattle, goat, and poultry farming, and building grain storage facilities allow individuals to use their capabilities to generate their own income, and eventually get over their hardships.

During 2019

Thanks to God and to your aid, we were able to execute developmental projects and programs that effectively supplied families with financial security to ward off poverty and hunger

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Some of these projects positively affect 5 members at a time, while others reach 200 to 600 beneficiaries



Per Benevolent Loans

Funding small businesses with benevolent microloans can help secure jobs for many individuals, and gives them a sense of accountability in the fate of their business. Through a program called "Your aid", rates of unemployment are reduced and in turn productivity increases.

Your aid

Your aid .. is an economic and social developmental project built on Islamic funding methods, where financial and non-financial services are granted to small businesses, which repay the exact amount in monthly installments over a one-year timeframe. In particular, this helps women from very modest backgrounds provide for themselves and their families, and in turn make a positive difference socially, economically, educationally, and in terms of healthcare. To yield the best results possible, our role as a society does not fall short at granting loans, but extends to providing consultations and training sessions through experienced strategic partners.

Program aims

- Transforming families who rely on external aid into self-sufficient providers;
- Offering job opportunities for women to live self-reliantly;
- Empowering women and supporting their roles in their families and societies;
- Making a positive impact on families' standards of health and education;
- Reinforcing a culture of work and productivity, and the concept of self-sufficiency.

Was the number given to women's income-generating businesses in 2019

40,775
The average size of a

beneficiary family is 5 members



Relief contributions

In our history as a humanitarian organization, not once have we hesitated in extending a helping hand to those suffering in the ruins of warn-torn or natural-disaster-struck regions. During these times, we want little more than to help reduce our fellow brothers and sisters' pain and to get them back on their feet. Like our inclination to provide aid, our strategy in tackling these issues has maintained its original focus that relies on clear standards than run deep in their effect. Aid comes in the form of food for refugees, displaced individuals, and those affected by floods and famines, or as non-perishables like tents and blankets.

Relief projects

696,320 Beneficiaries



Feeding centers

Within the framework of the continuous direct efforts to combat disease and reduce the proportion of those affected by disasters and famines, throughout the year, it continues to provide relief meals in the affected areas for those affected by malnutrition, with the provision of the disease in the first place. Continuing medical examinations until ensuring that the risk stage has been passed.

Food aid 721,799 meals

Direct aid is implemented through its centers, with relief intervention programs to cope with the emergency crises in disaster affected areas.

Through feeding centers, relief meals are distributed daily to pregnant and lactating mothers and children under five who are vulnerable to malnutrition, while continuing to follow the health development until the risk zone is crossed.

The state	No. of beneficiaries	No. of programs
Niger	1,228	12
Mali	23,098	72
Mauritania	1,153	30
Grand Total	25,479	114

7 Fighting disease

- ► Healthcare programs
- Water projects

By offering comprehensive healthcare for all members of African communities, we are closer to achieving our goal of fighting diseases. When offering medical aid like medicines and required vaccines through surgical camps and medical convoys, we do so without any discrimination; the same applies to free healthcare in hospitals the society owns or operates, chains of clinics and health centers. And, we collaborate with specialized international healthcare organizations like WHO, to expedite help to affected regions.





Health programs implemented during 2019

Working closely by our long-term goals, we continue our fight against diseases in African communities, through comprehensive healthcare that is of high quality, and without a hint of discrimination. Year-round, we collaborate with qualified medical teams that visit our specialized surgical camps to treat patients and train local staff members both in theory and using hands-on methods. But their education doesn't stop there as it extends to teaching local families (especially mothers) on basic healthcare and treatments. This way, even the farthest of villages are shown the mercies of modern medicine.

Training and qualification of doctors and health human cadres peneficiaries orograms

Vaccination campaign

eneficiaries 132466

programs

Medical teams (including an awareness campaign)

238662

Eye operations

302,900 | 57,108



beneficiaries

86394

programs

11

Male circumcision campaigns

beneficiaries

13905

programs

268

Surgical camp

beneficiaries

792

programs

1

Total

1360

beneficiaries

549774

Individual camp

Seneficiaries 3

programs

4











Implemented water projects during 2019

Small artisanal well

968,288 | \$\\ 642

Large artisanal well

1,250,372 268

Surface wells

654,821 | \$835

Water treatment tanks and storage units

71,800

24 garks

Total

2,945,281 | 1,769



At last, all of these efforts wouldn't have flourished and these constructions wouldn't have been completed without the blessings of Allah SWT before your good deeds, continuous support, and generous contributions. We ask Allah The Almighty to accept your honest work, and bless you and your family and wealth, and may he increase your reward.



Working since 1981 in 31 countries

