

Masira fund and center NEWSLETTER



Second Half of 2023

We are thrilled to share with you the impactful work of Masira Fund & Center in the second half of 2023! Through various programs and initiatives, we continue to empower people with disabilities and their families in Arab society.

1. Masira Fund Grants

We supported two impactful projects:



Adameh Association – Nazareth

"Mishawar" program offers yoga-based physical recovery to 20 women with chronic diseases. Launched in November 2023 with support from Masira and Tsadik Funds, the program features weekly sessions with an expert, Yamina Kumar.

Nasim El Amal Association

"Mirrors" project launched in October empowers 25 participants with disabilities through weekly therapeutic photography sessions in nature, led by expert Rania Aqel. Supported by Masira and Tsadik Funds.



KEY EVENTS

- Masira Grant 2023-2024: Empowering People with Disabilities.
- Masira Association Forum: Collaboration & Coordination.
- Information Centers: Support for People with Disabilities & Families.
- Supporting Students with Disabilities in Education.
- Digital Skills for Eldery & People with Disabilities.
- Conferences & Lectures: Raising Awareness & Promoting Rights.
- Masira in Emergencies: Supporting People with Disabilities.
- Welcome February & Giving Day.

2.Masira Association's forum

The Masira Associations Forum, a network of 12 disability-focused organizations, continues to connect and share knowledge through collaborative lectures on various disability rights topics.



The Forum hosted two July lectures: "Rights of People with Disabilities in the Workplace" for 30 individuals and families, presented by Attorney Inas Haj Yahya, and "Preparing for the World of Work" led by Tamar Zehavi.



In collaboration with the National Insurance Institute, the Masira Associations Forum joined the "Darb" project for families with autism by offering a September lecture on "Rights and Benefits" for people with disabilities.



The Forum also held a September lecture series, with Attorney Kawthar Habib Allah Omri discussing "The Public Complaints Commissioner" and Attorney Yusef Ghanem exploring "Alternatives to Appointing a Guardian." Both sessions drew 25 attendees.

3.Information Centers

Following the successful completion of the information centers project in April 2023, Masira Fund, with the US Embassy's support, has proudly relaunched these vital resources in Arab society. Collaborating with three esteemed associations - Jossor, Shahed, and Nasim El Amal - the project empowers individuals and families by providing crucial advice and support on disability rights.



The project aims to empower individuals and families, aligning with Masira Fund's core objectives. Volunteers received comprehensive training to ensure their success in assisting the community. Information centers will open in various locations across the region.

4.Higher Education and Student Support

Masira Fund continued supporting 27 students with disabilities throughout the 2023 academic year, offering guidance by diverse volunteers and facilitating their integration through various initiatives:

·"Higher Education as a Lever for Success" conference: Collaborated with the Open University and American Embassy to launch this conference before the academic year.

Accompanying students with disabilities in submitting universities applications took place in October in cooperation with the Open University and the Shahd-Tamra Association

·Scholarship Assistance: Collaborated with Zenk Le'atid Association to help 70 students receive Mercantile Bank scholarships. Board members participated in the award ceremony.

·China Israel International University Scholarship: Partnered with the university to offer scholarships in Business Administration and Marketing.



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5. Digital Literacy Project

Building on the success of training 200 individuals in 2022, Masira Fund launched another digital literacy workshop for the elderly and people with disabilities at the Kfar Manda Elderly Center with Arison Foundation support. Five more workshops are planned across the region to empower individuals through digital skills.



6. Events and Collaborations



March of the Dead heading

In solidarity against violence, Masira Fund staff and members joined thousands in the silent "March of the Dead" procession.

Abilities Makeathon

": Collaborating with the "Hasoub" Association, workshops empowered professionals to develop innovative assistive technologies by learning about the daily challenges faced by individuals with disabilities



Nature Hike

Staff, board members, and families with disabilities enjoyed a scenic hike in the accessible Cave of the Arch, where participants shared stories about the abandoned village of Idmit.



7. Masira in Emergencies

Masira Fund actively advocated for the needs of people with disabilities during emergencies:

Meetings with government officials: Representatives raised critical issues like inaccessible shelters and lack of Arabic translations in emergency materials.

·Support groups: Funded by JDC Israel, Masira Fund organized therapeutic sessions for various disability groups and their families across the country (Negev, Sakhnin, etc.).

·Mental health helpline: The "Sanadak" helpline (0747653911) offered psychological support with trained volunteers supervised by psychologist Tasnim Khatib.

·Training and workshops: In collaboration with the Masira Associations Forum, Masira Fund provided online workshops on various topics like digital literacy, mental resilience, and rights in the digital world.

·Food package distribution: On International Day of People with Disabilities, Masira Fund distributed 200 food packages to 12 disability-focused associations, assisting individuals and families facing economic hardship.



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8. Welcome February and Giving Day

Masira Fund, along with the Forum of Associations, celebrated February's spirit of giving and inclusion with a fun-filled event at the Deir Saint Hanna-Sufuria Monastery. Children enjoyed arts and crafts, music, dance, and storytelling, fostering a positive and inclusive atmosphere.



This February, make a difference in the lives of people with disabilities. Donate to Masira Foundation. Your contribution will help us provide critical resources and support to those who need it most.

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