



Natuf for Development

Natuf Organization

for Environment & Community Development

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**Administrative
Report 2018**

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مستمرون نحو التميز والإبداع

Administrative Report 2018



Natuf is a civil Palestinian association established in 2002. It is a licensed charitable organization by the Ministry of Interior and holds registration no. 7196. Natuf seeks to support community development in Palestine generally and Gaza Strip particularly, it aims to contribute in securing healthy and sound community environment through progressing development in the field of environment and community development.

Natuf has been founded as a response to the existing environmental problems that the Palestinian society endures due to the absence of environmental awareness, lack of infrastructure and limited green spaces. Additionally, it yearns to push forward the wheel of community development by taking part in fighting poverty and unemployment in the Strip.

Natuf work is represented in searching for and finding ideal sustainable environmental solutions to combat hindrances of environment and development in Gaza Strip, Moreover, it encourages awareness programs and researches that contribute to create clean environment and puts plans and strategies necessary to improve the environmental, social and economic situation of the Palestinian society.

Our vision

To be pioneers in achieving advanced level of integration between environmental and community development

Our Mission

Natuf seeks to build and develop environmental and community programs compatible with sustainable development standards and contributes in securing better living conditions for the society to be able to utilize its resources and capacities.



Our values

Environment Protection:

protect, adapt and fulfill the utmost use of the environment; and enhance the sound behavior to aesthetically appreciate the environment components.

Social Responsibility:

deal positively with the needs of the society and focus on the most urgent ones; and act responsibly with the emergent and recent requirements.

Innovation and Creativity:

Follow developmental and advancing policies in the environmental, technical, administrative and financial domains.

Gender Equality:

inculcate equality among all staff members of both sexes, in addition to beneficiaries.

Credibility, Transparency and Accountability:

achieve clarity and commitment to professional, clear and declared programs and plans, constant follow up according to professional and practical mechanisms, and ongoing check for targets achievement.

Strategic Goals

- ▶ Contribute to solve environmental problems and find solutions to adapt and lessen effects of climate change.
- ▶ Contribute to deal with main issues related to infrastructure that have environmental impact and find suitable solutions that create development and enhancement.
- ▶ Work on promoting the environmental culture and awareness of the society.
- ▶ Take part in improving living conditions for the youth and families in the Strip through economic empowerment programs.
- ▶ Work on establishing a professional institution and maintaining fund sustainability and diversity of its resources.



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Natuf's information



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Executive Director

- **Finance audit**
Badr Eddin Public Accountants and Financial Consultants
- **Legal Counsel**
Kanaan Al Sourani Law Firm
- **Member of the Organization**
 - Member of the Palestinian NGO Network
 - Member of the Palestinian Environmental NGOs Network

▸ Date of registration



29 - 07 - 2002

▸ Sector

 Environment

 Community development

▸ Members of the General Assembly

27 members  

▸ Number of employees

15 employee  

▸ Registration no

7196






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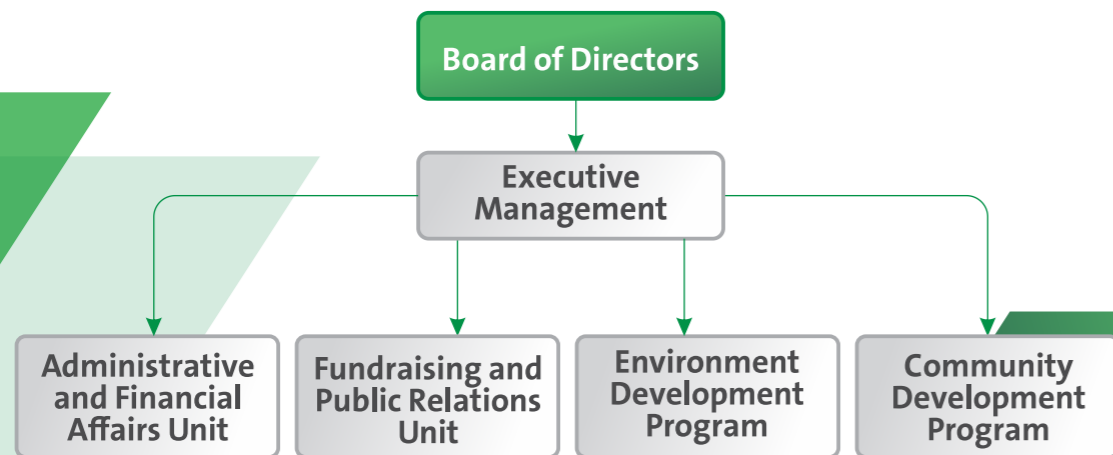
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▸ Number of volunteers

5 volunteers     

Organizational Structure of Natuf



Natuf from 2002 - 2018



11
Human relief



21
Education



13
Economic
empowerment



74 projects
in various fields

Amount of Funding
20,093,000 \$



11
Heath



18
Environment

Natuf Organization

in 2018



Amount of funding

2,060,309 \$

Beneficiaries

36,360

males 16,730

females 19,630

Partners





General Assembly Meeting

 18 April 2018

▶ Attendance

18 members out of 25 paid members

▶ Major decisions

1. Certify and approve the administrative report 2017
2. Certify and approve the financial report 2017
3. Approve the renewal of the legal auditor (Bader Eddin Public Accountants & Financial Consultants)



Board of Directors Meetings



15 January	2018	Attendance: 7
18 February	2018	Attendance: 7
10 April	2018	Attendance: 7
23 April	2018	Attendance: 7
2 July	2018	Attendance: 7
9 July	2018	Attendance: 7
11 August	2018	Attendance: 7
25 September	2018	Attendance: 5
28 October	2018	Attendance: 6
29 November	2018	Attendance: 6
30 December	2018	Attendance: 5



Natuf in social media during 2018



facebook.
Natufps

 followers
8,779

 likes
8,674



twitter
Natufps

 followers
234

 tweets
597



Instagram
Natuforg

 followers
683

 posts
180



YouTube
Natuf

 subscribers
47

 views
6154

Natuf Activities and Events in 2018



A visit of ACTED Delegation

25 September 2018

A delegation from ACTED Organization in the Palestinian territories headed by Country Director Mr. Mikolaj Radlicki visited Natuf Organization for Environment and Community Development aiming to open cooperation horizons.





A visit of Islamic Relief - UK Delegation

26 June 2018

A delegation from Islamic Relief – UK visited selection and identifying the target group camp for the second cohort of Bridge Palestine Program implemented by Natuf Organization for Environment and Community Development under supervision of Al Taawon Association.

Participation in Environmental Initiative funded by European Union on World Beach Cleanup Day

17 September 2018

Natuf Organization for Environment and Community Development implemented “Baharna Ahla” initiative in the presence of the European Union Office in Gaza, Mr. Ayman Fteiha and 300 volunteers from all over the Gaza Strip. The initiative aims to raise environmental awareness and draw world attention to environmental issues; it also highlights the importance of maintaining environment cleanup.





Signing memorandum of understating with UCAS

30 May 2018

Natuf Association for Environment and Community Development signed a memorandum of understating with the University College of Applied Science (UCAS) in the presence of Dr. Refaat Rostom the president of UCAS to achieve joint collaboration in the field of development and serving the Palestinian community.

A visit of GIZ Delegation

27 June 2018

A delegation from Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) headed by Mr. Hazem El-Mashharawi, vocational education and training advisor, visited the selection and identifying the target group camp for the second cohort of Bridge Palestine Program that implemented by Natuf Organization for Environment and Community Development by Taawon (Welfare Association) in order to discuss avenues of joint cooperation with Natuf.





Signing memorandum of understating with Hifa Association for Children with Diabetes

21 March 2018

Natuf Association for Environment and Community Development signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with Hifa Association for Children with Diabetes in the presence of Mr. Yahiya Alawadi, chairman of the board of directors in Hifa. The MoU aims to achieve joint cooperation in order to facilitate the criteria of charitable projects presented to the beneficiaries and serve the Palestinian community.

A visit of KFW Development Bank Delegation

23 May 2018

A delegation from KFW Bank headed by Ms. Cornelia Dinter, the Principle Country Manager of North Africa & Middle East, visited Natuf Association for Environment and Community Development office to be informed about the association's activities and open joint collaboration horizons.





A visit of Shams Delegation

13 March 2018

A delegation from Society for the Care of People with Disabilities in the Gaza Strip (Shams), headed by the chairman of the board of directors Akram Ghaben visited Natuf Association for Environment and Community Development office to discuss avenues of joint cooperation.

Graduation Ceremony of 4th Cohort – Al Fakhoora Scholarships Program, First Stage

21 February 2018

Natuf Association for Environment and Community Development implemented the events of the 4th cohort graduation ceremony within Al Fakhoora Scholarships Program - first stage for 80 graduates in different specialties. The event comes within Al Fakhoora Scholarships Program, first stage – the 4th agreement funded by Islamic Development Bank and Al Fakhoora/UNDP.





A visit of European Union Office in Gaza

11 November 2018

Natuf Association for Environment and Community Development represented by Hatem Hassona, the chairman of the board of directors, received Mr. Ayman Fteiha, head of the European Union Office in Gaza. The visit aims to open new horizons of collaboration between Natuf and EU in Gaza as it is one of the supporting organizations for developmental and relief projects in the world generally and in the Gaza Strip specifically.

A visit of UCAS Delegation

17 April 2018

A delegation from the University College of Applied Science (UCAS) headed by the president Dr. Refaat Rostom visited Natuf Association for Environment and Community Development to discuss avenues of joint cooperation with Natuf.





Visiting Al Azhar University Board of Trustees

31 December 2018

A delegation from Natuf headed by Hatem Hassona, the chairman of the board of directors visited the office of Al Azhar University Board of Trustees in Gaza. The visit was attended by Dr. Ibrahim Ibrash, head of the Board of Trustees and a group of both sides' members; the visits aimed to discuss avenues of joint collaboration according to Natuf strategic vision which always seeks to serve the Palestinian society at all sectors.

A party for Diabetes children on the World Diabetes Day

11 November 2018

Natuf Association for Environment and Community conducted the events of the entertainment day for the children with diabetes in partnership with Hifa Association for Children with Diabetes and under the sponsorship of Palestine Islamic Bank. The event was on the occasion of the World Diabetes Day.



Main Projects During 2018

Al Fakhoora Scholarship Project - DFI

Target group:

Palestinian universities students who are most in need



Education

Number of beneficiaries: 300 students

Donation: \$ 1,081,042.26

Duration: June 2015 – August 2018

Donor:



About the project:

Al Fakhoora Scholarships and Empowerment is a program implemented by the UNDP Program of Assistance to the Palestinian People (PAPP) in association with Natuf organization for Environment and Community Development. The first stage was funded from 2009 until 2018 in partnership between Islamic Development Bank (IDB) in Jeddah and Al Fakhoora Foundation in Qatar; it offers a multi-service scholarship includes university tuitions and empowering the youth who are most in need. The Program uses a multi-mode knowledge system to enhance and develop the enrolled students' capacities and qualify them to work in the local and international markets.





Environmental and Health Impact of Wadi Gaza Pollution Project

Target group:

Wadi Gaza Area Residents



Environment

Implementation

place: Wadi Gaza Area

Donation: \$ 30,000

Duration: February 2017 – April 2018

Donor:



GLOBAL ENVIRONMENT FACILITY
UNEP / UNDP / World Bank

About the project:

The project provides an integrated study to assess the environmental and health impact resulting from Wadi Gaza area pollution and contribute to minimizing the consequences of pollution of that area. It includes a number of activities to evaluate the effect of pollutants on the various environmental components as soil, groundwater, sea water, animals' habitats, plants growth and the health of Wadi Gaza residents.





Economic accompaniment of families by creation of cooperative – Phase I

Target group:

Universities alumni



Economic Empowerment

Number of beneficiaries:

40 alumni

Donation: \$ 9,040

Duration: February 2017 – December 2018

Donor:



About the project:

It aims to organize the alumni at cooperatives have a legal entity that guarantees the rights of the members, empower them economically and qualify them for the labor market. This is fulfilled by securing potentials, skills and training to them in order to ensure the project success and enhance their skills of decision making, crisis management and needs assessment.





Improving the Economic Situation of the Young Orphans & Their Families of 2014 Assault – third year

Target group:

young orphans due to 2014 aggression on the Gaza Strip – ages 18-22



Economic Empowerment

Number of beneficiaries: 100 

Donation: \$ 181,775.00

Duration: February 2017 – June 2018

Donor:



صندوق الحاج هاشم الشوا
للووقف الخيري



About the project:

It is one of Wajd distinctive programs that deal with the economic sector. The project aims to promote the economic conditions of young orphans due to 2014 aggression on the Gaza Strip and secure a decent life for them and their families by enhancing their role in the society, build their capacity and support their access to the labor market. This is achieved either by securing job opportunities or establishing income-generating microenterprises.





It's My Turn

Target group:

youth ages 15-20



Education

Number of beneficiaries: 200

Donation: \$ 20,737

Duration: September 2017 – September 2018

Donor:



About the project:

It aims to provide the youth with the opportunity to participate in the first interactive cultural knowledge camp in Palestine where all categories of participants will be trained theoretically and practically on diverse topics; such as diverse cultural awareness, English language skills, sports, story narration, public speaking, drawing, creative writing and leadership and communication skills. The Project also focuses on presenting and orienting the participants' talents in their individual and collective aspects, in addition, to increase the culture of community service awareness and integrating the target group into initiatives that server the society.





Pre – College Counseling, mentorship and fostering talents in the Gaza Strip 2017/2018 – Bridge Program

Target group:

12th grade students (both genders) from Bridge Program/Palestine



Education

Number of beneficiaries: 36

Donation: \$ 38,119

Duration: November 2017 – February 2018

Donor:



About the project:

It develops the students' academic skills and strengthens the participants' chances to obtain scholarships. Additionally, the Project yearns to develop and build personal capacity in specialized training fields and boost academic skills.





Joy and Fun Festival for children

Target group:

children in Gaza – ages 7-14



Education

Number of beneficiaries: 1000 children

Donation: \$ 4,623

Duration: December 2017 – March 2018

Donor:



About the project:

It aims at entertaining 1000 children in Gaza by participating in the Festival, games and artistic shows, in addition, to contribute to the emotional and psychological venting of children and raise their creativity level.





Family Sponsorship Phase I

Target group:

Needy families in the Gaza Strip



Relief

Number of beneficiaries: 6,600

Donation: \$ 99,189

Duration: December 2017 – January 2018

Donor:



About the project:

It aims at helping the needy families in the Gaza Strip by distributing coupons on 1014 families, in addition, to improve their economic conditions and alleviate their food insecurity.





Gaza Winter Kits Phase II

Target group:

children of needy families in the Gaza Strip
ages 6-14



Relief

Number of beneficiaries: 720 children

Donation: \$ 36,720

Duration: January 2018 – March 2018

Donor:



About the project:

It aims to secure winter clothing for the children of needy families in the Gaza Strip by distributing cloth coupons; in addition, contributing to alleviating the burdens of these families and supporting them with needed winter clothes.





Family Sponsorship Phase II

Target group:

Needy families in the Gaza Strip



Relief

Number of
beneficiaries: 12,350

Donation: \$ 120,371

Duration: February 2018 – April 2018

Donor:



About the project:

It aims at helping the needy families in the Gaza Strip by distributing coupons on 1900 families, in addition, to improve their economic conditions and alleviate their food insecurity.





Economic accompaniment of families by creation of cooperative – Phase II

Target group:

universities alumni



Economic Empowerment

Number of beneficiaries:

40 alumni

Donation: \$ 9,500

Duration: February 2017 – December 2018

Donor:



About the project:

It aims to organize the alumni at cooperatives have a legal entity that guarantees the rights of the members, empower them economically and qualify them for the labor market. This is fulfilled by securing potentials, skills and training to them in order to ensure the project success and enhance their skills of decision making, crisis management and needs assessment.





Sponsorship of Jawwal hospice at Ramadan

Target group:

needy families in Gaza



Relief

Number of beneficiaries:

6250



Donation: \$ 7,052

Duration: June 2018

Donor:



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About the project:

It aims at distributing Iftar meals on the needy families in the Gaza Strip in order to alleviate their living burdens; the project served 6250 beneficiaries.





Preparatory Phase and Summer Camps for Bridge Palestine's Second Cohort

Target group:

9th grade students



Education

Number of beneficiaries: 120

Donation: \$ 99,612

Duration: April 2018 – September 2018

Donor:



About the project:

It is one of the main stages of the first year of Bridge Program – Palestine for the second cohort. The project selects the enrolled students from the first year 2018 and it aims to develop their linguistic skills and personal characteristics and give them the chance to discover their personalities in order to boost their opportunity to join specialized prestigious universities.





Food vouchers for impoverished families in Gaza Strip

Target group:

needy families in the Gaza Strip



Relief

Number of beneficiaries:

217 families 

Donation: \$ 12,300.00

Duration: June 2018

Donor:



About the project:

It aims at helping the needy families in the Gaza Strip by distributing coupons on 217 families, in addition, to improve their economic conditions and alleviate their food insecurity.





Summer Camp Saifek Ahla

Target group:

children – ages 8-14



Education

Number of beneficiaries: 120 children 

Donation: \$ 5,961

Duration: July 2018 – August 2018

Donor:



About the project:

It aims at entertaining the targeted children and providing them with various cultural activities and programs. It also boosts teamwork spirit, enhances their innovative abilities, introduces them to heritage and tourist attractions in the country and strengthens their belonging to the green environment and protecting it.





Food vouchers for impoverished families in Gaza Strip

Target group:

·needy families in The Gaza Strip



Relief

Number of beneficiaries:

58 families

Donation: \$ 2,300

Duration: June 2018

Donor:



About the project:

It aims at helping the needy families in the Gaza Strip by distributing coupons on 58 families, in addition, to improve their economic conditions and alleviate their food insecurity.





Installation of solar panel systems for families in the Gaza Strip

Target group:

needy families in the Gaza Strip



Relief

Number of beneficiaries:

54 families 

Donation: \$ 70,000

Duration: May 2018 – August 2018

Donor:

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Taawon 

About the project:

It aims to improve the living and economic situation of the needy families in the Gaza Strip through securing and installing solar rechargeable lighting systems for 54 families from all Gaza governorates.





Improving the Economic Situation of the Young Orphans & Their Families of 2014 Assault-fourth year

Target group:

young orphans due to 2014 aggression on the Gaza Strip – ages 18-22



Economic Empowerment

Number of beneficiaries:

160

Donation: \$ 207,000

Duration: September 2018 – May 2018

Donor:



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صندوق قطر للتنمية



صندوق الحاج هاشم الشوا
للووقف الخيري



About the project:

It is one of Wajd distinctive programs that deal with the economic sector. The project aims to promote the economic conditions of young orphans due to 2014 aggression on the Gaza Strip and secure a decent life for them and their families by enhancing their role in the society, build their capacity and support their access to the labor market. This is achieved either by securing job opportunities or establishing income-generating microenterprises.





Gaza Incubator for Renewable Energy

Target group:

graduates of scientific colleges who have technological ideas in the renewable energy field



Environment – Education

Number of beneficiaries: 30

Donation: \$ 22,267

Duration: September 2018 – September 2018

Donor:



About the project:

It aims to establish the first business incubator for renewable energy in the Gaza Strip. It will provide coaching and counseling services for individuals, startups and projects in the field of renewable energy. The project targets 30 graduates of scientific colleges who have technological ideas in the renewable energy field.





Emergency aids for Gaza Students

Target group:

School students



Relief

Number of beneficiaries: 137 

Donation: \$ 3,460

Duration: October 2018 – December 2018

Donor:



About the project:

It aims at providing school students from needy families with urgent aids and alleviating their economic burdens by securing school uniform, bags and stationery for 137 students.





The creation of safe areas through the development and rehabilitation of KG playgrounds in Gaza Strip through recycled materials

Target group:

kindergartens pupils



Education – Environment

Number of beneficiaries: 500 

Donation: \$ 45,450

Duration: November 2018 – July 2019

Donor:



About the project:

It aims to raise awareness about environmental issues and inculcate positive environmental attitudes in the fields of awareness and environmental and health education for children in specific. Such category needs care and consideration as they are the future youth and men. Additionally, the Project works on building the capacity of kindergartens in the Gaza Strip in terms of environmental aspects by adding the aesthetic and environmental features in order to encourage pupils to adopt the targeted issues and create an enlightened generation about the significance of environment and its components.





Planting Houses Walls and Roofs in some Neighborhoods in Gaza City

Target group:

Gaza Families



Environment

Number of

beneficiaries: 20 families



Donation: \$ 10,000

Duration: December 2018 – November 2019

Donor:



About the project:

It aims at empowering the Palestinian youth to develop urban agriculture of walls, balconies and roofs of 20 houses which will improve the atmosphere of the houses, reduce dependency on imported food by producing high-quality goods, and contribute to community development by building the youth's capacity.





Directive Life Skills and Science Training for Bridge Palestine's Second Cohort Year 2

Target group:

second cohort students of Bridge Program/Palestine



Education

Number of beneficiaries: 80

Donation: \$ 53,100

Duration: December 2018 – May 2019

Donor:



About the project:

It develops the students' life, academic and scientific skills through enhancing knowledge awareness about the academic study and identifying the available opportunities on the national, regional and international levels. Additionally, it builds students' capacity in various fields as human rights, scientific research, designing initiatives and intervention projects.




Success Stories 2018

Bridge Program – Palestine

from Gaza was the beginning..
and it has reached the universality





Yousef Abu Saeed Wajd Program opened the way for me to achieve my dream of Mastering Photography

Yousef Abu Saeed is one of the beneficiaries of the Wajd Program. He is a student at Media and Communication faculty at Al Azhar University - Gaza; Yousef has the talent of photography and he always dreams of being a professional photographer. The hard economic situation and the lack of resources in Gaza were the chief obstacles for Yousef to fulfill his dream.

“The dream does not know the impossible, the will does not break no matter how many days pass, and the talent does not fade despite the severe pains. My dream was to be a professional photographer in the field of food and production photography; the intervention that I received enabled me to develop my personal and professional skills.

They also contributed to empowering me economically.” Yousef said.

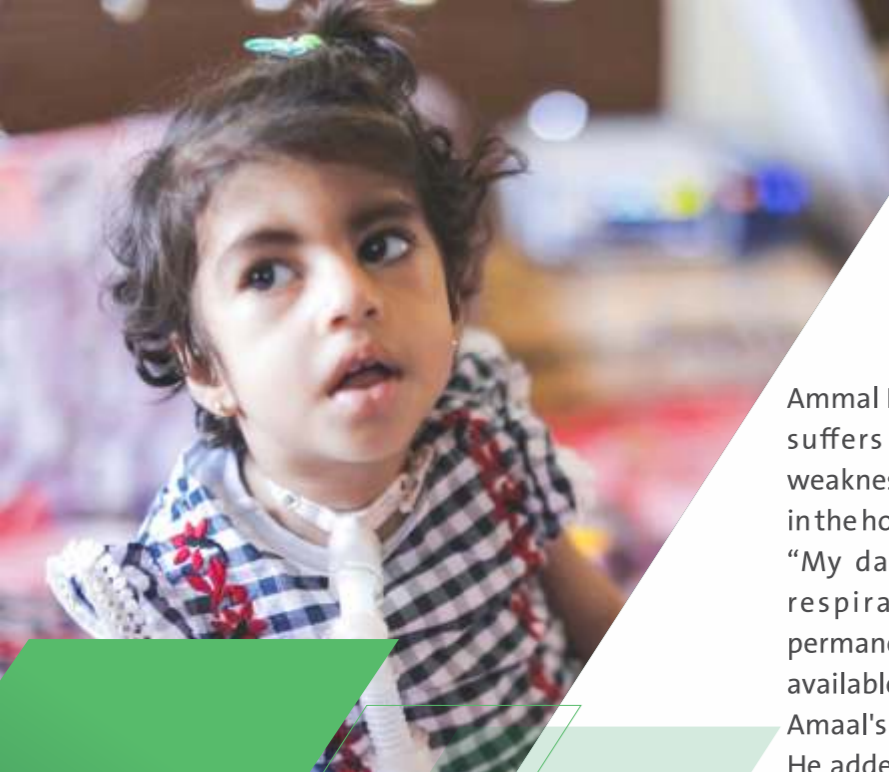
Yousef is one of the beneficiaries from training on income-generating microenterprises, and he got a grant for microenterprise in the field of photography.

Yousef added, “The Program offered me all the needed equipment and tools to master professional photography. Additionally, it provided me with specialized training in this domain.”

He stressed that Wajd secured for him a vivid future full of work and innovation; he said “Wajd Program opened the way for me to achieve my dream of mastering photography.”

Wajd program is part of the project that aims to improve the economic conditions of young orphans due to 2014 aggression on the Gaza Strip and their families -the third year. It is supervised by Taawon (Welfare Organization) and funded by Qatar Fund for Development (QFFD), Hashim Alshawwa Waqif Fund and Bank of Palestine and implemented by Natuf.





Amaal Filfil between the Fears of Death and the Hope of Life

Amaal Filfil, aged 1 year and 4 months, from Beit Lahia, suffers from pneumonia and respiratory muscle weakness which made her life dependent on ventilators in the hospital.

“My daughter suffers from many diseases in the respiratory system which obliged her to stay permanently at the hospital where electricity is always available; my daughter's life was linked to ventilators.”

Amaal's father Mohammed said.

He added, “We used to spend most of our times at the hospital for treatment and this had huge burdens on us. The doctors told us that we could take Amaal home if there is constant electricity. In Gaza, we witness long power blackout which adversely affect all areas of life in the Strip.”

He stressed that his daughter's health conditions became better upon moving her to the house to receive her treatment. This happened after installing a solar lighting system. He said: “We took Amaal home when Taawon and Natuf visited our house and installed the lighting system. The electricity is regularly available now which had a positive impact on Amaal's health and psychological conditions. Now, she plays with the other kids at home and this also alleviated our suffering.”

Amaal is one of the beneficiaries from installing a solar rechargeable lighting system for poor families in the Gaza Strip project funded and supervised by Taawon (Welfare Organization) and implemented by Natuf



what they said about us!



Dr. Refat Rostom

President of the University College of Applied Science

“We are very proud of Natuf because it is a deeply-rooted Palestinian organization . Its achievements are impressive and this is for its distinguished management. We are delighted to work with Natuf and we hope to strengthen joint collaboration ties between UCAS and Natuf”



Prof. Ibrahim Abrash

Head of Board of Trustees of Al Azhar University

“We stand before an organization that has diverse interests in the fields of environment and development, besides serving several sectors in the society. We welcome this cooperation with our University and we wish Natuf all the best and prosperity.”



Mr. Ayman Fteiha

Director of the European Union Office in Gaza

“Natuf is one of the leading organizations in the environment sector in Palestine; it implements a number of distinctive projects that target vital categories in the Palestine society. I wish Natuf the best in its future programs and projects. I also hope that Natuf will continue in such sincere effort in the field of environmental awareness in the local society.”





Mr. Mikolaj Radlicki

ACTED Country Director - Palestine

“After seeing some achievements of Natuf in Gaza city, I was pleased by the effort it exerted in the fields of education and environment. I am so optimistic about the footprint that Natuf would leave in these domains. I wish Natuf more success and prosperity in its future programs and achievements.”



Mr. Ayed Abu Ramadan

Head of Administrative Affairs Department
Palestine Islamic Bank

“Natuf proved that it realizes the Palestinian community needs in Gaza by providing distinguished services that spread hope and positivity and build the human capacity”



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