



> Lebanon - Emergency Relief and Recovery

Rebuilding Lives and Restoring Communities in Post-Conflict Lebanon

With many communities still facing a dire lack of food, medicine, and sanitary hygienic systems, CHF International has been working to provide vulnerable families the resources needed to survive and the tools and services that will help them get back on their feet for the long-term.

Through the support of the United States Office of Foreign Disaster Assistance (OFDA) and private donations, CHF International has been implementing the Humanitarian Assistance in Lebanon Programs which:

- > **distribute relief items** such as bedding, hot meals, and lifesaving medical supplies to displaced families;
- > **restore and rebuild basic infrastructure** for access to clean drinking water and health systems to mitigate the spread of disease in devastated communities; and
- > **conduct local employment and job creation activities** for displaced individuals as they transition back to their communities, while helping curb the sense of hopelessness in post-conflict settings.

CHF is one of the leading providers of humanitarian aid and developmental assistance and over the past 10 years has been enhancing the agro-business industry, combating child labor, empowering small businesses, and reconstructing post-civil war civilian infrastructure.



CHF is targeting vulnerable and underserved communities to provide much needed basic relief commodities. Above, two children receive a habitat kit with bedding.

To date, CHF International has supported:

- > more than **20,000 beneficiaries in 18 villages** in Bint Jbeil and Tyre, including **3,500 fishermen** from towns along the Lebanese coastline, have received supplies and services to reestablish their livelihoods and begin to earn income again for their families.
- > more than **500 children** have participated in psychosocial support workshops to help them cope with the trauma of the recent violence and recover from the depression that is becoming all too common throughout the country.
- > **1,000 apple farmers** in harvesting their crops, giving them the income they need to get back on their feet, while giving others much needed employment, wages, and training in a new skill.
- > **4 villages** in the Yarine cluster with the provision of **140 water reservoirs** to restore access to clean drinking water. CHF employed the local villagers to assist in the delivery of the reservoirs in each village.



To continue these efforts, CHF is collaborating with the **United Lebanon Relief Campaign**, a product of a coalition of American-Lebanese business leaders, executives, entertainers, and philanthropists. The campaign is a humanitarian effort, bringing people together from all walks of life to raise awareness and funds for Lebanon.

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Apple Harvesting



Each day, 1,000 farmers are getting assistance from 650 people for harvesting apples. This program, managed in collaboration with the **René Moawad Foundation**, is creating cash-for-work opportunities and training support on harvest and post-harvest practices for unskilled workers, students, farmers and engineers in North Lebanon. Beneficiaries also work on sorting, storing, packing, transporting, and marketing the apples.

Some of the apples are distributed to school children and other vulnerable citizens and the rest are marketed by linking them to marketing outlets through USAID-funded Central Agricultural Market project.

Restoring Water



CHF is providing communities with basic relief commodities, including necessary non-food items and access to safe water sources. Most of the families who were displaced during the recent conflict have returned back home to their destroyed villages and houses.

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Psychosocial Support



Through various activities, CHF's team of professionals is working to identify affected persons as well as the level of trauma impacting children. Themes of fear and depression were clearly reflected in the interactive activities, especially in the drawings and clay modeling explained by the children themselves.

While thorough reports are still being developed by the team evaluating the status of the targeted population, preliminary assessments show that children are still deeply affected by the aggressions of the war with 60% demonstrating substantial symptoms of depression.

Restoring Livelihoods



For many families along the coast, the primary source of income—fishing—has been devastated by oil spills and military blockades. In response, CHF is working directly with fishing families to provide the tools and resources they need for the short-term, as well as assistance to help them reestablish their long-term livelihoods.

More than 20,000 beneficiaries in 18 villages in Bint Jbeil and Tyre benefit from the program.