

A young child with dark hair and a green hair tie is peering through a jagged hole in a weathered, grey concrete wall. The child is wearing a red and black striped garment. The background shows a dark, narrow alleyway with some light reflecting off the wall.

MAP
MEDICAL AID FOR **PALESTINIANS**

MAP IN ACTION
2017



MESSAGE FROM OUR CEO

The anniversaries that Palestinians have marked last year – 10 years of the blockade of Gaza, 50 years of military occupation and 100 years since the signing of the Balfour Declaration – are not simply painful reminders of past tragedies, but continue to highlight the ongoing injustices and dispossession that characterise the day-to-day lives of Palestinians.

In 2017, the situation in Gaza deteriorated to its lowest ebb outside of periods of military attack. An exacerbated electricity crisis in April left homes and hospitals with just 4-6 hours of electricity per day, causing drastic cuts to essential services and endangering patients' lives. In the summer, we declared the situation in Gaza a humanitarian emergency, and this continues to be the case in 2018.

In spite of the UN Security Council vote to condemn illegal Israeli settlements at the end of 2017, settlements in the West Bank have continued to expand. Meanwhile Palestinians – including the Bedouin communities in the Jordan Valley visited by the MAP mobile clinic – are under threat of home demolitions and forcible transfer. In Lebanon, poverty and a lack of opportunities continue to blight the lives of Palestinian refugees while the world's attention is focussed on other crises across the region.

In such bleak times, in my first year as CEO I'm proud to be overseeing projects and programmes that continue to shine a beacon of hope, supporting the most vulnerable and promoting the right of every human being to the highest attainable standard of health. In the coming pages you can read about our key achievements and programmes in Gaza, the West Bank and Lebanon.

We are sad to say goodbye to the Chair of our Board of Trustees, Alan Waddams. We are very grateful for his stewardship through the last four years, which included our response to the devastating 2014 military offensive on Gaza. We are also delighted to welcome former CEO of MAP, Steve James, to the role.

Our vision is a future where all Palestinians can access an effective, locally-led and sustainable healthcare system. Our fantastic teams and partners in the West Bank, Gaza and Lebanon are working tirelessly to make this vision a reality.

This work is possible only through the generous support of people like you. Thank you.

Aimee Shalan,
MAP CEO



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For over 30 years, Medical Aid for Palestinians (MAP) has been reaching out to Palestinian communities, striving to deliver health and medical care to those worst affected by conflict, occupation and displacement. MAP's vision is a future where all Palestinians can access an effective, sustainable and locally-led system of healthcare and the full realisation of their rights to health and dignity.

Through our offices in the West Bank, Gaza, East Jerusalem, Lebanon and London, we work with trusted and experienced local partners to achieve this vision.

Our programmes provide access to essential health services and build local knowledge and skills to address local health problems. In times of humanitarian emergency, we are ready to respond rapidly with aid and assistance.

MAP is also committed to bearing witness to the injustices caused by occupation, displacement and conflict. We speak out in the UK and internationally to ensure the political and social barriers to Palestinian health and dignity are addressed.

WE WORK IN THESE FIVE PROGRAMMATIC AREAS AND HAVE FIVE CROSS-CUTTING THEMES:

WOMEN AND CHILDREN'S HEALTH



ESSENTIAL PRIMARY HEALTHCARE



EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE

MENTAL HEALTH & PSYCHOSOCIAL SUPPORT



DISABILITY



CAMPAIGNS



5 CROSS-CUTTING THEMES

- 1 CAPACITY-BUILDING AND SUSTAINABILITY
- 2 GENDER
- 3 PROTECTION
- 4 ACCESS FOR MARGINALISED GROUPS
- 5 EVIDENCE BASE

WHAT WE DO

2017 IN BRIEF

Understanding the context in which we work is vital for planning and preparing solutions to the problems that Palestinians face.

WEST BANK

Settlements continued to rapidly expand in 2017. Work began on the first new 'official' settlement in the West Bank for 20 years. Palestinian communities in Area C have continued to be affected by Israeli demolitions of homes and other structures, putting them at risk of forcible transfer.



GAZA

The tenth anniversary of Israel's closure of Gaza this year was marked by a deepening humanitarian emergency as a result of an electricity crisis, medical shortages and severe barriers to medical referral. Hospitals have been forced to run on generator power for 20 hours a day and cut back on essential services such as diagnostics and cleaning. The lives of patients – particularly adults and new-born babies in intensive care – have been put at severe risk as a result.



LEBANON

Palestinian refugees across Lebanon continued to face restrictions on civil and political rights, and limited services such as healthcare due to UNRWA's ongoing budgetary deficit. The southern refugee camp of Ein el Helweh was repeatedly hit by inter-factional clashes throughout the year, resulting in widespread destruction to areas of the camp and displacement of families fleeing the violence.



ESSENTIAL PRIMARY AND PUBLIC HEALTHCARE

PROGRAMME SPEND: £928,000



As the first point of contact with a health system, a good quality and accessible primary healthcare service is crucial to improving wellbeing and tackling health inequalities. Yet primary care is often underfunded and under-resourced. Strong primary healthcare is especially vital in occupied Palestine and the refugee camps of Lebanon, where access to healthcare is hindered by movement restrictions and other symptoms of occupation and exile.



MAP IN ACTION

MOBILE CLINIC HEALTH SERVICES FOR BEDOUIN COMMUNITIES WEST BANK

Throughout 2017, our mobile health clinic, run with local partner, Islah Charitable Society, has continued to offer a lifeline to 27 marginalised communities in the Jordan Valley, Area C. They are at risk of forced evictions, house demolitions, settler violence, restrictions on movement and the denial and destruction of basic infrastructure including electricity, water and sanitation services.

The mobile clinic provides quality primary healthcare and health education to communities cut off from accessing static facilities. It treats acute and chronic health conditions, addressing poor nutrition among women and children, and provides antenatal and postnatal care.

"Our partnership with MAP has helped maintain the mobile clinic. Thanks to MAP the clinic remains open, serving these vital health services to Bedouin communities."

Sumaya Nimer – Clinic Co-ordinator



MOBILE HEALTH CLINIC

436
VISITS MADE
TO HOUSEHOLDS IN
BEDOUIN COMMUNITIES



9,204
CONSULTATIONS

INCLUDING

501 CONSULTATIONS TO
PREGNANT WOMEN



10,812
ATTENDEES ACROSS
433 COMMUNITY HEALTH
AWARENESS SESSIONS

FAMILY MEDICINE WEST BANK

Our Family Medicine project went from strength to strength in 2017, building on the previous years' successes. We continued to support the development of An Najah University's training programme for family medicine specialists and Ministry of Health training centres and ran training workshops for key stakeholders. The project will ultimately contribute to a more coordinated, patient and family-centred approach to healthcare, improved health outcomes and reduced referrals to already overburdened hospitals.

"We are delighted to have partnered with MAP since 2015 on this transformational programme. Focussing on Family Medicine to deliver patient centred, personalised care is essential in fundamentally improving healthcare for Palestinians in the West Bank, and this partnership has ensured that we have already made substantial progress towards this goal. We hope our superb relationship with MAP continues for many years to come."

Professor Paul Wallace –
Chief Executive, Foundation for
International Development of Family
Medicine in Palestine

 **17**
**FAMILY MEDICINE
SPECIALISTS**

FULLY TRAINED AND BOARD CERTIFIED;
ANOTHER 17 NOW
IN THE TRAINING PROGRAMME

 **57** **CLINICIANS
TRAINED IN**
3 WORKSHOPS IN 2017



WOMEN AND CHILDREN'S HEALTH

PROGRAMME SPEND: £1.39m



Palestinians in both Palestine and Lebanon have high rates of maternal and child mortality and morbidity, with women and children consistently among the most vulnerable people during conflict and prolonged occupation. Improving access to quality care, and promoting health and care-seeking behaviours among communities and households, are key to improving maternal, neonatal and child health.



MAP IN ACTION

MATERNAL & CHILD HEALTH PROJECT LEBANON

In 2017 our innovative community-based Maternal and Child Health outreach project in the refugee camps of Lebanon saw positive outcomes, including higher rates of exclusive breastfeeding, significant reductions in anaemia levels and high uptake of family planning methods.

"Our MAP midwife Lina has made such a big difference to us, she gives us so much support. Even when she is tired and has problems of her own, she never shows it and works so hard for us. She gives us hope."

Dina, mother



3,794
MOTHERS
RECIEVED
HOME VISITS

ANTENATAL AND
POSTNATAL CARE

1,307
BABIES WERE BORN
IN 2017 UNDER THE PROGRAMME



WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT GAZA

Following the 2014 military offensive on Gaza, there was an increase in rates of gender based violence in camps in Gaza. Our women's empowerment project, delivered in partnership with the woman-led Culture for Free Thought Association, provides a 'one stop shop' service, including psychological support, legal counselling, reproductive health services and economic empowerment initiatives. Through community awareness raising sessions we aim to improve gender relations and the protection of women and children.

1,287 PEOPLE

RECEIVED ONE TO ONE PSYCHOSOCIAL
COUNSELLING SESSIONS

8,338
PEOPLE REACHED

THROUGH AWARENESS ACTIVITIES
ON GENDER RELATIONS AND
GENDER BASED VIOLENCE THROUGH
COMMUNITY WORKSHOPS



3,323 WOMEN
RECEIVED FAMILY
PLANNING SERVICES



An awareness campaign focusing on post-partum depression in Capital Mall, Gaza. Brochures were distributed to the audience highlighting symptoms and possible treatments.



NEONATAL PROJECTS GAZA

Against the backdrop of the worsening fuel crisis, greater restrictions in referrals for specialised care outside Gaza, lack of essential drugs and equipment and increased numbers of premature and low birth weight babies, MAP continued to supply lifesaving training, drugs and infection control materials to the six neonatal units, undoubtedly helping to protect Gaza's youngest residents.

6 NEONATAL UNITS
IN GAZA

SUPPLIED WITH LIFESAVING DRUGS
AND VITAL LIFE SUPPORT EQUIPMENT
AND TRAINING



62 NEONATAL
DOCTORS, NURSES
AND MIDWIVES
TRAINED ON LIFE
SUPPORT IN 2017



3,600 NEW-BORNS
BENEFITTED FROM NEONATAL
SERVICES EACH YEAR

DISABILITY

PROGRAMME SPEND: £336,000



People with disabilities constitute some of the most marginalised people in occupied Palestine and the Palestinian refugee camps of Lebanon. There is a strong correlation between disability and poverty. In Lebanon, all households with a disabled member are classified as poor and in occupied Palestine 87% of adults with disabilities are not in work. People with disabilities also face social isolation and marginalisation. There are few specialised rehabilitation services available to children and adults, and there is a general lack of awareness about the rights of children and adults with disabilities.



MAP IN ACTION

EARLY INTERVENTION & PHYSIOTHERAPY IN AL BASS LEBANON

Our work continued with children and young people with disabilities in Al Bass Palestinian refugee camp in southern Lebanon with the Sour Community Disability Project (SCDP). This year, as a result of the project's support, 29 children were enrolled in local schools and received follow-up support from multidisciplinary specialists. However, it remains extremely challenging to secure employment opportunities for young people with disabilities.

"We are very lucky to work with MAP. Life in the refugee camps is especially cruel for children with disabilities and this project, including the Early Intervention Unit, is vital to support children and their families physically and psychologically."

Hisham el Ali, Director of SCDP



3,687 HOME AND CENTRE-BASED PHYSICAL REHABILITATION SESSIONS DELIVERED DURING 2017

667 PEOPLE ATTENDED CHILD PROTECTION AWARENESS ACTIVITIES DURING THE YEAR

65 CHILDREN WITH COMPLEX IMPAIRMENTS ATTENDED DEVELOPMENTAL ACTIVITIES IN THE CENTRE THIS YEAR

100 PEOPLE RECEIVED ASSISTIVE DEVICES FUNDED BY MAP

316 COMMUNITY MEMBERS ATTENDED DISABILITY EQUALITY AWARENESS OPEN DAYS

COMMUNITY BASED REHABILITATION: INCLUSIVE AND ACCESSIBLE SOCIETIES GAZA

In Gaza, 10 years of blockade and 50 years of occupation present additional challenges to people with disabilities, exacerbating the difficulties they face in their day-to-day lives. Our project contributed to empowering people with disabilities, promoting their skills and enabling them to advocate for their rights. During 'Challenge of Advocacy of Disability Issues' Day in April, 50 social media activists emphasised the rights and achievements of people with disabilities. Radio slots and a TV episode promoted the issue to a wider audience in Gaza.



70 PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

ATTENDED PSYCHOSOCIAL SUPPORT SESSIONS THROUGHOUT 2017

551 PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES & THEIR FAMILIES RECEIVED COUNSELLING THROUGH HOME VISITS

140 INDIVIDUAL FOLLOW UP VISITS CONDUCTED FOR 40 PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES FROM GAZA

526 PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES AND THEIR FAMILIES PARTICIPATED IN RECREATIONAL TRIPS IN GAZA





IMPACT STORIES

KASEEM*

Ongoing fuel shortages have devastated Gaza's already-limited hospital resources. Local hospitals can now only offer the most critical of services. Palestinians are suffering the effects of a struggling healthcare system under increasing pressures. Sadly, it's the youngest in Gaza who are most at risk.

Little Kaseem nearly died on his first day of life. As he tried to take his first breath, he struggled and choked. His lips turned blue and doctors quickly realised he was suffering from respiratory distress syndrome caused by underdeveloped lungs. He needed urgent neonatal care that his local hospital couldn't provide.

Kaseem was rushed to Al Naser Children's Hospital where Dr Shereen Abed and her team acted quickly to help the baby breathe. They attached Kaseem to a mechanical ventilator and injected surfactant, a medicine provided by MAP which stabilised his condition and saved his young life. But with medicine stocks at the neonatal unit critically low, and some vital equipment beyond repair, it could have been a very different outcome for Kaseem.



ANEES*

Anees is a boy from Khan Younis, Gaza, who was admitted to the Ard El Insan malnutrition clinic with wasting, severe anaemia and growth faltering, as well as loss of appetite and limited physical movement, aged just 10 months.

He is the youngest child in a family of five. His father is partially employed but his limited income is not enough to meet the family's basic needs. They live with extended family, all occupying only one room.

He was referred to the feeding unit for follow-up, where staff realised that he was struggling to eat enough to gain weight. His mother was unsure how to feed him the diet he needed and had become distressed about her child's health. The staff discussed with his mother affordable, healthy options and together they planned a diet rich in fruit and vegetables for Anees.

The staff in charge of the feeding unit were also able to use their experience to reduce the mother's worries and fears, by offering psychological support through group sessions and by showing her the progress made by other children who had suffered similar conditions.

Anees had eight meals in the centre made up of fresh food, vegetables, rice and lentils with bulgur wheat. He also received 12 kg of high nutrient biscuits as well as six dry food packages. Anees's mother attended five health and nutrition education sessions on anemia, supplementary feeding, rickets, and diarrhoea. Thanks to the work of the centre, Anees's general health, haemoglobin levels, weight, and appetite all improved when checked at follow-up appointments.

RITA*

Rita is 24 and lives in Al Heker, a marginalised location in the Middle Area Governorate of Gaza with a big family of 13 people. Rita has a hearing disability and it is difficult for her to communicate with people outside of her family, as not many people in her community can understand sign language.

The family has suffered immensely from water and electricity shortages since 2006. These shortages have negatively impacted her daily life as she depends on the electricity supply to communicate through different devices such as computers, mobiles and tablets.

Rita decided to join the Inclusive and Accessible Society for All project as she recognised that it is a good platform for services for people with disabilities (PwDs). Rita attended several awareness sessions, where she got to know more about the project. She expressed her gratitude for benefiting from the training courses and awareness sessions. Now, she better understands her rights. She also received support as an intern through the Self-Help Groups and other psychosocial services.

Rita said: *"I have learnt a lot from this project since I joined the workshop. In fact, I have received several services, the most important one is the internship I got for 50 days in a hair salon. This opportunity raised my self-esteem, made me feel that I am a human and proved that I can contribute to my society just like others with no disability".* This opportunity helped to improve her communication skills with people who do not know sign language, whilst encouraging others to learn. She also added *"The situation in Gaza is getting more and more wretched. There have been no job opportunities for such a long time, but with the skills I have learnt through the project I grew in confidence. I have decided to start my own business in hairdressing".*

She added *"my life would not be like it is now if I had not had access to this project".*



EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE

PROGRAMME SPEND: £783,000

Conflict and ongoing military occupation continue to endanger Palestinian lives and cause injuries every year. Hospitals are under-resourced and emergency staff are often unable to access the specialised training they need.

In emergencies, MAP is ready to act fast to get vital aid to those in need. When the bombing started in Gaza in 2014, MAP was one of the first organisations to respond and we provided more medical supplies to public hospitals than any other NGO during the crisis.

MAP is improving local capacity to deal with emergencies, and empowering communities to develop strong systems and protocols to respond in crisis. We ensure that hospitals are appropriately stocked and equipped and ready to respond to emergencies.



MAP IN ACTION

HEBRON BURNS UNIT WEST BANK

In August, in partnership with The Welfare Association and the Ministry of Health, we were delighted to open a fully equipped Burns Unit at Alia hospital in Hebron. Since opening it has provided specialised medical burns services for 75 patients, under the care of surgeons who completed burns management training fellowships in India.



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DOCTORS, NURSES,
MIDWIVES AND
ANAESTHETISTS

TRAINED IN
BURNS CARE

75

PATIENTS
MANAGED

AT THE NEW HEBRON BURNS UNIT
SINCE IT OPENED IN AUGUST 2017

ZERO STOCK MEDICINES GAZA

2017 saw a stark deterioration in essential medical supplies entering Gaza, with October being the worst month on record since the beginning of 2014 for shortage of essential drugs in hospitals and health facilities in Gaza. A staggering 40% (230 items) were completely depleted. MAP continued to monitor the shortage of life-saving items and helped to alleviate the effect of these gaps by procuring and supplying key essential medicines to ensure disruption to essential patient care is minimised.

45,450

ESSENTIAL
MEDICINES
PROCURED

"There is no stability in the provision of drugs. The medicines we have are zero stocked. This means that we have just a few weeks' supply of some drugs, while others are depleted entirely. MAP have helped to provide medicines in times of emergencies without problems or delays and we are all thankful for this support."

Saja Al Kirim, Central Drug Store Pharmacist



UP TO
230
ESSENTIAL
MEDICAL
ITEMS

293
DISPOSABLE
ITEMS

HAVE BEEN AT
ZERO STOCK
(AT SOME POINT)
DURING 2017



MENTAL HEALTH & PSYCHOSOCIAL SUPPORT

PROGRAMME SPEND: £1.84m



Palestinians living under occupation are subject to stress in every aspect of their daily lives. Lack of access to health services, settler violence, threats of home demolition, unemployment and trauma caused by conflict and displacement are all facts of daily life. Mental health and psychosocial support services help individuals and communities to heal psychological wounds and rebuild social structures in the face of stress and marginalisation.

MAP supports Palestinians in their determination to be resilient and active survivors, assisting communities to build collective coping mechanisms. Our aim is to help people to rebuild meaning and coherence in Palestinian communities, relieve personal stress, and limit the development of further complications due to mental health.



MAP IN ACTION

MENTAL HEALTH AND PSYCHOSOCIAL SUPPORT LEBANON

Our mental health and psychosocial support project (for Palestinian and Syrian refugees), implemented in conjunction with our partner UNICEF throughout nine of the refugee camps in Lebanon, continued to provide structured, recreational and learn-through-play psychosocial support activities for children. Much needed support groups, life skills, parenting skills and specialised services were also delivered regularly to caregivers. The project provides safe spaces for female survivors of gender based violence as well as awareness raising sessions, focus group discussions and emotional support groups. Our community awareness raising event about child rights and gender based violence on Mother's Day reached more than 1,320 refugees.

32,612 YOUTH & CHILDREN



BENEFITTED FROM PSYCHOSOCIAL SUPPORT SERVICES AND OUTREACH

16,625 CAREGIVERS

RECIEVED CHILD PROTECTION PREVENTION AND PARENTING SUPPORT SERVICES



AL SARAYA CENTRE IN OCCUPIED EAST JERUSALEM WEST BANK

Our partner, Al Saraya, works in the oppressive setting of the Old City in occupied East Jerusalem. Amid tensions and escalating violence throughout the year, they continued to deliver life skills sessions for young people and children on topics related to identity, rights and responsibilities, leadership skills, expression and dealing with their peers. Summer camps and youth-led community initiatives helped young people to become more engaged in their communities. By increasing young peoples' resilience, they become more effective positive change agents in their communities.



"We teach empowerment, about their rights, and how to deal with issues these children face on a daily basis growing up in a violent, poor in resources and disadvantaged environment. None of this vital work would be possible without the support of MAP."

Hiyam Allayian,
Saraya Centre Director

165 YOUTH & CHILDREN

ATTENDED LIFE SKILLS SESSIONS AT THE SARAYA CENTRE

75% YOUTH & CHILDREN

REPORTED HAVING GREATER SELF-CONFIDENCE AS A RESULT OF UNDERTAKING THE LIFE SKILLS MODULES

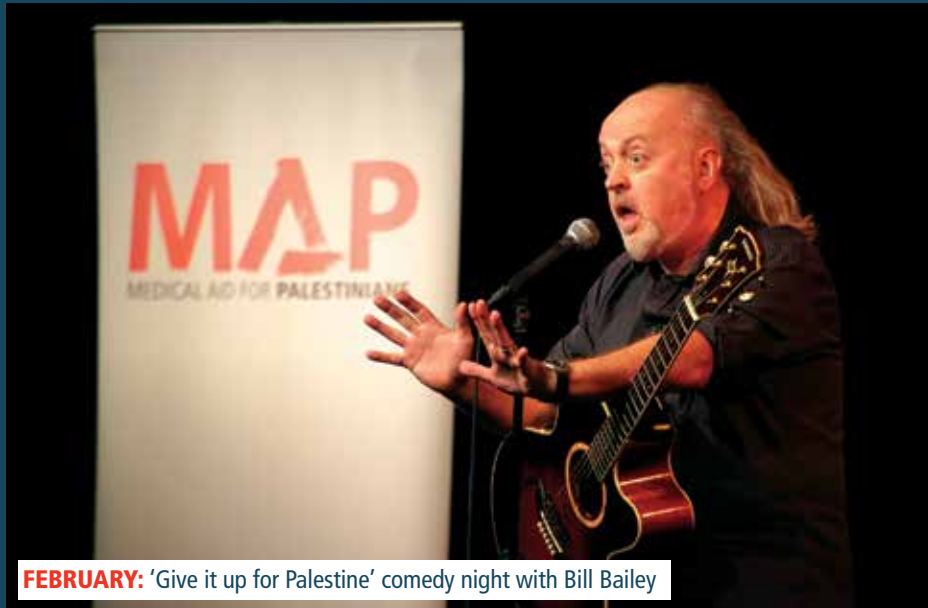




JANUARY: Launch of #HealthAndDignity campaign with comedians Jeremy Hardy and Imran Yusuf



MARCH: MAP at the UN Human Rights Council to launch our Access to Healthcare Report



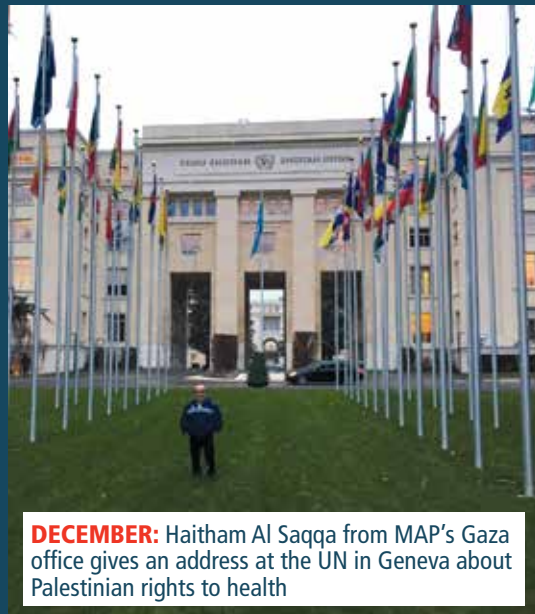
FEBRUARY: 'Give it up for Palestine' comedy night with Bill Bailey



MAY: Gala Dinner raises essential funds



APRIL: First ever CADI (Challenge of Advocacy of Disability Issues) Day, Gaza



DECEMBER: Haitham Al Saqqa from MAP's Gaza office gives an address at the UN in Geneva about Palestinian rights to health



JUNE: 50 year anniversary of the Occupation (1967) and 10 years of the blockade and closure of Gaza (2007)



JULY: Physiotherapy training in Gaza



NOVEMBER: Supporters Reception



AUGUST: Opening of Hebron burns unit



SEPTEMBER: First breast cancer care mission with Dr Philippa Whitford MP



NOVEMBER: Delivering the #HealthAndDignity petition to No. 10 Downing Street



OCTOBER: First neurosurgery mission to Gaza

2017 IN PICTURES

ADVOCACY AND CAMPAIGNS

PROGRAMME SPEND: £218,000



In a year of painful anniversaries, we committed ourselves to documenting the impact of occupation and blockade on the health of Palestinians, and speaking out against these violations. We worked in partnerships with organisations to highlight and address these issues, and inspire action to change them.

As Palestinians mark the 70th anniversary of the Nakba in 2018, we will continue to campaign in the UK and internationally for the removal of political and social impediments to Palestinian health and dignity.

MAP'S RESPONSE: KEY ACHIEVEMENTS

HEALTH AND DIGNITY CAMPAIGN

In January 2017, MAP launched a call from Palestinians demanding their rights to health and dignity. More than 13,000 people supported this call by signing our petition calling for an end to the 50-year occupation of the West Bank, including East Jerusalem, and Gaza, and the 10-year blockade and closure of Gaza. This was delivered to No.10 Downing Street on 1st November, on the eve of the 100-year anniversary of the Balfour Declaration.



HEALTH UNDER OCCUPATION

This year, MAP's Advocacy and Campaigns Team released a series of briefings exposing the ways in which prolonged occupation and blockade have impeded the delivery of healthcare, put medical staff in harm's way, and affected the physical and mental health of the Palestinian population. These 'Health Under Occupation' briefings were launched throughout the first half of 2017 at events in London and at the UN Human Rights Council and the World Health Assembly in Geneva. The final report was launched in UK Parliament in November.

YOU CAN READ THE REPORT HERE:
map.org.uk/HUO

At MAP's 'Give it up for Palestine' event In February, we also launched a 'Health Under Occupation' documentary film with Jeremy Hardy and Imran Yusuf, following them on their journey through the West Bank.

YOU CAN WATCH THIS FILM AT:
map.org.uk/HUOfilm



OVER
13,000
PEOPLE SIGNED

OUR #HealthAndDignity PETITION



An MP delegation learning about the challenges Bedouin communities face in the Jordan Valley, the West Bank

WORKING WITH PARLIAMENTARIANS

In 2017, MAP launched several 'write to your MP' email actions, resulting in our campaigns reaching further across parliament than ever before. In our last call, over 1,500 people contacted MPs regarding the humanitarian emergency Gaza is experiencing. MAP also attended the Conservative, Labour and Scottish National Party Conferences to advocate for political action to address the political causes of the humanitarian problems Palestinians face.

In partnership with The Council for Arab-British Understanding (Caabu), MAP took four delegations of British parliamentarians to the West Bank. Upon return, these parliamentarians have been actively promoting issues affecting Palestinians, including tabling questions and promoting debate.



OVER
1,500
EMAILS

WERE SENT TO MPS
CALLING ON THE UK
GOVERNMENT TO
SUPPORT PALESTINE

FINANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY

ACCOUNTABILITY

To promote trust and confidence in the work of MAP among all our stakeholders, we focus on the efficient use of funds raised for our development and humanitarian aid programmes.

We ensure that funds are directed to appropriate projects and that we comply with international regulations and industry standards. MAP has a comprehensive project approval and control process which is implemented in line with best international practice.

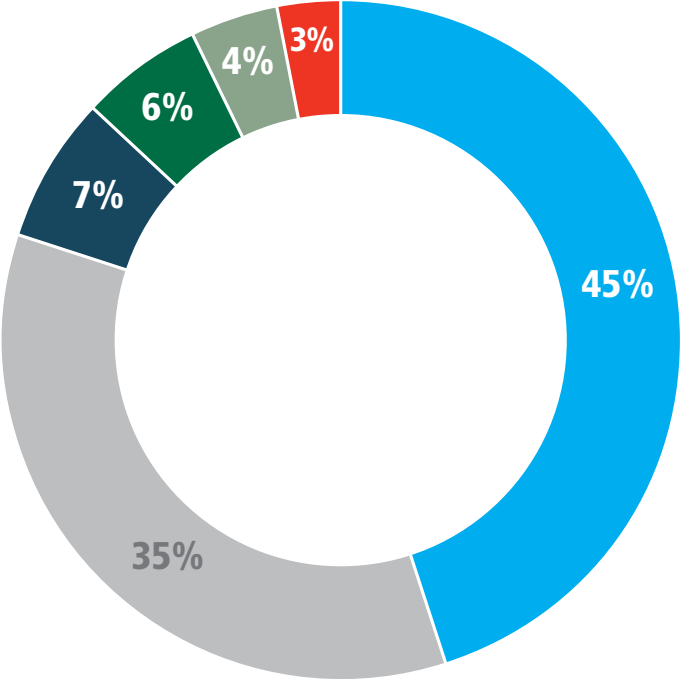
TRANSPARENCY

MAP works to be as transparent as possible about our governance, our activities and our finances. We publish the names of our trustees and directors, details about our activities in occupied Palestine and Lebanon and our annual review and fully audited annual accounts on our website.

SAFEGUARDING

Given the environments within which we work and the complexity of some of our projects, the protection of children and vulnerable adults is critical. We are committed to maintaining the highest standards within our organisation and partners, and to the regular review of our policies and protocols and the training of all staff.

TOTAL INCOME
£5,431,000



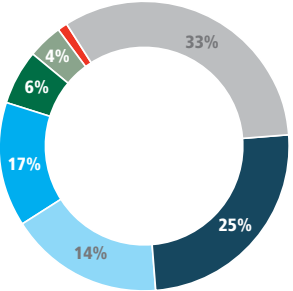
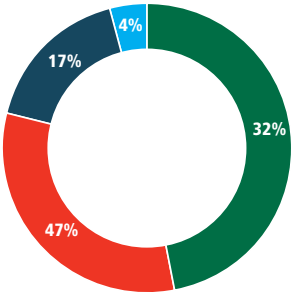
SOURCE

- 45% Individuals
- 35% Institutional
- 7% Companies and Grantmaking Trusts and Foundations
- 6% Other (Including Gift Aid)
- 4% Legacies
- 3% Challenge and Community Fundraising

TOTAL EXPENDITURE
£5,580,000

EXPENDITURE BY FIELD

- 47% Lebanon
- 32% Gaza
- 17% West Bank
- 4% Advocacy and Campaigns



EXPENDITURE BY THEME

- 33% Mental Health and Psychosocial Support
- 25% Women's and Childrens Health
- 17% Essential Primary Healthcare
- 14% Emergency Preparedness and Response
- 6% Disability
- 4% Advocacy and Campaigns
- 1% Training and Capacity Building



2018 PRIORITIES

2018 PROGRAMME

- Following the success of MAP's first neurosurgery mission in Gaza in November 2017, MAP will be running three further training missions throughout 2018 as well as establishing training fellowships in UK centres.
- We will be expanding our work in disability rights and access to services in refugee camps in Lebanon
- Breast cancer care will be a priority for us in 2018
- We will be addressing challenges posed by restrictions on the right to movement for patients and doctors, shortages of essential medicines, and the shortcomings of the health system in occupied Palestine.
- Following the successful mission in the West Bank and Gaza in September 2017 with a UK-based specialist multi-disciplinary breast cancer care team, MAP will establish a new two-year programme to help improve the quality of breast cancer care in both West Bank and Gaza. This will improve the outcomes for patients affected by the disease.
- In June, the first cohort of our trained nurses (oncology nursing diploma) at Bethlehem University will graduate.

2018 CHALLENGES

- Continuing instability and violent responses to Palestinian protests following US President Donald Trump's recognition of Jerusalem as the capital of Israel
- Increasing challenges to healthcare for Palestinian refugees following US cuts to UNRWA funding
- Deepening barriers to healthcare access for Palestinian patients in Gaza due to reduction in permits by Israeli authorities
- Worsening humanitarian situation in Gaza, with healthcare and basic services struggling to cope after 10 years of blockade and closure.
- Ongoing marginalisation of Palestinians

2018 KEY CAMPAIGNS

MAP will focus on remembering the forgotten Palestinian refugees, in light of significant anniversaries including the 70th anniversary of the Nakba in May.

REMEMBERING THE REFUGEES OF THE NAKBA



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