

Christian Schools Support Initiative

By World Patriarchal Foundation for Integral Development



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Background

The Lebanese Christian society is going through a crisis that is threatening one of the main pillar of its longstanding mission in the Levant: the catholic schools. These schools produced several generations of educated women and men who are Lebanon main wealth and the underlying asset that shape our nation competitive edge.

The recent decision of the Lebanese government to increase the salary scheme in the public sector put the Catholic schools in real jeopardy. Most of them could not cover the additional cost with a tuition increase due to tough economic times. As a result many of them, some more than 100 years old, had to close their doors.



Suggested Support

The total aid package for this year is \$925,000. It aims at supporting 4,653 students and 31 schools. We have divided it in in small affordable tickets per region and village. Your contribution will surely make a difference and help the school(s) in your hometown to sustain.

Region - North	Number of Schools	Total Students	Christian Students	Suggested Support
Akkar <i>(2 Qobayath, 1 Deir mellat, 1 Halba and 1 Andket)</i>	5	778	518	\$ 100,000
Batroun <i>(1 Chekka, 1 Eddeh)</i>	2	464	375	\$ 75,000
Bcharreh <i>(1 Bcharreh, 1 Hadshit, 1 Barhalioun, 1 Hadath El jebeh, 1 Hasroun and 1 Abdin)</i>	6	905	888	\$ 175,000
Zgharta <i>(1 Zgharta, 1 Moziara, 1 Karm Saddeh)</i>	3	676	626	\$ 125,000
Total North	16	2,823	2,407	\$ 475,000

Region - Bekaa	Number of Schools	Total Students	Christian Students	Suggested Support
Baalbeck <i>(1 Kaa, 1 Deir Al ahmar and 1 Fakiha)</i>	3	461	322	\$ 100,000
Zahle <i>(3 Zahle, 1 Terbol)</i>	4	795	605	\$ 45,000
Other villages <i>(1 Kherbet Kanafar, 1 Rayak)</i>	2	358	222	\$ 175,000
Total Bekaa	9	1,614	1,149	\$ 230,000

Region - South	Number of Schools	Total Students	Christian Students	Suggested Support
Bint Jbeil <i>(1 Rmeich 1 Debel)</i>	2	442	417	\$ 85,000
Jezzine	1	156	140	\$ 28,000
Marjeoun <i>(1 Kleiaa)</i>	1	162	107	\$ 20,000
Saida <i>(1 Maghdouchi, 1 Darb El Seem)</i>	2	827	433	\$ 90,000
Total South	6	1,587	1,097	\$ 220,000

Grand Total	31	6,024	4,653	\$ 925,000
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About WPF

Presided by His Beatitude the Maronite Patriarch Mar Bechara Rai, the "World Patriarchal Maronite Foundation for Integral Development" is a Philanthropic Foundation established as an independent institution subject to the competent ecclesiastic laws.

WPF Goals

To harness the full potential of the Church and its adherents in order to achieve the foundation's objectives.

To ensure continual streams of funding from Lebanese nationals and the diaspora.

WPF Mission

WPF strives to consolidate and strengthen the Christian presence in Lebanon; to preserve the land of our roots and invigorate our sense of belonging as well as our faith in the future. We believe that our nation should prevail as an ideal of tolerance, love and fellowship between all cultures, faiths and communities.

WPF aims at achieving its mission through:

- Engaging in socio-economic initiatives that create sustainable and viable impact on livelihood.
- Supporting employment in public and private sectors.
- Mainstreaming sustainable funding through strategic partnerships.
- Connecting Lebanese Worldwide.



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