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Joint Message from the Chairman and the Director

NGO Development Center

Over the past twelve months, we have hurtled from an incursion in Gaza to a global economic crisis and now to what is likely to be a de facto isolation and fragmentation of Palestinian land and families, exacerbated by Israel's increasing grip on Jerusalem, with the daily land confiscations and house demolitions that this generates.

The restrictions and economic sanctions have made it increasingly difficult to perform our work in the occupied Palestinian territory, particularly in Gaza. Our staff there have trouble getting to field visits due to the fuel shortage and they are forced to accommodate their working hours to suit the electricity rationing. The staff perseveres, however, with amazing resilience.

Reaching the poor and vulnerable is not always easy. Critical to the success is knowing where and how to intervene. To that end in 2009, NDC started its new strategic planning process, to define its future role in the NGO sector. NDC is recognized as a unique organization that makes a difference: indeed, it is a primary address for supporting and developing the NGO sector, and its institutions, so it is better able to provide improved services to the poor. It is an organization that is disciplined, transparent and held in high regard under international standards.

As the crisis continues, NDC reemphasizes its commitment to its mission of helping people help themselves. During 2009, it was able to sustain many economic and social development projects. It has upgraded the services of medical clinics, established irrigation water systems, and built social services center in remote and marginalized areas. In partnership with NGOs and CBOs, NDC has helped transfer skills and make available resources and technical assistance to build the foundations for a better future in an independent state.

Achieving lasting change is not easy and often takes many years. NDC is fortunate to have earned the support of donors who understand this and support it year after year. Public funds are accounted for and spent transparently and in a manner that brings concrete and measurable results. Together with our donor partners, we are making a difference.

Our board of directors has been actively engaged throughout the year. NDC is fortunate to work with a group of individuals who not only bring a deep understanding of the sector, but also possess diverse and far-reaching experiences that allow the Center to consider issues of broader concern.

It is often said that opportunity is born out of adversity; NDC staff members took this to heart in 2009. They seized every opportunity and positioned NDC so it was able not only to weather tough times but also to succeed in the face of every challenge. NDC is proud to be able to fulfill its mission in these challenging times; in an environment of great uncertainty, where the economic, political and social context is extremely volatile. NDC is proud to be able to say that it is up to this challenge.



Mr. Zahi Khouri
Chairman of the Board



Mr. Ghassan Kasabreh
Director



About NDC

Vision

An effective NGO sector contributing to building Palestinian civil society.

Mission Statement

NDC is a non-profit, non-governmental organization established in response to the need for a sustainable Palestinian mechanism for providing support to the NGO sector. By providing technical and financial support, NDC works towards developing the capacities of Palestinian NGOs for delivering quality services, especially to the poor and the marginalized; enhancing their self-reliance; and empowering them to be more sustainable. Concurrently, NDC contributes towards the development of the NGO sector as a whole by facilitating the open exchange of information and experience; by supporting research and policy development; and by strengthening the relationships of NGOs with development partners.

Objectives

- 1. To empower NGOs to provide quality services that are responsive to the priorities of the Palestinian society.
- 2. NGO sector is more efficient and capable to influence the formulation of national policies and plans
- 3. NDC is a main address for supporting and developing the NGO sector and its institutions.
- 4. NDC is more competent and responsive to the various needs of the community
- 5. NDC posses the means that would enhance its financial and administrative capabilities.

Value System of NDC

NDC believes in principles of democracy, respect for and protection of human dignity and rights, appreciation of diversity, loyalty to national aspirations, commitment to Palestinian development priorities, objectivity and impartiality in serving the community, distinction and excellence in work, good governance, integrity, transparency, accountability, volunteerism, participation, cooperation, and partnership building.

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Indicators of NDC's Success

estinian organization of its kind, promising to support NGOs in the provision of quality social services, and helping them advocate tolerance and recon-

to adjust to the changing economic, political and social situations in combining both development and emergency interventions.

Trustworthy: NDC has established itself as a professional, reliable and accountable organization. Through its hard work it has been able to gain the trust of both donors and local partners.

Respected: NDC's board of directors includes experts in civil society; representatives of umbrella NGO networks and unions; scholars; and private sector representatives. Together, they add value and expertise.

Effective: Since 2006, NDC has been expanding its operations throughout the West Bank and Gaza to reach out to the needy, poor and vulnerable, and target NGOs and CBOs of varying capacities. NDC's interventions help thousands every year in various ongranting and job creation programs.

Committed: NDC is committed to spending its funds in an efficient and transparent manner. Its highly qualified staff are dedicated and committed to its values, principles and community needs.



2009 in Brief



Highlights of Main Achievements

- NDC disbursed 14 USD million through its combined programs to improve the socioeconomic conditions of the poor and vulnerable and develop the NGO sector.
- NDC created 165,000 man-days through the AFD Job Creation Project by funding 51 NGOs across WBGS.
- NDC setup or upgraded medical services provided by 7 NGO hospitals in the West Bank and Gaza by adding new units and medical equipment to help provide specialized services for patients.
- NDC successfully gathered 520 NGOs from the West Bank and Gaza to sign the Palestinian NGOs Code of Conduct.
- NDC launched the "resource kit" to help NGOs better apply the principles of the Code in their daily operations, and provided tailored training and coaching to 65 NGOs on good governance, accountability and transparency.
- NDC completed 107 projects in the West Bank and 40 projects in Gaza in various sectors.
- NDC supported the core programs of 24 NGOs working in the human rights sector and supported 16 initiatives by these NGOs in response to arising urgent and emergency situations.
- NDC completed a research project on "Tracking External Donor Funding to Palestinian Non-Governmental Organizations in the West Bank and Gaza 1999-2008".

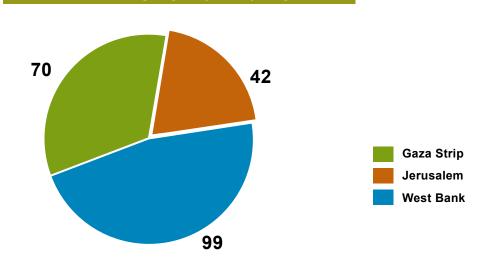
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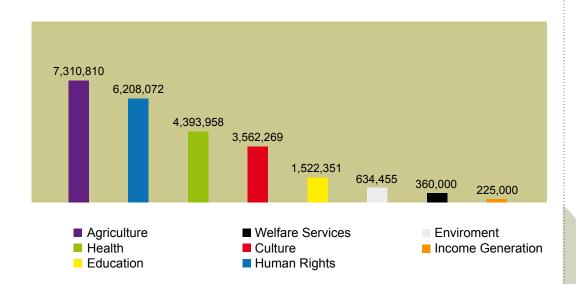
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NDC's Outreach:

Number of Ongoing Projects by Region :



Funding by Sector (In US Dollars):



2009 in Brief

23 New Partner NGOs Received Grants

NGO Name	Grant Amount (US\$)	Location	Sector
The Old City Youth Association	57,754	Jerusalem	Culture, Sports and Arts
Arab Orthodox Society	93,800	Jerusalem	Culture, Sports and Arts
African Community Society	39,262	Jerusalem	Culture, Sports and Arts
Burj Al Luq Luq Social centre	85,090	Jerusalem	Education
Infant Welfare Center the Greek Catholic Society Annunciation	89,780	Jerusalem	Education
Agricultural Engineers Association	201,000	Gaza	Agriculture
Al Mezan Center for Human Right-SGF	44,500	Gaza	Human Rights
Gisha - Legal Center for Freedom of Movement	50,000	Jerusalem	Human Rights
Kav LaOved - The Workers' Hotline	50,000	Jerusalem	Human Rights
Women and Family Affairs Center	45,000	Nablus	Human Rights
Yesh Din - Volunteers for Human Rights	46,000	Jerusalem	Human Rights
Sawa-All the Women Together Today and Tomorrow	38,000	Jerusalem	Human Rights
UNESCO Chair on Human Rights and Democracy at An-Najah National University	35,276	Nablus	Human Rights
The Association for Civil Rights in Israel (ACRI)	50,000	Jerusalem	Human Rights
Breaking the Silence (BTS)	41,250	Jerusalem	Human Rights
Women's Center of Shu'fat Refugee Camp	36,300	Jerusalem	Human Rights
Center for Defense Liberties and Civil Rights «HURRYAT»	42,500	Al Bireh	Human Rights
Adalah – The Legal Center for Arab Minority Rights in Israel	25,000	Jerusalem	Human Rights
Ensan Center for Democracy & Human Rights	19,500	Bethlehem	Human Rights
Bimkom – Planners for Planning Rights	14,940	Jerusalem	Human Rights
Union of Agricultural Work Committees (UAWC)	263,000	Gaza	Agriculture
MA'AN Development Center – Gaza Strip	263,000	Gaza	Agriculture
Palestinian Hydrology Group for Water and Environmental Resources Dev.	264,000	Gaza	Agriculture
Total amount	1,894,952		



2009 in Brief

15 New NGOs Received Technical Assistance on the Code of Conduct

NGO Name	Location	Sector
The Jerusalemite for Community Development	Jerusalem	Human Rights; Culture, Sports and Arts
Palestinian Centre for Legal Independence/ Musawa	Ramallah	Good Governance
Youth Organizations Network	Ramallah	Youth and Culture
Palestinian Vision Organization	Jerusalem	Youth
Simia Agricultural Cooperative Society	Hebron	Agriculture
Women Media and Development Centre	Bethlehem	Women, Media and Youth
Samu' Agricultural Cooperative Society	Hebron	Agriculture
Jenin Farmers Association	Jenin	Agriculture
Ellid Charitable Society	Nablus	Community development
Women for Life	Nablus	Women capacity building
Fikra for Educational Arts	Gaza	Culture & Arts
Khuza'a Center for Sustainable Agriculture	Gaza	Agriculture
Environment Friends Society	Rafah	Environment
Palm Tree Development Organization	Deir Albalah	Agriculture
Health Work Committees Union	Gaza	Health



NDC's Programs

NDC is mandated to mobilize donor funding for Palestinian NGOs to enable them to be more responsive to community needs, enhance the impact of their interventions, and thus strengthen the NGO sector as a whole. Through its programs, NDC provides a distinctive combination of direct grants and capacity building assistance to NGOs in order to help them perform with improved quality and with better directed outcomes, whilst increasing access to services by the poor and marginalized. NDC uses different granting tools to allow NGOs with various capacities and magnitudes to focus on sectors and themes where they have a comparative advantage. Currently, NDC manages a number of programs focusing on improving social services for Palestinians who are affected by the deteriorating socioeconomic conditions; providing job employment; and promoting, supporting, protecting, and monitoring the observance of human rights and good governance in the oPt. Through its various programs, NDC is reaching more than 200 NGOs in the WBGS.



Grant-Making Facility

NDC as an Effective Mechanism for Providing Financial and Technical Support to NGOs

1- Palestinian NGO Project III (PNGOIII)

The implementation of the World Bank-funded PNGOIII project continued to progress smoothly throughout the year, reaching a total number of 94 NGOs in the WBGS. More than 2/3s of the grant was disbursed by the end of 2009 on projects that were implemented according to community needs, and more than 80% of sub-grant beneficiaries receiving support were poor and vulnerable.

A number of granting schemes were implemented, including the "Empowerment Grants" scheme through which 28 experienced NGOs were supported both in the West Bank and Gaza to provide innovative social services in the community. The NGO programs were designed based on needs identified by the community to help them cope with the current crisis, focusing on sectors and thematic areas including Health, Youth Development, Early Childhood Development, Mental Health, Disability, Care to the Elderly and Social Protection Services.

The "Mentoring Grants" scheme, the objective of which is to transfer thematic knowledge from lead NGOs operating on a national scale to those that are community-based, facilitated the partnership of 8 'Mentoring NGOs' with 45 CBOs, providing each of which with a grant and the relevant technical assistance. Accordingly, CBOs have improved their planning, procurement, financial and reporting capacities. NDC successfully completed five of these grants and assessments have shown that 75% of the beneficiaries stemmed from vulnerable groups. These include the elderly, youth, farmers, women, children and people with special needs.

The "Specialized Health Services Grants" continued implementing by seven NGOs despite the challenges that this specific type of grant entails. The objective of this type of grant was to reduce the number of medical

"The objective of this project is to provide social services to those who are poor, vulnerable or affected by the deteriorating socioeconomic conditions in the Palestinian Territory."

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referrals abroad and encourage the seeking of treatment locally. However, it was quite impossible to do this given the access and movement restrictions imposed by Israel to and from Gaza. However, four main hospitals and health centers in the West Bank were assisted in establishing or upgrading departments including x-ray, neurosurgery, diagnosis and treatment of pediatric cardiac cases. They are now able to extend specialized health care within the territories and serve as main reference points throughout the West Bank.

Six partnerships between NGOs and Local Government Units (LGU) were implemented through the "LGU-NGO Partnership Grants" with the aim of increasing multilateral cooperation, coordination and planning, and hence improving social service delivery. The Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) signed between NDC and the Municipal Development and Lending Fund helped in jointly addressing the needs and priorities for five communities in the West Bank and one in Gaza.

2. Job Creation Project Funded by AFD

In an effort to alleviate the dire economic conditions of many of the Palestinian residents in the West Bank and Gaza, whether living in areas adjacent to the wall, or merely suffering from the overall economic and political instability; NDC continued to implement its Job Creation Program, funded by the French Development Agency (AFD). The aim of the project is to create temporary employment opportunities, at the same time leaving behind community assets operated by NGOs for public use.

The grant of €6 million was expected to provide 140,000 working man days for 51 NGOs located in the West Bank (including Jerusalem) and Gaza. A significant portion of the unemployed labor force helped in rejuvenating public assets and implementing infrastructure micro-projects, such as rehabilitating destroyed agricultural land, revitalization youth and vocational centers and building retainer walls. By the end of the year, more than 165,000 man-days were provided across the West Bank and Gaza Strip and more than two thirds of the projects were declared complete and closed (35 out of 50).

Alleviating
Social Hardships
through the
Provision of
Employment
Opportunities



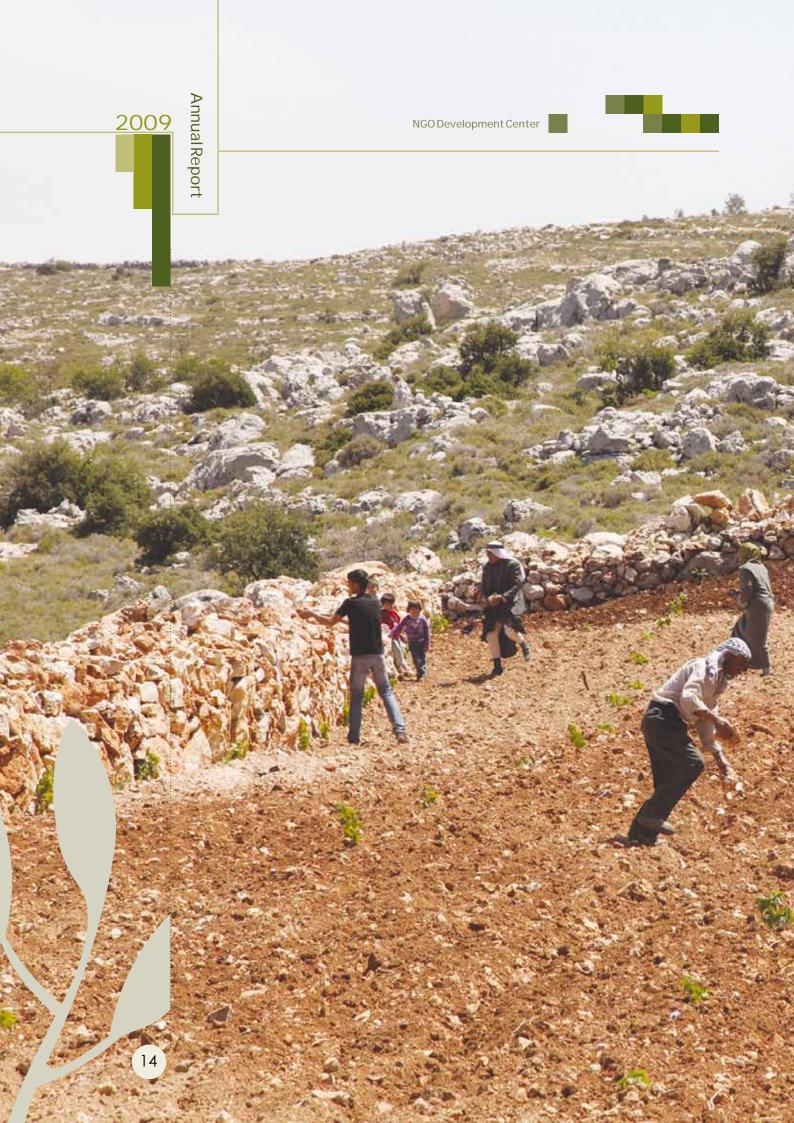
Further to NDC's call for proposals in July 2010, ten projects were approved for this grant. Beneficiary NGOs are expected to complete rehabilitation of the land and agriculture works by December 2010.

4. The Secretariat for Human Rights and Good Governance

The first phase of this program, funded jointly by a pool of donors including Denmark, Sweden, Switzerland and Netherlands, for US \$6.45 million, came to an end in December 2009. This grant enabled NDC to fund the core programs of 24 NGOs working on human rights and good governance (HR/GG) related issues, such as ensuring the adequate documentation of violations of human rights in the occupied Palestinian territory; proving that illegal weapons were used in the latest Gaza incursion; and training CBOs in child protection rights. Through the Small Grants Facility, a window of opportunity was provided for 16 NGOs to appeal for funds to cover specific urgent ad hoc requirements. The success and smooth operation of the Secretariat paved the way for ongoing talks on the signing of the second phase of this program for an estimated period of four years.

In an effort to enhance networking and the exchange of experiences among the HR/GG organizations, an accessible website has been established. The website, to be launched in 2010, is designed for NGOs, researchers, students, media and activists seeking information on human rights and good governance in the oPt.

Channeling
Pooled
Donor
Funding and
Supporting
Coordinated
Initiatives





NGO Sector Development Program

Enhancing Democratic Governance of NGOs: A Voluntary Code of Conduct

The success of the Code of Conduct, a milestone in NDC's history, can be tracked from the early days of its inception. The idea of convening all stakeholders working in the Palestinian NGO sector to discuss the project bore fruit from the very start. Due to NDC's networking and participatory approach, all representatives of the major networks1 were involved and, under the guidance and leadership of NDC, this group, which later came to be known as the "Code of Conduct Coalition", worked together to finalize the Code and the accompanying Resource Kit. The painstaking participatory process, which lasting over two years, paved the way for the successful implementation of the Code currently taking place.

The Code of Conduct is a milestone as, for the first time, it has introduced ethical principles for Palestinian NGOs to follow, combined with sound administrative and managerial systems, procedures and tools. Once an NGO signs this Code, it voluntarily commits to complying with the Code's twelve principles.

A Resource Kit was also annexed to the Code in order to help the NGOs put best practices into operation. The Resource Kit includes 6 manuals and 12 guidelines.

The first-ever introduced Code for NGOs in Palestine

The civil society initiative of the Arab League, adopted the NDC's Code of Conduct as the exemplary code for NGOs in the Arab World.

¹ The networks are: Palestinian NGO Network (PNGO); the Palestinian General Union of Charitable Societies (PGUCS); the General Palestinian Union (GPU); and the Palestinian National Institute for NGOs (PNIN).

Code of Conduct Step-by-step:

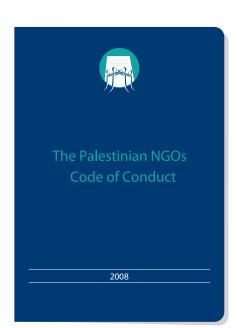
- In February 2009, and exactly one year after the launch of the Code, the Resource Kit was disseminated in a highly visible event, accompanied by a comprehensive promotional campaign.
- than 500 NGOs across
 the West Bank and Gaza
 Strip had signed up to
 the Code. This high number reflects a high level of
 awareness and maturity
 among the sector on the neces-

sity to implement best practices. This can also be attributed to the participatory process in which the Code was finalized.

- The NGO networks and unions promoted the Code among their own member organizations.
- Training on accountability and transparency principles for more than one hundred NGOs has been provided in order to further help them comply with the Code of Conduct principles.
- During the year 2009, NDC conducted various consultations with the NGO sector and other stakeholders to put forward a mechanism to ensure the compliance of the sector to the Code.

Code principles:

- 1: Compliance with Covenants and Law
- 2: Priorities of Development
- 3: Participation
- 4: Networking and
- 5: Transparency
- 6: Accountability
- 7: Equality and Inclusiveness
- 8: Good Governance
- 9: Prevent Conflict of Interest
- 10: Influence and
- 11: NGO's Integrity
- 12: Dispute Resolution



Technical Assistance

As part of NDC's efforts to strengthen good governance within the Palestine NGO sector, technical assistance was aimed at helping NGOs to upgrade their systems to meet the requirements of the Code. This was made possible by World Bank financing and an agreement signed with the European Union entitled "Strengthening Good Governance within the Palestinian NGO Sector".

With regards to the Code of Conduct's principles and practices, NDC assessed the compliance of the participating NGOs using the Organizational Capacity Assessment Tool (OCAT). The assessment was followed by the preparation of development plans which set milestones and clear interventions for each NGO. The Resource Kit of manuals and training material developed under the umbrella of PNGO III was used as a solid base for this exercise.

Not only did the EU grant prove that efforts can be consolidated among various donors to carry out complementary activities, but it also provided an excellent platform for NGOs to engage in dialogue and exchange experiences.

Mid-term and full-term assessments indicated significant improvements in many practices of the participating NGOs:

- More than 70% of the NGOs in the West Bank that received technical assistance made their financial audit statements public and posted them on both their websites and on Masader.
- NDC focused during these cycles on three key principles: Transparency, Accountability and Good Governance. The assessment indicated that progress had been made towards adherence to these principles. The overall compliance indicators (baseline VS. midterm) were improved from 6 percent to 25 percent.

NDC reached 65 NGOs in the West Bank and Gaza strip, providing them with comprehensive technical assistance.



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2. Masader: The Palestinian NGO Portal

The NDC has established Masader, the Palestinian NGO Portal, which acts as a stand-alone project specializing in serving and empowering the NGO sector. It does this by assisting NGOs in overcoming geographic limitations and providing them with opportunities for communicating with each other and with other relevant parties.

Through the Portal, member NGOs are able to publish and exchange information about their achievements (e.g. projects, studies, research, proposals, administrative and financial reports) and also exchange views, and share experiences.

NDC strives to make Masader a significant source of information and an established platform for productive dialogue for the Palestinian NGO sector. For this reason, the Portal is continuously being updated, offering wider services to its members.

To reach out to new members, the Portal was thoroughly re-designed to better reflect its uniqueness. A user guide for new members was also introduced, along with new features such as a multimedia gallery and a polls and petitions section. The number of active member NGOs has reached approximately 600. During 2009, the Portal received more than 20,000 visits.

During the holy month of Ramadan, the first competition for the Palestinian NGO sector was launched on the Portal. More than 300 users participated in the contest by answering the daily questions.

The Portal can be found at:

www.masader.ps

NDC has established a database for the Human Rights and Good Governance (HR/ GG) Secretariat in the oPt. This database includes an HR/GG NGO directory, an experts list, international conventions, and blogs.

The HR/GG database can be found at:

www.humanrights.ps



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Research Studies

Promoting Complementarity between the NGO Sector and Development Partners

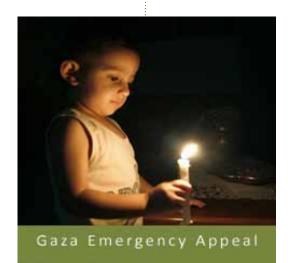
Analysis of external aid to Palestinian NGOs can contribute significantly to the understanding of the development process in the oPt. Given the essential role which NGOs play in providing vital services to the Palestinian society, NDC completed a study on "Tracking External Donor Funding to Palestinian NGOs in the WBGS 1999-2008", funded by the World Bank and in coordination with the Ministry of Planning and Administrative Development. The research was undertaken by the Palestine Economic Policy Research Institute (MAS). Two surveys were undertaken to track donor funding over a ten year period (1999 - 2008); one from the side of Palestinian NGOs and the other from the side of the donors. The collected information was also compared with data available on the Palestinian Aid Monitoring System (PAMS) of the Palestinian Ministry of Planning and Administrative Development.

The study provides a comprehensive review of the external aid directed to the Palestinian territory along with a detailed map of the structures that attempt to coordinate the donors and the Palestinian institutions. It also provides information regarding the way external funding has been allocated to the various sectors, regions and governorates in the West Bank and Gaza. The study aims to help various stakeholder to formulate their development plans according to reliable information and to support coordination mechanisms among Palestinian NGOs, the Palestinian Authority and the donor community.

NDC is also finalizing its research on "Promoting Cooperation and Collaboration between NGOs and the Palestinian Private Sector". The objective of the research is to provide a better understanding of the existing modalities of cooperation between the two sectors, and their behavior with respect to social responsibility, development and philanthropy. In addition, the research aims to propose potential joint initiatives for implementation. It is hoped that a comprehensive and strategic framework for corporate social responsibility (CSR) in Palestine can be developed, adopted, and applied. Preliminary findings of the research indicate that there has been a gradual shift in the social responsibility of the private sector from charitable donations driven by religious and moral concerns to a more structured system of social responsibility and accountability.



NDC's Quick Response to the Emergency Situation in Gaza



Gaza Emergency Appeal

Israel's military operation Cast Lead, which began in late December 2008 and continued until mid January 2009, had devastating effects on both the people and the land. In additional to the tragic loss of human life, especially children, many public facilities such as charitable societies, mosques and educational institutions were destroyed. Furthermore, the latest attacks have led to extensive damage to thousands of cultivated agricultural land areas, trees, roads, greenhouses, and groundwater wells.

In view of this dire situation, and given NDC's commitment to giving a helping hand to the poor and vulnerable, NDC was quick in its response to the urgent needs arising from the 22-day offensive. A rapid needs assessment was performed in Gaza in March 2009 and an appeal in both English and Arabic was posted on NDC's website for wide public dissemination. With the help of fifty NGOs working in agriculture, health, and education; emerging needs were identified by a consultative process and from the perspective of the NGOs concerned.

This two-day workshop was the reference point for all future interventions. The ensuing study helped particularly in identifying and prioritizing projects. Published in March 2009, the "Rapid needs assessment of the NGO sector to respond to repercussions of Israel's offensive on Gaza", was disseminated to all partner organizations and was issued as a public information document.

Through its Gaza Appeal, NDC also reached out to donors and multilateral agencies in an effort to mitigate the impact of the military operation.

Rehabilitation of Water Wells

As part of NDC's varied efforts to help Gaza, the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC) was approached with a request to fund projects in the agricultural sector. Through a grant agreement of US \$900,000, this project emerged and a strategy to rehabilitate the damaged water wells was put into action. To implement this project, NDC chose three partner NGOs: the Palestinian Hydrology Group, Ma'an development Center, and the Union of Agricultural Work Committees. They have each undergone a thorough assessment to select the most needy beneficiaries.



2,451 Dunums of land was irrigated

245 Direct beneficiaries

World Bank Additional Financing

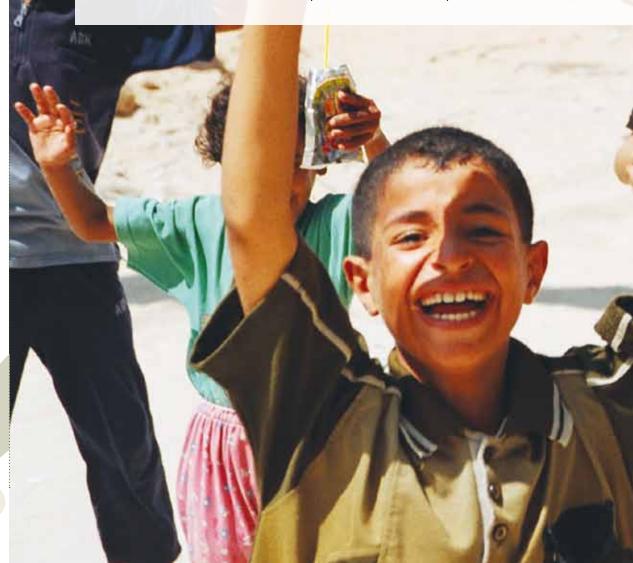
In a continuing effort to alleviate the conditions of the people in Gaza, NDC has pledged for Additional Financing from the World Bank to be allocated entirely to Gaza. The rationale behind this move was the ever-increasing need to assist "this tragic territory" which has endured a serious decrease in the provision of fuel and humanitarian assistance, in clear violation of the Agreement on Movement and Access of 2005. The World Bank, in the aftermath of these events, and as part of its efforts to contribute to early recovery and reconstruction in Gaza, showed its willingness to examine, discuss, and finally approve a financing agreement, under the framework of the World Bank Trust Fund, for an additional amount of US\$3 million. This is a significant achievement for NDC and will increase its contribution towards the oPt in general and the NGO sector in particular. The additional amount will be disbursed rapidly and effectively through 13 NGOs working in various areas, principally the health, agriculture and psychosocial sectors.





NDC 2009 Events

- **February 2009**: NDC held an event to disseminate the Resource Kit to 180 NGOs that volunteer to sign up for the Code of Conduct in the West bank.
- **February 2009**: Dr. Juan-Jose Daboub, Managing Director of the World Bank visited NDC's Gaza office.
- March 2009: NDC conducted a two day strategic planning workshop for NDC staff in Jericho to establish a clearly defined strategic plan for the next five years.
- March 2009: NDC's Director, Mr. Ghassan Kasabreh, participated in the United Nations Seminar on Assistance to the Palestinian People in Cairo. In his speech, Mr. Kasabreh presented an overview of the situation in Gaza, and the role of the NGO sector in the early recovery and reconstruction process.
- May 2009: NDC held its annual General Assembly meeting to endorse NDC's different reports and the action plan for 2009.







Audited Financial Statement

Auditor's Report

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Independent Auditors' Report
To the Board of Directors of NGO Development Center (NDC)
Jerusalem - Palestine

Report on the financial statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the NGO Development Center (hereinafter the "NDC") which comprise the statement of the financial position as of December 31, 2009, the statement of activities, and cash flow statement for the year then ended and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes.

Management's responsibility for the financial statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards. This responsibility includes: designing, implementing and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances

Auditors' responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing. Those Standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditors' judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Opinion on the financial statements

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of NDC as of December 31, 2009 and the results of its activities and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards.

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Michael Orfaly Ramallah May 6, 2010

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Statement of Financial Position

NGO Development Center (NDC)

Financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2009

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

(All amounts in U.S Dollars)

	Note	2009	2008
ASSETS			
Non-current assets Property plant and equipment, net Total non current assets	(3)	134,840 134,840	181,843 181,843
Current assets Pledges receivable Other current assets Cash and cash equivalents Total current assets Total assets	(4) (5) (6)	6,396,022 31,188 3,231,580 9,658,790 9,793,630	14,082,760 36,740 4,600,770 18,720,270 18,902,113
NET ASSETS AND LIABILITIES			
Net assets Unrestricted net assets Temporarily restricted net assets Total net assets	(8)	1,081,326 8,430,317 9,511,643	932,715 17,782,481 18,715,196
Non-current liabilities Provision for end-of-service indemnity Total non-current liabilities	(9)	126,394 126,394	93,467 93,467
Current liabilities Other current liabilities Total current liabilities Total net assets and liabilities	(10)	155,593 155,593 9,793,630	93,450 93,450 18,902,113

- The notes on pages 6 to 30 are an integral part of these financial statements.

- The financial statements on page 3 to 30 were authorized for issue by the Board of directors on March 20, 2010 and were signed on its behalf.

> Mr. Ghassan Kasabreh Director

Admin Manager Finance &

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Statement of Activities & Changes in Net Assets

NGO Development Center (NDC)

Financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2009

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

(All amounts in U.S Dollars)

	Note	2009	2008
Changes in unrestricted net assets			
Insurance revenues (Unified Program)		7,963	113,900
Interest revenues		14,331	28,702
In kind donations recognized	(7)	-	137,190
Other revenues		14,346	28,338
Total unrestricted revenues		36,640	308,130
Released from temporarily restricted net assets	(8)	14,144,338	6,911,246
Total unrestricted revenues		14,180,978	7,219,376
Evnames and leases			
Expenses and losses Projects' expenses	(11)	13,963,565	6,856,326
Depreciation expenses	(, , ,	57,864	53,571
Loss / (Gain) on currency variances		5,868	(5,324)
Unified program expenses	(12)	1,530	84,548
Loss on disposal of property and equipment	(/	-	780
Other expenses		3,540	14,057
Total expenses and losses		14,032,367	7,003,958
Net change in unrestricted net assets		148,611	215,418
Changes in temporarily restricted net assets			
Grants and donations	(8,4)	4,898,720	7,126,860
Net assets released from restriction	(8)	(14,144,338)	(6,911,246)
Written off during the year	(8)	(50,500)	(0,01.,210)
Currency variances	(8)	(56,046)	_
Net changes in temporarily restricted net assets	(0)	(9,352,164)	215,614
Changes in net assets for the year		(9,203,553)	431,032
Net assets, beginning of the year		18,715,196	18,284,164
Net assets, end of the year		9,511,643	18,715,196

⁻ The notes on pages 6 to 30 are an integral part of these financial statements.

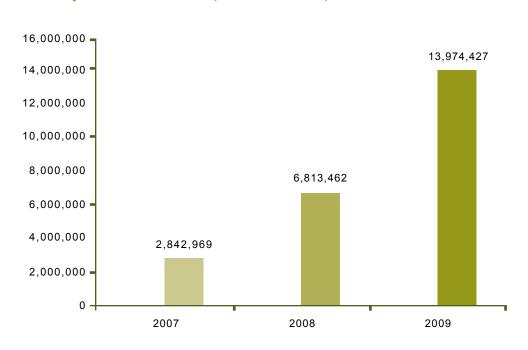
NDC Resources

2009 Financial highlight

1. Budget vs. Actual for the Year Ending 31/12/2009 (In US Dollars)

Donor	Budget	Disbursements	Over (Under) Budget
IDA	4,040,381	3,465,906	(574,475)
AFD	3,948,227	4,903,407	955,180
Welfare Association	120,000	137,569	17,569
HR/GG Program - 4 Donors	4,745,996	4,629,919	(116,077)
EU	108,164	35,320	(72,844)
DED	18,720	18,720	-
IDB	549,933	15,000	(534,933)
SDC	900,000	768,586	(131,414)
Tota	14,431,421	13,974,427	(456,994)

2. Yearly Disbursements (In US Dollars)



Donors



























list of Partners

1) World Bank Financed Projects

a. Empowerment Grants:

- 1. The Four Homes of Mercy Jerusalem
- 2. Spafford Children's Center, Old City Jerusalem
- 3. The Saraya Center for Community Services Jerusalem
- 4. Selat Al- Harthiah Charitable Society Jenin
- 5. Union Charitable Societies Northern Governorates of WB Nablus
- 6. Al-Khader Charitable Child Care Society Bethlehem
- 7. The Regional Committee for Rehabilitation/ Central Area Ramallah
- 8. Elderly Home Charitable Jenin
- 9. Palestinian Association for Cultural Exchange Ramallah
- 10. Tarqumia Charitable Society Hebron
- 11. The Edward Said National Conservatory of Music Jerusalem
- 12. Palestinian Working Woman Society for Development Ramallah
- 13. The Arab Thought Forum (ATF) Jerusalem
- 14. The Palestinian youth Association for Leadership and Rights Activation (PYALARA) Ramallah
- 15. Taffouh Center for Culture & Arts Hebron
- 16. Islah Charitable Social Society.(ICS) Jericho
- 17. The Palestinian Farmer Association Gaza
- 18. Basma Society for Culture and Arts Gaza
- 19. Albait Assamed Society Gaza
- 20. El-Amal Rehabilitation Society Rafah Gaza
- 21. Palestinian Environmental Friends Association Gaza
- 22. Fekra Arts Institute Gaza
- 23. Palestinian Alnakheel association for progress and development Gaza
- 24. Al-Mawassi Agricultural Cooperative Association Gaza
- 25. Association of Visually Impaired Graduates League Gaza
- 26. Ard El Insan Palestinian Benevolent Gaza
- 27. Al-Muntada-The Young Scientists Club (Gaza Branch) Gaza
- 28. Agricultural Engineering Association Gaza

b. Specialized Health Services Grants

- 1. Makassed Islamic Charitable Hospital Jerusalem
- 2. Saint Luke's Hospital Nablus
- 3. Patients Friends Society Jenin
- 4. Children's Relief Bethlehem Caritas Baby Hospital (CBH) Bethlehem
- 5. Public Aid Society Gaza
- 6. El-Wafa Medical Rehab. Hospital Gaza
- 7. Union Of Health Work Committees Gaza

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c. LGU/NGO Partnership Grants

- 1. Palestinian Wildlife Society Bethlehem
- 2. Janata Woman Center Bethlehem
- 3. Al-Samou Youth Club Hebron
- 4. Sourif Charitable Association Hebron
- 5. Shyoukh Zakat Committee Hebron
- 6. Bait El-Mustaqbal Association Gaza

d. Mentoring Grants

- 1. Palestinian Medical Relief Society Ramallah
 - a. Halhul Women Charitable Society Hebron
 - b. Beit Umar Charitable Society Hebron
 - c. Kharas Charitable Society Bethlehem
 - d. Sair Charitable Society Hebron
 - e. The Southern Society for Rehabilitation Hebron
- 2. Agricultural Development Association (PARC) Ramallah
 - a. Al-Rihyyeh Cooperative Agricultural Development Society
 - b. Al-Samou Agricultural Cooperative Society Hebron
 - Baggar Cooperative Association for Credit and Saving Unlimited - Hebron
 - d. The Commissary Community for Developing the Animal Fortune Hebron
 - e. Al-Mintar Cooperative Society for Livestock Development Hebron
 - f. Al-Samou' Cooperative Society for Breeding Animals -Hebron
 - g. Bani Naim Livestock Cooperative Hebron
- 3. Palestinian Hydrology Group Ramallah
 - a. Al-Janya Youth Club Ramallah
 - b. Altteera Charitable Society Ramallah
 - Qibbya Women's Cooperative for Rural Development -Jerusalem
 - d. Kobar Youth Club Ramallah
 - e. Women's Rural Development Center Ramallah
- 4. MA'AN Development Center Ramallah
 - a. Nelien Association for Social Work Development -Ramallah
 - b. Youth Development Association Jerusalem
 - c. Beit Sira Girls and Women Center Ramallah
 - d. Rantis Children Club Ramallah
 - e. Palestinian Youth Union Ramallah
 - f. Budrus Sports Club Ramallah
 - g. Handala Cultural Center Ramallah



- 5. Palestinian Counseling Center Jerusalem
 - a. Abu Dees Youth Club Jerusalem
 - b. Al-Quds Club Jerusalem
 - c. Anata Youth Club Jerusalem
 - d. Youth Development Association Jerusalem
 - e. Nur Al-Ain Society Jerusalem
- 6. Youth Development Department/Arab Studies Society Jerusalem
 - a. African Community Society Jerusalem
 - b. Beit Doggo Development Society Jerusalem
 - c. Burj Al Luq Luq Social Center Jerusalem
 - d. Elia Association for Youth Jerusalem
 - e. Jerusalem Gate Charitable Society Jerusalem
- 7. Palestine Save the Children Foundation Gaza
 - a. Rehabilitation & Development Of Palestinian Home's Society Gaza
 - b. Palestinian Student Care Association Gaza
 - Deir Al Balah Association for Community Development & Childhood
 Gaza
 - d. Maghazi Cultural Center Gaza
 - e. Nour El Marifa Charitable Society Gaza
- 8. The Culture & Free Thought Association Gaza
 - a. Palestinian Environment Supporters Association Gaza
 - b. Watan Benevolent Association Gaza
 - c. Youth without Borders Forum Gaza
 - d. Society for the Care of Disabled Families Gaza
 - e. Al-Foukhari Association for Culture and Development Gaza
 - f. Rafah Services Club Gaza

2) SDC Financed Projects Water Wells Grants

- 1. Union of Agricultural Work Committees (UAWC) Gaza
- 2. MA'AN Development Center Gaza
- 3. Palestinian Hydrology Group for Water and Environmental Resources Gaza

3) AFD Financed Projects Job Creation Grants

- 1. YWCA Jerusalem
- 2. Early Childhood Resource Center Jerusalem
- 3. The Rural Women Development Society Ramallah
- 4. Palestinian Wastewater Engineers Group Ramallah
- 5. First Ramallah Group Ramallah
- 6. Orthodox Club-Ramallah
- 7. Palestinian Child Club in Partnership with Al-Morouj Cultural Center Ramallah
- 8. Women Center for Legal Aid & Counseling Ramallah
- 9. Mother School Society Nablus
- 10. Arab Women Union Society Nablus
- 11. Zababdeh Charitable Society Jenin



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- 12. Al-Amal Charitable Society for the Deaf Qalqelia
- 13. Kufur Sur Charity Qalqelia
- 14. Muthalath Al-Shuhada'a Charitable Society Jenin
- 15. The Blind Rehabilitation Society Jenin
- 16. Annajda Palestinian Women Development Jenin
- 17. Kufr Rae'e Charitable Society for Development & Culture Jenin
- 18. Juhood for Community & Rural Development Ramallah
- 19. Al-Dahriyeh Society for Rural Development Hebron
- 20. Cooperative Society for Agricultural Marketing & Manufacturing Hebron
- 21. Simia Agricultural Cooperative Society Hebron
- 22. The Center for Agricultural Services Hebron
- 23. Al-Shyoukh Youth Sport Club Hebron
- 24. Bani Naim Charitable Society Hebron
- 25. YMCA-East Jerusalem Jerusalem
- 26. Water & Environmental Development Organization- Bethlehem
- 27. Arab Center for Agricultural Development (ACAD) Ramallah
- 28. Youth Development Association Ramallah
- 29. Union of Agricultural work committees Gaza
- 30. Cooperation Agriculture Association of Beit Hanoun-Gaza
- 31. Agriculture Guidance and Awareness Society- Gaza
- 32. Rural Association For Agricultures Development-Gaza
- 33. Greenhouses Farmers Association-Gaza
- 34. Arab Center For Agricultural Development Gaza
- 35. Al-ahleya Society for Development of Palm& Dates Gaza
- 36. MA'AN Development Center Gaza
- 37. The Palestinian farmers Association Gaza
- 38. Agricultural Engineers Association Gaza
- 39. The Agricultural Development Association/PARC-Gaza
- 40. AL Mawassi Agricultural Cooperative Association Gaza
- 41. Beit Lahia Development Association- Gaza
- 42. Al-Fokhary Society For Culture And Development Gaza
- 43. Olive Tree Protection National Association Gaza
- 44. Khuza`a Permaculture Center Association Gaza
- 45. Ahali Elmawasy Charitable Society Khan Younis Gaza
- 46. Safe Agriculture Producers Society (SAPS) Gaza
- 47. The Old City Youth Association Jerusalem
- 48. Arab Orthodox Society Jerusalem
- 49. African Community Society Jerusalem
- 50. Burj Al Luq Luq Social centre Jerusalem
- 51. Infant Welfare Center the Greek Catholic Society Annunciation Jerusalem



4) Human Rights and Good Governance Grants

a.Core funding

- 1. Physicians for Human Rights (Israel) Jerusalem
- 2. The Public Committee Against Torture in Israel (PCATI) Jerusalem
- 3. WCLAC (Women's Centre for Legal Aid and Councelling) Jerusalem
- 4. Hamoked: Center for the Defence of the Individual- Jerusalem
- 5. Jerusalem Center for Women- Jerusalem
- 6. Bimkom Planners for Planning Rights- Jerusalem
- 7. The Arab Thought Forum- Jerusalem
- 8. B'Tselem The Israeli Information Center for Human Rights in the Occupied Territories Jerusalem
- 9. The Israeli Committee Against House Demolitions (ICAHD) Jerusalem
- 10. The Palestinian NGO Network (PNGO) Ramallah
- 11. Al-Hag Ramallah
- 12. Defence for Children International Palestine Section Ramallah
- 13. Ramallah Center for Human Rights Studies Ramallah
- MUSAWA The Palestinian Center for the Independence of Judiciary and the Legal Profession - Ramallah
- 15. Jerusalem Legal Aid and Human Rights Center (JLAC) Ramallah
- 16. Women's Affairs Technical Committee Ramallah
- 17. Addameer Prisoner Support and Human Rights Association- Ramallah
- 18. Women for Life Salfeet
- 19. Badil Resource Center for Palestinian Residency and Refugee Rights Bethlehem
- 20. The Palestinian Working Women Society for Development Ramallah
- 21. Al Dameer Association for Human Rights Gaza
- 22. Al Mezan Centre for Human Rights Gaza
- 23. Palestinian Centre for Human rights (PCHR) Gaza
- 24. Women's Affairs Center Gaza (WAC) Gaza

b. Small Grants Facility

- 1. Center for Human Rights and Democratic Participation / Shams Ramallah
- 2. The Palestinian Counseling Centre on behalf of the Coalition for Jerusalem-Jerusalem
- 3. Kav LaOved The Workers Hotline Jerusalem
- 4. Gisha Legal Center for Freedom of Movement Jerusalem
- 5. Women and Family Affairs Center Nablus
- 6. Yesh Din Volunteers for Human Rights Jerusalem
- 7. Sawa-All the Women Together Today and Tomorrow Jerusalem
- 8. UNESCO Chair on Human Rights and Democracy at An-Najah National University-Nablus
- 9. The Association for Civil Rights in Israel (ACRI) Jerusalem
- 10. Breaking the Silence (BTS) Jerusalem
- 11. Women's Center for Shuf'at Refugee Camp Jerusalem
- 12. Hurryyat Ramallah
- 13. Adalah The Legal Center for Arab Minority Rights in Israel Jerusalem
- 14. Ensan Center for Democracy & Human Rights Bethlehem
- 15. Bimkom Planners for Planning Rights Jerusalem
- 16. Al Mezan Center for Human Rights- Gaza





5) NGOs receiving Technical Assistance

- 1. Palestinian Center for Mass Communication Hebron
- 2. Agricultural Marketing Cooperative Jenin
- 3. Child Contrivance Center Salfeet
- 4. Al-Amal Association for the Deaf Qalqelia
- 5. The Palestinian Working Women Society for Development Ramallah
- 6. Palestinian Future Society for Democracy and Development Nablus
- 7. Beit Duggu Development Society Jerusalem
- 8. Tawasul Ramallah
- 9. Child Care Society Tulkarem
- 10. Mothers' School Society Nablus
- 11. Merke Charitable Society Jenin
- 12. Nablus Association for the Development and Community Nablus
- 13. Juhoud Community and Rural Development Ramallah
- 14. Center for Defense of Liberties and Civil Rights "Hurryyat" Ramallah
- 15. Teacher Creativity Center Ramallah
- 16. Talfeet Women Center Jenin
- 17. Ibdaa for Children Development and International Cultural Exchange-Bethlehem
- 18. The Palestinian Committee for Drug Studies Hebron
- 19. Burj Al Luqluq Social Center Society Jerusalem
- 20. Al-Ihsan Charitable Society for Disabled People & Aged & Orphans Hebron
- 21. Women Child's Care Society Bethlehem
- 22. AlDahreyeh Society for Rural Development Hebron
- 23. Al-Quds Charitable Society for Disabled and Special Education Jerusalem
- 24. Bani Na'im Charitable Society Hebron
- 25. Labourer's Association for Studies and Development (Shiraa') Bethlehem
- 26. Taffouh Charitable Society Hebron
- 27. Elia Association for Youth Jerusalem
- 28. The Edward Said National Conservatory of Music Jerusalem
- 29. Dura Women Club Hebron
- 30. Basma for Culture and Arts Gaza
- 31. Information and Media Center for the Palestinian Women Gaza
- 32. Al-Amal Society for Rehabilitation Gaza
- 33. El Wafa association for developing the capacities of woman, child, and youth Gaza
- 34. Haw'a Future Association Gaza
- 35. Al Ataa' Charitable Society Gaza
- 36. The Cultural Social Union Association Gaza
- 37. The Green Valley Agriculture Association Gaza
- 38. Wisal Society for Health and Society Development -Gaza39. NATUF for Environment and Community Development Gaza
- 40. El Watania Association for Development Gaza
- 41. Association of Agriculture Engineers Gaza
- 42. Gaza Hashim Charitable Association Gaza
- 43. Gaza Cultural and Development Group Association Gaza
- 44. El Najda Social Association Gaza
- 45. The Palestinian Commission for Refugee Right Protection Gaza
- 46. Public Aid Society for Canada neighborhood Gaza
- 47. Farmer's Union Charitable Association Gaza
- 48. The Jerusalem Society for Al Mawsi Development Gaza
- 49. Public Aid Society for Gaza Neighborhoods Gaza
- 50. Ibrahim Al-Khalil Society Hebron

NDC Governance

NDC is governed by a policy board of directors that is composed of 13 civil society experts, NGO networks and unions, and representatives from the Welfare Association. It also includes members of academia, the private sector and NGO experts. It is elected every two years.

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