



EMERGENCY RESPONSE APPEAL

Providing gender-based violence (GBV) lifesaving support to Lebanon's displaced and vulnerable populations

Since hostilities began in October 2023, thousands of people—mostly civilians—have been killed or injured. Recent escalations over the past week have drastically increased the number of casualties and displaced individuals, now numbering in the hundreds of thousands as many flee their homes and villages in search of safety.

Lebanon, already grappling with a severe socio-economic crisis, has nearly half of its population living in poverty. As the situation worsens, meeting basic needs has become even more challenging for families who lack access to livelihoods and specialized services.

In response to the growing risks of gender-based violence (GBV), which are exacerbated in complex crises like the one Lebanon is currently facing, ABAAD is launching an emergency appeal. This initiative aims to coordinate an immediate response during and after the crisis, providing essential specialized services to women, girls, men, and boys. These needs are expected to persist long after the immediate crisis subsides, requiring sustained, long-term support.



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MEN CENTRE HELPLINE
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Response

Basic Assistance

Identify vulnerable households and individuals in the affected areas, including those displaced and currently hosted in other governorates. Conduct needs assessments and provide **hygiene items, dignity kits**, and other **protection-related essential supplies** as needed.

Mental Health & PSS

Provide **psychological first aid (PFA)** and follow-up services, along with training and support for **mental health and psychosocial support (MHPSS)** to address trauma and distress, and mitigate the use of violent behavior among affected individuals across all areas of Lebanon.

GBV Response

Reach out to the most vulnerable women and girls in affected areas for GBV prevention and **specialized GBV follow-up services**, with special attention to ensuring continued access to **clinical management of rape (CMR)** services, as needed, and **sexual exploitation and abuse (SEA) sensitization**.

Provide **GBV case management and psychosocial support (PSS)** on-site through mobile safe space units and remotely through the 24/7 GBV Safelines across the country.

Continue admitting high-risk GBV cases into ABAAD's **temporary emergency safe shelters** across Lebanon, providing **immediate protection, psychological and social support, health services, legal counseling**, and more, while maintaining the **24/7 central emergency Safeline** and **CMR services**.

Provide specialized interventions to **prevent child sexual abuse (CSA)** and commercial **sexual exploitation**, including **educational interventions** using art-based techniques (puppetry, coloring books, etc.), in internally displaced people (IDPs) settings, and train front-liners for wider national coverage. **Sensitize front-liners** and non-specialized actors on **CSA mitigation**.

Continue **coordination** and **advocacy** for **GBV mainstreaming initiatives** across all sectors and support various clusters to integrate GBV into their preparedness and response interventions.

Capacity Building

Enhance the **capacities** of civil society volunteers to deal with individuals suffering from psychological trauma, including those with disabilities, following the Do No Harm and rights-based approaches, and on safe identification and referral of GBV, CSA, and SEA.

Provide **self-care to frontline responders** and raise awareness on prevention of sexual exploitation and abuse (PSEA).

Mobile Bus

Travel to remote and marginalized areas to reach individuals who cannot access services. Provide **PSS and referrals** to relevant services, including **PFA**, basic **GBV case management**, **CMR**, **PSEA sensitization**, and **education on legal rights**, offered by ABAAD model centers or other partners.



How Your Donation Helps

Below are some examples of how your donation will be used to support ABAAD's programs and sustained emergency services.

Support women and children at ABAAD Emergency Safe Shelters

Cost per woman & one child per month at the shelter: USD 582

Support women survivors through ABAAD listening and counseling centers

Cost of GBV case management services and mental health per woman: USD 1,032

Mental health support for men at ABAAD Men Centre

Cost of Psychotherapy sessions per man: USD 1,070

Support Jina Al Dar (Mobile Bus) rounds to reach communities at risk in remote settings

Cost per Jina Dar round: USD 3,500

Provide Dignity Kits for women and girls

Cost per dignity kit: USD 14

To contribute to ABAAD's efforts through donations, please use the following bank details:

Account Name: ABAAD-Resource Centre for Gender Equality

Bank Branch: Furn el Chebbak

Bank Code: 0007

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Bank account: USD 0007-490979-005

Bank Address: Riad El Solh, P.O.Box 11-1536, Beirut-Lebanon

Your donation today saves lives and promotes ZERO tolerance for GBV.

For further information or questions, please don't hesitate to reach out. ABAAD is committed to transparency and ensuring the dissemination of accurate and timely information to donors, partners, and supporters.

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