



Annual report
July 2009 to June 2010

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Dear Friend,

Last fiscal year¹, \$342,004 was raised and \$415,930 allocated to 15 NGOs to fund 22 projects as detailed on page 4. Since Child of Lebanon's inception in 1996, 89% of the \$2.77m allocated donations financed over 145 projects which have directly benefited the children. For a detailed listing and description of these projects, please refer to the Funded Projects section or log onto the website <http://childoflebanon.free.fr>.

We are very grateful for your continued and generous support in a challenging year, both globally and for Lebanon. Your donation throughout those years has had a significant and lasting impact on the well being of the children

Amongst the projects completed to date were priority infrastructure works, allowing the NGOs to expand and improve their services. Those include the rehabilitation and equipment of schools, the set up of dormitories and rehabilitation of others. Both schools and dormitories were subject to water infiltration, humidity and decay; the addition of a new wing to relieve the overcrowding in the children's quarters; the opening of playgrounds and sports facilities; equipping computer and biology / chemistry laboratories and having those studies become part of the teaching curriculum; the installation of solar panels to reduce the heating bills and keep hot water available; equipping a health center attending school children... Education is also a focus of Child of Lebanon with the funding of training programs for teachers on the subject of Conflict Resolution, funding an on-going juvenile delinquency prevention program, arranging for summer camps for mentally disabled children, the set up of children theater stages, settling private school fees, etc...



Although Child of Lebanon's year was relatively calm, it followed 2 years of heightened tensions in the aftermath of the summer of 2006 war, with the ensuing heated stand off with the one year strife in downtown Beirut, the violent sectarian clashes early 2008 which awakened painful memories, and the rotating incidents across Lebanon. Lebanon's non-ending disturbances wrecked further havoc on the social fabric of those families who are already socially and financially strained. The charged political

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and social environment and the continued instability has further radicalized the children's attitudes at the NGOs as they bring with them the animosities and the heated discussions they witness at their homes and communities. The NGOs are also facing increasing demands to receive more children than they can accommodate. All this stresses the importance of the support for these NGOs at a time they needed it most.

It is worth noting the following developments which took place the past three years:

- Merrill Lynch's EMEA Committee selected for the second year running Child of Lebanon as one of six "2008/9 EMEA Charities of the Year". A number of fund raising events have been organized by Merrill Lynch.
- Child of Lebanon has joined hands with Lebanon United² and Think Lebanon³ in raising funds for specific projects. Barclays, through Lebanon United, has funded a number of projects.
- An anonymous foundation has financed the full rehabilitation of the school at Jabboule, including replacing all the old equipments and furniture and the set up of a health clinic and a vaccination program in Akkar.
- Your continued and generous support at a time a financial strain and words of encouragement have been a great source of motivation for us.

We are hopeful similar developments will provide the resources for the NGOs to devise and execute long term solutions to efficiently meet the needs of the children. Child of Lebanon has embarked the last 3 years on important projects, be it the set-up of educational facilities and vocational training courses, the funding of youth programs etc. which require larger long term financial commitments.

As you know, Child of Lebanon's mission is to assist selected child caring NGOs across Lebanon in their effort for the relief of poverty, distress and suffering and the protection of the good health and the advancement of education of children in need. The selection of the assisted NGOs starts by identifying those that are well-run and with no political or ideological affiliation or pronounced religious bias. We build, through regular visits, follow-ups, queries and reviews, a close relationship with the persons responsible in order to develop the needed level of comfort, trust and transparency. The allocation of the donation to an institution is primarily dedicated to fund specific projects. The pooling of those projects allows Child of Lebanon to secure quantity discounts for quality products and services. Allocations are made throughout the year as needs arise and donations are raised.

In January 2002, the Charity Commission for England & Wales granted Child of Lebanon the status of "Charitable Trust" which allowed donations to Child of Lebanon to be tax deductible for UK tax based residents and companies. In 2003, CAFAmerica, a US charity screening agency, allowed donations to Child of Lebanon to be tax deductible in the US.

Please let us know if you have any comment or if you would like any further information. The aim is to make this report and the effort clear, transparent and meaningful. Three progress reports are issued throughout the year to keep you informed on specific developments and a monthly note is communicated, starting in January, informing you about the donation amount raised to date.

This is a benevolent team effort and your contribution is donated in its entirety without deduction of any expenses. All such expenses are absorbed by the undersigned.

We hope you will remain our partner in this endeavor and help us to introduce Child of Lebanon to other friends and benefactors.

² Lebanon United, a London-based volunteer group, raises funds and awareness to support humanitarian, educational and sustainable development initiatives in Lebanon. www.lebunited.org

³ Think Lebanon, a Swiss-based volunteer group, raises funds by organizing artistic and cultural events in support of Lebanese charitable institutions. www.thinklebanon.ch

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I - Breakdown of the allocation

Donations raised to date		09-10	08-09	07-08	06-07	05-06	04-05	03-04	02-03	01-02	00-01	99-00	96-99	
\$2,890,665		Donations raised	\$342,004	\$503,176	\$718,928	\$282,538	\$210,676	\$200,792	\$171,922	\$150,787	\$127,256	\$81,056	\$51,300	\$50,230
Region	Cash at bank	194,912	163,364	12,636	7,574	3,168	7,219	5,589	2,447	141	-	-	-	
Metn, Jezzine, Batroun, Baalbeck	SOS villages	15,000	15,000	7,480	13,500	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	12,000	11,000	31,300	45,230	
Zahle	Maison de Notre Dame	50,000	20,000	55,300	18,000	18,000	15,000	15,188	15,000	14,500	12,500	5,000	2,500	
Deek el Mehdi (North Metn)	ACSAUVEL	9,000	9,000	19,500	10,000	10,000	12,000	10,000	10,000	9,500	6,000	5,000		
Beirut & Kessrouan	AFEL	32,500	56,750	35,500	30,800	25,500	21,315	15,188	15,000	15,050	12,500			
Jibchet (Nabatieh)	Orphanage Sayda Zeinab	27,500	46,925	68,765	20,000	20,000	23,045	23,000	17,000	15,000	12,615			
Beirut	M. Khaled Foundations	43,000	23,008	83,850	27,315	18,340	20,000	15,000	13,000	11,000	6,300			
Abeih (Aley)	Beit al Yateem al Durzi	25,000	23,903	25,000	15,645	16,000	13,000	10,000	8,000	6,000				
Tripodi	Jamiaat al Ataa	15,000	2,157	21,000	9,800	11,150	10,989	11,916	8,385	7,500				
Tripodi	Dar Tarablos	19,000	17,241	14,750	14,050	12,000	10,157	8,000	8,000	6,000				
Bourj el Moulouk (Marjeyoun)	Beit al Hassad	22,300	15,252	27,585	19,350	13,000	15,000	10,000	8,000	6,000				
Jabboule (Baalbeck - Hermel)	Orphanage Jabboule	49,000	72,639	65,000	22,000	15,500	22,337	10,000	7,000					
Tyr	Mbsan	10,000	54,595	46,500	22,000	9,000								
Jounieh	Paradis d'Enfants	34,000	20,000	21,750	7,433									
Saida	Ahlouna	44,630	46,658	46,870										
Akkar	Makassed schools	20,000	48,500	24,100										
Tripodi	Jamiaat al Rida			5,250										
Antelias	Mission de Vie				10,000									
Beirut	Omar al Ounsi school				7,433									
Beirut	Khalil Chehab school				7,433									
	summer 06 emergency				13,700									
Saida	Dar al Yateem al Arabi				9,017	12,300	12,000	12,000	8,260	7,400	5,000			
Al Manara (West Bekaa)	Dar al Hanane					10,480	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	10,000	2,500	
\$2,769,679		Donations allocated	\$415,930	\$471,628	\$568,200	\$277,476	\$206,270	\$204,843	\$170,292	\$147,645	\$124,950	\$80,915	\$51,300	\$50,230
		Cash at bank	120,986	194,912	163,364	12,636	7,574	3,168	7,219	5,589	2,447	141	-	-

Projects funded in 09-10:

AFEL	\$32,500	\$7,500 for the Medical Emergency Fund and \$25,000 to rehabilitate the center at Jouar which hosts over 50 children.
Sayda Zeinab	\$27,500	\$17,500 to install 10 solar panels and \$10,000 as a second payment for a community center to receive the parents of the children at the institutions. The center will promote and provide local and diverse enrichment programming for children in association with their parents and raise the latter's awareness about children education.
Jamiaat Al-Ataa	\$15,000	Settle the rent
Beit Al Hassad	\$22,300	Settle the tuition fees for 30 children at two private schools.
M. Khaled Foundations	\$43,000	\$23,000 to complete the set up and equip a new dormitory for 20 young children and \$20,000 as first payment to rehabilitate the dormitories leaking facades
Maison Notre Dame	\$50,000	\$20,000 to complete the infrastructure work and \$30,000 to settle school and university fees
ACSAUVEL	\$9,000	Finance the summer camp for the benefit of mentally handicapped children

Dar Tarablos	\$19,000	Settle the school fees of the 23 children attending a private school
SOS Villages	\$15,000	To complete the restoration of four homes at the Village in Sferai.
Beit al Yateem al Durzi	\$25,000	Set up and equip a library for the children
Orphanage Jabboule	\$49,000	\$19,000 to complete the rehabilitation of the school and \$30,000 for various equipments.
Mosan	\$10,000	Reserve allocation as we are reviewing a number of projects
Ahlouna	\$44,630	First payment to complete the 3rd floor of the center to accommodate 110 children for the after school training.
Paradis d'enfants	\$34,000	\$27,500 to set up and equip a children theater and \$6,500 for a teacher training program
Makassed schools	\$20,000	Set up of a health care center in Akkar to treat the children