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Grants Provided by the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia to the State of Palestine 2024

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Introduction

The Kingdom attaches great importance to humanitarian issues in general, and the Palestinian cause, in particular, which receives continuous Saudi economic and development support. This commitment is evident in the economic assistance provided to the Palestinian people by the Kingdom, represented by the Saudi Fund for Development (SFD), which totaled USD **4,828.00** million over the past few years. A portion of that amount was allocated to support the budget of the Palestinian Authority with a total amount of USD **2,697.87** million, within the framework of the League of Arab States and in accordance with the resolutions of the Arab Summit. The other portion was allocated to implement development projects through regional and international institutions and organizations, with a total amount of USD **2,130.13** million.

The Kingdom consistently emphasizes the importance of supporting the Palestinian people and providing them with basic services, including healthcare, education, and housing, and everything that would provide the means for a decent life. It is also keen to work closely with those striving to alleviate their suffering and believes that the refugee issue must ultimately be resolved in accordance with international law in a just manner that guarantees all the rights of the Palestinian people. However, until then, the Kingdom believes it is the duty of the international community, at the level of governments, institutions, and organizations, to provide the necessary support to the Palestinians. The Kingdom's aid provided in this framework has covered key and vital sectors, including: Health, Education, Housing, Infrastructure, and Social and Sports Infrastructure, which can be clarified as follows:


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Overview of Selected Grants Provided to the State of Palestine

Education



SFD provided support to the Palestinian educational sector, allocating such support to achieve the following objectives:

Constructing and equipping over **400** schools distributed across education sectors as follows:

- Constructing primary schools.
- Constructing intermediate schools.
- Expanding existing schools.
- Equipping existing schools.
- Developing and equipping schools.

Health



SFD provided support to the Palestinian health sector, allocating such support to achieve the following objectives:

- Constructing over **30** health centers.
- Equipping health centers with medical equipment.
- Equipping **40** clinics.
- Equipping hospitals with devices.
- Providing medicines.
- Supporting medical cadres.
- Equipping the Al-Aqsa Mosque clinic and providing medicines and ambulances.

Housing

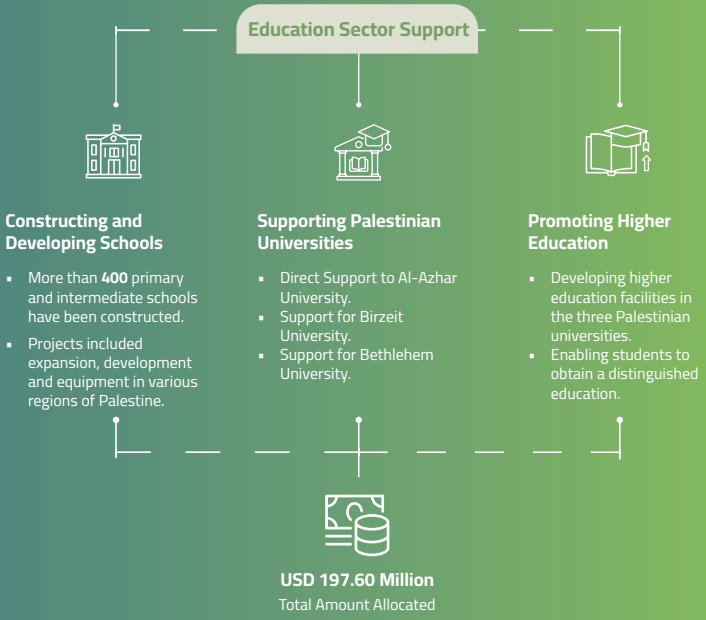


SFD provided support to the Palestinian housing sector, allocating such support to achieve the following objectives:

- Renovating old homes in Jerusalem and Hebron.
- Renovating houses adjacent to Al-Aqsa Mosque, the Dome of the Rock and the Ibrahimi Mosque.
- Constructing and renovating residential units in refugee camps in the West Bank and Gaza Strip.
- Reconstructing and renovating homes in Nahr el-Bared and Ain al-Hilweh camps in Lebanon.

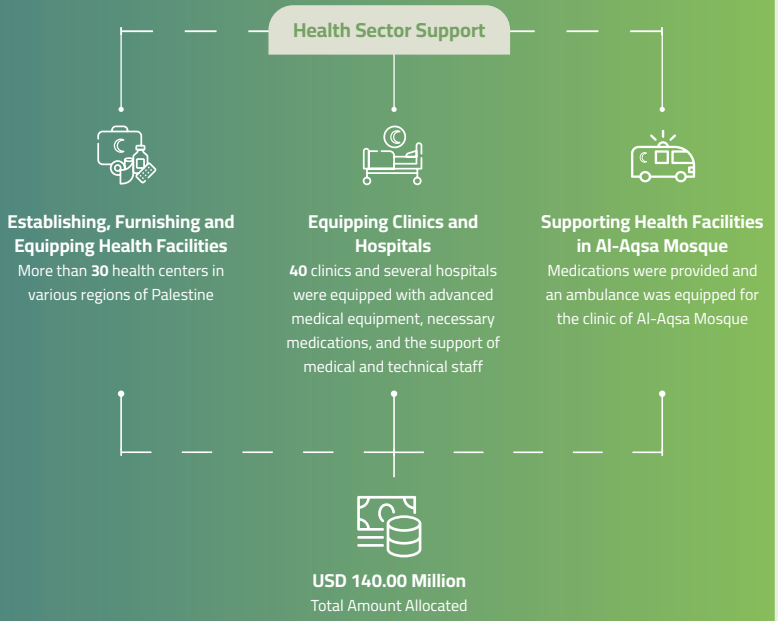
Education Sector Support

Education is key pillar in raising the youth, spreading awareness among community members, and preparing generations capable of building the Palestinian state. Out of the Kingdom's belief in the importance of this sector, it has constructed, expanded, developed, and equipped more than **400** primary and intermediate schools in various areas of the Palestinian territories, this is in addition to supporting Al-Azhar, Birzeit, and Bethlehem University with a total amount of USD **197.60** million.



Health Sector Support

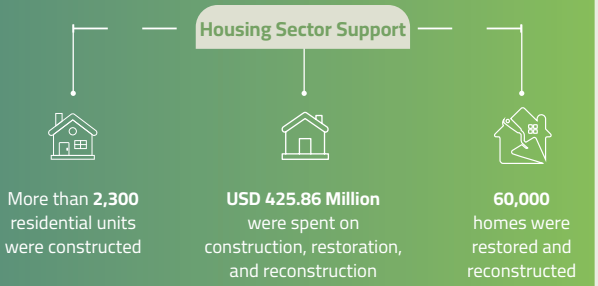
The Kingdom has supported the Palestinian health sector through SFD with a total amount of USD **140.00** million. This amount was allocated to construct, furnish, and equip more than **30** health centers, and equip **40** clinics in addition to a number of hospitals. This aimed to provide advanced medical equipment and medicines, and to support medical cadres and technical staff to keep pace with the medical development witnessed in the world, as well as to raise the level of health services in various Palestinian territories. The Kingdom has also equipped and provided medicines and an ambulance to the clinic of Al-Aqsa Mosque.



Housing Sector Support

Housing is a basic need for societies in general, and for Palestinians, it represents a symbol of steadfastness in the face of occupation and a barrier against Israeli settlement expansion in particular, specifically in the holy areas, mosques, historical buildings, and Islamic monuments contained within the old towns, especially in major cities such as Jerusalem and Hebron, through which the Islamic and Arab identity of these places is preserved. To support the steadfastness of Palestinians in the face of settlement and the seizure of these old towns, the Kingdom has financed numerous projects to restore and renovate old homes in those cities, especially those adjacent to Al-Aqsa Mosque, the Dome of the Rock Mosque, and the Ibrahimi Mosque. The Kingdom has also constructed and renovated residential units in refugee camps in the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

In the camps of Nahr el-Bared and Ain al-Hilweh, located in the Lebanese Republic, the Kingdom spent a total of USD **425.86** million, to construct more than **2,300** residential units and renovate and reconstruct **60,000** homes.



Saudi Project for Housing Palestinian Refugees in Rafah

The housing project in Rafah is one of the most prominent humanitarian initiatives provided by the Kingdom to support the Palestinian people, where an integrated residential city was constructed over a vast area in three phases. In Phase (1) included the construction of multiple residential units, along with four schools, a health center, a cultural center, a commercial complex, and a mosque accommodating a large number of worshipers. In Phase (2), residential units and two schools were added, along with the construction of another mosque. In Phase (3) witnessed the construction of more residential units. Despite the challenges imposed by the blockade on the Gaza Strip, "UNRWA" succeeded in completing the project, which provided job opportunities and contributed to reviving the local economy. This project reflects the Kingdom's commitment to improving living conditions for Palestinians and enhancing stability in the region. It represents significant support for the Palestinian housing sector by achieving the following objectives:



- Constructing an integrated residential city in Rafah on an area of **481,000** square meters.
- Executing the project over three phases with a cost exceeding USD **106.93** million.
- Constructing **752** residential units in the Phase (1), with four schools, a health center, a cultural center, a commercial complex, and a mosque.
- Adding **765** residential units, two schools, and a mosque In Phase (2).
- Constructing **220** residential units In Phase (3).
- In its First Phase, the project contributed to the provision of more than **400,000** working days, directly and indirectly, which strengthened the local economy despite the blockade.

Phases of Saudi Project for Housing Palestinian Refugees in Rafah

Phase (1)

- Constructing **752** residential units to house approximately **4,564** people.
- Constructing **four** schools, a health center, a cultural center, and a commercial complex.
- Constructing a grand mosque accommodating over **1,200** persons.
- Providing water, electricity, sewage networks, and constructing and lighting roads.
- Drilling a water well with an overhead tank with a capacity of **2,000** cubic meters.
- Project Area: **247,602** square meters.
- Completion Date: February **2013**.

Phase (2)

- Constructing **765** residential units to house approximately **4,761** people.
- Constructing **two** schools and a mosque accommodating over **400** worshippers.
- Providing electricity, telecommunications, water, and sewage services.
- Establishing gardens and developing infrastructure.
- Project Area: **177,804** square meters.

Phase (3)

- Constructing **220** residential units to house **1,300** people.
- Extending water, electricity, and sewage networks, and road lighting.
- Constructing and lighting of roads.
- Project Area: **55,784** square meters.

USD 106.93 Million

Total Amounts Allocated Across Three Phases

Riyadh Housing Project at Birzeit University in the West Bank

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Project Objectives

- Providing suitable and safe housing for female students of Birzeit University.
- Contributing to increasing the number of female students enrolled in the university.
- Minimizing the hassle of commuting from distant cities and avoiding harassment at Israeli checkpoints.

Project Details

- Established on a land area of **12,000** square meters inside the university campus.
- Includes **50** residential units distributed across three buildings.
- Equipped with halls for seating, dining, and student activities.
- Accommodates **196** female students.

Facilities and Services

- Parking lots, internal roads and lighting.
- Green spaces and a sewage treatment unit.
- Public service networks and guard rooms.

USD 16.00 Million
Total Amount Allocated

Social Structure and Promotion of Sports Activities

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Project Objectives

- Fighting poverty and reducing the dependence of Palestinian families on aid and assistance.
- Empowering poor Palestinian families to become self-reliant and increase their income through economic empowerment programs.

Project Details

- Developing the competencies of workers in the education and health sectors.
- Contributing to financing the project for enhancing social protection and inclusion in the Gaza Strip.
- Improving the economic situation of some Palestinian families by developing their capabilities to become productive.

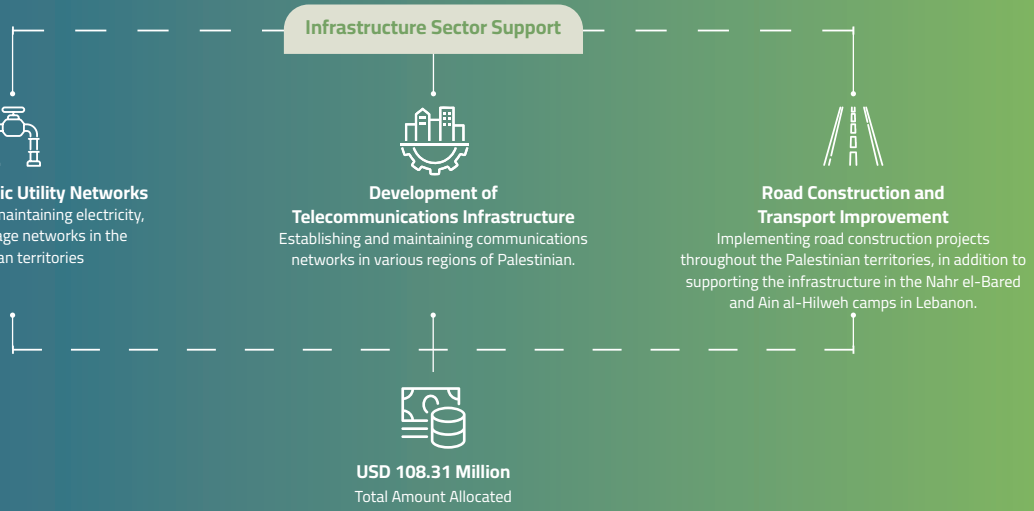
Sports and Cultural Activities

- Rehabilitating **5** sports stadiums in Palestine.
- Establishing a cultural center to provide Palestinians with the opportunity to practice sports in a suitable environment.



Infrastructure Sector Support

Through SFD, the Kingdom has contributed to financing infrastructure projects, which included the construction and maintenance of electricity, water, sewage, and telecommunications networks, and road extensions throughout all Palestinian territories, in addition to the Nahr el-Bared and Ain al-Hilweh camps in Lebanon, with a total amount of USD **108.31** million.





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