



Newsletter

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CPWJ: Providing Relief In Gaza

The Coalition for Peace with Justice mission is unique. There are many organizations in the U.S. that support an end to the occupation through education and activism. Many raise funds for one peace building organization in Israel/Palestine. CPWJ goes beyond offering direct financial support for one or two organizations. Your gifts to CPWJ provide financial support to 10 different Palestinian and Israeli organizations.

During the shelling of Gaza this past summer, Al Ahli Arab Hospital, one of the organizations CPWJ supports, issued an urgent appeal for financial help. CPWJ heard the call and responded. Through the generous support of donors, we received over \$2,000 for Al Ahli to aid their heroic efforts in providing treatment for thousands of burned, wounded and traumatized Palestinians.

Al Ahli Arab Hospital is an 80-bed facility located in Gaza City. A mission of the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem, it offers high quality medical care without prejudice to any religious or ethnic community and irrespective of social class, gender or political affiliation. While providing surgical and medical treatment, Al Ahli provides free breast cancer screening, operates a center for elderly women, and runs a mobile unit with free medical care and food for people from surrounding towns and villages.

CPWJ provides funds for these organizations from designated and undesignated tax-deductible contributions. Part of every gift made to CPWJ provides support for Al Ahli and nine other organizations:

- **Al-Rowwad Theatre and Cultural Center** initiates artistic programs, known as “Beautiful Acts of Resistance” to provide creative alternatives to violence.
- **Badil** defends and promotes the rights of Palestinian refugees & internally displaced Palestinians.
- **Bright Stars of Bethlehem** focuses on holistic community building to support civic, cultural, psychosocial, artistic and educational programs.
- **Hope Flowers School** excels in education based on peace and democratic values, and in specific, programs for children who have learning disabilities or are traumatized by conflict.
- **ICAHD** (Israeli Committee Against House Demolitions) works non-violently and provides a framework for understanding all aspects of Israel’s Occupation and control of Palestinians. ICAHD resists the Israeli demolition of Palestinian houses and rebuilds Palestinian homes.
- **Sabeel Ecumenical Liberation Theology Center** brings together the Palestinian Christian community and advocates internationally and nationally to bring justice for all people in the Holy Land.
- **Shufat Community Center** offers programs in health and education for youth and the disabled at Shufat Refugee Camp in East Jerusalem.
- **Tent of Nations** builds bridges of understanding and peace through educational programs that respect the environment and cultivate Palestinian land under threat of confiscation.
- **Wi`am** empowers the community and promotes peaceful alternatives to conflict within families, the community and beyond.