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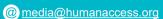
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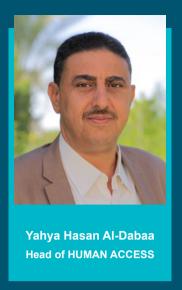


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### Challenges of Humanitarian Action in Yemen

The ongoing conflict in Yemen has created catastrophic humanitarian conditions, with more than half
of the population now experiencing food insecurity,
and millions of children, women, and men are in
desperate need of humanitarian aid to survive.
The United Nations describes the humanitarian
crisis in Yemen as the worst in the world, which
underscores the importance of humanitarian action
to alleviate the suffering of the Yemeni people and
meet the most urgent needs in the country.
Unfortunately, humanitarian action in Yemen faces numerous Challenges that pose a threat to the
future of millions of people affected by the conflict,
most notably the significant decline in funding for
relief agencies.

Despite the approaching end of the year, the humanitarian response to needs remains severely underfunded, with only 46.4% of the total funding required of \$2.71 billion covered, according to the UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA). As a result of limited resources, humanitarian organizations have been forced to cancel or reduce

important relief programs during the current year 2024, cutting off life-saving assistance to millions of vulnerable people across Yemen.

Chronic underfunding is not the only challenge.

There are many other Challenges, including bureaucratic restrictions, arbitrary procedures, restrictions on aid workers, the expanding scope of the crisis, and high rates of displacement, which are all among the factors that complicate the situation.

In order to relieve ongoing suffering, stabilize the economy, save lives, and get Yemen back on its feet, it is vital to remove these barriers to humanitarian assistance.

HUMAN ACCESS association shares the humanitarian burden with the humanitarian community and strives to mitigate the impact of humanitarian crises on the affected populations.

Furthermore, the association calls on everyone to work on removing barriers to relief work so that humanitarian work becomes a refuge that separates life and death for many.



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Women wool sweater = 14\$
Wool pajama for girl = 9\$



### **HUMAN ACCESS participates in "Our Orphans: Pact**

#### and a Covenant" Forum and Exhibition in Kuwait

HUMAN ACCESS participated in the "Our Orphans: Pact and a Covenant" Forum and Exhibition, which was held in the State of Kuwait during the period from December 15-16 with the participation of 16 countries and sponsored by the Kuwaiti Ministry of Social Affairs, Family and Childhood Affairs, under the slogan (Which of You is Best in Action).

The exhibition, which was organized by the Kuwaiti Union of Charitable Societies and Associations in partnership with the Orphan Care Union, included special pavilions for participating humanitarian organizations and institutions, scientific sessions, training workshops, a main symposium, and others with the attendance of a number of prominent Arab and Islamic figures.

Yahya Hasan Al-Dabaa, Head of HUMAN ACCESS in Yemen, explained that the exhibition intends to improve awareness of the importance of caring for orphans and the role of institutions and individuals in providing the necessary support and care for them, sharing experiences and knowledge between institutions concerned with orphan care.

This also includes unifying efforts to chart a new path for caring for orphans with quality standards, a unified global care charter, and mobilizing support to quarantee their rights.

Through the HUMAN ACCESS pavilion at the exhibition, Yahya Al-Dabaa gave a presentation on the tragedy of orphans in Yemen and the urgent need to meet their needs so that they can live in dignity, like other children living in the care of their families. Al-Dabaa also stressed that HUMAN ACCESS association plays a major role in caring for orphans and providing for their needs to ensure that they grow up in a healthy environment and strive to prepare them for the future in the best possible way.

He in addition noted that the association's pavilion was distinguished by the presence of many visitors and participants in the exhibition and forum from officials and social figures, which provided an opportunity to share experiences and enhance cooperation with other organizations. Since its establishment in 1990, HUMAN ACCESS has established a special sector for sponsoring and caring for orphans, to consolidate the path of humanitarian support for orphans and provide the necessary psychological, social, and health environment for them to be positive individuals in Yemeni society. The Orphan Sponsorship and Care Sector has succeeded, since its establishment until now, in sponsoring 80,000 male and female orphans throughout Yemen, and is an active member of the Orphan Care Union.



### **HUMAN ACCESS honors UNHCR's office director in Marib**



HUMAN ACCESS honored Peter Fitz-Morris, Director of UNHCR's office in Marib Governorate, on the occasion of the expiration of his mandate during a visit to the UNHCR office in the governorate`.

Yahya Al-Dabaa, Head of HUMAN ACCESS, handed over a shield of honor to Mr. Fitz-Morris, in appreciation and gratitude for his valuable efforts in the field of humanitarian work and his pioneering role in serving the most vulnerable groups, especially those displaced by the conflict in Yemen. Fitz-Morris expressed his appreciation and gratitude for the wonderful efforts carried out by HUMAN ACCESS, a strategic partner with UNHCR, in implementing humanitarian projects, including the Integrated Project, to support and assist those in need and those who are affected.

### **HUMAN ACCESS participates in International NGO Exhibition**

In an effort to mobilize support for Islamic countries in crisis, particularly Palestine, HUMAN ACCESS association participated in the Fourth International NGO Exhibition, which was held in Istanbul over the course of three days, under the patronage and attendance of Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan, as well as several prominent Arab and Islamic figures.

In collaboration with the Turkish Volunteers Foundation, the Union of Non-Governmental Organizations of the Islamic World (UNIW), which includes about 400 organizations, organized

the Fourth International NGO Exhibition. The exhibition featured pavilions for participating organizations from more than 60 countries, dialogue sessions, and seminars on several topics to foster collective action among humanitarian organizations. The Secretary General of HU-MAN ACCESS, Dr. Abdulwase Alwasea, presented a working paper for the exhibition on the challenges involved in humanitarian work in Yemen, discussing the efforts to alleviate the suffering of Yemeni people and support comprehensive development in the country.

The paper also stressed the need to mobilize support for humanitarian work in light of the significant decrease in funding for relief agencies. Through the pavilion of the HUMAN ACCESS association at the International NGO Exhibition, the humanitarian situation in Yemen and the urgent need for humanitarian aid were presented. Furthermore, the association has been introduced as one of the humanitarian actors in Yemen that shares the humanitarian community's noble goal of limiting the impact of the crisis on affected people. The association's pavilion has received many visitors.





# A celebration of 30 university students' excellence and graduation



In partnership with the International Islamic Charity Organization (IICO), HUMAN ACCESS organized a graduation ceremony for 18 male and female students from public and private universities in Taiz Governorate. Twelve of the top students in their batches were also honored in appreciation of their hard work and to double their sense of happiness for achieving this success and excellence.

The celebrated graduates are among 35 graduates covered by the Educational Sponsorship Project for Yemeni University Students this year, which strives to assist outstanding Yemeni students from vulnerable groups to further their university education, achieve their dreams, and contribute to the development of an effective and educated individuals who are ambitious and purposeful, who elevate themselves and the community.

Through the educational sponsorship project, tuition fees are paid, financial assistance is offered, and a series of activities and training courses are implemented to help sponsored students develop their skills to keep pace with the developments of the era and face the challenges it imposes.

Several academics, including Dr. Mahmoud Al-Bakari, Deputy Director General of Taiz's Social Affairs and Labor Office, attended the graduation ceremony, where the graduates expressed their gratitude for this important support provided by HUMAN ACCESS and IICO, which has enabled them to obtain a university degree and reach this amazing accomplishment by gaining knowledge and science. The graduates also expressed their optimism about starting a bright journey in their lives.





### Launch of Mayfa' Al-Safal Water

### Network in Hadhramaut

HUMAN ACCESS in Hadhramaut governorate launched the Mayfa' Al-Safal Water Network in Broom Mayfa' district after its rehabilitation within the project to support the integrated response to improve basic services for the most vulnerable communities, funded by the Yemen Humanitarian Fund (YHF).

The opening was attended by the Secretary-General of the Hadhramaut Local Council, Saleh Al-Umoqi, the Director-General of the Local Corporation for Water and Sanitation in Sahel Hadhramaut, Eng. Omar Al-Jafri, the Director-General of the Broom Mayfa' district, Dr. Khaled Al-Juhi, and the UN Humanitarian Coordinator in the Mukalla and Marib hub, Eng. Niazi Salman. Hadramout's Local Council Secretary-General commended HUMAN ACCESS and YHF for their efforts in the implementation of this vital and crucial project, which has contributed effectively to meeting the increasing water needs of the most vulnerable

communities and ensuring that clean water is accessible to them. The Mayfa' Al-Safal water network serves about 19,875 people.

As a result of a field needs assessment approved by the Water Corporation, a network rehabilitation process was launched. Residents of the area expressed their great happiness with the rehabilitation of the network, as well as their sincere appreciation to HUMAN ACCESS and YHF.



### Integrated response to Yemeni refugees in Djibouti:

### A successful humanitarian mission

The armed conflict in Yemen has forced thousands of Yemenis to flee to the Republic of Djibouti to seek safety and protection in a journey full of challenges. As defined by the United Nations, they are refugees because they were forced out of their homes to save their lives, crossed an internationally recognized border, and are no longer protected by their country. These refugees, women, children and men, live under the scorching sun of Djibouti in hosting sites with few services, face various types of trauma, and see no future ahead. Currently, these refugees cannot return to Yemen, which is suffering from one of the world's most severe humanitarian crises.

In response to meet some of their needs, the association's office in Djibouti provides humanitarian aid to improve their living conditions and help them maintain their health and dignity, in addition to promoting solutions to address their plight through successful partnerships with a variety of donors and philanthropists. As part of the aid offered over the past few months, food baskets, meat, and dates were distributed, along with clothing for the most vulnera-

ble children, school bags were provided, and school fees were covered so that refugee children could continue their education. Further, as part of the aid, medications were provided to patients as well as cash assistance to help meet some of their living expenses. All this vital aid reached 11,963 refugees, reflecting the role played by HUMAN ACCESS in partnership with donors: (Life Organization, Dunyati International Organization, Abu Ahmed Company, Wasil Trading Company, and the Türkiye Diyanet Foundation). A significant role was played by this aid in strengthening the resilience of the refugees who expressed their gratitude for this hope-filled support. In a special statement, HUMAN ACCESS Secretary General, Dr. Abdulwase Alwasea, stressed that Yemeni refugees are in dire need of more support and solidarity. He said that, despite multiple crises, humanitarians cannot forget the situation of Yemeni refugees in Djibouti, noting that their generosity will allow the association to provide them with a lifeline and do everything in its power to assist them until they can return home.



### Visit by DWWT delegation to HUMAN ACCESS-implemented projects

A delegation from the Turkish Doctors Worldwide (DWWT) organization visited humanitarian projects implemented by HUMAN ACCESS in Taiz Governorate, funded by DWWT, as an important part of the humanitarian response efforts in Yemen to alleviate the suffering of the vulnerable in a health system that is overburdened.

The visit included Al-Wafa Health Center that is hosting the Nutrition and Maternal and Child Health Services for Deprived Communities Affected by Conflict (MISK) project, which aims to protect mothers' and children's health and survival by preventing further health decline.

The delegation also visited the medical camp for cataract removal operations, implemented at the Dr. Abdullah Qaed Al-Mikhlafi Center. A total of 300 patients were tested and checked at this camp, and 50 patients from the most vulnerable and needy groups had their cataracts extracted free of charge.

Medical facilities that are planned to be among the humanitarian interventions were also visited, namely the late Khaled Abdullah Hamad Al-Saqr Hospital and the 14th of October Health Center.

for their significant role in improving the health and well-being of Yemenis and making a positive and sustainable impact in local communities.

Doctors Worldwide representative, Abdullah Al-Ansi, commended the performance and management of HUMAN ACCESS for these humanitarian projects during the visit, stating the efforts made are extremely impressive and well deserved, and will lead to increased survival rates and a healthier and safer future for everyone.







# Al-Basateen Charitable Medical Center resumes vaccination work



HUMAN ACCESS in Aden governorate resumed vaccination work at Al-Basateen Charitable Medical Center in Dar Saad district in collaboration with the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), coordinated with the district's public health and population office and the governorate's National Comprehensive Health Immunization Program. The inauguration was attended by Mohammed Rafiq Nasri, Director of the UNHCR Office in Aden, Awad Al-Awlagi, Director General of Primary Health Care at the Ministry of Public Health and Population, Dr. Faisal Al-Saedi, Director General of the National Program for Comprehensive Health Immunization in Aden, and a number of local officials. The re-opening of the Vaccination Department at Al-Basateen Charitable Medical Center aims to save lives from vaccine-preventable diseases and improve their health and well-being, as vaccines have been and still are one of the most effective and efficient public health interventions in saving the lives of millions over the years, and they do not only protect children, but also protect people of all ages.





A report has revealed that the benefits of volunteering are not limited to making a big difference in the lives of people who need help, but also extend to health benefits for volunteers, especially older people. The Mayo Clinic reported that volunteering gets people active and thinking at the same time, and that volunteering has an impact on physical and mental health for people over the age of 60, as volunteers reported to be in better physical condition than non-volunteers.

Volunteering reduces rates of depression and anxiety, especially in people aged 65 and over. It also reduces stress and increases positive feelings and relaxation by releasing dopamine, known as the "happiness hormone" in the brain. As a result of spending time serving others, volunteers felt valued and appreciated, both for what they gave and what they received, a feeling that can reduce stress, the report says. Lower stress also reduces the risk of some physical and mental health problems, including heart diseases, stroke, depression, anxiety, and general illnesses. Additionally, people who volunteer live longer than those who don't, even when controlling for age, sex and physical health.

# Volunteering improves physical and mental health



# Anger and sadness influence charitable behavior



A study conducted by experts from the Higher School of Economics in Moscow disclosed that stimulating feelings of anger and sadness increases people's tendency to donate more money. The press office of the Higher School of Economics noted that Russian psychologists conducted the first study on the influence of emotions on people's tendency to donate their money to charity, and found that stimulating emotions such as anger, sadness and the like increases people's tendency to donate generously to charity, compared to positive or neutral emotions.

The researchers found this conclusion through an

experiment where they used a special algorithm

to assess the extent to which different emotions influenced the willingness of 44 volunteers to donate to charity. The results of the tracking and calculations made by the researchers demonstrated that negative emotional images that evoked sadness and anger caused, on average, a slightly stronger reaction from the volunteers and made them donate larger amounts of money. This psychological advantage of people could theoretically be used to increase social advertising's effectiveness, according to the researchers. Therefore, it is necessary to conduct further study on how sources of negative emotions affect people's behavior in the long term.

# Over 50,000 displaced persons receive basic aid in Marib



In partnership with Namaa Charity Association - Kuwait, HUMAN ACCESS distributed 150 food baskets containing basic food items, as well as supplying clean water via water trucks (100 water trucks) to 30,750 displaced people in Marib governorate who were affected by the recent floods.

In partnership with the Youth Horizons Organization, HUMAN ACCESS also provided 900 meals to the most vulnerable and needy displaced persons in the governorate, as part of ongoing humanitarian efforts to alleviate the suffering of this segment affected by the ongoing conflict in Yemen.

Additionally, HUMAN ACCESS, in collaboration with Doctors Without Borders, delivered 2,000 non-food packages to 10,700 displaced people in displacement camps in Marib governorate, within the emergency response to the most affected people by rains and floods.

Funded by Al-Fateh Association, HUMAN ACCESS delivered ready-to-eat meals in the governorate to

1,000 displaced people affected by the recent floods who are in dire need of emergency relief assistance for survival.

Aid packages containing basic food items and shelter bags consisting of blankets and mattresses were supplied to 600 displaced families affected by the recent floods, funded by the Humanitarian Relief, Human Rights and Freedoms Foundation (IHH). Further, in partnership with MyCare organization, **HUMAN ACCESS** in the governorate delivered ready-to-eat meals to five thousand displaced people affected by the recent floods, who are in dire need of immediate relief assistance to survive. The heavy rains and floods that hit most areas of Yemen caused severe damage to camps and shelters for the displaced and their properties. This emergency relief aid will help alleviate the suffering of the most vulnerable and affected displaced people and enhance their resilience to climate shocks.









### Food distribution to refugees in Kharaz camp



HUMAN ACCESS in Lahj governorate distributed basic food items consisting of flour, cooking oil, and lentils to 9,837 refugees in Kharaz refugee camp, funded by the World Food Program (WFP) through the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR).



This aid helps ensure food security for these refugees, taking into account the rising costs of basic foods, which force vulnerable families, including refugees, to adopt harsh strategies to reduce their food consumption in order to survive.

# Cash assistance, food baskets and hygiene kits for 11,387 orphans

HUMAN ACCESS established the food basket and hygiene kits project for 9,600 orphans in Hadhramaut, Marib, and Taiz governorates, funded by Muslim Aid, in addition to granting cash sponsorships to 1,787 male and female orphans in Hadhramaut, Marib, Taiz, Lahj, and Shabwa governorates, with support from Jansuyu, Sadakatasi, Wefa and Yeddi Basak organizations.

This humanitarian aid is part of ongoing efforts to

support orphans and secure their basic needs and to enable this most vulnerable social segment to cope with the increasing challenges in light of the difficult living and economic conditions resulting from the ongoing conflict in Yemen.

This vital aid has drawn a smile on the faces of the beneficiary orphans, who expressed their gratitude to HUMAN ACCESS and the funding agencies for this vital humanitarian support.







# HUMAN ACCESS distributes winter bags to 661 IDP families in several governorates



In partnership with a number of donor agencies and institutions, HUMAN ACCESS distributed winter clothing to hundreds of displaced and needy families in a number of the Republic's governorates. In this context, in Marib Governorate, winter bags consisting of mattresses, blankets, and winter clothes for children and adults were distributed to 189 displaced families, in partnership with the International Islamic Charity Organization. Due to these services, beneficiaries in displacement camps were spared the health risks caused by harsh winter weather during the winter season.

Winter bags consisting of blankets and clothes were

also delivered to 272 displaced families in the same governorate, in collaboration with the Penny Appeal Organization, which helped alleviate the suffering of the displaced who lack the necessary needs in a harsh desert environment.

In Hadramout Governorate, HUMAN ACCESS, in partnership with Al-Fateh Association, distributed winter bags consisting of blankets, mattresses, and children's clothing to 200 poor and needy families in Al-Som District to alleviate the suffering of beneficiary families and prevent health risks related to winter weather.







"The whole world cannot compensate me for the loss of my father." With these words, the 12-year-old child Ayman sums up the tragedy of orphanhood. The cholera epidemic spreading throughout Yemen caused his father to pass away just months ago in Taiz Governorate, and he was left with a harsh fate along with his family.

The child Ayman is one of millions of children who have become orphans in Yemen.

Thinking about the future has become a major concern for them in light of the dark crises, and in a country that is considered one of the most dangerous regions in the world for children,

according to UN reports.

The Yemeni crisis has had a major impact on orphans and is pushing them towards dangerous paths. There are no accurate statistics on their number due to the ongoing conflict. However, there are unofficial statistics estimating their number at one million and one hundred thousand orphans, which is a large number in a country with a population of about 39 million people, and the actual number is likely to be much higher.

### Humanitarian Support for Orphans

Orphanhood has serious social, psychological, and economic repercussions. It is of utmost importance to work on meeting their needs so that they can live in dignity, like other children living in the care of their families, and to compensate them for some of what they have lost due to the loss of the breadwinner.

In recognition of the urgent need to provide orphans with full care and protection, HU-MAN ACCESS has established, since its inception in 1990, a special sector for sponsorship and care of orphans, with the mission of consolidating human-



itarian assistance and providing orphans with the psychological, social, and health support they need to thrive in Yemeni society as positive citizens.

In the orphan sponsorship and care sector, focused and highly effective goals are set to serve orphans, such as cash assistance to meet their basic needs, educational sponsorships to enable them to enroll in education, as well as various programs and activities that help them maintain their health, education, entertainment, and social development.

The sector also aims to establish the concept of solidarity, provide life and social skills to orphans, and boost their self-confidence, as well as

train, support, and economically empower their families, and provide them with the resources and capabilities to start running their own businesses and transform their lives economically.

Over 80,000 orphans benefited from the sector's projects and services

Since its establishment, the Orphan Sponsorship and Care Sector has succeeded in sponsoring and caring for more than 80,000 male and female orphans throughout Yemen, of whom 26,000 are currently sponsored with the support of donors and philanthropists.

As a result, this illustrates the great role HUMAN ACCESS plays in caring for orphans and meeting their needs in order to ensure they grow up in a safe, healthy environment and are prepared for the future as best as they can be.

In a special statement, Riyadh Mohammed, Executive Director of HUMAN ACCESS, said that caring for orphans is not just a humanitarian duty, "but a trust that we bear with pride and responsibility, as they are an important category of society, and we always strive to be a source of hope and real support for them."

Riyadh stressed that the work of the orphan sponsorship and care sector is a fundamental



contribution to supporting and assisting this group, adding: "We are grateful to the supporters of this important sector, which still needs support to provide more care for orphans and offer the necessary means to protect them."

### Human tragedy and lifeline

In 2020, Fatima Ali, 26, was forced to flee with her husband and two children from Sana'a Governorate to Marib City in search of a livelihood and income. Displacement has harsh consequences in a country where access to basic services is scarce, if not rare.

Because misfortunes never come singly, this woman was shocked by the early and sudden death of her husband in 2022, finding herself alone facing major challenges in a country torn apart by war. She was forced to support her two children, "Ramy and Rima," who were shocked by the death of their father.

Fatima described her tragedy by saying: "I was greatly shocked, I lived in very difficult circumstances, I was unable to provide the simplest requirements, and my biggest concern was feeding my children."
In the midst of a desert of despair, a door of hope opened when HUMAN ACCESS, in partnership with the Internation-

al Islamic Charity Organization, qualified Fatima in the field of sewing, then gave her a sewing and embroidery machine with her basic supplies to launch into the labor market and earn a living.

With this economic empowerment, Fatima succeeded in overcoming the disaster that befell her, as she now works in the field of sewing and attracts many customers, and no longer waits for humanitarian aid to feed her children.

Here is Fatima, describing her situation today, saying: "I feel safe now, I am able to meet the needs of my children and educate them, I will never forget your standing by my side, as you saved my life and the lives



of my children." Like Fatima's family, thousands of families supporting orphans have also benefited.

### A broad social umbrella

During 2024, a total of 67,618 male and female orphans in various regions of Yemen benefited from the interventions of the orphan sponsorship and care sector, through 14 humanitarian projects in several fields, such as cash aid, educational sponsorships, and educational programs.

This also includes school bags and school uniform supply, cultural and recreational activities, food baskets, Eid clothing, winter clothing, in addition to income-generating economic projects to improve the living conditions of orphans, and various health support, etc.

Over 220 male and female stu-

dents who were orphans have benefited from the university student sponsorship project. Further, over 1,100 diverse income-generating projects were developed for families of orphans after they received training to master the professions and manage small enterprise projects to support their families.

In the absence of such critical humanitarian interventions, the situation of these beneficiary orphans would undoubtedly be much worse, and they would suffer not only in the aftermath of the loss of their father, but would likely last throughout the rest of their lives as a result of the world's worst humanitarian crisis and high unemployment and poverty rates in Yemen. This confirms the leadership of the Orphan Sponsorship and Care Sector, run by HUMAN ACCESS, as an important social umbrella that works according to well-studied and purposeful plans to alleviate the suffering of orphans, protect their rights, bring joy to their hearts and of their families, and make them feel community cooperation and solidarity.

# Various activities on World Mental Health Day

In the governorates of (Marib, Aden, and Al-Mahrah), HUMAN ACCESS organized a variety of events and activities to commemorate World Mental Health Day, which takes place on October 10. With the support of the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), the project "Safe Space for Women and Girls" aims to promote mental health among employees at workplace, which is the slogan of this year's World Mental Health Day.

#### In Marib governorate,

the safe space in Al-Rawdah area and Al-Mil camps organized recreational and awareness activities in displacement camps to relieve psychological pressure on the most vulnerable displaced persons, besides conducting field visits to a number of schools to provide psychological support to girls and encourage them to continue their education.

A day-long open event was held in the safe space with many beneficiaries in attendance to raise awareness about mental health and its importance. Moreover, the safe space in Al-Matar area hosted a seminar attended by 40 women, during which several papers were presented highlighting the importance of mental health and the need to make mental health and well-being a priority for everyone, given the ongoing humanitarian crisis that has severely damaged the mental health of the population. A focus group discussion session was also held to develop the mental health of the work team in the region and community awareness, attended by 15 women, in addition to a psychological education program targeting 16 female beneficiaries. In the same context, the safe space in Al-Wadi

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District held a group of purposeful activities, including honoring employees, arranging a recreational activity for children and staff, and community awareness-raising, along with a dialogue session that focused on happiness and its psychological effects, and the need to protect women's mental health. Mental health is a basic human right, and mental health needs have deteriorated as a result of almost a decade-long conflict. Therefore, these activities stressed the importance of preserving mental health as a right.

An open day was also held in Al-Mujamma area for the safe space female staff in one of the private parks, which involved a series of recreational activities and the distribution of symbolic prizes meant to protect and promote mental health in the workplace, which leads to improved performance and prosperity for all.

#### In Aden Governorate.

16 beneficiaries from the center and 8 male and female counselors attended a workshop held at Al-Basateen Charitable Medical Center's Mental Health Department to raise awareness about mental health issues.

The event addressed various issues related to mental health and the importance of taking care of it for a healthier and more prosperous future. A number of speeches were delivered, emphasizing the status of mental health as a basic human right and the need for it to be part of comprehensive health coverage, pointing out the importance of protecting and promoting mental health in the workplace.

It is worth noting that HUMAN ACCESS manages





Al-Basateen Charitable Medical Center, in partnership with the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), as part of the refugee health project implemented in Al-Basateen and Kharaz areas in Aden and Lahj governorates to serve the most vulnerable refugees.

Refugees in Yemen receive a range of basic health services in those targeted areas, including good mental health care to keep their spirits high. Furthermore, the safe space in Dar Saad District launched an awareness campaign to educate the public about the importance of mental health and its impact on the lives of individuals and society.







The campaign included three main pillars of mental health, which are overcoming stress and tension, personality and childhood disorders, and creative psychotherapy.

#### As for Al-Mahrah Governorate,

the safe space in Al-Ghaydah City organized a recreational activity for children, distributed gifts, a school radio broadcast on mental health, and awareness activities to improve awareness of mental health issues and mobilize efforts to support mental health. It also organized a recreational trip for the space's staff to promote mental health at workplace.





### **Event on World Physiotherapy Day, September 8**

On the occasion of World Physiotherapy Day, which falls on September 8 every year, an event was held in the Physiotherapy Department at Al-Basateen Charitable Medical Center in Dar Saad district. At the event, the team working in the Physiotherapy Department was honored, in addition to reviewing the success stories of 5 people who benefited from the department's services and honoring them. The Physiotherapy Department also honored the management of Al-Basateen Medical Center.

Several speeches were made emphasizing the importance of physiotherapy as an integral component

of the patient's comprehensive recovery, the need for increased education and awareness about physiotherapy's important role in rehabilitation, as well as the need to redouble efforts to improve the quality of service provided to patients.

HUMAN ACCESS association runs Al-Basateen Medical Center in partnership with the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) under the umbrella of the refugee health project implemented in Al-Basateen and Kharaz areas in the governorates of Aden and Lahj.









# HUMAN ACCESS' safe space for women and girls holds various events to celebrate International Women's Day

HUMAN ACCESS carried out several targeted events in the governorates of Aden, Hadramout, Al-Mahrah, and Marib within the activities of the "Safe Space for Women and Girls" funded by the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) and King Salman Humanitarian Aid and Relief Center (KSrelief) to participate in the global celebration of Women's Day.

The Safe Space in Aden sponsored an awareness workshop entitled "Community Protection Networks and Their Role in Advocating for Women's Issues", attended by UNFPA's representative, Ms. Marina Al-Jubani, along with 16 members of the protection networks and peers, to mobilize efforts towards investing in women to accelerate progress.

In Seiyun of Wadi Hadhramaut, the safe space launched a community awareness event attended by 50 women focusing on women's rights in Islam to preserve their human dignity. Additionally, a dia-

logue session was organized with the participation of pioneering women in managing small economic projects in order to share their insights and successful stories. The event concluded with the distribution of symbolic gifts in appreciation of their struggle and inspiring experience.

In Al-Ghaydah city of Al-Mahrah, the safe space concluded a discussion session for the space team, and 3 awareness sessions on women as a source of inspiration for generations and their strength as a strength for society. A radio episode was also arranged via the local Tawasul Radio to talk about International Women's Day as a favorable opportunity to educate the general public about women's issues. In Marib, the safe space in Al-Jufiana area honored the space's female staff, in addition to holding a field opinion poll on International Women's Day and the importance of women's role in various fields. Moreover, a community awareness campaign was organ-











ized on women's status in society, with 40 women present, as well as a recreational activity, involving several beneficiaries and site visitors.

In Al-Matar area, the space organized 3 awareness sessions attended by 140 women, emphasizing the importance of commemorating this global occasion and the importance of women's education. The space also honored a number of active women in society as part of an awareness activity for students of Al-Siddig Scientific Center.

Furthermore, the space hosted a seminar addressing women's rights, and a discussion panel entitled "Women express themselves" with the participation of 15 women, focusing on the importance of women's partnership in public life.

On the other hand, the safe spaces in Al-Mujamma area, Rawdah, and Al-Mil camps organized a radio episode via Al-Jawf local radio, on the occasion of International Women's Day. The space



in Al-Mujamma area also launched two training programs in sewing and pastry making for 26 beneficiaries, as part of investing in women to build prosperous economies and shape a better future for all. The safe space in Al-Mujamma area also held a consultative meeting with a number of female journalists, along with honoring women and staff. Additionally, the space launched a series of awareness-raising efforts under the slogan "Women are the foundation of society" to celebrate International Women's Day, raise community awareness about the importance of women's and girls' rights, and emphasize that investing in women is an integral part of human rights.

The world celebrates International Women's Day on March 8th every year. This day serves as a reminder to renew our commitment to promoting women's and girls' rights, which is a fundamental pillar in a just and inclusive society





### **Protection and livelihoods**

## Opening new horizons for women, motivating them to discover themselves

HUMAN ACCESS launched targeted activities in Shabwa and Marib governorates as part of the protection and livelihood support project "Safe Space for Women and Girls" with the goal of helping Yemen's women realize their human rights and to leave a positive impact on their lives.

In Shabwa, the safe space in the city of Ataq hosted an awareness session on women's right to financial independence, attended by a number of women and girls, stressing the importance of addressing the economic constraints facing women and enhancing their access to finance and credit, as well as empowering women to manage their financial affairs and develop their businesses.

In Marib, the safe space in Al-Matar area carried out a field visit to examine the eligibility of cases for training in preparation for the rehabilitation of the most vulnerable women and girls and their economic empowerment, in addition to organizing group psychological support program on psychological stagnation, its harms and its treatment, given the seriousness of psychological disorders on women, especially during crises. The space also hosted five awareness sessions, the first on breastfeeding and its importance for the health of the child and mother, coinciding with World Breastfeeding Week, and the second on the impact of equality in opportunities and resources between women and men and the importance of this in achieving comprehensive and sustainable development.

The third awareness session addressed the status of women and their pioneering role, while the fourth focused on marital problems and the need to address them to ensure a happy family. The fifth awareness session, however, discussed the formulation of family laws and their role in regulating the relationship between family members, defining rights and duties, and promoting positive values within the family. In Al-Jufaina area, the safe space conducted two awareness sessions, the first on time management as a basic skill that helps achieve success, while the second one discussed early marriage and the risks of this phenomenon on girls and society in general. In Marib city, the safe space performed a field visit to examine the eligibility of cases for training, and another to measure the impact of economic empowerment on beneficiaries to ensure the success of their own projects.

The space also organized recreational activities for children, and two training programs, one of which was an activation program in sewing and tailoring, and the other in the manufacture of incense burners and artistic artifacts to equip the most vulnerable women with skills that enable them to earn a living. In Wadi Marib, the safe space monitored success stories and concluded a vocational training course in engraving arts for a number of women and girls. Additionally, the space offered a training program on life, financial, and marketing skills to enable beneficiaries to successfully manage their small businesses.







In order to advance the status of women in Yemen and increase community awareness of their issues and role, HUMAN ACCESS in Marib governorate performed a variety of important awareness-raising activities under the umbrella of the protection and livelihood support project "Safe Space for Women and Girls".

The safe space in Al-Matar area hosted a focus group discussion, attended by 14 women, to assess gender gaps, gender-based violence, and effective interventions to mitigate its consequences. Additionally, 48 girls attended a community awareness program on time management, highlighting the importance of time in achieving goals and ambitions.

In Al-Jufinah area, the safe space also held a focus group discussion, attended by 17 women, to assess gender gaps, gender-based violence, and effective interventions to mitigate its effects and protect women and girls.

Three awareness sessions were also organized, the

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first titled "Towards a Happy Life", the second on the Complaints and Suggestions Box, and the third to motivate a group of female students on the importance of starting the new school year with a new spirit. In Al-Mujamma area, the safe space hosted two awareness sessions, the first on the importance of girls' education, targeting 60 female students at Balgis Girls School. The second session addressed the importance of reading and writing, coinciding with International Literacy Day, which falls on September 8 of each year, to emphasize the importance of literacy as a necessity for building prosperous societies and achieving progress in development areas. Also, the space conducted a field awareness campaign in Marib city's IDP camps with a focus on gender-based violence, the need to fight discrimination between boys and girls, and the importance of promoting psychological and social health as a means to build more cohesive and aware local communities,



considering that women play an important role in this.

### Vocational training and dignity kits for vulnerable women and girls

HUMAN ACCESS in Shabwa and Marib governorates launched a set of important activities within the framework of the protection and livelihood support project "Safe Space for Women and Girls", funded by the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) and King Salman Humanitarian Aid and Relief Center (KSrelief), to meet the most important needs of women in Yemen and shape a sustainable future.

In Shabwa, the safe space in the city of Ataq organized a training program in the field of hairdressing and beauty targeting 20 women, in response to the desire of a number of women and visitors to the space to learn this income-generating craft to improve their ability to live independently and build a prosperous

life.

The space also, during a field visit, held a community awareness campaign on the importance of education, stressing the importance of women's education as a basic tributary to their empowerment.

In Marib, the safe space in Al-Mujamma area distributed dignity kits to the most vulnerable women and girls, including a set of basic and necessary needs for women and girls.

Meanwhile, Al-Jufaina area hosted a psychological support program on postpartum depression and how to prevent it, attended by 20 participants, to enhance mental health care since the conflict in Yemen has severely affected the health of the population.





# Recreational and educational activity for displaced girls

The safe space for women and girls in Al-Jufaina camp for displaced people in Marib governorate sponsored a recreational and educational activity for a number of girls in the camp. It included playing in an atmosphere full of joy, practicing recreational and sports activities, and listening to children's stories on the importance of science and knowledge.

Through the activity, the beneficiary girls were able to play, have fun, put a smile on their faces, and regain the sense of stability they desperately need in their lives. Psychological support program was also provided to the most deprived displaced children who suffer from mental health difficulties as a result of displacement and the trauma of war.





### Awareness and kits for pregnant and violence-affected women

In order to expand the scope of women's rights in Yemen and enhance their status in all fields, HU-MAN ACCESS in Shabwa and Marib governorates launched various activities within the protection and livelihood support project "Safe Space for Women and Girls". A number of women and girls attended two awareness sessions at the safe space in Ataq, in Shabwa, the first was on problem-solving skills, in order to boost resilience in light of increasing challenges and needs. A second session focused on the risks associated with early marriages, attempting to raise awareness about this social phenomenon and its negative effects on girls, families, and society at large.

Marib's safe space in Al-Matar area distributed 18 women's bags to victims of gender-based violence in conjunction with community outreach on the importance of acquiring and developing skills essential for women's personal and professional success. In addition, two awareness sessions were held, the first on problem-solving skills, while the second focused on divorce and its devastating effects, especially on children.

In Al-Jufaina area, the safe space distributed women's bags to 20 pregnant women containing personal hygiene supplies and various feminine tools, in conjunction with a psychological support program to enhance the mental health of beneficiaries during pregnancy. The space also performed two awareness sessions, the first on the social role of women, and the second on the complaints and suggestions box, attended by 30 women, in addition to a group psychological support program entitled "Mental Health and Its Relationship to Achievement."







### A pivotal role in promoting Yemen's women capabilities





HUMAN ACCESS in Marib governorate launched a set of targeted activities within the protection and livelihood support project "Safe Space for Women and Girls", seeking to enhance the capabilities of Yemeni women and make a positive impact in society. In Al-Jufaina area, the safe space hosted two focus group discussions, the first attended by 19 beneficiaries, focused on training related to livelihoods for women and girls, and the second attended by 15 beneficiaries, to track the impact of the protection project services in improving the lives of beneficiaries by identifying strengths to leverage and develop and weaknesses to address and avoid. The space also held three awareness sessions, the first of which discussed the basic steps for success, the second addressed divorce and its effects and the importance of finding solutions to preserve marital relationships and avoid divorce and its negative consequences. The third session, however, focused on the social role of women, which included a psychological support program

entitled "The Road to Happiness", family counseling, and introducing the safe space services.

As part of the safe space in Al-Matar area, three awareness sessions were held. The first focused on managing one's time and investing it, attended by 22 women, while the second was on the complaint mechanism within the community. In the third session, women learned that maintaining their external appearance is an integral part of their personality, contributing to improving confidence and self-esteem and enhancing their psychological well-being.

### Efforts to raise awareness and educate women and girls

HUMAN ACCESS in Marib governorate performed awareness-raising activities as part of the protection and livelihood support project "Safe Space for Women and Girls" in an effort to educate the public of the status and rights of women as half of society and half of wealth and capabili-

In Al-Matar area, the safe space organized three community awareness sessions, the first on the foundations of a happy home, and the second on the importance of exploiting resources and opportunities to empower women and girls, attended by 29 women. The third session was entitled "Satisfaction in Life", as part of ongoing efforts to introduce women in Yemen to their important role in society, improve their cultural level, and boost their participation in public life.

In Al-Jufaina area, the safe space carried out three awareness sessions, the first on the complaints and suggestions mechanism, attended by 15 women. The second activity, attended by 12 women, discussed the effects of divorce on children, and included family counseling and a psychological support program on patience in the face of adversity and enduring hardships.

The third session, attended by 15 women, discussed the issue of alimony and its provisions, and introduced the safe space services, in addition to family counseling and a psychological support program entitled "Thanking the Forgotten Blessings."







### **Economic empowerment grants for over 130 beneficiaries**

### in a number of governorates

UNFPA and King Salman Humanitarian Aid and Relief Center (KSrelief) funded the project "Safe Space for Women and Girls" in order to provide protection and livelihoods to women and girls. HUMAN ACCESS distributed economic empowerment grants in a number of governorates to empower the most vulnerable groups so they can obtain sources of continuous income and become productive, self-reliant families.

In the city of Mukalla in Sahel Hadhramaut, economic empowerment grants were awarded to 36 women who received vocational training in sewing and hairdressing during the first half of this year, where they were given the supplies necessary to practice these income-generating crafts.

A total of 24 women in Shabwa governorate received economic empowerment grants during the first half

of this year after receiving vocational rehabilitation in sewing, hairdressing, confectionery and pastry making. In order to practice these income-generating crafts, they were given the toolkits they needed under the supervision of the governorate's office of Social Affairs and Labor.

In Al-Mahrah governorate, economic empowerment toolkits were handed over to 24 women who benefited from vocational rehabilitation in sewing and pastry making in Al-Ghaydah city during the first half of this year, where they were given complete supplies under the supervision of the Social Affairs and Labor Office in the governorate.

In the city of Seiyun in Wadi Hadhramaut, economic empowerment grants were delivered to 24 women who benefited from vocational rehabilitation in the fields of sewing and tailoring, hairdressing and beau-





ty arts, and confectionery and pastry making during the first half of this year, where they were given the toolkits to practice these income-generating craft professions.

In Aden governorate, economic empowerment grants were given to 24 women who benefited from vocational rehabilitation in the fields of sewing, hairdressing, incense and perfume making during the first half of this year, where they were given the supplies necessary to practice these income-generating craft professions.

This support is part of the efforts to provide vulnerable families with a continuous income stream so that they can be transformed into productive families that are self-sufficient as one of the sustainable solutions that contribute to strengthening the country's ability

to deal with the increasing humanitarian needs and challenges.

During the distribution process, the beneficiaries expressed gratitude to the donors for this valuable support, which helps them establish small business ventures, cope with difficult living and economic conditions, and provide greater security within their communities.

The distribution ceremony was attended by several government officials and relevant authorities in the aforementioned governorates as well as representatives of partners and donors who praised the efforts made to empower the economically vulnerable groups and improve the lives of the most vulnerable and needy families in society.



## Financial grants and economic empowerment to over 90 women and girls in Marib



HUMAN ACCESS in Marib governorate distributed economic empowerment grants in the fields of sewing, handicrafts, hairdressing, confectionery/ pastry, incense and perfume making to 72 women in Al-Wadi and Rawdah areas and Al-Mil camps.

Additionally, 24 women who received vocational rehabilitation in sewing, hairdressing, and pastry making were given financial grants at Al-Jufaina camp for displaced persons in order for those displaced families to develop their livelihoods and improve their economic situations by opening small

commercial enterprises and generating a positive and sustainable impact.

To examine whether vocational training cases were eligible based on precise and specific standards, the safe space for women and girls conducted a field visit in Al-Jufaina area. The goal is to prepare the most vulnerable and needy women to become economically empowered by supplying them with the toolkits they need to practice the profession, join the labor market, and cope with living conditions.



### Field visits to assess impact of economic empowerment projects



A team from the Orphan Sponsorship and Care Sector, managed by HUMAN ACCESS, carried out field visits to monitor and assess economic empowerment projects in a number of Yemen's governorates. The key objective of the visit is to review the progress of implemented projects, gain valuable experience, identify obstacles and difficulties, and provide consultations on how to make these projects economically viable to secure livelihoods and decent lives. It is worth noting that the Orphan Sponsorship

and Care Sector has provided economic empowerment projects for 1,063 orphan families in 15 governorates from 2016 to 2023, funded by a group of partners and donors, as part of ongoing efforts to care for the most vulnerable orphans in Yemen. Economic empowerment projects are valuable because they provide stable income to orphans, alleviate their suffering, and increase their capability to cope with the burdens resulting from the loss of a breadwinner.





With funding from the International Islamic Charity Organization (IICO), HUMAN ACCESS distributed 59 income-generating projects for families of orphans in the governorates of Hadhramaut, Taiz, Marib, and Lahj. In light of the ongoing humanitarian crisis in Yemen, this initiative is part of the Productive Families Fund for Orphans (Kasb Tayeb 4), a program that aims to provide a stable source of income to the most vulnerable orphans to help them face their daily burdens and ensure a decent life for them.

A wide range of economic empowerment projects were distributed, including sewing and embroidery, sheep and goat farming, beekeeping, a shop selling French fries and potatoes, buffets, snacks, and juice shops, knitting maawiz dresses for men, barber shops, hairdressers and beauty shops, telephone maintenance shops, and small grocery stores. Orphans who received this timely humanitarian support expressed deep gratitude for the help, which will enable them improve their capabilities and cope with the financial consequences of losing a breadwinner.







### Integrated school bags delivered in Djibouti and Yemen's governorates









At the beginning of the school year, HUMAN ACCESS distributed school bags with their necessary supplies to 140 male and female students of refugees and the host community in the Republic of Djibouti to encourage them to pursue their education. In the governorates of Hadhramaut, Taiz, Marib, and Al-Mahrah, HUMAN ACCESS distributed school bags with their necessary supplies, as well as school uniforms to more than 1,750 orphans and students of poor families, to meet the basic educational needs of this vulnerable group and help increase the opportunities for orphans to enroll in education. The distribution process was funded by Muslim Aid,

the Turkish Diyanet Foundation, the Turkish Orphanage Foundation, and Children of the Earth organization.

This important initiative comes at the beginning of the new school year to encourage the most vulnerable orphans and children of Yemeni refugees in Djibouti to continue their education and achieve their dreams, since these school supplies are among the major preparations for returning to school, and in order to ease the burden on the families of orphans and refugee families during this difficult time that Yemen is going through.









### 50 refugee children receive birth certificates and school bags

With funding from UNHCR, HUMAN ACCESS enabled 50 refugee children in Marib governorate to obtain birth certificates and provided them with school bags with necessary supplies to encourage them to continue their education at the beginning of the school year and to ease the burden on refugee families.

This vital support is part of the broad interventions adopted by the Protection Sector in the integrated

project to stand by the most vulnerable refugees and asylum seekers.

As part of the interventions, refugees will be able to obtain identification documents, which are of great importance in public life, learn about their rights and how to protect themselves from risks, and be able to participate in recreational activities to improve their mental health and quality of life.



### 2,340 students in Kharaz refugee camp receive school supplies



With funding from the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), HUMAN ACCESS distributed school bags with their necessary supplies, as well as school uniforms, to 2,340 male and female students in Kharaz refugee camp in Lahj governorate.

This initiative is part of the project to enhance chil-



dren's access to education, which is being implemented in three primary and secondary schools in Kharaz refugee camp to increase refugee children's access to education, enable them to achieve their ambitions, and ease the burden on refugee families in light of the difficult economic challenges in Yemen

# Inspection visit to Ali Saleh Al-Lahib College Building Construction Project



Dr. Mohammed Al-Qadasi, President of Saba Region University in Marib Governorate, accompanied by Dr. Othman Al-Aradah, Secretary-General of the University, and Eng. Ali Al-Hamati, Director General of Projects at the University, made an inspection visit to the Ali Saleh Al-Lahib College for Computer Science and Informa-

tion Technology Construction Project to inspect the work progress, commending the efforts made to complete this sustainable project. HUMAN ACCESS is currently executing the Ali Saleh Al-Lahib College for Computer Science and Information Technology Construction Project at Saba Region University, with funding from

the International Islamic Charity Organization (IICO) - Kuwait, as part of ongoing efforts to support the education sector in Yemen as the main pillar of comprehensive development. The first phase of this vital and significant project will be delivered by January 2025.









# Health support for 153 refugees voluntarily returned to Somalia

As 153 refugees prepared for the return trip to the Somali port of Barbara from Yemen, HUMAN ACCESS offered medical support to them as they were in Aden Governorate in preparation for their return journey on a boat.

This support comes as part of the integrated project and the voluntary return program, funded by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) to support stranded refugees. Among the services provided were medical tests for refugees and assessments of their health status and ability to endure the long travel by sea. It also included providing the necessary medicines in quantities sufficient for a full month for cases suffering from chronic diseases or mental illnesses, based on prescriptions approved by specialized doctors. The support, in addition, included some health guidelines to ensure that refugees arrive in good health and start their new lives in their own country.







HUMAN ACCESS launched a project to support fever and cholera treatment centers in Al-Mudhaffar and Al-Qahirah districts in Taiz governorate. To help the targeted centers keep providing medical services to patients and save lives, the project provided them with medicines, medical supplies, and hygiene materials.

An appeal from the Taiz Public Health and Population Office in response to the alarming rise in the number of cases of this deadly epidemic led to the implementation of the project to enhance the immediate response to combat the outbreak and reduce fatalities.





# Signing partnership contracts with hospitals in Wadi Hadhramaut



In order to provide multiple medical services to referred cases and bring health and wellness to the most vulnerable groups of displaced persons and the host community, the Livelihood Services for the Most Vulnerable Women and Girls Program signed partnership contracts with Bin Zaila Modern Hospital in Seiyun city in Wadi Hadhramaut and Wadi Medical Complex in Wadi Hadhramaut. The Livelihood Services for the Most Vulnerable Women and Girls Program in Yemen is part of the protection and livelihood support project "Safe Space for Women and Girls", which strives to improve the lives of affected families and build prosperous communities.

HUMAN ACCESS in Al-Mahrah governorate delivered medicines, medical supplies, and hygiene materials to Sayhut General Hospital in Sayhut District as part of the ongoing support provided by the Reproductive Health Services Support Project, funded by the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), in order to restore access to reproductive health care services in Yemen as essential and urgent services. During the delivery process, attended by the Director of the Public Health Office in Sayhut District, Saeed Mubarak, the Acting Secretary-General of the Local Council in the District, Abdullah Awad, praised the efforts of HUMAN ACCESS and UNF-PA's support to meet the growing needs of the population for these life-saving services, emphasizing the importance of this support in improving access to reproductive health services in the district.

# Medicines and medical supplies for Seiyhut General Hospital



### Qualifying midwives in infection prevention program

HUMAN ACCESS in Lahj governorate completed a training program on infection prevention for 12 mid-wives in the Obstetrics and Gynecology Department at Ras Al-Arah Rural Hospital in Al-Madhariba Wa Ras Al-Arah District, as part of the activities of the Reproductive Health Services Support Project, funded by the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA).

During the two-day training, participants gained knowledge and skills on infection, its dangers, prevention methods, and the importance of combating infection to ensure the safety of patients and health workers. Infections associated with health care have a considerable impact on people's lives, so prevention work is urgently needed.



### **Taiz Public Health Office praises HUMAN ACCESS interventions**

Dr. Abdulrahman Al-Sabry,
Director General of the Public
Health and Population Office in
Taiz Governorate, praised the
efforts of HUMAN ACCESS to
support the health sector in the
governorate and its important
interventions to restore and
improve access to reproductive
health care services.

This came during an inspection tour made by Dr. Al-Sabry to Al-Misrakh Central Hospital in Al-Misrakh district, accompanied by Yahya Ismail, the Director General of Al-Misrakh district, to examine the quality of medical services and address some difficulties and problems. Worth noting that HUMAN

ACCES supports Al-Misrakh
Hospital within the Reproductive
Health Services Support Project,
funded by the United Nations
Population Fund (UNFPA), to
provide essential health services
to the most vulnerable communities in remote areas as an
important part of humanitarian
response efforts.





Training program for emergency obstetricians and midwives to address critical cases



HUMAN ACCESS in Al-Mahrah governorate conducted two training programs for 45 emergency and obstetric emergency doctors and midwives at Al-Ghaydah Central Hospital on how to deal with critical cases, as part of the activities of the Reproductive Health Services Support Project funded by the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) and as an important part of the humanitarian response efforts in Yemen. The two training programs in emergency obstetrics and reproductive health improved the level of reproductive health services, lowered maternal and newborn mortality, improved family health, and contributed to the construction of prosperous communities. The Secretary-General of the Local Council in Al-Mahrah, Salem Nimer, praised the efforts of HUMAN ACCESS and UNFPA's support to improve emergency obstetric services and help save lives. In his words, Dr. Awad Mubarak, Director General of the Governorate's Public Health Office, stressed the importance of these training programs for enhancing basic health care

### Training volunteers on society behavior change and health message promotion

With funding from the Yemen Humanitarian Fund (YHF), HUMAN ACCESS in Hadhramaut and Taiz governorates held two training courses for 40 volunteers on society behavior change (SBC) to promote hygiene, mobilization, advocacy, and basic life-saving health messages as part of the activities of the Integrated Response Project to improve basic services for the most vulnerable communities in Broom Mayfa' district in Hadhramaut, and Al-Muzaffar and Al-Qahirah districts in Taiz.

In his remarks during the launch of the training program in Hadhramaut, Dr. Khaled Hasan, Director General of the Broom Mayfa' district Local Authority, commended HUMAN ACCESS and YHF for training male and female volunteers for behavioral and society change and promoting basic live-saving health messages. To prevent any dire impacts on the health of local communities, hygiene must be promoted and investments must be made to scale it up.



# **Environmental Sanitation**

## Taiz: Handing over a sewage line extension project in Shi'b Al-Haddadin area

In Taiz governorate, HUMAN ACCESS handed over the sewage line extension project in Shi'b Al-Haddadin area in Al-Muzaffar district to the local water and sanitation corporation in the governorate, in the presence of Zaid Sultan, Director of Projects for the corporation, and Mohammed Al-Kadahi, the Director General of the district, after completing this project meant to eliminate

environmental and health risks associated with open toilets and lack of sanitation services. The project, funded by the Yemen Humanitarian Fund (YHF), involved connecting the Shi'b Al-Haddadin area to the main sanitation network to serve 5,405 people as part of supporting the integrated response to improve basic services for the most vulnerable communities.

During the project handover, the Director General of Al-Muzaffar district stated that this project is one of the best projects implemented in this area, which suffers from the spread of diseases associated with the lack of sanitation services. He also extended his gratitude to HUMAN ACCESS and YHF for this crucial support that meets the needs of the population.







### Launching and operating Bani Hammad's water well in Taiz







With funds from the Turkish Diyanet Foundation, HUMAN ACCESS association in Taiz governorate has begun the Bani Hammad water well project in Al-Mawasit district, which supplies water for drinking and personal use for more than five thousand people living in villages and areas that have difficulty collecting water.

In the attendance of the Director General of Al-Mawasit District, Amin Sharaf, along with a delegation from the Turkish Diyanet Foundation, and a number of local officials, the project was launched and operated amidst great joyfulness among the residents who expressed their happiness with this vital project that meets the growing water needs in the subdistrict.

The Bani Hammad Water Well Project included drilling an artesian well, installing an integrated pumping unit, and connecting an 800-meter pumping line to improve water supply to residents, as part of ongoing efforts to provide sustainable water sources, meet the needs of the local community, and alleviate people's suffering as a result of Yemen's conflict.











### Workshop to Support a Strategy to End and Criminalize FGM

As part of ongoing efforts to fight female genital mutilation (FGM), HUMAN ACCESS in Aden governorate organized a workshop in coordination with the Ministry of Public Health and Population with funding from the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA). FGM has long-term negative physical, psychological, and social consequences and is a harmful phenomenon that needs to be addressed.

The workshop was launched in the presence of the Deputy Minister of Public Health and Population, Dr. Abdullah Dahan, a number of officials, and the UNF-PA representative in Aden, Ms. Elizabeth Cage. There were 30 participants in the workshop, including general directors of women and children departments in various ministries, gender officials, and a number of interested parties, who explored the proposed roles of stakeholders in advocating and exerting pressure for the adoption of a national strategy to end and criminalize FGM and protect

girls from such dangerous practices.

The workshop presented ways to provide prevention and response to women and girls at risk and affected by female genital mutilation. It also addressed the issue of female genital mutilation in Yemen, the announcement of the innovation initiative to end this practice, the system of challenges it faces, and the main frameworks to support the adoption of a national strategy to end FGM, given its risks of removing healthy, natural tissues and causing damage to them.

Participants in the workshop emphasized the need to combine official and popular efforts against FGM in Yemen, urging the formation of an alliance to support these efforts as well as the adoption of educational and awareness messages to mitigate such wrong practices that constitute gender-based violence and violations of women and girls' basic human rights.







### Training program for warehouse keepers in food aid program

HUMAN ACCESS, with funding from the World Food Program (WFP), trained 102 warehouse keepers working in the food aid program in Taiz governorate about the roles and duties of warehouse keepers, storage, and disbursement mechanisms.

along with the code of social conduct for humanitarian workers.

Through the two-day training, warehouse keepers were equipped with the necessary skills to perform their jobs effectively and efficiently, as well

as learning the code of professional conduct so that they may perform their duties in accordance with their job description and work ethics in a manner that serves the humanitarian mission.





#### 11 women qualified in traditional crafts

HUMAN ACCESS in Marib governorate organized a training program in the field of tire, concrete, incense burners, and medals manufacturing, targeting 11 women in Al-Wadi District, within the protection and livelihood support project "Safe Space for Women and Girls", funded by the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) and King Salman Humanitarian Aid and Relief Center (KSrelief).

This qualitative training was developed as a result of

previous discussion sessions on the importance of such simple crafts on the labor market.

By developing the skills and capabilities of beneficiaries in these traditional crafts based on creativity with simple tools, such programs enhance livelihoods, provide additional income to families in need, and foster an interest in crafts that would lead to sustainable economic development.





### Participation in training organized by UNFPA's Arab States Regional Office in Jordan

HUMAN ACCESS participated in a training program on gender-specific cash assistance in case management during the period from 23 to 25 July in the Jordanian capital, Amman.

During the training organized by UNFPA's Arab

States Regional Office ASRO in Amman, participants learned how cash assistance can be integrated into case management, how assessments are performed during the program cycle, and how to use (PDM) for cash in case management.







### Training program concluded oneconomic empowerment projects



The Orphan Sponsorship and Care Sector at HUMAN ACCESS completed a training program for specialists in orphan projects and systems in the branches on executing economic empowerment projects, as part of ongoing efforts to upgrade the staff in order to ensure that orphans are empowered in a healthy environment so that they have a brighter future. The three-day program was implemented in Marib governorate, targeting 18 employees. A variety of skills and knowledge were taught in order to facilitate the implementation of economic empowerment projects, including successful monitoring and evaluation, feasibility studies, and the use of electronic systems to ensure the success and sustainability of economic projects for orphans and transform their lives economically.

Funded by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), HUMAN ACCESS launched a training program for 25 trainees from humanitarian agencies and organizations operating in Marib governorate on minimum standards for child protection to provide more comprehensive services.

The training program improved the quality of child protection programs, strengthened child protection systems, improved coordination and partnership between humanitarian actors, developed common principles among child protection workers, and assisted organizations and agencies that work with children to build their capacities.

## Training program on minimum standards for child protection



### Vocational rehabilitation for refugees to improve their livelihood



With funding from the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), HUMAN ACCESS assists refugees in vocational rehabilitation so that they can enter the workforce and earn a living through a livelihood program for the most vulnerable and needy refugees in Kharaz camp in Lahj governorate.

In this context, a training program was conducted for

24 young male and female refugees to equip them with vocational skills based on high professional foundations in the fields of sewing and embroidery, hairdressing, car electricity, auto mechanics, general electricity, solar energy extension, refrigeration, and air conditioning, in order to improve their quality of life and transform their lives economically.





### Recreational activity brings smiles to 100 orphans

Under the slogan "Their joy is our happiness", HU-MAN ACCESS organized a recreational activity in a private park in Marib governorate, targeting 100 male and female orphans in the presence of their mothers, to bring joy and happiness to their hearts and alleviate the burden of their tragedy in light of the difficult economic conditions in Yemen.

Among the recreational activities offered was playing in a joyful environment as well as giving advice to the mothers of the beneficiary orphans about effective education methods and how to cope with psychological stress. The orphans expressed their gratitude to HUMAN ACCESS for this recreational activity that drew a smile on their faces.





### Child space honors winners of reading and writing competition

The Child Space, operated by HUMAN ACCESS in Al-Wadi district of Marib Governorate, honored ten girl winners of the reading and writing competition, by giving them gifts and prizes, along with symbolic gifts for the rest of the participants in this unique competition. The event

featured a variety of entertaining and educational segments during the honoring ceremony.

The competition is designed to develop reading and writing skills and motivate and encourage children to read and write as a bridge to knowledge and a gateway to scientific, cultural, and intellectual growth. Among the goals of the competition is to promote protection and livelihood support for women and girls, "Safe Space for Women and Girls", a project that contributes to the overall development in Yemen





### UNFPA delegation visits health facilities supported by reproductive health services

A delegation from the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) visited health facilities in Hadhramaut governorate covered by the Reproductive Health Services Support Project and run by HUMAN AC-CESS with funding from UNFPA, as an important part of the humanitarian response efforts in Yemen. The delegation visited Al-Dees Al-Sharqiya Hospital in Al-Dees Al-Sharqiya District and Shihir Health Center in Ghayl Bawazir District, where they learned more about the Reproductive Health Services Support Project, expressing gratitude for the efforts being taken to improve the quality of these lifesaving services and enhance basic health care







### UN official visits health facility supported with reproductive health services



The UNFPA Representative in Yemen, Dr. Inshirah Ahmed, visited the Shihir Health Center in Ghayl Bawazir district, which is part of the Reproductive Health Services Support Project being implemented by HUMAN ACCESS in Hadramout Governorate with funding from the UNFPA to restore access to reproductive healthcare services as essential and life-saving services.

In her visit, accompanied by Dr. Faiz Bazar, Public Health and Population Office Director in Ghayl Bawazir district, and Dr. Ahlam Bin Buraik, UNFPA Reproductive Health Program Coordinator in Mukalla, Dr. Inshirah was briefed on the progress of the project and its role in meeting the growing needs of the population in the district, praising the efforts made to save lives and build a healthier future.

### Mukalla Reproductive Health Program Coordinator visits HUMAN ACCESS

HUMAN ACCESS in Mukalla city, Hadhramaut Governorate, received Dr. Ahlam Bin Buraik, the Reproductive Health Program Coordinator at the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) in Mukalla, who reviewed the progress of the program's performance and praised the efforts made to save lives and build a healthier future.

HUMAN ACCESS is currently implementing the reproductive health services support project, funded by UNFPA, to meet the population's increasing needs for these life-saving services and to restore access to reproductive healthcare services as essential services.



### Lahj Governor and HUMAN ACCESS discuss humanitarian interventions

Lahj Governor Ahmed Turki and HUMAN ACCESS discussed modern work mechanisms related to the association's implementation of international organizations' interventions in relief and sustainable development projects.

In the meeting, attended by the Director of the Ministry of Planning and International Cooperation

Office in the governorate, Dr. Hisham Al-Saqqaf, the Lahj Governor emphasized the governorate's leadership's keenness to provide all facilities for the association's work in order to implement its humanitarian projects aimed at alleviating the suffering of residents and displaced persons.



#### **HUMAN ACCESS discusses various issues with WASH Cluster**



The National Cluster Coordinator for WASH, Mr. Frederic Patigny, and the Deputy Coordinator of the WASH Cluster in Aden Governorate, Wahib Sultan, visited HUMAN ACCESS to learn about the association's capabilities in the field of water and environmental sanitation.

The session discussed the challenges facing HU-MAN ACCESS in this field and how the cluster can help overcome them, as well as the strategies recommended by the association for inclusion in the 2025 Humanitarian Response Plan.

#### Social Affairs Office leadership visits HUMAN ACCESS in Seiyun

HUMAN ACCESS in Seiyun city received Ahmed Abdullah Bahashwan, Director General of the Social Affairs and Labor Office in Wadi Hadhramaut, who was briefed on the progress of administrative and institutional work and the humanitarian projects carried out to serve the most vulnerable and needy groups and create a promising and better future for all. Bahashwan visited the protection and livelihood support project "Safe Space for Women and Girls" which is being implemented by HUMAN ACCESS in partnership with the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) and King Salman Humanitarian Aid and

Relief Center (KSrelief) to achieve the human rights quaranteed to women in Yemen.

During the visit, Bahashwan and his accompanying delegation commended the significant efforts made by HUMAN ACCESS association to improve people's lives in various fields.

Meanwhile, the association's leadership in Wadi Hadhramaut thanked the Social Affairs and Labor Office for this visit and for the facilities offered to implement humanitarian projects to assist vulnerable families and communities.







The HUMAN ACCESS administration in Mukalla city in Hadhramaut Governorate met with Saeed Musa, Director of the United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) in Marib and Mukalla, to discuss humanitarian opportunities and interventions and boost humanitarian partnership to stop the suffering that is affecting local communities.

During the meeting, the association's administration in Mukalla reviewed the history of the extended partnership with UN agencies in a number of vital sectors full of bright achievements. For his part, the OCHA Director in Marib and Mukalla highlighted the distinguished partnership with HUMAN ACCESS to secure lives and preserve human dignity.

HUMAN ACCESS meets with OCHA
Office Director in Marib and Mukalla



# UNHCR office team inspects HUMAN ACCESS services in Kharaz refugee camp

A team from the UNHCR office in Aden visited Kharaz refugee camp in Lahj governorate. As part of the visit, the UNHCR team was briefed on the extent of services and progress of activities implemented by the HUMAN ACCESS association in serving the most vulnerable and needy refugees in the camp through funding from UNHCR.

All facilities and services in the camp, which hosts

thousands of refugees from Somalia and Ethiopia, were visited by the team. The visit also involved a meeting with refugee community leaders and speaking with the association's team to learn about the existing challenges and find solutions to the obstacles and challenges to ensure that the basic needs of refugees are met and their humanitarian suffering is alleviated.



#### Social Affairs Office Director visits HUMAN ACCESS in Mukalla



HUMAN ACCESS leadership in Mukalla received Ahmed Bazaroos, Director General of the Social Affairs and Labor Office in Hadhramaut Coast, who was briefed on the progress of humanitarian projects intended to help the most vulnerable and needy groups and to alleviate the suffering of those affected by crisis situations.

On the sidelines of the visit, many qualitative humanitarian projects were discussed in various fields to make a noticeable impact on people's lives. Bazaroos hailed the significant and effective role played by HUMAN ACCESS in providing humanitarian assistance and strengthening community resilience.



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