



## MAIN GOAL

Standing by the 17 SDGs, AICA intends to lead a global networking through faith in potentials, creating opportunities, reinforcing positive social values, resources management, strategic partnerships and community development to achieve a better & more sustainable future.

## AICA's MISSION

AICA adapts a humanitarian response action, development and benevolence, targeting the whole community through the adoption of an integrated global ecosystem approach based on Human Rights.

AICA ensures coverage of needs related to basic rights without any discrimination through access to services & advocacy, with a horizontal axe of action.

AICA takes action through community participation, youth-led initiatives, builds bridges through culture and dialogue, as well as encourages partnership & community initiatives through development & peacebuilding, whilst transforming challenges into opportunities, and conflicts to Peace.



# Alawite Islamic Charity Association - (AICA)

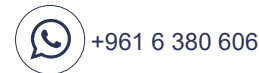
AICA is a local **NGO** established since 1950 in North Lebanon-Tripoli, under the decree #4500/1950 operating since then under several divisions & institutions.

AICA's programs & activities aim to mitigate all forms of discrimination towards civil rights access (health, food security, education, economic recovery, or any other additional required support) raise individual & collective awareness, mainstream protection & disseminate risks prevention. Our intervention strategy consists of a holistic approach within Development, Advocacy & Resilience as well as Relief & Emergency Response Action.

## VALUES

With reference to Human Rights Declaration Charter, & based on Imam Ali Bin Abi Taleb (as) values, AICA adopts principles considered fundamental to humanitarian actions:

- Humanity    Social Justice    Impartiality
- Neutrality    Sustainability    Independence





## ALZAHRAA MEDICAL CENTER

AMC is a Primary health care center located between Mankoubin& Jabal Mohsen- Tripoli operating under AICA. In partnership with MoH, the center was established in Nov 2008 as a dispensary based on the gap in healthcare provision within the community & has evolved since then into a **Primary Health Care Center** in late 2016. The center has an established partnership with MoSA as of 2011, & has undergone several partnerships with Médecins Sans Frontières (2012 – 2017), Relief International (2017), and other two active partnerships with YMCA(2008)&Première Urgence – Aide Médicale Internationale(PU-AMI 2019).

AMC receives patients without any discrimination in gender, color, race, or religion providing general&specialist examination for minimal fees as well as free medicines, chronic medications,& vaccination in addition to a bundle of health services. The center receives an average of 6000 services /month visiting from different areas within the North governorate. Since the pandemic, AMC developed an emergency plan partnering with CRS to serve better the community.



## SOCIAL SERVICES COMMUNITY CENTER

In 2015, AICA provided SSCC to **MoSA** free of charge aiming to establish an **SDC** in the area. The center was assimilated by the ministry and legalizations were issued in this regard, but the operation has halted for four years therefore, AICA re-acquired the center & established a Community Center in 2019. SSCC is located between Tabbeneh and Jabal Mohsen providing a variety of services for the community such as health, education, basic assistance, and a protection desk referring to active actors for referral pathways.



## HOUSE OF WISDOM COMMUNITY KITCHEN

The HOWCK is an initiative dating back to 1986 which aimed to provide relief & charity to people in need. In 2014, the center was rehabilitated and managed by AICA's core fund. In 2015, funded by ICRC, the center got furnished with heavier equipment & operated as a community kitchen serving underprivileged families. Later on, by a generous donation from Global Giving, the kitchen was equipped in early 2021 with high-end equipment providing 20,000 hot meals for 300 beneficiaries to ease the financial burden by combating COVID 19 economic impacts, after a specific vulnerability door-to-door assessment by AICA's team. Moreover, & in 2016, in partnership with Social Center for Orphans & Widows, "House of Subsistence" which is women's community initiative aimed at creating new job opportunities, local support, and contributing to the path of peace between the regions of Jabal Mohsen and Bab al-Tabbaneh, through which widows from the two regions made and sold homemade food products. was established as a peacebuilding income generation initiative aiming to engage widowed females from Tabbaneh & Jabal Mohsen who were directly affected by civil clashes. Starting in 2021, those vulnerable widows, took part in the daily kitchen activities that are operating as a social enterprise with a potential of selling up to 800 oriental and 500 occidental hot meals reinvesting its profits in FSS supporting.



## AL DOHA SCIENTIFIC SCHOOL

In 1954, AICA acquired a license for a free elementary school located between Tabbaneh and Jabal Mohsen with an average of 150 students/year. Later on, the school was reallocated to Fnaideq, Akkar due to major destruction in the school's building as a result of the unfortunate clashes between Tabbaneh&Jabal Mohsen between 2008 and 2015. Since 2014, the school runs under the name of "Alduha Scientific School" at Fnaideq & has around 200 registered students/year with the potential of having 750 students per shift.



## NETIZEN'S DIGITAL LAB

With the aim of strengthening resilience among youth, AICA established a Digital Lab in 2021, from a Baladi Program in-kind grant implemented by Caritas Lebanon funded by USAID. The lab is equipped with 20 high-end laptops, and full digital logistics. With the digital transformation & remote work modality, AICA considers this program as the main pillar for youth advancement in underprivileged vulnerable areas in North Lebanon. Early 2022, AICA accredited the Lab from ICDL, provide a variety of digital topics, issuing endorsed certificates for graduate in order to increase their employability likelihood. The lab is open to students & freelancers to access stable internet connections, electricity, & high-end technology. By the end of 2022, AICA rebranded the lab concept launching a one stop-service of Technology and Analytics; "Netizen's Digital Lab" offers world-transforming services capturing and integrating multiple data streams such as asset service, asset utilization, asset diagnostics, analysis results, and lab conditions enabling new opportunities for efficiency and insights.



## FIRST RESPONDER TEAM

In partnership with the Lebanese Red Cross- Disaster& Risk Reduction Unit, the FRT was established in early 2016 as a risk response initiative for all that the community encountered. The team consists of: a team leader & FRT trainees certified by First Aid Response, DRR, firefighting, & COVID emergency response. Despite that this project was created in different areas around Lebanon, AICA's team was one of few to remain operating till the current date.