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NOIVA Connect

Peace building initiative „connect“, a community empowering project in Jordan implemented by Stiftung NOIVA.

Project duration: May 2022 - April 2023, 12 months

„If we have no peace, its because we have forgotten, that we belong together“
Mother Theresa

Situation

The Middle East region is shattered by ongoing conflicts and crisis. Politics, Media, Money and Power are the main forces that keep people trapped in the spiral of fear, anger, division and hate.

More than ever peacemaker initiatives that are starting with individuals, families and neighbourhoods are essential to build a base where a bottom-up change can happen. On the basis of forgiveness and reconciliation division can be overcome and a new, common future can be built.

Project description „connect“

The „connect“ initiative is gathering groups all over Jordan in sessions to engage them in peacemaker topics and empower them to be the change makers and peace builders in their families, neighbourhoods and communities. It is driven by the belief, that change starts in the heart and mind of people.

The sessions provide tools and strategies that build the conflict resolution skills and capabilities of youth and adults. The sessions cover various topics such as healthy relationships, personal growth and contribution, forgiveness and reconciliation.

Group challenges, dramas, music and discussions are used in the sessions to engage the participants in a creative, playful and impactful way. The participants are challenged to look into real life problems and actively think how they can be part of the practical solution in

their community. Regular Peacemaker Events, where the message is carried out to the community, are organised by former peacemaker group participants, depending on their skills and the actual needs in the community (in cooperation with and support of NOIVA if necessary). The „connect“ course is intended as a starting point for own initiatives and projects that initiate a Peacemaker movement.

Goals „connect“

Empowerment to become an active member of the community

Empowerment means giving strength and skills to those who may not even know they have them, and that is precisely the goal of our „connect“ courses. We prompt the participants to embrace that they are a vital part of the change they want to see. We give participants the tools they need to break cycles of conflict in their daily lives and engage the community as activists for restorative reconciliation and positive change.

Impacting communities

The goal is to recruit, mentor and mobilize community leaders who could regularly meet to identify where pockets of hostility, division, or hate between individuals or groups have formed in the community. We support them in initiating events, activities and projects that address these issues and

Pass it on and be part of a movement

Developing a “network tool” together with the participants, that will allow „peacemakers“ from different areas to connect, support each other and amplify their voices for peace. Connecting with other initiatives, activities, organisations that are working towards the same goal.

„connect“ - Project outline

| | |
|-------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Number of courses: | 24 courses |
| Locations: | Jordan Valley, Amman and Mafraq |
| Number of participants: | 10-15 persons/course |
| Duration of the course: | 8 sessions, each session 2 hours |
| Facilitators: | 1-3 NOIVA staff + 1 Translator |



o they see the seed in other people
and water it
o they want to change themselves
▷ Peacemaker ◁
see a bigger picture
he loves the light
wise & strong
help each other
forgiveness
respect for older people
love for the little ones
don't talk behind each other's back
not afraid of conflicts, he helps to solve



BUDGET - connect

initial costs and project costs with a duration of one year

| | | | |
|-----------------------------------|--|---|---------------------|
| number of peacemaker trainings | | 24 | |
| number of attendees peacemaker | | 360 | |
| number of 'solve the crime' games | | 24 | |
| exchange rate | JOD - CHF (24.05.2022) | | 1.3182 |
| exchange rate | JOD - USD (24.05.2022) | | 1.4104 |
| exchange rate | CHF - USD (24.05.2022) | | 1.0638 |
| initial investment | solve the crime | game materials | 300.00 USD |
| | | homepage (tool to question suspects) | 600.00 USD |
| | projector | | 600.00 USD |
| | | | 1500.00 USD |
| human resources | project manager | 40% employment | 25500.00 USD |
| | program coordinator | 30% employment | 25500.00 USD |
| | project officer | 5% employment | 1100.00 USD |
| | protection and systems coordinator | 10% employment | 1300.00 USD |
| | volunteer allowance | | 600.00 USD |
| | | | 53400.00 USD |
| operational costs | project volunteer salaries | translation, safety and protection, evaluation and monitoring | 200.00 USD |
| | car renting | | 4100.00 USD |
| | fuel allowance | | 900.00 USD |
| | offices/center renting | | 2200.00 USD |
| | bills (water, electricity, internet) | | 100.00 USD |
| | work phones | | 600.00 USD |
| | stationery and office supplies | | 1900.00 USD |
| | other | corona health standards (masks, higee...) | 700.00 USD |
| | | | 10700.00 USD |
| activity | peacemaker - 24 courses / 360 participants | printing material | 500.00 USD |
| | | materials for activities | 2000.00 USD |
| | | advertisement | 300.00 USD |
| | | snacks | 1600.00 USD |
| | | application event for community | 4200.00 USD |
| | | alumnai network event - 1 event per year | 700.00 USD |
| | solve the case - 30 sessions | copies | 200.00 USD |
| | | advertisement | 100.00 USD |
| | | | 9600.00 USD |
| TOTAL | | | 75200.00 USD |
| thereof initial investment | | | 1500.00 USD |
| thereof monthly costs | human resources | | 4450.00 USD |
| | operational costs | | 891.67 USD |
| | activity costs | | 800.00 USD |
| | TOTAL | | 6141.67 USD |
| TOTAL costs | without initial investement | | 73700.00 USD |
| already funded | | | 17.00 % |
| not yet funded | | | 83.00 % |
| already funded: | 25% of salary program coordinator | private donors | 12700.00 USD |

NOVIA - what others say about us

Of all the aid organizations, NOVIA is very special to me. NOVIA stands for hope and for new life. NOVIA not only gives money, but also dignity. People are starting to dream again. Now I want to use every moment of my life to plant seeds of joy in the lives of others. Many organizations give us money. But is that enough? Certainly, money can solve many problems, but money alone is not enough. It takes hope that makes faces shine with joy. It needs a hand and a heart. It takes a lot of love and patience to encourage people to live again. Many homes are very dark, but there is light! No matter how unjustly we have been treated, we need to forgive, forget and love each other to end our lives with a lit candle.

Choulud, Learning Coach with NOVIA since 2016

The connection I have seen between the Swiss volunteers and the Syrian children despite the language barriers - despite the different backgrounds, even the different economic backgrounds, really speaks of the power of individuals to be a catalyst for change in another life. I know the slogan that NOVIA has adopted: "shaping worlds of peace." It is an impressive experience to see how individuals really have the power to do this.

Philemon G Haile, Sports and Recreation Project Assistant IRD

Since you started visiting us in our home, everything has changed. You have brought hope and confidence back to us. You have let us know that we are not alone.

OmYazan, Syrian mother of 5 children in Mafraq

Noiva takes a holistic approach to looking outside the box to address problems and care for people in crisis.

Uschi Sortisch, Swiss volunteer with NOVIA in October 2017

about NOIVA

NOIVA is a non-profit foundation that was founded in Winterthur (CH) in 2010 and is currently mainly active in the Middle East - with a focus on Jordan. Its mission is twofold, namely ...

... Humanitarian Aid

As a non-governmental organization (NGO), NOIVA supports threatened population groups on several levels: It organizes emergency aid in crisis areas, but also strives for long-term development aid measures where there is a lack of jobs, schools, children's homes, etc. NOIVA is convinced that, in the sense of sustainable "help for self-help", it is indispensable to promote the local economy through initiatives, investments and know-how.

Currently, the following projects are carried out on a regular basis: Home visits, school-based learning for children, mobile dental clinic, repairing and improving shelters, women's and mothers' counseling, children's programs, sports

projects, creative workshops and computer courses.

... Reconciliation Work

Unfortunately, the deep-rooted conflicts in the Middle East region continue to undermine decisive progress. For us, this means that material support is important, but it does not solve the core problem. For this reason, NOIVA also initiates cross-group, cross-ethnic and cross-border projects, for example in business, education and the arts. Through direct contacts, fear of contact and prejudices are reduced; instead, mutual trust can grow step by step. Behind this commitment is the conviction that a culture of reconciliation and friendship will form the basis for a new togetherness in the Middle East.

The slogan "Shaping Worlds of Peace" puts into words what NOIVA's main goal is: to bring about peace - at all levels and by all means.



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