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# PRIORITY AREA

- Access to Higher and Further Education
- Access to the Labour Market









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# OBJECTIVES

To enhance the access of Syrian and Lebanese students to higher education and to support future job and entrepreneurship opportunities



# BENEFICIARIES 932 Lebanese

and Syrian grade 12 students in public schools in Tripoli and undergraduate university students





# ACTIVITIES

### Preparation and access to higher education:

- Baccalaureate support courses for exam completion,
- Online orientation workshops and tutorials to learn about future study, scholarship, employment opportunities,
- Language upgrade courses,
- Communication and digital skills courses

### Access to the labour market and increasing entrepreneurship skills, professional networks, trainings and business idea support:

- Soft skills training and entrepreneurship workshops,
- Entrepreneurship bootcamp,
- Networking and orientation workshops

# MOSTAFA

#### 16 Years old

"For a 16-year-old living in Lebanon, it is hard to improve. I had a lot of challenges, not knowing how to invest my time, and I am surrounded by negativity and pessimism.

This project helped me overcome my anxiety of meeting new people, helped with my English and communication skills and helped sharpen my soft skills. I had the chance to meet lovely people including the teachers and the staff. In short, following the courses offered by this organisation was the best decision I have ever made."

# MAYSAA

## 17 Years old

"I have been in Lebanon for 11 years now. I am in grade 12 in socio economics and it's my final year at school. I mostly faced difficulties in adapting and being a shy person, made it even harder. This project helped me improve my English language proficiency and has given me the opportunity to take the IELTS more seriously and make it happen."

# SHADI

# 20 Years old

"Thanks to this project, I was able to make some new friends the company of whom I enjoy a lot. It was one of the best courses I have ever attended in my life. The environment was very friendly and the volunteers and the supervisors helped us a lot throughout the project."

# MARIAM

### 16 Years old

"My dream is to become a pilot. This year, I will be pursuing my final year of secondary education in General Sciences at school. And despite the situation in Lebanon and the many challenges we are facing, I decided to keep working to achieve my dream. This project was very informative and helped me increase my knowledge in various fields.'





Implemented by





# **REFLECTIONS FROM THE LEAD INSTITUTION**

This project was implemented in a consortium with a partner that we have previously worked with. It was a mixture of working with an international organization, local organization and also local and international volunteers. We learned a lot from each other and created many linkages between the contractors who we have recruited, the students and our partner who also recruited students. Our aim was to benefit the local community and our beneficiaries from this project and from our other projects.

We have been exposed to online learning modality and provided online sessions for the first time during this project. We have also coordinated the financial part with our partner remotely and addressed the youth needs during the current economic situation and Syrian crisis. Moreover, the education sector was suffering from multi-layered crisis which made it a challenge for students to succeed in their official baccalaureate exams and continue their higher education studies.

Communication is an important aspect of winning and succeeding at work. This includes straightening internal communication within our staff in addition to communication with the community and donors. Coordination is a very important aspect as we were mainly working remotely with around 20 persons that we have never seen and also most of our communication with HOPES-LEB was done remotely therefore good planning and good organisation have led to a successful project.

### NAZIH FINO

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