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SAVING
A GENERATION
THROUGH
EDUCATION

MISSION & VISION

Our mission is to provide free secular quality education to the most vulnerable Syrian refugee children and youth in Lebanon.

Our vision is to **SAVE A GENERATION THROUGH EDUCATION**



EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Syrian Civil War has brought about the biggest humanitarian and refugee crisis of our time and is a continuing cause of suffering for millions of Syrians. More than 5 million people have fled Syria since 2011, seeking safety in Lebanon, Turkey, Jordan, and beyond. The crisis has impacted Lebanon more than any other of Syria's neighbors. This small country of 4.5 million people is now home to 1.5 million refugees; one out of every four people in Lebanon is a refugee, giving the country the highest number of refugees per capita in the world. More than 500,000 refugee children have been officially registered with the UN Refugee Agency, but there are many more without registration and new babies are born into refugee families all the time.

Education is a every child's fundamental human right

Education is lifesaving for these children. Its benefits are not as immediate as those of food and shelter, but these children will be able to uplift themselves and their families if they learn certain basic skills of the mind, such as reading and writing, which should be guaranteed to every person on earth as fundamental human rights. Going to school also provides them with a sense of stability and normality.

A school is a space for structured and safe socialization and a protective barrier against violence and conflict. It is an oasis of hope and caring in a desert of indifference and despair.

Kayany Foundation has a proven track record of providing Syrian refugee children and youth with the quality education they deserve.



Kayany is a Lebanese non-governmental organization founded in 2013 to assist and educate the most vulnerable Syrian refugee children and youth.

We provide free, secular schooling to more than 3,000 refugee children between the ages of 6 to 14, and to more than 600 refugee youth between the ages of 14 to 18. Our clean and comfortable learning environments offer students one meal a day and an escape from the difficulties of settlement life.

We teach the official Lebanese curriculum, which includes science, mathematics, Arabic and English, and provide basic numeracy and literacy when necessary. Our schools are accredited by the Ministry of Education and Higher Education.

Our goal: To save a generation through education



KAYANY operates educational programs for Syrian refugee children and youth living in Informal Tented Settlements (ITS). They face serious challenges in their daily lives such as the need for healthcare, safe water, adequate sanitation, proper hygiene, and substantial shelter.

Kayany has partnered with the American University of Beirut's (AUB) Center for Civic Engagement and Community Service (CCECS) and the Ministry of Social Affairs (MoSA) in constructing our school campuses. We use a portable unit model that is easily assembled and disassembled, endures severe weather conditions, and is built by refugees from low-cost locally found material. This "GHATA" unit design has proven highly efficient for direct intervention in the Informal Tented Settlements and has allowed us to build within or alongside their camps. It is the only model approved by the Ministry of Social Affairs in Lebanon.

We have established 9 accredited schools, including two all-girls secondary schools, in four locations throughout the Bekaa governorate which is where the majority of Syrian refugees have settled in Lebanon.

In addition to creating a welcoming and child-friendly spaces, we also offer child protection programs and distribute uniforms, backpacks, hygiene kits, and winterization kits.

















COST PER **STUDENT** \$ 650/YEAR

In 2014, Kayany established two schools: Teach for Hope-Syria School and the Kuzbari & Rotary Germany School. Combined, these two schools educate a total of 1,000 Syrian refugee children in two shifts.

In 2015, Kayany formed a partnership with Jesuit Refugee Service to coordinate the administration of two of the schools in the Bar Elias area.



PROGRAM STRUCTURE FOR ALL ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

- . The Lebanese official curriculum is given to students from grades 1 to 6.
- . Child Protection and Psychosocial Support services are provided at each school by a full-time social worker.
- . Capacity Building by providing regular teacher training with experts from AUB and UNESCO.





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COST PER

STUDENT \$ 1,400/YEAR

In 2015, Nobel Prize Winner Malala Yousafzai, established her first all-girls school in Lebanon in partnership with Kayany during a ribbon-cutting ceremony on her 18th birthday.

The school teaches the official Lebanese curriculum, and offers vocational skills trainings.

They also receive important youth and women protection programs to strengthen resilience against various kinds of exploitation, increase job opportunities, and help them avoid forced early marriage.



The girls are provided with accredited education from grade 6 to 9, along vocational trainings in computer literacy, nurse's aide, sewing, embroidery, hairdressing and cosmetics.

Upon graduation students receive a certificate of accreditation from the Lebanese Ministry of Education and Higher Education.

In 2016, Kayany established a second school through Malala Fund in Saadnayel.

In 2023, Kayany formed a partnership with MAPS to coordinate and operate in the administration of the second Malala school in Saadnayel.













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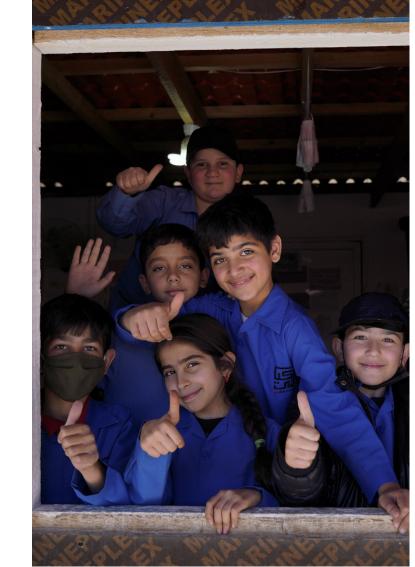


STUDENT \$ 650/YEAR

In January 2017, Kayany established a new school: The Boghossian Foundation – Rotary Germany school in Meksi village in the Bekaa governorate.

It provides education to (will add the number later) Syrian refugee children between the ages 6 and 14.

The school was built with funds provided by the Boghossian Foundation and Rotary Germany.



Kayany formed a partnership with JESUIT REFUGEE SERVICE to coordinate and operate in the administration of the school.



















WINTERIZATION

COST PER



STUDENT \$ 650/YEAR

Following a successful partnership with the American University of Beirut, Kayany Foundation established two new schools in partnership with Friends of Kayany, Inc., a US nonprofit organization that shares the charitable mission of educating Syrian refugee children in Lebanon.

The project is divided into four components: education, child protection, nutrition, and food safety.

Education experts from AUB train the teachers on classroom management and child-centered teaching methods.



Additionally, professors from AUB create a nutrition curriculum that is incorporated in the weekly academic program and the teachers are trained on providing sessions on the importance of healthy nutrition.

In 2023, Kayany formed a partnership with MAPS to coordinate and operate in the administration of the school.













PER STUDENT \$ 650/YEAR

COST

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This is accomplished through the implementation of two shifts: the morning shifts cater to students in grades 3 to 6, while the afternoon shifts serve students in grades 7 to 9.

The Shabake 2 Project was designed in the framework of the localization of aid agenda and the need to strengthen Lebanese NGO capacities so that local recipients can take the lead in responding to crises generally and to the Syrianrefugee crisis in Lebanon.

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This is achieved through the implementation of morning shifts, serving students in grades 7 to 9.



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AWARDS

Lennon Ono Grant for Peace

The iconic international artist Ai Wei Wei has selected Kayany Foundation to be the beneficiary of the Lennon Ono Grant for Peace Award that he received in 2016. Yoko Ono established this international peace prize in the memory of her husband John Lennon from the Beatles. Ai Wei Wei visited Kayany's schools while filming his documentary "Human Flow." It was an honor for Kayany Foundation to be selected by him.

CMA-CGM AWARD

The CMA-CGM Corporate Foundation presented its 2016 Award to Kayany Foundation in appreciation of its humanitarian efforts and educational support for Syrian refugee children.

MACJANNET PRIZE FOR GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP

Our partners at the American University of Beirut CCECS won the 2016 MacJannet Prize for Global Citizenship in recognition of championed interventions engaging refugees and their Lebanese host communities. Kayany Foundation was a primary partner in many of these interventions and received acknowledgement for its efforts.





Recognition & Praise from Princeton University

Princeton University's Freshmen seminar FRS1S1 was very impressed with Kayany Foundation's efforts in Bekaa, Lebanon. During a 12 week analysis, FRS1S1 developed criteria for choosing NGO's to donate to, including factors such as the urgency, sustainability, effectiveness and impact of donations among others. FRS1S1 determined that Kayany matches their criteria and aligns with their mission of improving quality-of-life and providing opportunities for marginalized youth and women. As such \$5,000, was pledged (provided by the Palette Fund on behalf of Terrance Meck) to our psychological support programs. FRS1S1 commended our foundation for "incredible work in providing education and psychotherapy support" to children in the area, and the funds were allocated in January 2016. Kayany Foundation is most grateful for the acknowledgement of its educational and psychosocial efforts. Our thanks to Mr. Terrance Meck, Dr. Stanley Katz, Evan Lee, Andie Ayala and FRS1S1.

American Institute of Architects 2020 Collaborative Achievement Award

The American Institute of Architects announced the winner of its 2020 Collaborative Achievement Award, recognizing the Boston – based Global Design Initiative for Refugee Children (GDI) that established a playground in our primary school in Majdal Anjar, creating a communal area from modular, easily manipulated wood frames. The Collaborative Achievement Award recognizes and encourages distinguished achievements of design professionals, clients, organizations, architect teams, knowledge communities and others who have had a beneficial influence on or advanced the architectural profession.

Guide Star Gold Seal of Transparency 2020

Friends of Kayany earned the Gold Seal of Transparency from GuideStar, the world's largest database of nonprofit organizations. Less than five percent of non-profits registered with GuideStar are recognized with a Gold Seal. A Gold Seal status is the leading symbol of non-profit transparency and accountability.



GRATITUDE

The world is a better place because there is always someone out there helping others. We would like to express our words of thanks and appreciations to all our Friends and Partners for their generosity and support.



































































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