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Ventilators and Monitoring Medical Equipment

During the height of the COVID-19 Pandemic in Gaza, cases continued to rise, placing additional strain on an already overburdened and ill-equipped health care system.

This project supported healthcare service providers in Gaza by providing essential medical equipment in three target hospitals across Gaza, some of which are highlighted below.

The targeted hospitals selected were identified in the most underserved areas in Gaza.



Hayfa Medical Hospital

In 2020, with the outbreak of COVID-19 worldwide, the CJPME Foundation and the Coalition Of Canadian Palestinian Organizations launched their Palestine Medical Relief Campaign.

This campaign raised \$165,000 to help Palestinian medical facilities cope with the influx of COVID cases. This money enabled the Hayfa Medical Hospital to procure two ventilators, two medical monitors and two defibrillators. With this equipment, the hospital now has a complete intensive care unit, the only one serving northeast Gaza.



IDRF's field team visited the hospital and documented the attached photos. In interviews with the medical staff, they expressed the importance of having new ventilators and monitoring equipment in the ICU, especially with the increasing number of COVID cases for the past two years.

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Al Hakeem Fadel Saleh Al-dada

Medical professional
Hayfa Medical Hospital

Al Hakeem Fadel Saleh Al-dada is a medical professional that has been directly impacted by the provision of medical equipment to Hayfa Medical Hospital.

Al Hakeem states, "I have worked in Hayfa Medical Hospital for years, and with every emergency, our resources get depleted." He continues, "it felt especially different this time because the support was continuous. The equipment was here to stay".



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Islam Mushtaha

Medical professional
Hayfa Medical Hospital

Islam Mushtaha a medical professional that worked in Hayfa Medical Hospital during the bombardments of May 2021. Islam states, "I have noticed the support we got from the medical equipment had a significant impact on the patients, as it not only addressed their health needs but also lessened their financial burdens. People did not have to pay to receive those services, and that is much appreciated."

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Doctor

Eastern Gaza Hospital

The interviews highlighted further that Eastern Gaza did not have an Intensive Care Unit. A doctor stated, “We would have to turn them away to other hospitals if their situation worsened, which is the exact opposite of what should happen.” He continued

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European Gaza Hospital

This hospital received one ventilator and one monitoring screen. The European Gaza Hospital is explicitly used for COVID-19 patients. The additional ventilator and monitor have supported hundreds of COVID-19 patients since the implementation of this project.

The local IDRF team was unfortunately not allowed inside due to the increasing number of COVID cases and the patients' vulnerability inside the ICU. The medical staff has documented the following.

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**European Gaza Hospital
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Resident Doctor
Eastern Gaza Hospital

In an interview with our team, the medical staff of the European Gaza Hospital have expressed the much-needed support for the Gaza health care system.

In a quote from one of the resident doctors, "COVID cases are still going up; it is still a reality here even after two years." He continued, "the equipment received had a significant impact on the survival of the people in the ICU."

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