Annual Report
For WATAN
Year 2018
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Chairman Message

WATAN’s Plan for humanitarian response (beginning of 2018) focuses on Development and Education projects that support a strong foundation for the future of Syria and Syrians inside Syria and in the countries of refuge. It also focuses on developing Syrian refugee relations with host communities, and integration within them in order to build a promising future for coming generations by supporting their education and empowering them socially, financially and psychologically. Another focus is developing refugees’ capabilities and experiences to open the doors of hope for them.

For its seventh year running, and in co-operation with supporting parties, WATAN continues to fulfil the basic needs of refugees in Northern Syria and in neighbouring countries. Since we in WATAN also believe that it is essential to focus on Community development and the development of the individual, 2018 was extinguished by numerous achievements. We strove with our local and global partners to form a nucleus for building a promising future for the coming generations.
These projects did positively impact the direct beneficiaries, and actively contributed to an advanced level of Humanitarian work whereby there were secondary beneficiaries too. WATAN therefore expanded its projects in many sectors, including:

- Financial Empowerment projects, to help refugees integrate into the Job market in Turkey.
- Developing the work of educational programmes, increasing the number of schools inside Syria and providing University grants in host countries.
- The expansion of Women and Child Protection projects and opening Community Centres in a number of Turkish cities.
- Implementing projects that support stability and development in the area of Dare’ alforat.
- Quick responses to basic needs via shelter projects and health and medical services in Efrin and surrounding areas.

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Chairman
Moaz Al-Sibaai
About Us

Who we are

WATAN is a leading Civil Society Organization delivering emergency relief, third sector support and long-term international development projects.

WATAN is committed to helping people and reviving communities. WATAN is independent, non-governmental, apolitical and nonsectarian organization. We operate several integrated programs with the aim of addressing humanitarian emergency response and sustainable community revival through holistic and transformative approach.

We believe in the role of Civil Society in the various phases of intervention. Thus, we invest in supporting and developing Civil Society in our areas of reach. We also create platforms for coordination and integration to maximize impact on communities served.

To achieve our goal, we seek to be the preferred partner for international agencies in areas of specialization and reach.

WATAN was established in 2012 as a framework merging number of organizations and groups that had extensive community development work going back to 2006.

Mission

Our mission is to develop a sustainable, healthy and educated community, based on inclusive society that positively engages, supports and improves the lives of each individual, regardless of their gender, faith or ethnicity.

We deliver programs that rebuild lives and maintain community social cohesion by providing transformative programs in reliefs, post-conflict-peace-building, education, economic empowerment, advocacy and development of strong Civil Society.

Vision

Free and dignified world based on tolerance, respect, and social justice.

Purpose

To help nations heal, learn and prosper.

Our Culture

Well run organization, innovative, strong partnerships, collaborative, always-learning, independent, committed.

Focus

We put communities in the center because we know that fragmented intervention would not lead to a sustainable impact.

We believe in building strong Civil Society that would thrive on innovation, agility and continued transformation.

Values

Creativity, Transparency, Partnership, Respect.
Sustainability Framework:

Acil Durumlarda Erişim ve Yanıt

WATAN’s offices around the world:

- Jordan - Germany - Canada
  - Offices under construction
- Syria - Turkey - United Kingdom - United States
  - Active offices
- Iraq
  - Licensed Offices
  - Without external activity
WATAN’s Strategic Priorities

WATAN is keen for its services to have a sustainable positive impact within the communities that benefit from them. WATAN set strategic priorities for its work in 2018, which are concentrated around financial empowerment, education and youth, early recovery, social cohesion, fast responses to emergencies. These goals correspond with the needs of the benefactors in the areas of intervention and with WATAN’s plan for 2020 which outlines some projects WATAN plans to work on. These encompass its strategic priorities and include the following current projects:

Financial Empowerment
- Building capabilities for skilled workers.
- Entrepreneurship / Business Incubators.
- Women empowerment program.
- Small funding program.

Education and Youth
- Children and Youth centres - extra-curricular activities, sports, and life skills development.
- Inclusion of marginalised groups of people.
- Street children.

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Early Recovery

- Developing the Centre for Water and Drought Research.
- Developing civil management.

Social cohesion
- Community centres - a particular focus on women empowerment and education.
- Inclusive Protection - the elderly and individuals with special needs.

Responding quickly to emergencies
- Working on big projects to distribute necessities like food, shelter, non-food items, water, sanitation and hygiene in emergencies.
Board of Directors of WATAN

Moazz Al-Sibaai
Chairman
Founder of WATAN organization; 21 years experience in the private sector in Uk and Arab Gulf; volunteered in a number of non-profit organisations for 26 years.

Iman Ahmado
Board Member
One of WATAN founding members; 24 years work experience and 11 years experience in Voluntary work.

AbdulRahman Alhamdo
Board Member
One of WATAN founding members; 11 years experience in business entrepenurship in information technology; 6 years of volunteer work in vocational training networks and managing business start-up initiatives.

Majed Salem
Board Member
Joined WATAN in 2014; 11 years experience in Marketing, Sales and Business development; 2 years experience in essential strategic development for start-ups; experience in being a founder, participant and consultant in Voluntary work.

Fatema Obeid
Board Member
Joined WATAN in 2012; 9 years experience in Voluntary work.

Hikmat Walid
Board Member
Joined WATAN in 2015; 15 years experience in Network and Communication Technology in the UK and in the Gulf; a volunteer in a number of non-profit organisations for 8 years.
The Year 2018 in numbers

Through its Projects in Syria and Turkey in the Year 2018 WATAN was able to provide the following:

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<th>Program</th>
<th>Beneficiaries</th>
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<td>Education and Youth Program</td>
<td>27,533</td>
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<td>Economic Empowerment Program</td>
<td>1,160</td>
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<td>Food security &amp; livelihoods Program</td>
<td>57,447</td>
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<td>Third Sector and Institution Support Program</td>
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<td>Protection Program</td>
<td>42,899</td>
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<td>Health Program</td>
<td>123,655</td>
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<td>Water and Sanitation Program</td>
<td>3,732,864</td>
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<td>Shelter and non-food aid Program</td>
<td>319,536</td>
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Total number of beneficiaries: 4,313,994
WATAN’s programmes and projects
Water and Sanitation Program
Vision:
An international protective shield system that looks after the health of victims of disasters and conflicts via building advanced sanitation networks and providing safe and clean water; this will protect the health of the individuals in societies.

Mission:
Developing healthy, sustainable environments for the families and communities affected by conflicts.

Areas of experience

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<th>Area</th>
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<td>Water and hygiene</td>
<td>Insuring sustainable interventions and improving resource management to ensure access to sanitation and safe drinking water facilities.</td>
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<td>Environmental health</td>
<td>Co-operating with local authorities in the effective management of solid and dangerous waste. Organising innovative awareness campaigns about hygiene to promote hygiene practises in homes, schools and communities.</td>
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<td>Constant preparedness for emergency situations</td>
<td>Working with local authorities and communities to put into place plans and strategies that facilitate readiness to deal and with, and respond to, emergency situations.</td>
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<td>Renewable Energy</td>
<td>Increasing reliance on renewable energy in all interventions in order to provide an environmentally friendly source of energy.</td>
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Benefit of 2018: 3,732,864 beneficiaries

Partners of 2018: care, unicef, Concern worldwide
1. Supporting water and sanitation infrastructure in the provinces of Aleppo and Idleb Project

**Project’s aim:**
Improving accessibility of safe and healthy drinking water and improving environmental health and general health conditions.

**Project’s activities:**
Re-qualifying facilities for water supplies and sanitation and hygiene in health centres. Re-qualifying water networks, supporting operation and maintenance and setting up a collection system.

**Areas of Implementation**
Idleb - Aleppo

**Beneficiaries**
1,921,000
Project’s aim:
Improving access to safe drinking water and raising awareness among communities about healthy practises. Improving the environmental health and health conditions inside refugee camps and other communities in the provinces of Dar’aa, Quneitra and Suweyda.

Project’s activities:
• Reviving water systems via solar energy.
• Supporting the operation of water systems.
• Transporting water via lorries - 57 cubic metres daily.
• Monitoring water quality in 170 water stations.
• Assembling emergency toilets.
• Distributing hygiene equipment.
• The management of solid waste.

Areas of Implementation
Daraa - Quneitra - Suwayda

858,820 Beneficiaries
3. Promoting Water and Sanitation for local communities affected by the conflict Project

**Project’s aim:**
Promoting alternative sources of energy for community endurance.

**Project’s activities:**
- Reviving water systems via solar energy.
- Supporting the operation of water systems.
- Transporting water via lorries.
- Providing Emergency toilets.
- Distributing hygiene equipment.
- The management of solid waste.

**Areas of Implementation**
Daraa - Quneitra

**Beneficiaries**
107,156
4. Syria Resilience Project

Project’s aim:  
To support alternatives that enable communities to be resilient.

Project’s activities:  
Facilitating the re-operation of 30 irrigation wells. Building capacities to enable the use of alternative technologies. Implementing the best alternative options for agricultural practises including water and irrigation networks.

Areas of Implementation  
Daraa - Quneitra

388  
Beneficiaries
Project’s aim:
To completely support the provision of water and sanitation to vulnerable families.

Project’s activities:
• Assembling emergency toilets.
• Distributing toilet cleaning materials.
• Supporting the removal of deposits from Sanitary storage.
• Supporting the management of solid waste.
• Promoting hygiene.
• Building the capacity of volunteers in the community and of other community structures.

Areas of Implementation
Daraa

9,500 Beneficiaries
6. Distributing Sodium Hypo-chlorite to 170 wells Project

Project’s aim:
Setting up monitoring of the quality of water in Dar’a, Quneitra and Suweyda.

Project’s activities:
Monitoring the quality of water in 200 water stations.

Areas of Implementation
Daraa - Quneitra - Suwayda

836,000 Beneficiaries
Shelter and non-food aid Program
Shelter and non-food aid Program

Vision:
A strong base for re-building the lives of people, adversely affected by the conflict, by providing safe shelter whereby healthy living conditions are facilitated along with ensuring the privacy and dignity of the individuals. To meet the needs of internally displaced individuals by providing non-food aid and necessities for shelter and tents in Northern Syria.

Mission:
To provide safe shelter, facilitating healthy living conditions and ensuring the privacy and dignity of the individuals and families in refugee camps or in temporary or permanent housing. Other components of the Program include distributing non-food items to needy people for their daily use, like seasonal clothing, cooking utensils, heating and shelter equipment.

Areas of experience

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<td>• Re-qualifying temporary and permanent shelter centres for decent living.</td>
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<td>• Re-qualifying houses, infrastructure and public services.</td>
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<td>• Providing emergency tents for displaced families</td>
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<td>• Supporting host families.</td>
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<th>Distributing non-food items in emergency situations</th>
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<td>Providing necessary non-food items during the displacement journey and when refuge has been found (blankets, mattresses, cooking utensils, health baskets).</td>
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<th>Supporting mobile shelters</th>
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<td>Providing seasonal and complimentary items (Clothes, heating and cooking fuel, shelter maintenance materials).</td>
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<th>Providing support for permanent housing</th>
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<td>Distributing and setting up new tents and replacing old tents with new ones in official camps.</td>
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Benefit of 2018: 319,536 beneficiaries

Partners of 2018:
Shelter and non-food aid Projects

1. With the refugees in Northern Syria

Project’s aim:
Meeting the needs of internally displaced people for non-food items and shelter materials in Northern Syria.

Project’s activities:
• Distributing packs of important relief items.
• Distributing shelter packs.
• Distributing tents and setting them up.

Areas of Implementation
Idleb - Rural Aleppo

252,000 Beneficiaries

Distributing the main relief items - Idleb
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Distributing tents and setting them up - Idleb
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2. A warm winter for the Syrian refugees

Project’s aim:
The aim of the Project is to meet the needs of internally displaced people, for fuel and winter clothing.

Project’s activities:
- Distributing fuel for heating.
- Distributing winter clothing.

Areas of Implementation
Efrin

1,536
Beneficiaries
3. With the refugees in Southern Syria

**Project’s aim:**
Meeting the needs of internally displaced people in Southern Syria for non-food items and shelter materials.

**Project’s activities:**
- Distributing basic relief items packs.
- Distributing shelter packs.

**Areas of Implementation**
Daraa - Quneitra

![Map of Syria with Daraa and Quneitra marked]

54,000 Beneficiaries

![Images of people receiving aid in Daraa and Quneitra]

Distributing shelter packs - Daraa
Distributing basic relief items packs - Quneitra

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Project’s aim:
Meeting the needs of internally displaced people for non-food items.

Project’s activities:
• Distributing non-food items.

Areas of Implementation
Rural Idleb

12,000 Beneficiaries
Health Program
Vision:
Medical care, medicines and skilled doctors safely reach all individuals affected by disasters and conflicts in besieged, and hard-to-reach areas. Those individuals attain their human rights to physical and mental well being within a global health system.

Mission:
To participate in building a stable health system in disaster and conflict areas by providing humanitarian health aid. Focusing particularly on the most vulnerable individuals, Repairing medical centres ruined by war and strengthening co-operation and medical information systems in order to improve the efficiency of life saving medical responses.

Areas of experience

| Supporting medical centres | Providing medical care services to those that need it and helping to reduce mortality rates through support and delivering supplies. |
| Responding to Emergencies | Repairing emergency facilities and equipment so that they can be used again. |
| Medical Diagnosis | Labarotaries and X-ray services. |

Benefit of 2018: 123,655 beneficiaries

Partners of 2018:
Project’s aim:
• To contribute to the provision of primary healthcare like check-ups, laboratory tests and x-rays as well as surgical services (orthopaedic) for those affected by the lack of medical services.
• To help maintain medical staff by procuring monthly salaries.

Project’s activities:
The Project consists of four medical centres
• Khair 1: Centre for Primary healthcare which includes the following clinics: Internal medicine - Gynaecology - Pediatric - Ear - Dental - Eye, as well as an x-ray department and the Centre’s own laboratory.
• Khair 2: laboratory and Blood donation bank - which carries out all types of laboratory testing in addition to providing Oxygen cylinders (due to the presence of an Oxygen generating station) for patients in centres and hospitals that need them.
• Khair 3: Thalassaemia Centre and Blood bank - which supports Thalassaemia patients through treatment, blood transfusions, electric testing, in addition to complete laboratory tests (chemical and blood).
• Amal (Hope) Hospital for orthopaedic surgery: consisting of Orthopaedic clinic as well as small and big orthopaedic surgical operations.

Areas of Implementation
Rural Aleppo: A’zaz - Marea
Idleb - Rurla Idleb - Kansafra

8400 beneficiaries per month for all project centers
2. Kafr Janneh medical centre

**Project’s aim:**
The Project helps reduce illness and mortalities in the area of Efrin.

**Project’s activities:**
Primary Healthcare services (PHC), a third level in KufrJana whereby services are provided for the treatment of different illnesses: contagious and non-contagious ones, re-productive health, children’s health, small accidents, nutrition, and dentistry.

**Providing Healthcare through:**
1. Contracting staff.
2. Providing health services.
3. Providing medicines free of cost.
4. Covering the Centre’s monthly running costs.
5. Monitoring and evaluating all the activities carried out in the centre throughout period of the Project.

**Building the capacities of the medical team:**
1. Joining training.
2. Drawing up a plan for training and providing the necessary material for it.
3. Identifying suitable trainees.

**Mobile clinics covered the following areas:**
Kamrouk, Medanki, Qatmeh.

**Increasing Community Health awareness via Community Health Workers:**
1. Distributing Health guides, which include different health topics, in areas that have been identified previously.
2. Monthly home visits and discussing different topics during these visits, like Early marriage, contagious illnesses, head lice, environmental pollution, breastfeeding etc.
3. Monthly awareness campaigns at the Centre.
4. Arranging shift work for nurses so that emergencies at night are covered.

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**Areas of Implementation**
Aleppo / Afrin / Sharan / Kafr Janneh

2800 beneficiaries of the Center’s services and mobile clinics
280 beneficiaries home visits and awareness sessions
Health Projects

Kafr Janneh Medical center - Kafr Janneh
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Kafr Janneh Medical center - Kafr Janneh
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Aleppo
Project’s aim:
The Project helps reduce illness and mortalities in the area of Efrin.

Project’s activities:
Primary Healthcare services (PHC), a third level in KufrJana whereby services are provided for the treatment of different illnesses: contagious and non-contagious ones, re-productive health, children’s health, small accidents, nutrition, and dentistry. This targets all groups of people - inhabitants of the area and refugees.

Providing Healthcare through:
1. Contracting staff.
2. Providing Health services.
3. Covering the Centre’s monthly running costs.
Education and Youth Program
Vision:
A healthy and educated society where all its members co-operate in putting an end to ignorance, violence and extremism. A society that considers that the education of all its groups will create a strong foundation for society’s development and stability, thereby building a bright future.

Mission:
The implementation of creative educational strategies, for intervention in communities adversely affected by disasters and conflicts. Providing solutions to the current and future needs of targeted groups, building academic and educational capabilities, nurturing talent and encouraging creativity.

Areas of experience

| Formal and non-formal education | • Supporting and operating schools and educational centres.  
• Building the skills and knowledge of staff.  
• Promoting life skills and providing community integration programs. |
| Supporting and empowering youth | • Professional training and building capacity.  
• University scholarships for students and upcoming university students.  
• Practical training and volunteering activities, and community activities. |
| Supporting educational bodies and institutions | • Building the capacity of educational institutions.  
• Building the capacities of educational staff. |

Benefit of 2018: 27,533 beneficiaries

Partners of 2018:
Project’s aim:  
Through this Project WATAN seeks to secure formal and non-formal education for the children and youth affected by the crises in Syria and Turkey - within a psychologically and intellectually healthy and supportive environment. This would be through operating and managing official and non-official schools, along with monitoring student progress and needs during the academic year:

Formal Education:  
Responding to urgent educational needs. Operating schools in villages and camps; providing approved curriculum for the primary educational stages, from 5-17 year olds, and ensuring a suitable environment with qualified staff. Continuous monitoring of students to make sure their educational level is improving.

Informal Education:  
Providing informal education classes for students that have been absent from education or those delayed in their learning - via lessons that strengthen basic skills in Languages, Maths and Science.

Re-qualifying schools and ensuring education for all groups:  
Increasing safe and fair access for Syrian children and youth (5-17 year olds) from vulnerable groups to formal and informal education. Setting up safe places for learning and renewing them so that they are capable of meeting all the needs of children with Special Educational needs.

Psychological support and guidance:  
Taking care of the mental health and well being of students inside and outside school via implementing regular psychological support activities. Following up and treating special cases through co-ordination and co-operation between families and schools and, referrals to specialised centres when necessary.

Voluntary Participation:  
Affirming the value of Voluntary work via organising and promoting Voluntary campaigns and activities. Participation of WATAN’s Schools’ pupils and supervising staff in these campaigns which are aimed at advocacy for Civil issues and basic Rights as well as Health awareness.

Non-classroom based activities and Scouting camps:  
Scheduling life skills training, including social, intellectual and sports activities, into the academic Year Schedule to enhance communication and adaptation skills. Scout’s camps which allow the student to gain personal experience and learn humanitarian values and principles.
Increasing the sustainability of current educational projects:
The Program is forming a parent-teacher association whose main role is to increase co-ordination between the school’s management and the local community. This ensures local community insight into activities encouraging moral and material support of the Program’s goals thereby ensuring the community is a partner in the work.
2. Supporting University Education

Project’s aim:
The Program is forming a parent-teacher association whose main role is to increase co-ordination between the school’s management and the local community. This ensures local community insight into activities encouraging moral and material support of the Program’s goals thereby ensuring the community is a partner in the work.

University grants:
Attaining a University scholarship for Syrian students in Turkey to cover their studying needs and to enable them financially to continue their education and excel at it.

University Preparation Scholarships:
Providing courses in English and Turkish to future Turkish University students to help them enrol in Turkish Universities.

Training and Volunteering:
The Foundation sponsored Voluntary groups from among the students who have been accepted on the Supporting University Education Program to enhance the role of youth in serving society. Furthermore the Foundation trained the students in developing practical and management skills by allowing them to join the Trainees team in the organisation.
Education and Youth Projects

3. Training and capacity building

Project’s aim:
The Foundation worked on developing capabilities and improving staff’s managerial and educational knowledge in schools within camps in the province of Idleb by delivering a number of training programs to teachers. These focused on improving classroom management and good practice in working with children, e.g. active learning, life skills for students, creative thinking, co-operative learning, efficient management.

Areas of Implementation
Turkey/ Reyhanlı - Syria / Rural Idlib

1,042 Beneficiaries
Economic Empowerment Program
**Economic Empowerment Program**

**Vision:**  
Supporting the sustainability of human development. Reducing poverty to empower vulnerable individuals and groups to improve their current financial situation via activities to better living conditions.

**Mission:**
- Financially empowering individuals and groups via programs to build skills in small business management. Professional exercises. Sponsoring, guiding, and connecting them to job opportunities.
- Supporting individuals and groups in setting up, speeding up and growing their private businesses, with the opportunity to enter the official economy.
- Helping internally displaced people and refugees to adapt easily. Building social cohesion between them and their host communities.

**Areas of experience**

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<th>Developing Market and Partnership systems</th>
<th>Through analysing the market system and intervening to raise awareness of dangers and adaptation techniques. Working with current active parties in the market. Using systematic simplification, and supporting the growth of small organisations within market systems.</th>
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<td>Providing financial services</td>
<td>Through supporting the local supplier of financial services by using official financial service providers for monetary transfers. Understanding local rules and standards, and following consumer protection bills.</td>
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<td>Supporting employment and job markets</td>
<td>By presenting suitable jobs through intervention based on the job market, and supporting job sustainability.</td>
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<td>Small and medium company incubators and business incentives</td>
<td>Through technical Support and training businessmen and transferring businesses and technology.</td>
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<td>Developing high level skills</td>
<td>Through intensive Professional training and specialised courses.</td>
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**Benefit of 2018:**

1,160 beneficiaries

**Partners of 2018:**

[Partnership logos]
Project’s aim:
This Project aims at reviving and improving the financial situation of internally displaced and returning people, as well as business owners and the host community in the province of Aleppo.

Project’s activities:
• Training according to the Businesses development plan.
• A support group for businesses of small and medium organisations.

Areas of Implementation
Syria / E’zaz

1,160 Beneficiaries

1. Supporting the revival of the financial sector and its stability in Northern Syria
2. Syrian access to the Turkish job market

Project’s aim:
Supporting competent Syrian professionals in addition to unqualified Syrian and Turkish labourers. Helping develop the Turkish economy by presenting the Turkish job market with their services and experience.

Project’s activities:
- Teaching the Turkish language.
- Specialised workshops.
- Founding partnerships.
- Affiliation program.
- Professional training program.
- Network activities.

Areas of Implementation
Turkey/ Istanbul - Ankara
Third Sector and Institution Support Program
**Vision:**
A strong civil Society that efficiently and competently responds to humanitarian and developmental needs.

**Mission:**
This Program was designed to support Civil Society organisations, the people that work in them, and their beneficiaries. Providing quality support programs in building capacity, and co-ordinating advocacy campaigns and development projects between different Civil Society organisations.

**Areas of experience**

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<th>Providing comprehensive services to local Civil Society organisations including sponsorship, consultancy, advocacy and financial support. Enabling Civil Society to play its natural role in building communities.</th>
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<td>Building capacity</td>
<td>Building the capacity of local organisations - in different fields - and their employees through training. Using different available tools to promote their development and stability and consequently achieve their individual and collective goals.</td>
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<td>Co-ordination</td>
<td>Providing electronic platforms that support the co-ordination between local Civil Society groups. Facilitating connections and information exchanges on an operative and managerial level.</td>
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**Benefit of 2018:**
8,900 beneficiaries

**Partners of 2018:**

CURE VIOLENCE

Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs
1. Combating violence Project

Project’s aim:
Opposing and limiting the spread of local violence and changing general perceptions around violence inside Syria.

Project’s activities:
• TOT training to 9 trainers in Idleb and Aleppo.
• Brainstorming and preparing ideas prior to training – by trainers.
• Local training – each trainer among the five proposed trainers will deliver the training to 20 individuals.
• Benefactors will visit the most popular local and private gatherings in the city and prepare 20 ideas and initiatives to present as memorandums and suggested projects to resolve the issue of violence inside Syria.
• WATAN monitors these ideas and suggestions to develop and market them.

Areas of Implementation
Rural Idleb - Rural Aleppo

1,100 Beneficiaries
2. WATAN’s statistics in training for the Year 2018

Management Programs: 147 trainees
Agricultural Management: 129 trainees
Project Management: 36 trainees
Strategic management: 60 trainees
Media: 54 trainees
Humanitarian sector: 46 trainees
Electronic marketing: 66 trainees
Educational programs: 216 trainees

Entrepreneurship: 66 trainees
Medical training: 96 trainees
Financial management: 69 trainees
Management skills: 63 trainees
Psychological support: 160 trainees
Information Technology: 310 trainees
Logistic and supply chains: 30 trainees

The number of training programs - geographically

Syria - 32
Turkey - 28
Food security & livelihoods Program
# Food security & livelihoods Program

**Vision:**
The food safety and livelihoods Program envisions a world where extreme poverty and starvation are abolished. A dignified living for every family is guaranteed whereby everyone has access to healthy and nutritious food. To plant hope in the hearts of the youth and enable them to build flourishing and sustainable livelihoods.

**Mission:**
Strengthening the resilience of families adversely affected by disasters and conflicts by strengthening their livelihoods, protecting their property and reducing adverse effects on them. Ensure their ability to fulfill their own basic needs better and to access activities that will support their well being.

## Areas of experience

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**Benefit of 2018:**

57,447 beneficiaries

**Partners of 2018:**
Project’s aim:
To increase livelihood opportunities for families and communities across Harem so that they are more able to adapt and deal with the harsh conditions.

Project’s activities:
• Money in return for work.
• Training for different trades.
• Education scholarships for internal training and apprenticeship.
• Veterinary services.
• Distributing agricultural input and livestock.
• Village Savings and Loans groups.
• Livestock input.
• Mine awareness training.
• Facilitating plans to partner with benefactors.
• Repairing infrastructure for livelihood.

Areas of Implementation
Idleb - Harem

14,042 Beneficiaries
Project’s aim:
This leading project aims to directly help and support 500 olive farmers adversely affected by the conflict, 25 women, and 5 factories in the province of Idleb. Providing services that focus on curbing the dangers, market value chain input, and providing input and farming equipment to support basic activities that play a crucial role in the quality of olive produce. This in turn helps farmers increase their resources and consequently improve their income by selling better quality produce to the local market. This has a positive knock-on affect on the entire chain.

Project’s activities:
• Providing basic services: Ploughing, pruning, pesticide treatment, harvesting, pressure, distributing organic fertilisers, marketing.
• Setting up field schools for the farmers.
• Evaluating the needs of olive oil mills and providing equipment and infrastructure to make them work properly again.
• Training oil mill workers on marketing and discovering new markets.
• Promoting household produce by women.

Areas of Implementation
Idleb - Jisr Al-Shughur

618
Beneficiaries
**Project’s aim:**
This project aims to contribute to the endurance of the agricultural sector in Idleb and Northern Aleppo. Creating and providing livelihood opportunities by intervening in other sectors in the value chain, building manufacturing infrastructure, supporting services, ensuring food safety for affected families, and dealing with the effects of drought on agriculture by co-operating with local authorities.

The Project targeted interventions on four secondary levels: Crops (Wheat, Olives, Vegetables and sheep).

**Project’s activities:**

**First aim:**
- Building farmers’ and possible business owners’ technical and entrepreneurship skills.
- Setting up farming groups and building their capacity.
- Handing over farming input to farmers.
- Marketing activity to support farmers’ produce distribution, including setting up and supporting local markets.
- Setting up, preparing and renting out agricultural produce structures and generating income.
- Starting up businesses.

**Second aim:**
- Building the agriculture ministry’s - and local authority’s - capacity in management, entrepreneurship, managing drought, and managing land.
- Preparing a plan for drought management and land records.
- Carrying out an evaluation of the condition of the land, crops and animals in all areas.
- Distributing products in the community.
Project’s aim:
Supporting the value chain of Olives.

Project’s activities:
• Olive harvests for benefactors.
• Extracting olive oil.
• Making olives ready for eating.
• Distributing mineral fertilisers to new beneficiaries.
• Providing pruning services to new farmers.
• Buying olive oil from beneficiaries.
• Providing ploughing services.

Areas of Implementation
Idleb / Harem - Armanaz

2,884 Beneficiaries
5. Quick emergency help to families adversely affected by the conflict in Syria - second stage

Project’s aim:
Immediately reducing the suffering of Syrian refugees and host communities by providing activities that support livelihood in an appropriate way and time.

Project’s activities:
- Supporting the value chain of wheat in Maaret elNouman.
- Reducing the suffering of animal herders in Kufrenbil.

Areas of Implementation
Idleb

2,600
Beneficiaries
**Project’s aim:**
Value chains “Olive value chain, Milk produce, livestock value chains.

**Project’s activities:**
- Olive value chain guide services.
- Distributing pesticides.
- Pruning and harvesting.
- Grafting project.
- Training Veterinary trainers.
- A mobile clinic.
- Supporting institutions.
- Professional training.

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**Areas of Implementation**

Idleb / Aleppo

**18,000 Beneficiaries**
7. Ramadan Project

Project’s aim:
Immediate relief of Syrian refugee and host community suffering by providing healthcare services in an appropriate way and time. Promoting food safety and distributing basic non-food items to help the endurance of families in winter.

Project’s activities:
- giving 900 Syrian refugees electronic vouchers to buy food and non-food items.
- Giving 1200 Syrian refugees to buy winter items.
- Providing blue insulating blankets to families living in tents to improve their living conditions in winter and protect them from the cold weather.
- Providing special cleaning materials and non-food items like nappies, milk etc to families that have children.

Areas of Implementation
Turkey / Gaziantep - Urfa

11,550
Beneficiaries

Commutal Iftar - Gaziantep
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8. Adahi (Sacrificial meat) Project

Project’s aim:
Distributing meat to 3700 beneficiaries

Project’s activities:
• Helping Adahi providers fulfill this noble act and deliver it to the needy
• Distributing Adahi meat in Turkey and Syria

Areas of Implementation
Turkey / Gaziantep - Urfa | Idled / Qufqin

3,700 Beneficiaries
Protection Program
Vision:
We aspire for a world where basic human rights are recognised and respected globally by all. A world where violence based on social group, sexual exploitation and other types of violence are stamped out - A healthy environment for the coming generations and strong and cohesive civil societies that participate positively in improving the life of all its individuals regardless of sex, creed or race.

Mission:
• This Project works on achieving safety, dignity and human rights with the aim of reducing exposure to harm and humiliation To ensure that humanitarian aid gets to the needy in a neutral manner - without discrimination or fear from physical or psychological harm.
• Protecting the rights and well being of those adversely affected by the crisis and helping vulnerable groups fulfil their basic needs and widen their opportunities to fulfil their potential.
• Ensuring the implementation of international standards for human protection for all vulnerable individuals and groups affected by the conflict and disasters.

Areas of experience

| Protection          | • Child protection.  
|                    | • Women empowerment.  
|                    | • Developing the implementation to Protection policies in Project plans and monitoring their implementation in all programs. |
| Raising Awareness  | Through raising awareness of risks, raising community awareness about violence based on social group and building the capacity of workers in the humanitarian field - in the field of general protection. |
| Supporting Orphans | Providing a dignified life and comprehensive support to orphans. |
| Community centres  | • Providing psychological and community support services.  
|                    | • Raising awareness of all kinds of abuse.  
|                    | • Using a strategy to facilitate the integration of refugees into the existing systems in host countries. |

Benefit of 2018: 42,899 beneficiaries

Partners of 2018:

- PARCiC
- DANISH REFUGEE COUNCIL
- GOAL
- World Vision
- Dünya Vizyonu
1. WATAN centre for community support

**Project’s aim:**
Providing information and assistance in the field of protection for refugees in Turkey and connecting them to Protection services.

**Project’s activities:**
- Providing psycho-social support sessions to protect against existing risks based on social group.
- Providing psycho-social support by giving personal confidential consultations to beneficiaries that require to see mental health professionals.
- Providing group sessions to raise personal and community awareness in order to improve focus on better results.
- Conducting legal sessions about a number of topics and giving legal advice to attendees.
- Individual identification of child protection cases and cases of violence based on social group - by a qualified Protection team. Case management and aiding individual protection to reduce identified dangers and protect individuals against them.

**Areas of Implementation**
- Izmir - Mersin

**Beneficiaries**
14,159
Protection Projects

2. Travel safety information

Project’s aim:
The main aim of the project is to raise and increase the awareness of dangers of explosive war remnants and mines and reducing the number of casualties by changing behaviours.

Project’s activities:
The Project provides awareness session on the dangers of mines and war remnants.

Areas of Implementation
Urfa - Kilis - Antakya

22,500 Beneficiaries

Urfa - Kilis - Antakya
Project’s aim:
The main aim is to give Syrian children in rural and agricultural areas access to the Turkish Education System. To provide these children with suitable protection including safe spaces where children who are not schooled are assisted in their learning.

Project’s activities:
• Organising awareness sessions for parents who are disinterested in education and have children that are disinterested in going to school.
• Organising regular activities for children in villages who do not attend school.
• Co-ordinating with specialised agencies to help vulnerable children gain access to social care services and medical support.
4. Care of orphans Project

This is one of WATAN’s projects that started in 2013 due to the increasing number of orphans as a result of the ongoing conflict in Syria. The Project provides a number of activities including comprehensive psychological support, healthcare and education. Celebrations are also organised in festive periods and the orphans are given seasonal gifts and clothes.

Areas of Implementation

Syria - Turkey

1240 Beneficiaries
WATAN's sixth Annual Convention
Aspiring Future
WATAN’s Annual Convention Opening Ceremony was held in Elite World Hotel in Istanbul on Thursday 15th February 2018 and was attended by Turkey’s First Lady Amina Erdogan and more than 600 Arab and International figures. Active Civil Society representatives and the main sponsors’ representatives gathered in the Ceremony, in addition to Government representatives and international and academic figures who are active in responding to needs in Syria and Turkey.

There was a focus on developing work strategies geared towards building a better future for groups targeted by the organisations that gathered in the conference. This was in line with the Conference’s slogan “Aspiring future”.

Mrs Amina Erdogan in her opening speech: “We are all gathered here today around a Human chain – from different ethnicities, religions and languages but with one focus - to answer the call and find true solutions. Together, to find the solutions for our grandchildren, to treat the wounds that are bleeding. Healing is what revives the human. I believe our problem today is ethical and not political or diplomatic as the issue is essentially an ethical one. We are facing a global system that leaves a child without a father, mother, family or home. There must be a revolution to awaken the human conscience. We must concur around a methodology set by international organisations and states and civil society organisations. In the past our Syrian brethren lived in houses and neighbourhoods and in a homeland but now they have been forced migrate and seek refuge in different countries around the world. As a mother I find this unacceptable.”

The first day also included the opening of WATAN’s Forum for assisting humanitarian organisations, which was held from the 15th to the 17th of February at the same place the Conference was held. A groupchosen from various training organisations, companies and centres, exhibited its products and services in the humanitarian field.

The Sixth Convention included the first meeting for setting up a high calibre platform for workers in the humanitarian field who actively respond to the needs of Syrians in Syria and in Turkey. The Sustainable Intervention Forum included a discussion session that brought Turkish government delegates together with the main sponsors, local and international
There must be a revolution to awaken the human conscience. We must concur around a methodology set by international organisations and states and civil society organisations.

From the speech of First Lady Amina Erdogan at the opening ceremony of WATAN 6th Annual Convention
activist. The session focused on finding strategies that strengthen the response of Ecological systems by creating an active forum in the long term and continued support from interested actors from the Turkish side.

The Convention also included WATAN’s first Training Forum where the latest training programs - were delivered - on important topics that are relevant to this period of response. The aim was development and growth among the youth, promoting their advancement and increasing their active participation in the academic and professional future. Consequently elevating them in the work and social life within wider society.

WATAN is a leading organisation in Civil and Humanitarian work. It continuously tries to widen and develop its success and strengthen the connections between members of WATAN’s network, and between Friends of the Foundation, partners and Supporters. This is why WATAN’s sixth convention focused on all areas that support Syrian efforts, not only inside Syria but also Syrians in countries of refuge.

WATAN’s sixth convention also hosted a number of specialised workshops which included the launch of the first civil society bill particular to the Syrian case. Within the same context there were professional workshops in the fields of education, health, protection, financial support, and social support - in countries of refuge and transition.

The organisations that are affiliated to WATAN’s network (over 50 local organisations) held their annual conference. This was aimed at strengthening co-operation and unity between WATAN’s Programs and the network’s own Programs in order to support their team and to develop a strategy for communication and continuous co-operation.

On the margins of the convention WATAN held a concert on the second day of the Conference. This was attended by a huge audience which exceeded 1200 people.

The evening included a theatrical show, poetry readings and singing in the presence of hundreds of people from the Syrian Community residing in the Turkish city of Istanbul. The concert, which was led by the singers Yahya Hawa and Mustafa AlAzzawi, lasted three and a half hours and included the participation of many Syrian children and families who live in Istanbul. A concert, stemming from the heart, is one of the annual events that are held as part of WATAN’s annual convention.

We would like to express our heartfelt thanks to the Turkish government and people for sharing the Syrian people’s hopes and pains, and for their continued support and generously hosting WATAN’s convention during the last six years.

We would like to also thank every sponsor of the Conference, NORWAC, the Norwigen foreign ministry, the Dutch Foreign Ministry, Afad, the Turkish Red Crescent, and Namaa Organisation.

Together we will build aspiring future.
WATAN Network Conference is an annual conference held within WATAN’s annual conference. The Conference was held on the 14th of February 2018 and attended by 46 member organisations affiliated to WATAN – consisting of 60 Managers and leadership representatives of Humanitarian and Civil society work. The Conference began with a speech by WATAN Network Co-ordinator Rami Musa, followed by a promo video of WATAN Network which included a description of the Network and its achievements in the Year 2017, the number of member organisations and their geographical distribution. After that the Conference was officially opened by Moaaz Al-Sibaai, Head of WATAN’s Management Board, with an opening speech which thanked the attendees and explained the importance of collective work and substantial co-ordination between member organisations. He also explained that the Network is a long term strategic project and that the journey would be a long one where we will come across difficulties together, which we will get over - God willing. After that a workshop was held - entitled Future Scenarios of Syrian Civil Society work – led by Hosam Shaker. This had many outcomes, the most important of which was “Obstacles to Civil Society work and suggested solutions”. In another workshop the roles of Co-ordination networks and the nature of their work was discussed. Also discussed was how to provide wider services than before, which contributed to the outlining of WATAN Network’s Strategic Plan for the Year 2018, and the provision of more and better services to all members of the Networks.
WATAN Network co-ordinated the operations of the Syrian Networks Association in the middle of 2018 which coincided with one of the most important civil events: The four humanitarian Platforms’ Elections (SSG - ISG - HLG - ICCG). These platforms carry out humanitarian co-ordination operations across borders and outline Strategic Plans for Humanitarian Response in Syria. More than 90 Syrian organisations participated in the electoral process which was hosted by WATAN Network in the city of Gazi Intab. 8 candidates were nominated to run in the electoral process - 3 of which were successful - including WATAN - and gained 3 out of the four seats. It is noteworthy to mention that the Syrian Networks Association was set up in 2015 and includes most of the Syrian networks that are working on the Syrian case: WATAN Network, The Syrian Charity Forum, The Union of Civil Society Organisations, the General Syrian Union, Eilaf Union, SNA Coalition). The Association is considered the highest co-ordinating body in the process of Syrian Humanitarian Response and is mainly active in the city of Gazi Intab - where most Syrian Organisations are. The Association holds monthly co-ordination meetings, civil work updates and The Four Humanitarian Platform for Syrian organisations updates.
WATAN’s participation in International Forums

1. Innovation 4 Crisis Conference

WATAN participated in this Conference which was held in Amman, Jordan. WATAN was invited by the Develepment Program which is affiliated to the United Nations UNDP. The event focused on finding new, more effective, joint solutions to face crisis that have lasted a long time, and the Syrian Humanitarian crisis in particular. The Conference’s events included Learning and Innovation sessions whereby attendees shared their innovative works in order to extend learning and ability to innovate in Humanitarian Response. WATAN was also rewarded the award for Creativity for its excellent response to the Syrian Crisis.

2. High Level Official meetings on Syria

Due to WATAN’s eagerness to be an influential member in the decision making process - in relation to Syrian Civil Society and its promising future - WATAN accepted the invitation, that was made by the European Union and the United Nations, to attend. These meetings had resulted from the Brussels Conference which were held in Oslo from 19-20 March 2018 and in Berlin 22-23 March 2018.

The meetings discussed pressing humanitarian issues that have resulted from the current situation in Syria. Also discussed was the humanitarian element of the second Brussels conference on Syria which was held between the 24-25 April, and assisting in the preparation for the Humanitarian part of the upcoming third Brussels conference. The meetings also supported the International Humanitarian Community in strengthening its ability to respond to Emergency situations.

3. NGO Forum

The NGO Forum was founded in 2012/13 as an independent voluntary co-ordination committee. It is made up of NGOs and non-profit organisations that actively participate in leading the humanitarian responses to the Syrian Crisis across borders (From and to Turkey). WATAN is considered to be an essential member of the NGO Forum for the last three years whereby it hosted a number of members from the NGO forum.

4. The Strategic Direction Group (SSG) for the Humanitarian response to Syria from all sides

Membership (from all angles):
- Forums for the co-ordination of International NGOs; Co-ordinating humanitarian matters office
- Monitors: The International Red Crescent committee, The International Union of Red Cross and Red Crescent charities, The Arab Syrian Red Crescent
- WATAN has been a member in the Leadership Committee since last year and attends all the Strategic meetings that are concerned with refugee matters and with the Syrian Crisis in general.
Success and Challenges

The Year 2018 witnessed large waves of emigration from Eastern Ghouta, Rural Northern Homs and the city of Daraa – towards Northern Syria. This suddenly and substantially increased the numbers of refugees.

The waves of collective migration posed a huge challenge – to workers in the humanitarian field, among them WATAN – Services needed to be provided for those refugees in addition to refugees that were previously in the Province of Idleb and in rural Aleppo.

However, thanks to the huge effort and fast co-ordination between the Program Managers and the Sponsors’ Affairs Managers in the Foundation, and, the supporting managers and their teams on the ground - WATAN was able to cover a substantial number of needs. This was through a rapid response in a record time frame, providing food, shelter and health services to refugees.

The biggest challenge faced was in besieged areas as a result of a shortage in working personnel. However WATAN was able to train and build the capacity of new personnel to increase the number of workers in the humanitarian field.
### The Financial Report

**Programs Finance**

- **Food Security & Livelihoods**: 16.6% ($3,618,787)
- **Health**: 10.0% ($2,186,876)
- **Protection**: 44.2% ($9,623,443)
- **Shelter & NFI**: 1.4% ($300,345)
- **Economic Empowerment**: 1.3% ($283,831)
- **Civil Society Support**: 13.7% ($2,979,287)
- **WASH**: 8.7% ($1,893,276)
- **Education**: 13.7% ($2,979,287)

**Total**: $21,753,261

**Funding Sources**

- **Donation**: 2.0% ($455,339)
- **INGOs & Donors**: 98.0% ($21,297,922)

**Total**: $21,753,261

**Distribution Resources**

- **Operating Expenses**: 94.6% ($20,562,941)
- **Admin Expenses**: 5.4% ($1,190,320)

**Total**: $21,753,261
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