



# Your Impact

2024

Islamic Relief South Africa





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# Letter from the CEO

2024 has been another year of immense hardship for communities across the world. We are navigating a time marked by profound challenges, but also resilience and hope – hope that you continue to inspire with your unyielding support and generosity.

In 2024 you helped bring emergency relief and innovative solutions to communities facing unimaginable crises all over the world. In total, you supported over **17 million people**, *Subhan'Allah*.

The unprecedented scale of disaster across Gaza-Palestine, Sudan and Yemen, has not stopped us from delivering on our promise to be there for those in need. Our heroic staff on the ground consistently provided urgent food, medical aid, and essential supplies throughout 2024, even in the direst of circumstances - **and your faith in us made this possible**.

In areas where war and conflict, economic decline and the climate crisis continue to exacerbate poverty and displacement, we know relief alone isn't enough, and in 2024 you helped make more groundbreaking sustainable solutions to poverty possible. **You helped strengthen healthcare for tens of thousands of young children facing drought and famine in Ethiopia, you provided people with livelihood opportunities in economically strained Niger, and you helped to rebuild the homes and lives of hundreds of displaced Syrian families in Northwestern Syria.** Together, we're helping communities build resilience to poverty and climate

change, ensuring that the blessings of this Earth are safeguarded for future generations.

In 2024, Islamic Relief entered its 40th year in service to humanity - the world in which Islamic Relief was founded is vastly different to the world and its challenges of today. However, as we look to the future, we remain steadfast in our mission to improve the lives of all those around us. We know this is only possible because of your unwavering trust in the crucial work we do, the trust of those we serve, and most of all, the permission of Allah (SWT). Despite the challenges we faced in 2024, **together we helped alleviate the suffering of millions of people around the world**, and we are proud to showcase the impact of some of the projects you supported throughout 2024 in this report.

I thank you, our supporters, for standing alongside us in our mission. Your commitment to helping others is impacting millions in their journey from crisis to hope. May Allah (SWT) allow us to continue working with you to save and transform many more lives - *Ameen*.



**Yusuf Mohamed**  
Chief Executive Officer  
Islamic Relief SA



## Your Impact at a Glance

Thanks to you, we supported over **17 million** rightsholders across **34 countries** in 2024

Our emergency responses reached over **4 million** rightsholders in 2024

Water, Sanitation and Hygiene  
**510,000+**  
rightsholders through 47 projects

Food Security and Livelihoods  
**5.4 million+**  
rightsholders reached through 167 projects

Health  
**4.8 million+**  
rightsholders through 58 projects

Education  
**100,000+**  
rightsholders reached through 45 projects

**Your trust in us**  
makes true and lasting change possible!



# Palestine Emergency Response

The Palestinian Gaza Strip is in the grip of a catastrophic humanitarian crisis – a crisis that the people of Gaza have tragically endured for over one year.

At the time of writing this report, Israel's ongoing ariel and ground bombardment of civilian infrastructure has taken the lives of more than 43,000 people in Gaza and wounded over 100,000. Your donations to our Palestine Emergency Appeal were a lifeline for hundreds of thousands of people each day across Gaza in 2024 - without you, many more people will have endured even further suffering.

Since 7th October 2023, together with our partners on the ground and the UN World Food Programme (WFP), your donations have helped to get crucial supplies into the Gaza Strip, and provide **over 54 million hot meals**, as well as food parcels, fresh vegetables and nutritional supplements to help prevent malnutrition.



## You Have Helped to Provide:



**54 million+**  
hot meals



**152,000+**  
families with  
ready-to-eat meals



**55,000+**  
food parcels



**4,200+**  
families with food  
vouchers



**260,000+**  
fresh vegetable packs



**230,000+**  
nutritional  
supplements

The average size of a household in Gaza is six people\*



## Medical Care in Gaza

Since 7th October 2023, **your donations have provided a staggering 2.3 million medical items** to medical professionals across Gaza, including **111 different types of medicine** - despite serious challenges posed by Israel's siege of the Gaza Strip.

As the crisis continues, we're transforming your donations into life-saving medical care. To support our objective to provide specialist surgical care for major trauma survivors in Gaza, we have secured spaces on medical aid convoys entering Gaza each month between December 2024 and February 2025, **Alhamdulillah**. Each medical team is deployed for one month and placed at target hospitals to conduct trauma surgeries and limb reconstructions.

**Every single donation made to our emergency appeal has helped heal or save someone's precious life in Gaza. Thank you.**

## Water, Sanitation and Hygiene in Gaza

Through our emergency appeal, **you helped to fund a constant supply of clean water to hundreds of thousands of people** in the Gaza Strip in 2024 - helping to prevent the spread of disease caused by contaminated water sources across the region.

### Your Impact in Numbers:

- Clean drinking water to **110,000+** rightsholders per day
- **59,000+** Kits, including blankets, mattresses, clothing and kitchen sets
- Hygiene and dignity kits to **63,000+** rightsholders
- Portable toilets to **70,000+** rightsholders



## Psychosocial Support for Gaza's Children

The trauma caused to Gaza's young children by Israel's military actions cannot be understated. At Islamic Relief, we believe that psychosocial support is essential to the care of those caught in the crossfire of this devastating war. **Thanks to your generosity, our dedicated team on the ground has been able to support thousands of children** since the start of the conflict, offering psychosocial support sessions and recreational activities at shelter sites to over **97,000+ children, Alhamdulillah**.





## Sudan Emergency Response

Sudan is facing a forgotten humanitarian crisis, despite being the largest and most severe in the world. But you have not forgotten the people of Sudan.

At the time of writing this report, more than 10.9 million people have been internally displaced by factitious clashes in the country since April 2023. Throughout 2024, you helped us to provide an ongoing emergency response across Sudan, including North Kordofan, Red Sea State, West Kordofan, Central Darfur, and Gedaref State regions. In 2024, you trusted our teams to deliver food, water and medical care to more than **1 million people** caught in the crossfire of this deadly crisis, and with your help, we were able to sponsor and support **3,000 orphans** in 2024, Alhamdulillah.

### Each Food Parcel Donation Contained:



### Throughout 2024, You Helped Provide:

**520,000+**  
People with  
essential food

**8,400+**  
People with  
clean water

**48,000+**  
Internally displaced families  
with cash assistance

**4,600+**  
Hygiene and  
dignity kits

**65,000**  
Cans of meat

**72**  
Health centres to support  
malnourished children

**2,400+**  
Water  
storage kits

**400+**  
Temporary  
shelters

**52**  
Hospitals and clinics  
with medicines and  
medical supplies

Sudan's violent conflict has devastated civilian infrastructure and agriculture across the country, and in turn destroyed the livelihoods of millions. A declining economy due to the loss of livelihoods has only deepened the world's worst humanitarian crisis.

Throughout 2024, we were trusted by communities in Sudan to help rebuild livelihoods and provide food security; in the midst of this terrible crisis, your donations were a beacon of hope for those in need.

### In 2024, Your Helped Provide:

- 346 metric tons of seed in Gedaref state for 34,000 farmers
- 140 metric tons of agriculture seed to 14,000 small-scale farmers in Gedaref State
- Resources for farm production to more than 1,700 farmers
- Goats (livestock) to over 1,200 families





# Yemen Emergency Response

Yemen has endured one of the most increasingly complex humanitarian crises in the world since 2014. Over 17 million people, more than half of the country's population, are currently experiencing large-scale food insecurity and malnutrition. More than 9 million people's survival is entirely dependent on food assistance.

The impact of the devastation is hard to fathom, but you have remained steadfast in your support of the people of Yemen. Your generosity enabled Islamic Relief to support communities in 17 out of Yemen's 22 governorates in 2024, *Subhan'Allah*.

In the Alzuhra and Alluhey Districts of the Hodeida Governorate, you provided cash assistance and food vouchers to more than **124,000 people** - providing communities with the means to secure their basic needs with dignity, *Alhamdulillah*.



## Crisis Watch

When disaster strikes, Islamic Relief is trusted to be one of the first aid agencies on the ground across the world – reaching communities that others cannot or will not. As one of the world's foremost relief agencies, we know how crucial it is to provide a rapid response during a crisis, and your donations to our emergency fund make it possible for us to be there for people when it matters most.



## Lebanon Emergency

After more than a year of tensions, cross-border confrontations between Israel and Lebanon have culminated in violent escalations and a loss of life to more than 2,000 people. As the devastation continues, the death toll is expected to rise.

In 2024, your donations provided more than **13,900 food packs**, more than **2,200 hygiene kits**, over **1,300 blankets and mattresses** and more than **17,600 medical supplies**, *Alhamdulillah*.



## Bangladesh Cyclone Remal

More extreme weather in 2024 struck vulnerable communities in Bangladesh, who are among those bearing the brunt of the climate crisis. In May 2024, Cyclone Remal impacted a staggering total of 4.6 million people across 19 districts.

Thanks to you, Islamic Relief was one of the first organisations to respond. With your help we provided vulnerable families with life-saving relief, despite the disaster impacting remote and hard-to-reach areas. Your donations enabled our teams to **provide cash-grants and hygiene kits to more than 1,700 vulnerable families, as well as essential food to 500 families.**



## Philippines Heavy Rains

In July 2024, monsoon rains across the western Luzon and Mindanao islands triggered widespread flooding, submerging homes and infrastructure - impacting tens of thousands of families.

Your donations to our emergency fund mean that we can be there for vulnerable communities affected by climate-related natural disasters such as these. At the time of crisis, your donations helped us to **provide food packs and clean drinking water to more than 17,700 people** in the affected regions of Datu Montawal and Pikit.



## Syria Floods

The Syrian crisis has tragically entered its 14th year, and the situation in Northwest Syria is as critical as ever. In addition to the ongoing crisis in Syria, floods in May 2024 posed a major threat to internally displaced communities.

During the flood crisis, your donations were transformed into **essential shelter items** such as mattresses, blankets and tarpaulin **for more than 1,000 families**. You also provided the means for our teams on the ground to **install graveled roads within 10 camps to support 2,800 families**, so that they may be protected from the effects of further flooding, *Alhamdulillah*.



# Water, Sanitation & Hygiene and Livelihoods



Niger

In Ouallam, in the Tillabéri region of Niger, your donations throughout 2024 helped provide protection to those hit hardest by Niger's ongoing economic crisis. Women and girls are among the most vulnerable in a society struck by crisis, and as resources become increasingly limited, the measures taken to find clean water and adequate food put them at risk.



## Clean Water for Communities

Safe access to clean drinking water and water for agriculture is key to livelihood opportunities in Niger. In 2024, **you helped us to construct two water boreholes and solar-powered water systems accessible to four villages.** These water systems provide irrigation for market gardening, which in turn bolsters food security, increases protection for women and girls, and prevents the spread of disease, *Subhan'Allah!*



## Livelihood Opportunities

In 2024, **your generosity powered financial independence for 400 women and young people across eight villages in Niger!** With your help, our teams established cooperatives across the eight villages, delivered knowledge and skills training in entrepreneurship, and offered essential loans to help rightsholders set up their own income generating activities. Your faith in our work is helping to create sustainable solutions to poverty, *Alhamdulillah.*

# Food Security

## Essential Sustenance During Food Insecurity



Lebanon

Lebanon has been struck by a manifold crisis, and achieving food security for vulnerable people is one of the biggest challenges it faces.

Years of economic decline, political instability, disasters such as the 2020 Port of Beirut explosion, and the recent violent escalations across Lebanon has led to a sharp increase in poverty and displacement.

**You provided 3,000 families in the area of Akkar with food vouchers in 2024** – enabling communities to purchase basic food items with dignity. In times of crisis, you have trusted Islamic Relief to be there for the people of Lebanon. *Thank you.*







## Protection and Education

### Rebuilding Schools and Building Brighter Futures



Iraq



In the conflict-affected governorates of Salah al-Din and Diyala in Iraq, more than 90% of school-age children currently don't have access to an education – making them more vulnerable to exploitation, abuse, child labour and early marriage.

Your commitment to creating brighter futures for children in 2024 means that **2,500 primary school children in Diyala, Iraq, now have access to the high-quality education** they deserve. Your donations also transformed water, sanitation and hygiene facilities in each school, improved learning environments with refurbishment and maintenance works, and also **provided psychosocial support through recreational activities across 10 schools** in the area, *Alhamdulillah*.



## Health and Nutrition

### A Vital Lifeline for Vulnerable Families



Ethiopia

Ethiopia is battling multiple crises, and children are among the most impacted. Years of conflict, natural disasters, disease outbreaks and climate-related hazards such as floods and droughts have left nearly 20 million people in need of humanitarian assistance – women and children comprise more than two-thirds of those in need.

In Doba District, in the regional state of Oromia, your donations strengthened health systems and are now supporting some of the most vulnerable in society.



In 2024, you provided more than **78,900 people - 33,600 of which are children under five - with access to quality healthcare** to help mitigate the effects of malnutrition, vector-borne and waterborne diseases. With your support our teams have constructed one new referral health post, two sanitation facilities and are equipping 10 health facilities with essential medical supplies, as well as resources for mother-to-mother support groups. Because of you, **we have also been able to provide over 100 healthcare workers with essential training**, have rehabilitated three health facilities, one maternity waiting room and two latrines.





# Climate Resilience

## Building Resilience to Climate Change

### Pakistan

In the city of Peshawar and the district of Haveli in Pakistan, your donations are helping to provide communities with climate resilient projects that will help protect them against extreme weather events and conditions – including major flood events which have ultimately devastated the country in recent years.

**Your generous donations have provided over 370,000 people with:**

- Grants that will allow them to set up their own sustainable livelihoods.
- Funding for farmers to provide employment opportunities to locals.
- Financial support for local start-ups and cooperatives.
- Resources for climate change resilient and gender-inclusive initiatives.
- Support for think-tanks and media groups that are raising awareness of climate-crisis challenges.
- Learning hubs that share knowledge of sustainable livelihoods and climate change adaptation.



**Thanks to you**, Islamic Relief is mobilising and equipping the communities affected the most by the climate crisis to help mitigate its impact – which will be felt by generations to come.



# Refugees and Displaced People

## Providing Urgent Medical Care to Communities

### Afghanistan

In 2023, Pakistan implemented measures for undocumented individuals in Pakistan that created an influx of Afghan returnees – an already displaced community at increased risk of gender-based violence, exploitation and deepening poverty.

Your donations allowed Islamic Relief teams to be among the first to support Afghan returnees, by **providing multipurpose cash assistance to more than 11,400 people, including over 6,400 children.**



At Torkham Zero Point (the border of Afghanistan and Pakistan), **you also helped provide multipurpose cash assistance and essentials to over 11,600 people and supported the construction of 30 latrines and 10 water tanks, Subhan'Allah.** In Torkham Omari Camp in Nangarhar province, your donations also helped support the installation of latrines and water tanks to **provide for 200-300 people daily.**

The scale of your impact cannot be underestimated, **thank you.**





# Women and Girls Empowerment

## Upskilling Female-Headed Households to End Child Labour

### 📍 Morocco

In September 2023, a deadly earthquake struck Morocco's high atlas region – the worst to occur in the region in 60 years. Nearly 3,000 people tragically died, and thousands more were injured. Thanks to your ongoing support in 2024, we were able to stay by the side of affected families, helping to rebuild their lives.

In remote and poverty-stricken areas, women and girls are disproportionately impacted by disasters such as these. Your support for Islamic Relief's women and girls' empowerment projects enabled our teams to continue supporting communities in Morocco's Al Haouz and Chichaoua provinces, and support the formation and growth of nine women-led cooperatives to tackle heightened economic challenges faced by more than **1,000 women.**



Morocco has a long tradition of cooperatives as a means of creating long-term economic growth – **by supporting women to be at the frontlines of economic recovery and growth, you're also empowering women as catalysts for positive social change.** *Thank you.*



# Long-term Recovery

## Türkiye-Syria Earthquake

### 📍 Syria

On February 6th, 2023, a devastating earthquake struck Southeastern Türkiye, and Northwest Syria – an area already impacted by more than a decade of conflict. In Syria, more than 4,500 people died and over 10,000 were wounded. The earthquake compounded the suffering of more than 2.7 million already internally displaced people in the region.

Since the outset of the crisis, you have trusted us with your precious donations to help transform the suffering of affected communities in Syria, and as a result our teams on the ground have begun a mammoth **rebuilding homes project for 999 affected families (more than 4,300 people).** You have since helped support the completion of **145 homes** with your donations, Subhan'Allah.

Each home houses a family of five – **which is theirs to own for life.** The permanent homes are 65 square meters each and contain a living room, kitchen, two bedrooms and a bathroom. Our team of experts have built each home with earthquake resistant measures in mind, including the use of high ground and materials such as reinforced concrete and steel.

*Thank you* for providing families affected by the earthquake with a chance to rebuild their lives.







# Orphan and Family Sponsorship



You have helped us in our mission to improve the lives and futures of orphan children for more than 38 years, *Subhan'Allah!*

In 2024 alone, **Islamic Relief helped support more than 93,200 orphans and their families** with crucial access to food, medical care, a quality education and a chance for a brighter future through Islamic Relief's Orphan Sponsorship Programme, *Alhamdulillah.*

In 2024, Islamic Relief South Africa supported **1,191 orphaned children** with food aid, healthcare, and educational support – helping combat food insecurity and build brighter futures, *Alhamdulillah.*



In a famous hadith, the Prophet Muhammad (peace and blessings be upon him) said:

*"I and the caretaker of an orphan will be like this in Paradise", then he gestured with his index and middle fingers, slightly separating them.*

Hadith | Bukhari

## Your Support for Orphans in Gaza

Gaza is among the most dangerous places in the world to be a child right now. Your unwavering generosity enabled our teams to **support over 15,300 orphans and their families through our Orphan Sponsorship Programme in 2024.** The programme allows sponsored orphans and their families to access urgent funds from Islamic Relief using ATM cards, enabling them to purchase what they need most with dignity.



## Your Eid Gift Donations

Worldwide

### Eid al-Fitr

During Eid al-Fitr 2024, **you generously donated Eid gifts to more than 60,000+ children** in communities struggling with poverty. We believe that bringing joy to those in need is an essential part of caring for our sisters and brothers – *thank you* for your compassion.



### Your Eid Gifts Included:

Cash Assistance  
Clothing  
School bags  
Educational materials  
Toys  
Cake  
Balloons



### Eid al-Adha

Across 18 countries, **your Eid al-Adha gifts reached more than 34,000 children, Alhamdulillah!**

The gifts you provide through your donations do more than mark a sacred day of celebration; your gifts represent the spirit of giving and togetherness for those who need it most.

May Allah (SWT) shower His mercy, pleasure, and acceptance upon all those supporting this precious cause, and reward them as befits His generosity - *Ameen.*



The Prophet Muhammad (peace and blessings be upon him) said,

*"Give each other gifts and you will love each other".*

Hadith | Muslim





# Your Impact During Ramadan

During the holy month of Ramadan, **you touched the lives of over 1.3 million people by providing life-saving food packs** to those suffering from hunger in 29 countries, Subhan'Allah!

Our teams **turned your vital donations into more than 172,000 nourishing food packs** during the sacred month and safely delivered them to families in disaster zones and areas affected by the climate crisis, conflict, the rising cost of living and more.

*Thank you for your outstanding generosity.*

## Your Ramadan Impact at Home

Families across South Africa have also felt the tremendous weight of the global cost-of-living crisis. Basic items such as food and clothing have become unaffordable for many, with some having no choice but to rely entirely on food banks to meet their daily needs.

Thanks to your support throughout Ramadan 2024, vulnerable communities across the country were able to break their fast with ease during the sacred month, as **Islamic Relief's Ramadan Food Drive delivered essential food packs to cities across the country** – ensuring we reach as many vulnerable people as possible.



Did you know?

Your Ramadan food pack donations helped feed more than **32,000 orphan families**, even in disaster zones such as Gaza and Sudan.



Together with the help of our dedicated partners across South Africa, your donations provided **7,500 Ramadan food packs supporting 45,711 people in South Africa, Zimbabwe and Lesotho** Alhamdulillah.





# The Impact of Your Qurbani

Your Qurbani donations reached over 3 million people around the world, Subhan'Allah!

During Eid al-Adha 2024, your incredible generosity provided more than 3 million of our sisters and brothers in 27 countries with Qurbani meat thanks to your donations – Subhan'Allah! Our teams carried out over 192,900 Qurbanis across the world to help struggling families access meat; for many, this would have been the first time in a year they would have access to meat.



Your **Quality Assured Qurbani** not only supports local economies, but it also reaches families in disaster zones such as Gaza, who remain unable to freely access this staple food source.

None of this ground-breaking work would have been possible without the permission of Allah (SWT) and your continued generosity, *thank you*.

## Did you know?

*In some countries, Qurbani donations were delivered in frozen conditions because the process wasn't able to be carried out locally. Your Qurbani donations intended for people in Gaza were carried out in Egypt and stored at -18°C whilst in transit to keep the meat fresher for longer, before being delivered in besieged Gaza.*

Thanks to your belief in us, Islamic Relief is able to overcome logistical challenges such as these and **deliver on our promise to provide for those in need.**



## The Impact of Your Qurbani at Home

In recent years, food insecurity in South Africa's most vulnerable communities has become a dire concern. The global cost-of-living crisis has made it even harder for families struggling with poverty to access adequate food, clothing, shelter and more.

At Islamic Relief, we acknowledge the growing needs of communities here in South Africa, and we wouldn't be able to do any of this life-saving work without you.

Your Qurbani donations during the sacred month of Dhul Hijjah offered a lifeline for families across South Africa in 2024. Your generosity allowed us to distribute **Qurbani meat packs to 44 822 people** across South Africa, Alhamdulillah





# Our Work at Home

Across South Africa, poverty, unemployment, food insecurity, and lack of access to essential services continue to affect millions. In many communities, families struggle to afford basic education, clean water remains scarce, and food shortages are a daily reality. Climate change, economic instability, and social challenges exacerbate these difficulties, making our work even more critical.

Islamic Relief South Africa strives to bridge these gaps, ensuring that no one is left behind. By providing immediate relief and long-term sustainable solutions, we empower individuals and families to rebuild their lives with dignity. Islamic Relief South Africa (IRSA) remains committed to uplifting vulnerable communities across South Africa. **Through your generosity, we were able to support 302,032 people across South Africa, Zimbabwe and Lesotho, Alhamdulillah!**



## Education & Capacity Building

Education is a key pillar in breaking the cycle of poverty. At Islamic Relief, we are committed to ensuring children and young adults have access to quality learning opportunities. In 2024, we supported **1,526 students** by providing essential resources to ensure they stay in school and thrive academically. In addition, **22 teachers** received specialised training to enhance their teaching methodologies, directly improving learning outcomes and promoting a more effective educational experience.

Our rehabilitation projects transformed underprivileged schools into safer, more inspiring spaces for learning. **Our investment in education aims to empower future leaders and equip them with the skills and knowledge needed to build stronger, more resilient communities.**



## Educating youth, empowering communities

The Leadership College (TLC) is a no-fee high school delivering outstanding academic results in the heart of Manenberg – a community on the Cape Flats deeply affected by poverty and crime. Islamic Relief South Africa (IRSA) has been a proud partner of TLC, working together to ensure that students have access to quality education despite their challenges. In 2023 and 2024, **IRSA supported 700 students at TLC, investing in a brighter future for the youth of Manenberg.**



## Rehabilitation of Thandokwethu Primary

Islamic Relief rehabilitated the Thandokwethu Primary School in the Uga District, KwaZulu-Natal, benefiting over **90 students** with improved facilities. Five rooms were renovated: four were turned into classrooms while one was converted into a library, along with upgrades to the kitchen. The project is ongoing, with educators receiving training to **enhance their teaching skills to better support their students.**





# Emergency Response

Emergencies can strike at any time, leaving families vulnerable and in urgent need of support. Whether due to natural disasters such as fires and floods, our emergency response teams provide rapid relief, ensuring food, water, hygiene items and shelter reach those affected as quickly as possible.

In 2024, we provided emergency support through **86,879 hot meals**, feeding families during some of the most challenging times. In addition, **31,865 litres of clean drinking water** were distributed to impacted communities, ensuring access to safe water. Emergency relief items, including blankets, hygiene kits, and shelter support, were also provided to displaced individuals, offering essential comfort and protection during their time of need.



# Sustainable Livelihood Support

In South Africa, many communities are still grappling with high levels of unemployment and poverty, which leaves individuals and families struggling to attain economic stability. There is an urgent need for initiatives that offer skills training, business opportunities, and financial support to help break the cycle of poverty and promote self-reliance.

Sustainable livelihoods are essential for promoting economic stability and breaking the cycles of poverty. Through skills training, business development, and microfinance initiatives, we empower individuals to build sustainable futures.



In 2024, a total of **2,927 people benefited** from vocational training, business support, and microfinance opportunities. Women-led enterprises received funding and mentoring to help promote economic independence. Additionally, support programs for refugees and asylum seekers assisted individuals in finding employment and starting their own businesses, which contributed to their self-reliance and long-term success.



# Water, Sanitation & Hygiene (WASH)

In South Africa, access to clean water remains a challenge for many communities, with water scarcity and contamination affecting both rural and urban areas. Ensuring reliable sources of clean water is crucial for health and well-being, particularly in vulnerable regions.

To address this, we've rehabilitated **19 boreholes** and drilled **4 new boreholes**, providing communities with access to safe water. As a result, **1,570 people** gained direct access to clean drinking water, significantly reducing the health risks associated with unsafe water sources.

In addition to improving access to water, we also focus on sanitation and hygiene. Hygiene awareness campaigns were conducted in schools and communities to educate people about the importance of good hygiene practices, promoting healthier living environments. Through these efforts, we aim to improve sanitation and reduce the spread of waterborne diseases, ensuring that communities not only have access to clean water but also the knowledge to maintain good hygiene and protect their health.

## Health: UWC Dental Relief Project

Access to basic dental care remains a significant challenge for many communities in South Africa, where limited healthcare resources often leave oral health needs unmet. For countless individuals, untreated dental issues not only cause chronic pain but also impact overall health and quality of life. To address this issue, **Islamic Relief South Africa (IRSA) has partnered with the University of the Western Cape (UWC) to revive the UWC Mobile Dental Clinic and support the broader UWC Dental Relief Project.**

This initiative delivers vital dental care directly to underserved communities, reaching patients in Khayelitsha, Gugulethu, and Mitchells Plain. With plans to extend its services, the project will soon support more under-resourced areas, ensuring that even the most vulnerable have access to essential oral healthcare.



## How Your Donations Are Spent

For every R1 you donate:



**Alhamdulillah!**



## Your Donations are in safe hands

As with everything, we strive to do it with excellence and purpose. Your donations are an Amanah (trust), and when entrusted to us, we distribute them with the utmost care.





## Why We Do What We Do

At Islamic Relief, we believe in a world where everyone has the opportunity to thrive. Our work is driven by the principles of compassion, justice, and sustainable development. By addressing immediate needs while building long-term solutions, we strive to break the cycle of poverty and uplift entire communities.



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