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FACTS:

- **Beneficiaries (2025 only):** Beneficiaries include 378,058 direct beneficiaries, 214,606 indirect beneficiaries, and 5,216,085 reached through social media platforms.
- **Year since mission started:** 1954 (Country office established 2008)
- **Partners:** 12
- **Donors:** Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Denmark (Danida), Norad, Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs (NMFA), Novo Nordisk Fonden, Act – Church of Sweden, OCHA, Canadian Lutheran World Relief (CLWR), UNICEF, and CORDAID.
- **Country Director:** Christian Meldgaard Cramon

OPERATIONAL CONTEXT – UP TO SEPTEMBER 2026

- Gaza remained in a severe humanitarian crisis, despite the October 2025 ceasefire agreement with continued hostilities causing civilian casualties, displacement, and widespread destruction of infrastructure; around 2 million people continued to rely on humanitarian assistance.
- In the West Bank, escalating military operations, settler violence, and demolitions increased protection risks and displacement, with over 1,600 settler-related incidents recorded between January and August 2026.
- Economic recovery remained constrained, with high unemployment, deteriorating livelihoods, and continued dependence on humanitarian aid.
- Humanitarian access remained restricted, while civic space continued to shrink and NGOs faced growing operational, legal, and funding challenges.
- Operations were impacted by escalkating conflicts leading to heightened security risks, access restrictions, and the need to balance humanitarian response with longer-term protection and resilience programming.

WHAT WE DO:

Through partnerships with 12 Palestinian and Israeli civil society organizations, DCA/NCA supports vulnerable communities in Gaza, the West Bank, and East Jerusalem to become socially and economically resilient, promoting dignity, protection, and agency. Our work combines lifesaving humanitarian aid, sustainable development, and international advocacy, grounded in commitments to localization, human rights, and protection.

Save Lives: We support the most vulnerable communities affected by conflict across Gaza and the West Bank with life-saving food, water, sanitation, hygiene, cash assistance, mine action (EoRE and CPP), and protection services. Emergency response and community-led initiatives aided people facing forced displacement and destruction. Alongside life-saving assistance, we initiated early recovery activities to promote longer-term solutions, including the rehabilitation of WASH infrastructure and support to local food production through agricultural inputs and labour support. Legal aid, psychosocial support, and services for survivors of gender-based violence were expanded to meet urgent needs. Our advocacy engages decision-makers to ensure accountability and continued humanitarian support.

Build Resilient Communities: We address youth and women's unemployment in the West Bank by promoting sustainable livelihoods and market-relevant skills through entrepreneurships, climate-smart agriculture, and vocational training. Our support for entrepreneurs and farmers strengthens responsible business practices, expands market access, and fosters sustainable job creation. In Gaza, we also support women entrepreneurs affected by the conflict to start or expand their businesses and generate income.

Fight Extreme Inequality: We support Palestinian youth, civil society, and human rights defenders to strengthen their capacity, amplify their voices, document violations, and advocate for rights and accountability. Through youth-led storytelling, digital rights monitoring, legal support, evidence-based advocacy, and engagement with international audiences, we strengthen their ability to influence public discourse and policymakers. By connecting local experiences and evidence with national and international advocacy spaces, we contribute to greater awareness, accountability, and action for Palestinian rights.

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HOW AND WHERE WE WORK:

Save Lives

- **Gaza:** In response to the unprecedented humanitarian crisis, we provide life-saving assistance including ready-to-eat and dry food parcels, hot meals, safe drinking water, and essential WASH services. We deliver multipurpose cash assistance and protection services, including mine action (EORE/CPP), psychosocial support and gender-based violence prevention and response. Our community-led crisis response empowers survivors and local groups to plan and implement actions that reduce risks and mitigate the impact of future hazards, maximizing local capacities.
- **West Bank and Gaza:** Providing unconditional multipurpose cash, WASH support, EORE/CPP and immediate relief in times of acute crisis and disaster, with a focus on community-led responses and locally driven recovery efforts.

Fight Extreme Inequality

- **West Bank and Gaza:** We support inclusive, representative, and self-organized community groups to design and implement collective initiatives that improve access to basic services, particularly in marginalized and at-risk areas. We also provide capacity-building training and seed funding to entrepreneurs to help them create employment opportunities and increase their income.
- **West Bank:** We strengthen links between community initiatives and the private sector, promote innovation, and foster an enabling environment for sustainable local economies and access to markets.

Build Resilient Communities

- **West Bank and Gaza:** We strengthen the capacity and protection of human rights defenders and civil society actors through legal support, digital rights monitoring, evidence generation, and advocacy. We support partners to document violations, defend civic space, and use evidence to engage national and international audiences.
- **Nationally and Internationally:** We lead and support advocacy efforts that connect Palestinian experiences and evidence with policy- and opinion-makers, civil society networks, and international advocacy platforms. Our work seeks to influence public discourse and policy on Palestinian rights, freedom of movement, access to essential services, and accountability for violations of IHL and IHRL.



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