



# Human Supporters Association Monthly Newsletter

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## **Happy New Year**

**New Year has passed and with smiles we bid farewell to 2014. It is with the biggest smiles that we welcome in the new year and we hope to cultivate joy in the hearts of everyone who we will work with.**

**To those who have placed their trust in the Human Supporters Association, we will continue our best to do whatever it takes to help our children and all those in need of support. HSA will continue to open its doors to all wishing to join the team or volunteer both in order to benefit from its programs and better them.**

**From those working within Human Supporters Association, we would like to give our sincere thanks and gratitude to all of who have believed in our mission, trusted us and supported us at every level. Thank you to each child that participated, and thank you to the mothers and fathers for allowing their children to attend. Thank you to our volunteers- both local and international as well as our European partners.**

**We now await 2015, and we all hope that it will end up with more joy and smiles on the faces of our children.**



## Our activities and achievements during 2014



During 2014, HSA received several delegations and carried out various activities and events. We/HSA hosted about 10 volunteers, some of whom stayed for the duration of a month and others for approximately 6 months. All of them took part in facilitating activities within the Association whilst the Association provided volunteers with both housing and lessons in the Arabic language and culture of the country.

### Highlights:

#### Projects and activities :

- 1- Finishing (You're right 2.0 The Way to Nablus Project ) which started at the end of 2013, with the Italians partners.
- 2- Winter camp (I'm with you)
- 3- School support program
- 4- Palestinian Child Day; HSA held two ceremonies, the first in the village of Sebastia and the other in the city of Nablus.

5- The visit of 3 clowns from Spain to hospitals in the city of Nablus and surrounding refugee camps.

6- Opening a 24 hour Emergency Center in the headquarters of HSA during the 2 months of Israel's attack on Gaza.

7- Training courses; training volunteers to facilitate summer camps ( BAFA)

8- Summer Camps ; such as the seventh summer camp the "Little Policeman" camp, as well as three other camps run by local and foreign .volunteers

9- Collective Iftars during the holy month of Ramadan for the families of prisoners, martyrs and orphans.

10- The training of social workers and psychologists

11- Festiclown (with the participation of the Spanish association , "Pallasos en Rebeldia"); this festival included many visits to refugee camps and hospitals , clowning and laughing therapy workshops , a street show, and a big show in the public park in Nablus .

12- Hula Hoop project; created by Morka and Lucia.It ran for two months in .several cities, camps and villages within Palestine.

13- Youth Exchange Programs; HSA receives foreign volunteers from several countries, and the Association is preparing to send two of our own .volunteers to France for a year.

14- Three volunteers from HSA visited France,in collaboration with our partners OMJ

### **DELEGATIONS :**

1-CEMEA

2- Euro-Med France

3- General Council of Loire Atlantique region.

4- Assopace

5-Interfaith Peace Builders.

6-Generation Palestine

7-HAMAP

8-AFPS

### **:Other activities**

1- Language courses (English , Italian , French and Arabic for foreign volunteers)

2- Theatre training

3- Dabkeh

4- Hip-Hop and Breakdance

## 5- Awareness workshops for women and children

### Finishing School Support Program



After 4 months of working with nearly 130 kids, the School Support Program finished. HSA decided to do a farewell ceremony for the kids as a reward for their improvement which was noted in the final exam and feedback from the families .

During the ceremony we gave kids certificates and presents as an appreciation of their hard work and their commitment.

## **HSA Focus**

### **Yazan Sakhil**



**Yazan is 17 years old, lives in Nablus and his hobbies are poetry , football , and Dabkeh (Palestinian traditional dance). He joined HSA and was a beneficiary of the Human Rights Theatre Project 4 years ago before then becoming a volunteer in the association.**

**Yazan has said about his experience in HSA : " The association is my home , I feel good here , I can say whatever I want ,, I have someone to listen to me and give me advice , it fills my time , I meet friends here and it has helped me to be positive and more confident .'**

**I will keep volunteering to give the best to my society and being in Human Supporters Association is the best way to do that."**



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