

## Human Supporters Association Newsletter

### Welcome to this summer newsletter!

At Human Supporters, summer rhymes with activities ! Planned: Special actions for the Ramadan, two-weeks Summer Camp , BAFA training, English lessons...

With the sound of music, games and laughter, the 15 local and international volunteers and the 65 children made the heart of the Old City of Nablus beat. We spent a summer full of emotions and we hope that you will enjoy the reading.

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### Ramadan



For the holy month of Ramadan, HSA worked with the French organization LIFE (French Islamic League for Education) to distribute 175 packages of food to people in need.

The food packages contain several kind of food (rice, sugar, halawa, date, lentils , freekeh, tahina, cheese, tea, jam, tomato sauce, oil, dried Milk, pasta, soup, beans, za'ter, pasta for soap, turkey, cream chocolate , white beans, candy ).



The people who got the food packages are in need according many fact that we considered , poor with high number of the family member, jobless, disabled, widow mothers , families of prisoners and martyrs in need.



In partnership with LIFE which funded the food, we also organized some 'Ftor' (dinner to end a Ramadan day) at the association. The volunteers shared meals, discussions and conviviality with 87 people in need. Greats moments in the spirit of the holy month of Ramadan!





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### Summer Camp

#### "Living Together"

The HSA 10<sup>th</sup> summer camp "Living Together" took place from the 23<sup>rd</sup> of July until the 3<sup>rd</sup> of August. As in the last years it was accommodated opposite of our association at Al-Fatemeyya School. 65 girls and boys from age 8 to 13 participated in our activities, led by 15 volunteers from Nablus, Germany and Lithuania.



This year we managed to have five different corners: Handcrafts & Art, Drawing & Painting, Sports & Circus, Dancing & Theatre, as well as Video & Photography.



On Wednesday the 2<sup>nd</sup> of August everybody got ready to present the results of the two-weeks-camp during the Final Show where the parents were invited. After singing, dancing and a Circus show, also the movie made by the children was screened. Children, volunteers and visitors were excited and happy on this last day at the school.



The last day, children, volunteers and some parents went to the swimming-pool Wadi Albadan. It was a beautiful day of swimming, enjoying the attractions in the fun park and relaxing under the many trees.



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### English training



Human Supporters and the children thank a lot Usma for the English lessons she gave during 2 months. This brilliant student was great in helping the children to improve their capacities in writing and speaking in English. A big success that we will try to continue during the year!

### BAFA training



From the 19<sup>th</sup> to the 24<sup>th</sup> of August, HSA dispensed its 5<sup>th</sup> BAFA training. 18 participants learnt the basic knowledge to work with children. The 6 trainers showed them many activities for games, theater and handcraft. Everybody agrees, it was an interesting and successful week !



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### School Support



Back to school !  
At Human Supporters Association, we are already working for the beginning of our school support program. We are contacting the schools to ask them which children need to join our support in mathematics, Arabic and English. Last year, in total, 130 children received the teaching of local and international volunteers.



As a tradition, this year again Human Supporters helps families in need by giving them backpacks for school for their children. The association also provides them school supplies. 50 families have benefited from this program.

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### Voices and Bridges



In partnership with the European Union, Human Supporters lead a musical and cultural project. The aim of “Voices and Bridges” is to link Gaza, the West Bank and the European Union with music. Human Supporters’s traditional music team, Tanim, worked with Water Band from Gaza. 5 concerts took place in Jenin, Salfit, Albireh, Bethlehem and Nablus.



We also would like to thank so much all the volunteers, Palestinians, German, French, Lithuanian, Spanish, Italian who joined our activities for some days or weeks this summer.

You all contributed to the “Living together spirit” of Human Supporters!

**Welcome!** In the beginning of August we welcomed Maïva and Martin, two volunteers from France. They will stay working with us for 6 months within a European Voluntary Service. Ahlan wa salan!