



**Directory of Palestinian, Israeli, and
Palestinian-Israeli Peacebuilding Groups**

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Preface

Engaging in peacebuilding is essential as peace empowers and enables. Peacebuilding, defined as “voluntary civic engagement in organized non-violent social or political activity aimed at transforming perceptions, policies, and/or structural/sociopolitical relations between political entities as well as people”¹ is a challenge, as it involves commitment, connections, resilience, and hope.

Peacebuilders or peacebuilding entities engage in various initiatives to develop in people the aptitudes, skills, and behaviors necessary for going beyond conflict and living in peace. Activities focus on young people; peace education; sensitive development; human security; the environment; gender equality; health and counseling; human rights, justice, and legal aid; mediation and conflict transformation; interfaith encounters; reconciliation; culture and media; and research. Peacebuilding in Palestine/Israel is not restricted to peace promotion in each individual society but extends to relations between Palestinian Arabs and Jewish Israelis, whether they happen to be Israeli citizens or not.

The roots of peacebuilding in Palestinian-Israeli relations go back to when Arabs and Jews lived in historic Palestine, first toiling under Ottoman rule (1516-1917) and then under the British Mandate (1920-1948). While there was a hiatus during 1948-1967 (when the territory that was supposed to become the Arab state [of Palestine] was overtaken by Israel, Jordan, and Egypt), the roots have taken hold and now the leaves of peacebuilding are sprouting even amid conflict.

Sheila H. Katz writes of a century of joint nonviolence, also variously known as “coexistence, people-to-people programs, second-track diplomacy, citizen action, peace building, advocacy, solidarity, co-resistance, or simple work for equality and to end [the] occupation.”² She enumerates 500 initiatives. In his research on the current field of peacebuilding in Israel and Palestine, Ned Lazarus identifies 164 active organizations that are engaged in peace, conflict resolution or cross-conflict,

¹ This definition is based on Ned Lazarus’ work. See his *Britain Israel Communications and Research Centre (BICOM) Report: A future for Israeli-Palestinian peacebuilding*. July 24, 2017, <http://www.bicom.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2017/07/A-future-for-Israeli-Palestinian-peacebuilding-FINAL.pdf>, pp. 18.

² Sheila H. Katz, *Connecting with the Enemy: A Century of Palestinian-Israeli Joint Nonviolence* (Austin, TX: University of Texas Press, 2016), p. 3.

and human rights. Categorizing these organizations by the identity/citizenship/residency of the target populations of peacebuilding initiatives, he finds out that 68 (41.46%) active initiatives pertain to cross-border (Palestinian and Israeli Jews), 61 (37.20%) to shared society (Arab and Jewish citizens of Israel), 19 (11.59%) to Jerusalem (Palestinian Jerusalemites and Israeli Jews), 14 (8.54%) to primarily internal Israeli/Jewish, and 3 (1.83%) to mainly internal Palestinian.³ *Peace Insight*, the leading online resource for local peacebuilding around the world, includes 86 peacebuilding groups.⁴ The Alliance for Middle East Peace (ALLMEP)—an organization consisting of non-governmental organizations that promote reconciliation between Israelis and Palestinians and between Arabs and Jews in the Middle East—has over 170 members, with many of them being peacebuilding groups.⁵ In my own research, I studied 56 Israeli and Palestinian peacebuilding entities, with some involving both Israelis and Palestinians.⁶

This directory contains basic data on 50 peacebuilding entities. These are arranged in a similar way: name of organization (and the year it was founded), contact information, mission, vision, activities, and awards. The data is taken from each organization’s website. The hope is that those using the directory will benefit from it by learning about peacebuilding in Palestine and Israel, connecting with some of the peacebuilding entities, and being inspired enough to become personally engaged and or contribute toward the success of peacebuilding in Palestine/Israel.

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³ Ned Lazarus, op. cit., pp. 18-20.

⁴ See “Israel and the Palestinian Occupied Territories,” *Peace Insight*, <https://www.peaceinsight.org/en/locations/israel-palestine/?location=israel-palestine&theme>.

⁵ “Meet Our Members,” Alliance for Middle East Peace (ALLMEP), <https://www.allmep.org/about-us-allmep/members/>

⁶ Saliba Sarsar, *Peacebuilding in Israeli-Palestinian Relations* (New York: Peter Lang, 2020).

Givat Haviva (1949)

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Mission:

Through education, public engagement, language instruction, and art and culture, Givat Haviva works to create a model society in Israel. This civil society organization emphasizes the significance of a Jewish and Arab shared society. The violence crisis in Arab society reached the Israeli public and Givat Haviva has created educational programs and cooperates with consulting government ministries to form a program for dealing with this violence. Founded in 1949, the program works to close the language gap between Jews and Arabs, as well as offer an alternate path to the Arab-Jewish conflict.

Vision:

Create a shared society based on mutual respect, trust, pluralism, and equality among citizens.

Activities:

- Promote a democratic society for all Israeli citizens and create peace with its neighbors and solidarity for all.
- Shared Society Annual Conference: primary event for bringing together all actors working to build a shared society in Israel by convening citizens and leaders from diverse sectors and providing a platform for discussion and collaborative strategy development towards their common goal.
- Women Leading Social Change Conference: a unique platform for Arab and Jewish women in society to meet and work together, along with building partnerships.
- The Shared Communities Flagship Program builds cooperation between Jewish and Arab communities that previously faced tensions and alienation by engaging leaders and citizens to take part in joint action in response to their shared needs, goals, and interests.

- The International Center takes local experience to a new level and creates a progressive institute for international learning. By hosting short and long-term university academic programs the center brings together youth, students, educators, community activists, and leaders while promoting equality and intercultural understanding.

Awards:

- UNESCO's Peace Prize (2001)
- Intercultural Achievement Award (2016)

Wahat al-Salam - Neve Shalom, The Oasis of Peace (1969)

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Web: <https://wasns.org/>

Mission:

Wahat al-Salam - Neve Shalom is a binational community based on educational work. The village consists of Palestinian and Jewish citizens of Israel who are dedicated to building peace, equality, and justice in the region. Established in 1970, the village is a model for equality based on mutual respect and partnership to challenge the issues of racism and discrimination. This community has established institutions and activities focused on the ideals of social and political change.

Vision:

Create a growing community working on peace, justice, and reconciliation projects.

Activities:

- The School for Peace provides an in-depth examination of the relations between Arabs and Jews to promote better understanding.
- Humanitarian Aid: assists in providing humanitarian aid through donations as well as summer camps for Palestinians living under occupation.
- Children's Education System: provides bilingual and multicultural schooling to children in the village and its surrounding areas from nursery school up to sixth grade.
- Doumia-Sakinah, The Pluralistic Spiritual Centre hosts book releases, show films, and spiritual and cultural activities which create an open space for inter-religious and inter-cultural discussion. It allows for inspiration to be drawn from various spiritual sources and heritages creating an inclusive and broad sense of knowledge.

Awards:

- Frederick II Peace Prize (2008)
- Women of Peace Award (2008)
- School for Peace awarded Journalists and Writers Foundation Prize (2014)
- NCBI Bridge-Builders Prize: (2015)
- Inspiration Day Award (2016)
- School for Peace awarded the Goldberg Prize (2018)

Association for Civil Rights in Israel (1972)

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Mission:

The ACRI is an independent and non-partisan civil and human rights organization in Israel was founded in 1972 and advocates for a broad spectrum of human rights and liberties for all people in Israel and Palestinian occupied territories. This organization focuses on the Arab Minority, migrants and refugees, the occupied Palestinian territories, and social, economic, and political rights. To enforce change, the ACRI uses education, legal action, advocacy, and public engagement to enforce democracy in Israel.

Vision:

Promote and defend the human rights and civil liberties of all, regardless of religion, nationality, gender, ethnicity, political affiliation, sexual orientation, or socioeconomic background.

Activities:

- **Human Rights Education:** the ACRI's education department holds training programs for educators across the country every year improving the curricula quality, along with organizing conferences and lectures on human rights education.

- The Knesset: in the Knesset, the ACRI puts human rights issues on the public agenda to keep decision-makers informed to reduce human rights infringements in bills and government policies.
- Legal Work: the legal department takes on cases and sets precedent cases before the Supreme Court to rectify them before district and labor courts, Knesset communities, and government ministries.

New Israel Fund (1979)

New York, NY (HQ)

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Web: <https://www.nif.org/about/>

Mission:

The New Israel Fund is a philanthropic organization that funds organizations, such as Israel's first rape crisis center, to fight discrimination by promoting social change, justice, and equality. Since it was founded in 1979, over \$300 million has been donated to hundreds of organizations. From the beginning, the NIF has aimed to fight inequality, injustice, and extremism as these factors block the path for Israel to become a peaceful and democratic society. Currently, there are over 27,000 action groups receiving help from the NIF yearly. By funding organizations that have shared interests with them such as justice and equality, as well as freedom of speech, conscience, and dissent, they are helping push toward a transition to democracy. Along with funding, the NIF creates programs and projects for social change, builds coalitions, formulates new approaches, and is viewed as the leader of an Israeli progressive civil society.

Vision:

To achieve Israel's founder's vision of a shared society with equality for all inhabitants.

Activities:

- A coalition of NIF funded LGBTQ organizations advocated against conversion therapy, and in March 2022 such therapy was officially banned by Israel's Ministry of Health.
- Assisted human rights organizations in standing against the Israeli Police's use of invasive spyware for mass surveillance.
- NIF grantees created a petition to protect rights to electricity and the Israel Supreme Court ruled electricity as a protected right.

- Several NIF grantees formed a petition to advocate for family unification. This resulted in Israel's Supreme Court prohibiting the blocking of Palestinian family unification by the Ministry of Interior.
- Partner with organizations advancing land planning to the benefit of the Arab community to increase the supply of available housing and expand economic opportunity.
- Empower Palestinian-Israeli women to advance women in leadership positions.
- Promote local civic engagement.
- Works to emphasize the advantages of social diversity, strengthens moderating voices, and builds space for intercultural encounters that can deepen bonds and prevent escalation.

Sadaka Reut (1983)

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Mission:

The mission we have taken upon ourselves is to educate and empower Palestinian and Jewish youth to pursue social political change through bi-national partnership.

Vision:

We, Arab and Jewish activists, are acting in conjunction for the establishment of a true partnership within our society. The alternative we advocate is based on the recognition of those deep-rooted injustices that make up our contemporary reality.

Activities:

- Training those 18-22 to become activists with lectures and workshops with the “Community in Action” program.
- Bringing together young Jewish and Palestinians together to conduct fun activities, enrichment, and serious discussions in a long-term education process with the “Building a Culture of Peace Program.” The program has educated 5,000 students since its inception.
- Establishing groups of Jewish and Palestinian students in college campuses to engage in dialogue around Israeli Palestinian issues.

Adam Institute for Democracy and Peace (1986)

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Web: http://www.adaminstitute.org.il/language/en/about_us/

Mission:

The Adam Institute is an Israeli non-profit organization rooted in the core values of pluralism and equality. Since 1987, it has developed new educational programs to implement in the formal education system and other social and cultural frameworks. These activities consist of democracy, civic education, community organizations, and cross-cultural, cross-border, and international initiatives. The institute also organizes seminars, conferences, and workshops to train educators on promoting social change. Their programs are adjusted based on age, culture, and the participants need to ensure that goals will be reached successfully. The Adam Institute has published an array of books and training manuals in Hebrew and Arabic to improve outreach.

Vision:

Create a culture of peace, mutual respect, tolerance, and co-existence across religious, ethnic, and national groups in Israeli society and the region.

Activities:

- The Media Impacting Conflict Transformation project was designed to train Israeli media persons as peace journalists and opinion formers who are committed to conflict transformation. The training creates a greater knowledge of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict and gives insight on effective conflict resolution strategies.
- Empowering Bedouin Women to Become Decision-Makers aims to include Bedouin women in decision-making positions locally by providing these women with training and skills for effective political participation.
- The Civic Society Leadership Program aims to develop infrastructure for democratic civic action to foster positive economic, social, and political change.

- The Adam Institute has adopted their “Betzatva Method” to spread their training approach to facilitators working in institutions across Europe.

Awards:

- The New Israel Fund Prize (1991)
- The Jerusalem Foundation Martha Laub Prize (1997)
- The Speaker of the Knesset Prize for Quality of Life (1998)
- The Jerusalem Foundation Pearlman Prize (2003 & 2005)
- Shimon Peres Prize (2019)

Palestinian Academic Society for the Study of International Affairs (PASSIA)
(1987)

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Mission:

PASSIA uses academic research, dialogue, education, and publication to present the Palestinian Question in its national, international, and Arab contexts. Founded in March 1987 by Dr. Mahdi Abdul Hadi and a group of Palestinian academics and intellectuals, PASSIA aimed to create a group not affiliated with any government, political party, or organization. The society's goals are to undertake research that is specialized, scientific, and objective to create workshops both in Palestine and internationally that are open and self-critical to enforce harmony and cooperation.

Vision:

To empower young Palestinians through education, training programs, and seminars that help build capacity, skills, and expertise.

Activities:

- PASSIA holds workshops and meetings to discuss social and economic threats and issues in Jerusalem.
- Many projects have been enacted such as Civic Education in Palestine (2005-2006), Strategy and Security (2006), Documents on Palestine and Jerusalem (2006-2007), and Dialogue and Education for a Continued Palestinian Presence in East Jerusalem (2016-2017).
- The group holds conferences to discuss pressing topics such as the refugee crisis and ways to create and maintain peace.
- PASSIA consistently conducts research, dialogue, training, and education in multiple categories such as international affairs, civil society empowerment, religious studies, and, the Jerusalem Question

Awards:

- Emil Grunzweig Memorial Award (1992)
- The McGill/InterAmicus Robert S. Litvak Human Rights Memorial Award (1996)
- International Activist Award (2002)
- The Italian Freedom of Press Award (2002)

Rabbis for Human Rights (1988)

<https://www.rhr.org.il/eng/about>

Rabbis for Human Rights (RHR) is an Israeli organization, active in three main areas – work within and about the Occupied Territories; work to promote social and economic justice within Israel; and activities in the fields of education and interreligious dialogue. RHR was founded in 1988 in response to contraventions of human rights taking place in the Occupied Territories. Since its inception, its activities have expanded

- To articulate a vision of justice rooted in Jewish tradition, in the spirit of the Rabbinical teaching that all persons are created in God's image
- To act to prevent violations of human rights taking place within Israel and in the Occupied Territories
- To further a vision of Judaism sanctifying life, justice, and equality and to increase awareness of this vision within Israeli society
- To further these values based on constant engagement with Jewish tradition

We are guided by the richness of Jewish tradition, and by the call to advance the dignity and protect the rights of all individuals which we find at its heart. This reading of Judaism informs our activities in a variety of fields. It emboldens us to try wherever possible to influence government policy, to hold the State of Israel to live up to its vision and its responsibility: to defend the weak and the downtrodden in society regardless of race, religion, affiliation, or orientation. We strive to live in an Israel true to the call of the prophets of old, and the spirit of Israel's Declaration of Independence.

Approximately one hundred men and women are currently members of our organization. They are rabbis, cantors, seminary students and others occupying positions of religious leadership. Several hundred volunteers from throughout Israeli society and beyond Israel's borders are active in RHR.

RHR is not affiliated with a political party. When it comes to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, we do not promote one approach over another, but we do insist that whatever policy prevails is consistent with principles of human rights, dignity, and justice.

Our members are affiliated with different streams within the Jewish world – Orthodox, Conservative, Reform, Reconstructionist, Renewal, and Humanist. Several of our members serve in communal positions as rabbis and educators and in other capacities and are active in effecting significant change in Israel.

HaMoked: Center for the Defense of the Individual (1988)

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<https://hamoked.org/>

Mission:

HaMoked is an independent organization that supports human rights principles and is funded by institutions and individuals internationally who share the same beliefs. It focuses on several themes: damage to property, human rights defenders, detention without trial, torture, reparations, freedom of movement, respect for the dead, rights of detainees, house demolitions, violence, detention, general legal aspects, secret prison facilities, separation wall, residency in the OPT, East Jerusalem, and Deportation. All this organization's services are provided free of charge.

Vision:

Advocate for policy changes to bring about systemic improvements for human rights.

Activities:

- The organization assists many Palestinians in reuniting with their family, living in their home without fear of displacement, cultivating their farmland, traveling within occupied territories or abroad, visiting their detained loved ones, and even more.
- Keeps their website updated with recent Supreme Court rulings, whether they are positive or not, to create better knowledge of the actions being taken in the legal realm.
- Posts regular updates on successes from human rights organizations along with measures taken against these groups.

Abraham Initiatives

5 HaMelacha Street (Israel)

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Mission:

Abraham Initiatives was established in 1989 as a fund for grassroots coexistence work in Israel. Since its creation, it has evolved into an organization that advocates for a shared society by modeling solutions to create equal and positive Jewish-Arab relations in Israel. The organization aims to create widespread positive social change in Jewish-Arab relations by stimulative policy changes both nationally and locally. By using the methodology of “Advocacy through Action,” they can present models for policy change, which may be adopted and tailored to meet community needs on a national scale.

Vision:

To fulfill the promise of full and equal citizenship and complete equality of social and political rights for Israel’s Jewish and Arab citizens as embodied in Israel’s Declaration of Independence.

Activities:

- Education
 - The organization worked to rebuild the education system so it provides a platform for positive first encounters as there is minimal exposure to each other’s culture, language, and narrative which creates a negative divide in Arab and Jewish youth in Israel.
- Safe Communities
 - Arab citizens have faced a history of under-policing and tense relations with the Israeli police and over 50% of violent crimes affect them. The Abraham Initiatives run models for community action and policy, which builds capacity in local Arab leadership and educates Israel’s National Police.

- Shared Cities
 - Launched a Shared Cities initiative to ensure successful political partnerships and provide a model for communities that are becoming quickly mixed.
- Policy
 - Presents recommendations to lawmakers and bureaucrats on key issues to improving Jewish-Arab relations and the visibility of Israel's Arab citizens. They have advanced policy changes to promote equal representation of Arabs in public service, community-based policing, education for a shared society, and Arab women's employment.

B'Tselem: The Israeli Information Center for Human Rights in the Occupied Territories (1989)

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Mission:

Established in 1989, B'Tselem has been documenting, researching, and publishing statistics, testimonies, video footage, position papers, and reports on human rights violations made by Israel Occupied Territories. It is an independent, non-partisan organization funded solely by grants and donations from European and North American foundations that support human rights activity. The discrimination and segregation between the Jordan River and the Mediterranean Sea perpetuates one group to feel supremacy over another, and this organization works to change this ideology by enforcing liberty and equality to all human beings living in the area.

Vision:

Strives to create a future in which human rights, liberty, and equality are guaranteed to all people, Palestinian and Jewish alike, living between the Jordan River and the Mediterranean Sea.

Activities:

- To work toward ending the occupation, B'Tselem reports regularly on an extensive list of pressing topics and provides statistics on apartheid, administrative detention, attacks on Israeli civilians by Palestinians, communities facing expulsion, demolition for alleged military necessity, East Jerusalem, the Gaza Strip, Hebron City Center, home demolition as collective punishment, human shields, the Jordan Valley, the military courts, no accountability, the occupied territories and international law, open-fire policy, planning policy in the West Bank, restrictions on movement, the separation barrier, settlements, the Supreme Court of the occupation, settler violence

equals state violence, the South Hebron Hills, torture and abuse in interrogation, and the water crisis.

Awards:

- Carter-Menil Award for Human Rights (1989)
- The Danish PL Foundation Human Rights Award (2011)
- The Stockholm Human Rights Award (2014)
- The Human Rights Award of the French Republic (2018)
- British One World Media Award (2009)
- Israeli Documentary Filmmakers Forum Award (2012)

Sikkuy-Aufoq: For a Shared and Equal Society (1991)

Tel.: 02-6541225

Office @ www.sikkuy-aufoq.org.il

<https://www.sikkuy-aufoq.org.il/en/about>

Mission:

Founded in 1991, Sikku-Aufoq is a nonprofit Jewish and Arab organization that works with local Arab leadership and municipalities to engage in advocacy regarding government ministries, public bodies, the media, and the overall public population. By educating and influencing senior decision makers in both the government and the public through well-developed, data-driven, and practical recommendations for policy change the organization provides a model for a shared society that ensures equal and shared participation in decision-making processes.

Vision:

Advance equality and partnership between the Arab-Palestinian citizens of Israel and the country's Jewish citizens. Sikkuy-Aufoq seeks to bring an end to the ongoing discrimination between these groups and have the goal of creating a shared society.

Activities:

- Planning and housing
- Increase public transportation in Arab towns
- Infrastructure planning
- Employment
- “Government Decision 922”
 - In December of 2015, Sikkuy-Aufoq heavily advocated for this decision as it aimed to equalize some of the state's budget funding mechanism for Arab citizens and it was the largest budget ever allocated to the Israel Arab community. Still, they intensively promote Decision 922's implementation in practice and promote a follow-up plan ensuring these budgets are properly allocated.

- Works to educate and motivate the public to shape public discourse and digital spaces.
 - By doing so, the organization promotes a more equal public dialogue and shares their own professional knowledge in discussions about the Arab community in Israel.

Awards:

- The NIF-UK Human Rights Award (2018)

**Palestinian Youth Association for Leadership and Rights Activation
(PYALARA) (1992)**

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Mission:

PYALARA was established in 1999 by a group of Palestinian youth professionals that seeks to empower the youth of Palestine ages 13 to 25 in the West Bank, including East Jerusalem and Gaza. The core of their work are the issues of youth rights, participation, social entrepreneurship, and inclusion in the decision-making processes at local and national levels. PYALARA works to protect and promote the Palestinian youth's rights as specified in conventions to combat ill practices against the children and youth such as gender inequality through capacity building, advocacy campaigns, and policy change.

Vision:

Create a world of active and engaged young people who are empowered to develop their potential and are actively aware of their rights.

Activities:

The group's activities can be grouped into three programs

- 1) The development and production of specialized youth media such as a newspaper and TV programs.
- 2) Projects that advance the well-being of Palestinian youth by enforcing the peer-to-peer approach to gain a better understanding of each other language and culture.

3) Youth development of regional and international communication with their peers to create active intercultural dialogue and build new channels of communication.

Awards:

- UNESCO'S GAPMIL Award (2019)

Gush-Shalom (1993)

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http://zope.gush-shalom.org/index_en.html

Mission:

Gush-Shalom was established in 1993 because many of the other Israeli peace groups did not take a strong stance against the repressive measures put in place by the Israeli government and prime minister. Since it was founded, the organization has held a leading role in determining the moral and political agenda of the peace forces in Israel. It is an independent group not aligned with any particular party. It is rooted in the principles of ending the occupation and accepting the right of the Palestinian people to establish an independent State of Palestine, reinstating the “Green Line” as the Israel Palestine border, establishing Jerusalem as the capital of both states, recognizing the principle Right of Return of the Palestinian refugees, and safeguarding the security of both Israel and Palestine through mutual agreement and guarantees.

Vision:

Create overall peace between Israel and all Arab countries and influence Israeli public opinion and lead it to reconciliation.

Activities:

- Political education campaigns
- Organize to stop construction of Israeli settlements
- Led boycotts of products produced in the Israeli settlements
- Replanted Palestinian olive groves that had been destroyed by the Israeli army
- Works to build relationships between Palestinian and Israeli peace activists
- Supports strikes and protests to allow all voices to be heard against the repressive government

Awards:

- Right Livelihood Award (2001)

Bat Shalom (1994)

<https://batshalom.org/>

Mission:

Bat Shalom is an Israeli national feminist grassroots organization for Jewish and Palestinian Israeli women to work together for peace grounded in a just resolution of the Israel-Palestine conflict. It was established due to the ongoing discussion between Israeli and Palestinian women peace activists who came together because of their shared political principles which are now serving as a cooperative model for co-existence. These women recognize that the occupation is the main reason for the deteriorating democracy, human and women's rights violation, and serves as the basis for violence and killing that harm innocent civilians and work to end the struggle of oppression by fighting for equal rights for all of society.

Vision:

To obtain peace rooted in the needs, rights, values, and histories of the Israeli and Palestinian people.

Activities:

- International Women's Day
 - Palestinian and Israeli women marched together calling for two sovereign states, reinstating borders, sharing Jerusalem as the capital of both states, and a return to peace negotiations.
- International Peace Day
 - Screen films and hold a panel discussion regard what the "Culture of Peace" is.
- Workshops
 - Bat Shalom holds workshops to discuss local issues, such as the psychological impact of war on children.

Jerusalem Center for Women (1994)

State of Palestine, Ramallah,
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Business Center Building, 3rd Floor.
email: info@j-c-w.org
<https://j-c-w.org/>

Mission:

Founded in 1994, the Jerusalem Center for Women is a non-governmental organization that hopes to empower Palestinian women and improve the capabilities so they can become active members and strong advocates for change within their communities. To do this, the JCW spreads the culture of human rights, gender equality, and acceptance to ensure the full spectrum of Jerusalemite women's rights are acknowledged and therefore increasing their participation and visibility in society. The center has three main goals:

- 1) Protect Palestinian women's rights and status.
- 2) Empower Palestinian women and enhance their participation in activism and politics.
- 3) Strengthen the role of women and youth to become positive change makers.

Vision:

Aims to build an empowered Palestinian society where women are empowered and stand strong while united with men, and these women will be able to develop to their full potential and contribute to a free and peaceful Palestinian society.

Activities:

- Movement Project
 - An international education and cultural project exploring emigration and immigration. The goal of this project is to deconstruct the opposing beliefs that define this divided era, and it also pushes a new future based on the fundamental fact that we are one humanity.

- Ponza Prima
 - This project aims to facilitate sharing and access to intercultural resources and experiences by raising the level of the general public's awareness and fostering youth advocacy on environmental issues.
- Education on Access to Justice
 - Many Palestinian women are not fully aware of their rights, and the JCW selected women from various communities around East Jerusalem and provided them with training on gender and the legal system and laws in place regarding women's rights.

EcoPeace Middle East (1994)

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<https://ecopeaceme.org/2017/04/19/ecopeace-at-the-alliance-for-middle-east-peace-2017-regional-conference/>

Mission:

EcoPeace Middle East is an organization that brings together Jordanian, Palestinian, and Israeli environmentalists. Founded in 1994, Egyptian, Israeli, Jordanian, and Palestinian environmentalists agreed to work together to promote integration of environmental concerns into the regional development agenda. By working together, shared solutions are created using a bottom-up approach to educate, and a top-down approach to advance necessary policies. The organization has influenced students to cross borders and come together to act and make significant progress.

Vision:

To achieve a sustainable and prosperous Middle East.

Activities:

- Educating for Peace and Sustainability
 - Developed a water diplomacy curriculum for high school students to better inform the youth on environmental and water challenges.
 - Created a regional youth leadership program for 20–35-year-olds to establish dialogue between young professionals and equip them with knowledge and skills to act and work on joining solutions for water related issues.
 - The Green Social Entrepreneurs is a program for young adults ages 21-35 to provide them skills and mentoring to assess and tackle regional environmental challenges.
- EcoPeace Middle East North Africa Regional Forum
 - Created to provide a safe space for professionals to share ideas and exchange knowledge about regional climate challenges.
- The Global Program
 - This workshop provides a model for environmental peacebuilding that has successfully resolved conflicts and is adaptable for many communities or regions to use.
- Project Promotion
 - Currently promoting:
 - Foodtech (protein production)
 - Ecotourism
 - Renewable Energy
 - Agritech
 - Recycling

Awards:

- Energy Globe Award (2006)
- Green Globe Award (2010)
- Euro-Med Award for Dialogue (2010)
- Outstanding Leadership Award (2011)
- National Energy Globe Award (2015 & 2016)
- Euro Solar Award (2017)
- Stanford University Law School Bright Award (2018)

Palestine-Israel Journal (1994)

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Mission:

The Palestine-Israel Journal is a non-profit organization founded in 1994, and since has created channels of communication for academics, intellectuals, opinion and policy makers, grassroots organizations, and activists to voice their views and join the public debate for democracy and a just solution to the conflict. It is an independent publication that provides background information and in-depth analysis of many aspects of the conflict from both sides' perspective. By doing this, it sheds light on the complexity of the issues that divide Israelis and Palestinians.

Vision:

The Palestine-Israel Journal aims to:

- 1) Promote rapprochement and better understanding between the two peoples
- 2) Provide a platform for Palestinians and Israelis
- 3) Raise awareness and inform and clarify the public on the effects the conflict has on both sides
- 4) Foster active dialogue and exchanges between two civil societies

Activities:

- Presents and publishes the crucial issues at state from the perspective of both sides.
- Maintains the open channels for dialogue between the two people.
- Provides a forum for discussion on the Palestinian-Israeli conflict to be examined seriously, freely, and critically.

- Produces publications quarterly (128 pages) that are devoted to a specific topic regarding the Israeli-Palestinian conflict and relations between the people.
 - Previous topics included: water and the environment, peace education, human rights, the role of the media, the right of return for refugees, settlements, religion and politics, the effects of the conflict on mental health, and regional security

Awards:

- UNESCO Award (2006)
- Outstanding Contribution to Peace Award (2012)

Wi'am: The Palestinian Conflict Transformation Center (1994)

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Mission:

Wi'am is a grassroots organization that was founded in 1994 to improve relationship quality, promote peace and justice, cultivate a culture of acceptance, and promote reconciliation in the community. To create a culture of acceptance, the organization promotes engagement in conflict transformation, empowering civil society, and attending to the critical needs for the social, political, psychological, and economic wellbeing of the community. Wi'am advances peaceful means of transformation, dialogue, restorative justice, pluralism, freedom, volunteerism, youth civic participation, and gender equality.

Vision:

Wi'am hopes to form a diverse and united community that values justice and peacebuilding, fosters healthy relationships with an empowered civil society system, improved inter-communal relationships, and pushes for reconciliation.

Activities:

- Children's Program
 - Provides a safe environment for children's growth in which they can express their feelings and frustrations into educational and creative endeavors, allowing for children to find their voice and engage in critical thinking.
- Educational and Cultural Tours
 - Encourages people to travel to the Holy Land where they will participate in cultural exchanges and dialogue with the Palestinian people to create a greater understanding of the human consequences of the conflict.

- Job Creation
 - Works to create jobs for marginalized women, men, and youth in the community to contribute to improved living standards.
- Non-Violent Resistance
 - Organizes training and capacity-building workshops for students on conflict transformation for the youth to learn their potential to create positive changes in society without having to resort to violence.
- Trauma Coping
 - Advocates for children to work through their experiences and emotions through creative and self-esteem reinforcing activities.
- Women's Program
 - The Women's Group works to establish gender equality and abolish all forms of oppression by empowering and mobilizing women to participate in social, cultural, and political spheres so they can identify and embrace their own strengths which undoubtedly strengthens their communities.

Parents Circle-Families Forum (1995)

THE PARENTS CIRCLE – FAMILIES FORUM (PCFF)

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Vision:

The PCFF members are opposed to the occupation and believe that it is possible to end the conflict. They wish to influence the public and the political decision makers to choose reconciliation and the path of peace over violence and war.

To create a framework for a reconciliation between the two people that takes into account that any political peace agreement must include an infrastructure for the process of reconciliation.
To work towards an end to violence and towards achieving an accepted political agreement.

To influence the public and the political decision makers to choose reconciliation and the path of peace over violence and war in order to achieve a just settlement based on empathy and understanding.

To avoid the use of bereavement for further violence and retribution.
Bereaved PCFF members are opposed to the Occupation and believe that attaining historical reconciliation between the nations is a prerequisite for turning a future peace treaty into sustainable Peace.

The Parents Circle Families Forum invites anyone who has lost a family member due to the conflict, to join us. Together, we will work to prevent more bereavement, and to promote dialogue, tolerance, reconciliation, and peace.

Activities:

The PCFF holds many activities and events to promote reconciliation and peace. The events and activities take place in Israel, Palestine and overseas. Through its years of operation, the PCFF has extended its activities in creative ways, to spread its message, expose the pain of bereavement, and the heavy toll of the conflict, and reach out for reconciliation and peace among the two people. We invite you to read about the activities and to join.

Our main activity: Dialogue Meetings. Israeli and Palestinian PCFF members meet with youth and adults and share their personal stories and explain their decision to work through dialogue rather than revenge, and The Parallel Narrative Experience project. One of the PCFF peak events in recent years is a joint Israeli-Palestinian Memorial Day, in collaboration with the Combatants for Peace movement. The ceremony, which is an annual event on the eve of Memorial Day, is a meaningful event that attracts many participants, seeking mutual consolation and hope.

Awards:

- The Shalom Award, 2016
- The Leibowitz Award, 2016
- Robi Damelin was chosen as one of the 50 women who have made the biggest impact in the world, 2015
- The Dror Prize, in memory of Dror Sternschuss, 2014
- The “Unsung Heroes of Compassion” Award, 2014
- Politiken Freedom Prize, 2013
- The “Crack in the Wall” project was given an Honorable mention at the Intercultural Innovation Award, 2013
- The Livia Award, 2012
- The Augsburg University Prize for Reconciliation and International Understanding, 2012
- The Gwangju Prize for Human Rights, 2011
- The Human Rights Award, 2010
- The Gandhi Foundation International Peace Award, 2010
- International Solidarity Prize, the International Social Cinema Film, 2010

- CDU, Gold Medal for contributing to reconciliation and understanding between people, 2010
- The Three Cultures award for Peace and Dialogue, 2009
- The PCFF was nominated for the Prince of Asturias Concord Award, 2009
- The Martha Prize for Tolerance and Democratic Values in Jerusalem, 2008
- The Search for Common Ground for Peace building in the Middle East award, 2008
- The Eisenhower Medallion, 2008
- The Victor Goldberg Award for Peace in the Middle East, 2008
- Solidar's Silver Rose Award – “World Peace and Reconciliation”, 2007

Adalah: The Legal Center Arab Minority Rights in Israel (1996)

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Mission:

In 1996, Adalah was founded with the mission to promote human rights in Israel and the rights of the Palestinian minority. It is an independent human rights organization and legal center whose work includes promoting and defending the human rights of all individuals who have fallen subject to the State of Israel's jurisdiction. Adalah is the only Palestinian organization to work before Israeli courts to protect human rights, and it has brought over 250 impact litigation cases before the Israeli Supreme Court and the lower courts.

Vision:

Adalah aims to achieve individual and collective rights for the Arab-Palestinian minority in Israel and protect the rights of Palestinians living under occupation through international humanitarian and human rights law.

Activities:

- Provides legal consultation to individuals, institutions, and NGO's.
- Appeals to international institutions.
- Organizes conferences.
- Publishes reports and analyses of legal issues.
- Conducts extensive media and social media outreach in Arabic, English, and Hebrew.
- Provides training for legal apprentices and new lawyers in human rights litigation and advocacy.
- Brings legal interventions before the Israeli courts and various state authorities.

- Conducts international advocacy.
 - The International Advocacy team publicizes Adalah's work and does outreach to other countries. It also extensively reports to UN bodies as Israel has ratified all the UN human rights treaties and is bound to these.

Awards:

- Distinguished Palestinian Civil Rights Award (2000)
- NGO Award for Excellence in Achievement (2005)

Peres Center for Peace and Innovation (1996)

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Mission:

The Center was founded by the late President of Israel, Shimon Peres, in 1996 to develop and implement impactful and meaningful programs to promote a prosperous Israel. President Peres argued that combining values of peace with science and technological advancements is the correct formula for a more peaceful world. To promote peace, the center connected Arabs and Jews, Israelis and Palestinians, to build relationships based on common interests and shared challenges. Its programs are designed to break down barriers to peace and improve capacity building.

Vision:

The Peres Center for Peace was founded to advance the vision for a peaceful and prosperous future for Israel and the Middle East region.

Activities:

- **Leadership and Entrepreneurship Cultivation**
 - **Bridges For Peace:** a program that combines outreach to schools about training for teachers and implementing university student leaders as mentors.
 - **Ed.G.I.:** creates a space where every person, regardless of background, gender, or religion, can take part in the world of innovation and entrepreneurship and help promote positive change.
 - **YaLa Young Leaders:** brings together Israelis, Syrians, Algerians, Palestinians, and more for intercultural conversation and joint study.

- **Medicine and Healthcare**
 - **Saving Children:** the center treats Palestinian and Syrian children in hospitals in Israel and provides them with complex and life-saving treatments.
 - **Training Doctors and Medical Professionals:** established comprehensive medical training programs to provide knowledge of the best practices.
- **Business and Innovation**
 - **Promoting Cross-Border Business Partnerships:** improve regional economic cooperation to strengthen markets
 - **CityZoom:** encourages developing smart cities by creating connections between innovators, companies, and city governments.

Mossawa Center: The Advocacy Center for Arab Citizens in Israel (1997)

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Mission

The Mossawa Center, the Advocacy Center for Palestinian Arab citizens of Israel, was established in 1999 to promote the economic, social, cultural, and political rights of the Palestinian Arab minority in Israel and the recognition of this community as a national indigenous minority with its own national, cultural, and historical distinctiveness. The Mossawa Center seeks to promote a democratic society and acts against all forms of discrimination.

Role in Peacebuilding

Despite the challenges it faces, the Arab Palestinian minority is not merely a victimized community. On the contrary, it constitutes an integral component of the social and political sphere in Israel. Because of its unique position, the Palestinian Arab minority has unrivaled potential to foster mutual understanding and trust between Palestinians and Israelis and, ultimately, a just peace.

Activities

- Knesset and governmental advocacy
- International advocacy in political centers of power
- International grassroots advocacy
- Economic research and state budget analysis
- Community organizing
- Strengthening Arab civil society through capacity and network-building
- Youth engagement
- Outreach to the Jewish community
- Collaboration with Palestinians in the OPT
- Media advocacy

ICAHD--Israeli Committee Against House Demolitions (1997)

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Mission:

ICAHD revolves around several core principles, which are national expression for both peoples, universal economic viability, conformity with human rights, international law, UN resolutions, a genuine resolution to the refugee crisis, and addressing the security concerns of Israel. It is a political organization engaged in both resistance and advocacy, and works with a network of support groups abroad (e.g., US, UK, Finland, and Germany) to:

- 1) Support the political and activist agenda through informational campaigns, awareness-raising gatherings, tours, fundraising, and solidarity actions.
- 2) Initiate lobbying, work with the press, public meetings, briefings, and other advocacy forms.

Vision:

ICAHD aims to obtain a just peace in the Middle East through civil societies, Israeli, Palestinian, and international, joining forces to influence public opinion and government policy.

Activities:

- End Home Demolitions: preventative work against Israel's attempt to transform an Arab country into a Jewish one.
- Protest Against JCB allowing its bulldozers and pneumatic drills to be used for home demolitions in Palestine/Israel
- Call on the NSPCC to stop accepting donations from JCB to protect Palestinian families and their homes.

Miftah - Palestinian Initiative for the Promotion of Global Dialogue and Democracy (1998)

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Mission

Miftah was established in 1998 with the goal of fostering good governance and democracy throughout Palestinian society. The organization seeks to engage the public, local officials, and the international community through in-depth dialogue, the free exchange of information, and local and international networking.

Vision:

A sovereign, independent, democratic, tolerant and inclusive Palestinian state, which grants Palestinians their basic rights, preserves their dignity, and enjoys international recognition and respect.

Activities:

- Miftah helps carry out policy dialogue and good governance in Fiscal Justice, Youth Empowerment, Gender Based Violence, and Electoral support.
 - Publishes draft proposals to address policy issues.

- Holds roundtables to discuss policies to help address Fiscal Justice, Youth Empowerment, Gender Based Violence, and Electoral support.
- Engages in capacity building by supporting organization addressing the above issues.
- Shares research and facts regarding these policy areas.
- Miftah brings awareness to the Palestinian issues.
 - Organizes trips to shed light on human rights violations in Palestine.
 - Develops documentation to help record human rights violations by the Israeli occupation force.
 - Builds alliances with civil society and human rights networks to organize solidarity campaigns.

Peace Research Institute in the Middle East (PRIME) (1998)

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Mission:

PRIME is a non-governmental, nonprofit organization that was established in 1998 by Palestinian and Israeli researchers with help from the Peace Research Institute in Frankfurt, Germany. The organization works to build an intellectual infrastructure of peace, influence Israel and Palestine's public agendas, offer ideas and proposals for peacebuilding, develop concepts for addressing regional issues, train the new generation of leaders, and strengthen civil society.

Vision:

PRIME aims to reduce asymmetries and inequalities between Israelis and Palestinians, promote human rights and academic freedom, demonstrate solidarity, and strive for scholarly excellence.

Activities:

- Establishing a “Localized” Process for a Truth and Reconciliation Commission in Israel and Palestine to Address Refugee Issues at the Heart of the Conflict
 - Conduct interviews from localities to obtain an oral history of where Jews and Arabs used to live together prior to the 1948 war.
 - The interviews were videotaped, and the indexing framework was developed to code the data collected.
 - These encoded results were analyzed and led to the evaluation of the process and development to create a preliminary plan for implementing a broader Truth and Reconciliation process.

→ “Learning Each Other’s Historical Narrative” in Israeli and Palestinian Schools

- This project focuses on teachers and schools as the significant force for creating the long-term impacts of changing the deeply entrenched and polarized attitude on both sides of the Palestinian-Israeli conflict.
- Aims to disarm the teaching of Middle East history in Israeli and Palestinian classrooms by having teams of Palestinian and Israeli teachers and historians develop parallel historical narratives.

Awards:

- Sami Adwan and Dan Bar-On were awarded the inaugural Goldberg IIE prize for the "Learning Each Other's Historical Narrative" project. (2005)

Hand in Hand (1998)

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Mission:

Build partnerships and equality between Jewish and Arab citizens of Israel through our growing network of integrated Jewish-Arab schools and communities throughout the country.

Vision:

For Israel to build a flourishing shared society, with communities that are characterized by equality and integration.

Activities:

- Through its seven schools and with over 2,000 students in Israel, Hand in Hand fosters integrations by placing both Jewish and Arab students in classrooms together.
- Each classroom is co-taught by one Jewish and one Arabic teacher, where students are taught in both Arabic and Hebrew.
- Students learn and celebrate Jewish, Islamic, and Christian cultures and traditions.

Awards:

- BMW Group Award for Intercultural Commitment (2010)
- Matanel Prize for Education (2013 - 2014)
- Honorable Mention, Dror Prize for Social Change (2015-2016)
- Women Lead Change Award (2016)
- #1 Jerusalem Elementary School in Mathematics, Max Rayne Jerusalem School (2016 - 2017)

- Ministry of Education's "Top High Schools in the Nation" List, Max Rayne Jerusalem School (2016 - 2017)
- District Education Prize, Jerusalem, Max Rayne Jerusalem School (2016 - 2017)
- District Education Prize, Haifa, Bridge Over the Wadi School (2016 - 2017)
- 2nd Place, National Astrophysics Olympiad, Max Rayne Jerusalem School (2017 - 2018)
- Breakthrough Prize for Innovative Education, Hand in Hand Jaffa (2017 - 2018)
- Breakthrough Prize for Innovative Education, The Galilee School (2017 - 2018)
- "Outstanding" Distinction for High School, Max Rayne Jerusalem School (2018 - 2019)
- Values-Based Education Award, Jaffa "Kulna" School (2018 - 2019)
- The National Olympics for Physics (2019 - 2020)
- Youth Writing Awards (2019 - 2020)
- Israeli Ministry of Education Certificate of Distinction (2020 - 2021)
- Distinction for Hope in Israeli Education for the Hand in Hand Galilee School (2020 - 2021)
- The Global Pluralism Award (2022)

Holy Land Trust (1998)

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Mission:

Holy Land Trust (HLT) is a non-profit Palestinian organization committed to fostering peace, justice, and understanding in the Holy Land. It explores the causes of violence to develop solutions to address them. HLT focuses on personal transformation and addressing the spiritual trauma that prevents a just and lasting peace. It hopes to foster life motivated by love rather than fear.

Vision:

To achieve true peace and justice through nonviolent activism and personal and spiritual transformation.

Activities:

- **Personal Transformation**
 - Provide networks that offer support for individual growth and development using the nonlinear thinking methodology to pave the way for individuals to deeply understand how the past shapes us.
- **Healing Trauma**
 - The program examines the fears of both peoples and develops new tools that can be implemented to address them which allow us to understand and accept our spiritual scars and fears along with those of others.
- **Nonviolent Activism**
 - The organization works to organize noncompliance campaigns, direct nonviolent actions, and global advocacy initiatives. They take the approach of setting up programs of personal sustainability and empowerment for activists and have also taken the lead in creating the path to nonviolent activism in the Holy Land.

- Friends Across Borders
 - Brings Germans, Israelis, and Palestinian civil and activist leaders to engage in understanding and healing the “Trauma Triangle,” which brings attention to how trauma shapes identity but also shows how we relate to each other.
- Home Rebuilding
 - In response to the Israeli demolition of over 6,000 Palestinian homes, Holy Land Trust had invested in the most marginalized communities and worked to rebuild homes.

International Peace and Cooperation Center (1998)

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Mission:

The IPCC is an independent Palestinian, non-profit organization. It supports the development of a highly informed and active Palestinian society that is aware of its social, economic, and political rights. It uses an integrative approach of research, urbanism, community engagement, and capacity building. It hopes to shape a public agenda which supports urban transformation and civil participation in Palestinian society, advise urban planning and community development, and supports the rights of Palestinians in East Jerusalem and Area C of the West Bank.

Vision:

To be a leading organization that promotes urban transformation processes and supports a vibrant, sustainable, and democratic Palestinian state.

Activities:

- “Youth for Change Agents: Building Capacities to Define Public Space in Palestine”
- Implementation of a Community Initiative for Children
 - An educational and entertainment event for children about cleanliness and maintaining playgrounds and public spaces took place.
- Training Workshops
 - IPCC organizes workshops on planning issues, public space, and community participation in East Jerusalem

MEND (Middle East Nonviolence and Democracy) (1998)

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Mission:

MEND promotes active nonviolence and encourages alternatives to violence among youth and adults throughout Palestine

Vision:

To combat violence in Israel and Palestine and use nonviolent methods to bring about change.

Activities

- “Nonviolent Youth Service Project” - A project training youth on subjects such as nonviolence, conflict resolution and project management and engaging young Palestinians to get involved with civic organizations.
- “Our Right to Health and Happiness” - A project helping women of the Shu'fat Refugee Camp learn about filmmaking and mental health to create their own films on mental health to break mental health stigma.
- “Youmiyat” - Teaching Palestinian students the fundamentals of video production to allow them to make films on their daily lives through their phone.
- Developing materials on conflict resolution and tolerance for students and teachers alike to use.

Palestine Center for Conflict Resolution and Reconciliation (CCRR) (2000)

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<http://mideastweb.org/ccrr/>

Mission:

CCRR is a non-profit organization that provides professional training programs and ongoing consultation. It helps organizations improve their knowledge and skills to sustain negotiation and mediation approaches to conflict. The CCRR targets teachers, students, parents, youth security forces, leaders of non-government organizations working for peace and reconciliation, student leaders, women's groups, and government officials. Their programs include joining projects to assess regional conflicts to set the groundwork for sustaining peace among the Palestinians and between the Palestinians and peoples of other countries.

Vision:

To achieve a nonviolent community, strengthen democratic relations, and promote the values of reconciliation and forgiveness.

Activities:

- Teaching Peace Program Through Schools
 - Aims to teach peace, justice, democracy, and nonviolence through solving problems with negotiation methods in several government schools in Bethlehem and Jericho.
- Psychological Counseling Program
 - Provide group counseling to youths between the ages of 15 to 20 years old as this is the group most vulnerable to the psychological, mental, and physical impacts of violence.
- Police Training Program
 - Program trains police, security, and government employees on security system relations with the public and how to deal with them, the nature of co-ordination between all security systems and how it affects the

public, and the different methods security systems use to deal with people and how to reduce the negative impact it has on the public.

- Training Palestinian and Israeli Security Men
 - A course focused on how to resolve the conflict between the two sides, focusing on communication skills while changing the image each side has of the other.
- Young Leaders Program
 - A summer course focusing on the concept of leadership, group participation, communication, and conflict resolution skills.
- Co-Facilitation Program
 - A course discussing the problems of co-facilitation, how to deal with it, and the skills necessary for it.
- Lectures About Human Rights, Democracy, and Multiplicity
 - Lectures are held for the youth on subjects regarding peace, nonviolence, democracy, and human rights.
- Printing Materials
 - CCRR prints notes on the current situations and concepts of nonviolence, democracy, peace, and human rights to spread these ideas into the Palestinian community.
- History Dialogue Project
 - Workshops are held to bring together teachers from both sides to discuss the role and influence of history in conflict.

Ta'ayush (2000)

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Mission:

We — Arabs and Jews, Israelis and Palestinians — live surrounded by walls and barbed wire: the walls of segregation, racism, and discrimination between Jews and Arabs within Israel; the walls of Apartheid, closure, and siege encircling the Palestinians in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip; and the wall of war surrounding all inhabitants of Israel, so long as Israel remains an armed fortress in the heart of the Middle East. Ta'ayush was created as a grassroots movement of Arabs and Jews working to break down racism and segregation by forming a partnership. The organization is always concentrated on fieldwork.

Vision:

Put an end to the Israeli occupation and achieve full civil equality through non-violent direct action.

Activities:

- Active endorsement of nonviolent activism such as boycotts, divestment, and sanctions.
- Spreads awareness about the issues and facts on the Israel - Palestine conflict through its website and blog.

Sulha Peace Project (Beginning of the Second Intifada)

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Mission:

The Sulha Peace Project is a grassroots organization designed to allow for reconciliation of the people of Israel and Palestine.

Vision:

Inspired by Sulha, the Middle Eastern process of mediation, The Sulha Peace project focuses on Israelis and Palestinians developing tolerance and acceptance for each other.

Activities:

Brings Israelis and Palestinians together with bonfires, cultural events, and listening circles to close the communication gap.

Interfaith Encounter Association (2001)

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Mission:

The Interfaith Encounter Association (IEA) invites people of different traditional and cultural backgrounds and faiths to join our groups. Within these groups, participants have meaningful encounters to bring them closer together. Prejudice, hostility, and suspicion are transformed into direct acquaintance, mutual respect, and friendship. These groups act as a model for intercommunal relations of appreciation and care, and the vehicles to promote them.

Vision:

We are working to build bridges among Jews, Muslims, Christians and others, based on tradition and culture without any political agenda.

Activities:

Our main effort is forming and maintaining ongoing groups of interfaith encounters. Each group offers an opportunity to meet the 'other' and build lasting intercommunal relations of friendship coupled with respect for the unique identity of each. Our vision includes hundreds of groups, of a wide variety of kinds, so that every person will have a group close to home and to heart.

- **Interfaith Peacebuilding in the Holy Land**
 - 5 groups consisting of 15-25 men and women from Israel and the West Bank will be established. Participants meet monthly and learn to know the “other”, connect, and care for them. They will be empowered with the tools to initiate and lead future groups and activities and encourage others to join interfaith encounters as a means of promoting peacebuilding processes.

- Global Learning Through Digital Stories
 - Partners from Hungary, Israel and the UK will empower young people in their countries and in further countries from the Euro-Med region to work and act for social change and develop conscious and deliberate thinking and dialogue on a wider scale.
- Operation Chametz
 - Collecting Chametz (leavened food) before Pesach from Jewish families, for needy families in East Jerusalem (Christians and Muslims).

Ta'awon (2002)

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Mission: Ta'awon strives to make a distinguished contribution toward furthering the progress of Palestinians, preserving their heritage and identity, supporting their living culture and building civil society.

Vision: Ta'awon envisions the Palestinian people as citizens of an independent, free, and democratic Arab Palestine, living in dignity, prosperity, and self-fulfillment, with equitable access to opportunities to realize their full potential with distinction and creativity.

Activities:

- Provides quality education that improves student and teacher skills.
 - Improving digital and physical infrastructure at schools and universities.
 - Creating programs and interventions in education that help boost economic empowerment of Palestinians.
- Helping boost the arts and culture industry.
 - Using social media to help document and archive cultural achievements.
 - Supporting initiatives that help raise awareness about individual and collective Palestinian cultural identity.
- Community Building in Palestine.
 - Engaging in economic and social empowerment within the most marginalized communities in Palestine in health, agriculture, basic humanitarian aid, orphan support and youth empowerment.
 - Helping strengthen partner NGOs to help support Palestinians.

Awards:

- Mahatma Award 2020 for Covid-19 Humanitarian Efforts.
- Mahatma Award 2019, 2018 for Community Work.
- 'Best Logo' award for the Palestinian Museum at the International Design and Communications Awards (IDCA 2014, Australia).
- Museum building contractor received 1st place for the artistic architecture award, and Shihabi Home (Edward Said National Conservatory of Music in Jerusalem) for its creative renovation by Ta'awon. Awards received at Palestinian Contractor's Union event in 2016.
- Best Corporate Identity for the Palestinian Museum at 'Best Corporate Identity' competition held in Britain in 2014.
- Local Foundation of the Year in 2012 by the Campden Middle East Philanthropy Awards
- The Old City of Jerusalem Revitalization Program (OCJRP) was awarded the Aga Khan Award for Architecture in 2004.

Zochrot (2002)

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Mission:

To realize this vision, Zochrot will act to promote Israeli Jewish society's acknowledgement of and accountability for the ongoing injustices of the Nakba. Zochrot will also promote the reconceptualization of Return as the imperative redress of the Nakba and a chance for a better life for all the country's inhabitants, so that it renounces the colonial conception of its existence in the region and the colonial practices it entails.

Vision:

Zochrot envisions a Return of the Palestinian refugees to their country on the basis of acknowledgement and accountability, coupled with a joint Jewish-Palestinian process of restitution founded on the principles of transitional justice. This Return will be a central and essential part of the creation of a multicultural democratic space and a joint and equitable fabric of life for all inhabitants of this country on all levels (from home and neighborhood to state level) and in all sectors (economics, politics, and urban planning, but also education, arts, and sports).

Activities:

- Holds workshops, conferences, and study groups for examining and developing practices of return.
- Hosting tours to the public of destroyed Palestinian towns to help push for the return of displaced Palestinians.
- Creating films, publications, and testimonies to bring awareness to the Nakba and push for Palestinian return to their country.

Just Vision (2003)

Web: <https://justvision.org/about>

Mission:

We are a team of filmmakers, journalists, storytellers, and human rights advocates who envision a pluralistic, just, and rights-respecting future in the region. Documentary filmmaking and journalism, coupled with strategic audience engagement are at the center of our mission because we believe that stories have the power to shape public norms, equip audiences with vital information, undermine stereotypes and inspire.

Just Vision has a reputation for leadership, credibility, and excellence. Based in Israel-Palestine and the U.S., our team reaches tens of thousands of people in direct engagements and screenings, moving fluidly from refugee camps and villages to high-level talks with the world's top decision-makers. We touch millions more through television broadcasts and international press coverage. Founded in 2003, Just Vision is nonpartisan and religiously unaffiliated.

Vision:

To fill a media gap in Israel-Palestine through independent storytelling and strategic audience engagement.

Activities:

Just Vision holds documentary and film screenings internationally.

Awards:

- Peabody Award (2012)

Geneva Initiative (2003)

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Mission:

The Geneva Initiative provides realistic and achievable solutions on all issues, based on previous official negotiations, international resolutions, the Quartet Roadmap, Clinton Parameters, Bush Vision, and Arab Peace Initiative. The GI aims to bring peace closer, by showing the way and preparing public opinion and leadership to accept, support, and promote the real compromises required to solve the conflict. The GI and our activities are designed to re-instill in the Israeli and Palestinian peoples the hope that it is possible to reach an agreement that will serve their respective national and personal interests and aspirations. We are committed to exposing each side's public to the message of the other – despite the physical and psychological barriers.

Vision:

End the conflict between both sides after a century of violence and obtain a mutually acceptable peace that guarantees the interests of both peoples.

Activities:

- Lecture for Bedouin Young Leaders
 - Twenty-five young Bedouin leaders joined the workshop on the core issues of the conflict and urgency of working towards a political solution.
- Open House: MK Mossi Raz and Palestinian Peace Activist, Elias Zananiri
 - Active public support in Israeli and Palestinian society was needed to encourage the leaderships of both sides to move towards a two-state solution.
- Workshop for Women Leaders
 - A project aiming to engage hundreds of Palestinian and Israeli women.

Abrahamic Reunion (2004)

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Mission:

The Abrahamic Reunion works to build sustainable peace with diverse faith communities in the Holy Land. We foster harmony by exploring common Abrahamic values to create deep and lasting connections between people. Our work is dedicated to three core values:

- Sharing the belief in One God by understanding one another's religious customs, prayers, and values.
- Promoting communication, cooperation, friendship, and peace among the people of the Holy Land.
- Relating to all as though they are our own family.

Vision:

To be a leading peacebuilding organization that brings multi-faith leaders and communities together to promote dialogue, connection, understanding, healing, and trust.

Activities:

- Prayer Vigils for Peace in Palestine and Israel
- Prayer Vigils for the Holy Land
- Unity Prayers
- Young Peacebuilders of Palestine and Israel for bridge building
- Peace Conferences

Breaking the Silence (2004)

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Mission:

Breaking the Silence is an organization of veteran soldiers who have served in the Israeli military since the start of the Second Intifada and have taken it upon themselves to expose the Israeli public to the reality of everyday life in the Occupied Territories. We endeavor to stimulate public debate about the price paid for a reality in which young soldiers face a civilian population daily and are engaged in the control of that population's everyday life. Our work aims to bring an end to the occupation. Our testimonies portray a different – and much grimmer – picture of the military actions that take place, in which the deterioration of moral standards finds expression in the character of the military orders and rules of engagement that the state considers justified in the name of Israel's security.

Vision:

To accurately portray the events taking place and show the reality of the Israeli soldiers and commanders and bring an end to the occupation.

Activities:

- We collect and publish testimonies from soldiers who, like us, have served in the West Bank, Gaza, and East Jerusalem since September 2000.
- To boost public awareness, we hold lectures, house meetings and other public events that bring to light the reality in the territories through the voices of former soldiers.
- We also conduct tours in Hebron and the South Hebron Hills in the West Bank, with the aim of giving the Israeli public access to the reality that exists only minutes away from their own homes, yet is rarely portrayed in the media.

Rossing Center for Education and Dialogue (2004)

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Mission:

To change the way we encounter, speak, listen to, think about and act toward one another.

Vision:

Understanding, respect, justice, and equality will enable us all to live in peace.

Activities:

- Allowing Jewish and Arabic students and teachers to meet with each other and learn more about each other's identities.
- Teaching teachers how to conduct conflict resolution and handling difficult discussions through the "Educating for Change" program.
- Creating the "The Open Space for Civil Initiatives and Public Dialogue," giving an open space for Jewish and Arabic people to interact with each other.
- Developing the "Meeting Place" program to allow Jewish and Arabic teens to meet with each other.
- Fostering tolerance and understanding between Christians and Jews ...
- Bringing together people of different religions in the "Healing Hatred" in retreats and conferences to heal from years of violent conflict between Palestinian and Israeli societies.
- Enabling groups to develop deeper roots with their religion and identity through "ADASHA: The Jerusalem Center for Interreligious Encounter" by bringing different groups to meetings with religious leaders, site visits, lectures, and much more.

Yesh Din – Volunteers for Human Rights (2005)

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<https://www.yesh-din.org/en/about-us/>

Mission:

Yesh Din works to protect the human rights of Palestinians living under Israeli armed forces' occupation. It views the occupation as a main source of the violation of the human rights and therefore seeks to end it. It has a two-tiered approach: On the individual level, it works on individual cases to assist those whose rights have been violated. On the systemic level, it uses the accumulation of individual incidents to identify structural violations of human rights and advocate for change. Yesh Din conducts public and legal advocacy to pressure Israel's authorities to implement their duty according to international humanitarian law to protect the Palestinians and their rights, and raise public awareness to human rights violations

Vision:

Establish human rights for all and put an end to the occupation as it is the main source of human rights violations.

Activities:

- Operates to use law as a tool to fight the Israeli occupation of Palestinian territories.
- Regularly petitions the High Court of Justice to alter Israeli policy.
 - i.e., cancel the law prohibiting the transportation of Palestinians in Israeli vehicles within the West Bank.
- Advocacy Campaigns.
 - Briefings to foreign diplomats.
 - Encouraging Palestinians to claim compensation for seized land.
- Actively publishes statistics and findings on “ideologically-motivated crimes”.

Awards:

- The New Israel Fund UK Human Rights Award (2017)

Combatants for Peace (2006)

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Mission:

We are a group of Palestinians and Israelis who have taken an active part in the cycle of violence in our region: Israeli soldiers serving in the IDF and Palestinians as combatants fighting to free their country, Palestine, from the Israeli occupation. Combatants for Peace's mission is to build the social infrastructure necessary for ending the conflict and the occupation, which is communities of Palestinians and Israelis working together through nonviolent means to promote peace. We believe that such communities can serve as a role model for both people, demonstrating through action that there is a real alternative to the cycle of violence. We believe that disseminating such activities widely can and will affect attitudinal change at the societal level and policy change at the political level.

Vision:

To end the occupation and the establishment of a Palestinian state based on the 1967 borders and have two states living side by side in peace and cooperation or any other just solution agreed upon in negotiations.

Activities:

- Combatants for Peace works in bi-national groups, localized in different areas in the Palestinian west-bank. The realities of the occupation and military regime create different needs and each group is initiating different projects. We work to strengthen the joint activist community, build coalitions, and add to the Palestinian culture of nonviolence.
 - 5,700+ meetings for people to tell and hear personal stories from both sides and have open conversations.
 - 3,000+ tours to show the reality in the West Bank.
 - 1,000+ bi-national groups to promote joint activism.

Awards:

- 2017 and 2018 Nominee for the Nobel Peace Prize
- The 2009 Euro-Med Dialogue Award Winner
- The Ben Gurion University Berlson Award
- The Friedrich Siegmund-Schultze award for non-violence
- The Cinema for Peace Award in 2017
- FOR Pfeffer International Peace Award, 2016
- The First Ever Roger Ebert Humanitarian Award, 2016
- Peace Direct: Tomorrow's Peacebuilders Award, 2015
- The Tufts Global Leadership Award, 2015
- The IIE Victor J. Goldberg Prize for Peace in the Middle East 2010
- Courage of Conscience Award from the Peace Abbey, 2009
- The Anna Lindh Euro-Med Award for the Dialogue between Cultures, 2009
- The Livia Foundation Conflict Resolution Award, 2009
- The “Search for Common Ground” Award in 2007

Mosaica—The Religions Peace Initiative (2007)

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Mission

Mosaica seeks to cultivate a culture of conflict resolution, dialogue and consensus building among individuals, families, communities, cultures, and religions through developing, implementing and disseminating models of third-party intervention.

Vision:

Dialogue between Jews and Muslims is only possible with mutual trust under religion.

Activities:

- Researching and creating models for conflict resolution.
- Helping to carry out conflict mediation and restorative justice between groups of people.
- Helping promote its models of conflict resolution with training, courses, and workshops for others.

Wasatia (2007)

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Mission:

Our main mission is to empower potential leadership in Palestinian society with the goal of dialogue and education. To deconstruct mythologies and distortions and misinterpretations and to promote knowledge and empathy for the other

Vision:

Promoting Wasatia, an Islamic concept of justice, moderation, mid-ground, and balance, for peace in Palestinian

Activities:

- Using interfaith dialogues meetings, outreach to the press, and social media to help promote a message of justice, balance, and religious moderation.
- Hosting the first tour of the Nazi concentration camps in Auschwitz for Palestinian students.
- Publishing books and articles on moderation, conflict resolution, peace, and reconciliation topics free for the public to use.

Roots/Judur/Shorashim (2014)

<https://www.friendsofroots.net/>

Mission:

A unique network of local Palestinians and Israelis who have come to see each other as the partners we both need to make changes to end our conflict. Based on a mutual recognition of each People's connection to the Land, we are developing understanding and solidarity despite our ideological differences. Roots is a place where local peoples can take responsibility. Our work is aimed at challenging the assumptions our communities hold about each other, building trust and creating a new discourse around the conflict in our respective societies. This is a grassroots and local model for making change. Through our projects and workshops, we create trust and partnership the societal foundations upon which future political agreements can be built.

Vision:

To create a social and political reality that is founded on dignity, trust, and a mutual recognition and respect for both peoples' historic belonging to the entire land.

Activities:

- Online seminars and panel discussions focusing on themes of peacebuilding, interfaith dialogue, personal transformation, national narratives of the conflict, and more.
- Interreligious Exchange
 - We organize and host small learning groups, lectures, and events that provide a setting for dialogue between religious communities. These groups include a Jewish-Christian group, a Jewish-Muslim group, and a women's group for Israelis and Palestinians, all of which meet on a regular basis.
- Partnership Lectures
 - We host monthly lectures, given in Hebrew and Arabic, about aspects of each other's societies, religions, politics, and culture. Our lectures increase awareness of how our two peoples are living and how to form stronger partnerships.

- Summer Camp
 - Roots runs an annual summer camp for children ages 5-12. Since starting two summers ago, 160 local children have attended. The camp is week-long experience of photography, crafts, cooking, playing with animals, and dance, providing a fun and carefree setting for positive interaction between Israeli and Palestinian children.

Women Wage Peace (2014)

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Mission:

We are a grassroots movement with tens of thousands of members from the right, center and left of the political spectrum, Jews and Arabs, religious and secular, united in the demand for a mutually binding non-violent agreement between Israelis and Palestinian, involving women in the process. During the four years of activity, we've held thousands of events throughout the country with the participation of thousands of citizens. We hold parlor meetings and discussion groups; we screen the movie about the successful struggle of Liberian women for peace; we stand at many intersections throughout the country; we participate in panel discussions and conferences; we maintain ties with Knesset members and other public figures and participate in various discussions at Knesset committee meetings.

Vision:

To bring about the resolution of the Israeli Palestinian conflict by means of an honorable, nonviolent, and mutually acceptable agreement, with the participation of women from diverse groups of the population in Israel, in accordance with UN Resolution 1325.

Activities:

- Formed a partnership with the Palestinian Women of the Sun.
- Vigil for Peace Event.
- Signed the partnership pact with Palestinian Women at the Dead Sea.

Awards:

- Peace Award in 2019
- Outstanding Peace Activism Award in 2017

Standing Together (2015)

<https://www.standing-together.org/english>

Mission:

Standing Together is a grassroots movement mobilizing Jews and Palestinians from all over Israel in pursuit of peace, equality, social and climate justice. While the minority who benefit from the current status quo of occupation and inequality seek to keep us divided, we know that we — the majority — have far more in common than that which sets us apart. It aims to build an alternative, shared home for all those who refuse to submit to a reality of hatred and alienation and instead choose empathy and solidarity. We seek not to erase our differences, but rather to create a true partnership based on our shared interests and vision for the future.

Vision:

A future with peace and independence for Israelis and Palestinians, full equality for all citizens, and true social, economic, and environmental justice.

Activities:

- Their activities and activism is dependent on the formation of “Chapters”
 - Local chapters throughout the country that organize local campaigns as well as participate in our national actions. Chapters meet regularly to plan actions, discuss and assess their work, recruit new members, and more. We have 8 local chapters, 4 student chapters in the major universities, and the climate chapter - our first national one. Each of our circles have monthly meetings, which all are welcome to attend.

Darkenu (2016)

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Mission:

We organize, amplify, and empower the moderate majority of Israelis to exert influence on government policy and on the public discourse, ensuring our nation acts in line with the wishes of citizens, the spirit of Zionism, the principles of democracy, and that it remains grounded in a foundation of mutual respect and responsibility. As a grassroots movement, we work daily across Israel ... setting up stalls in public centers, organizing house meetings, events, demonstrations, and protest vigils. We believe in the importance of an engaged civil society, which is why our activists are professionally trained on a range of topics, including digital media, activism, and current affairs.

Vision:

To foster a State of Israel led by a Knesset and government that promote:

- To ensure Israel's future as a Jewish and democratic state, we will promote the principle of separation from the Palestinians through a political agreement. Based on bilateral agreements / via a negotiated diplomatic understanding / agreement.
- We will act to strengthen the foundations of social justice in Israel – reducing social disparities and developing equal opportunities.
- We will act to strengthen the pluralistic and democratic character of the State of Israel –in the spirit of “live and let live” while enabling expression of all religions and denominations.
- We will act to strengthen the rule of law and fight against trends of corruption, incitement, and racism.

Activities:

We strongly believe in a bottom-up approach and are committed to continuing to implement it as an integral part of our department's strategy.

- We sent free buses full of demonstrators to Jerusalem's main protest from dozens of cities around the country and under Darkenu's field activists' direction. Our protest displays resonated with many Israelis and drew much media attention.
- We held a "Meeting of the Detached Government" instead of the government meeting that did not occur for over five weeks.
- We lit 2,665 memorial candles in memory of Covid-19 victims near the Prime Minister's residence, demanding a commission of inquiry investigating the government's failures in dealing with the crisis.
- Dozens of our activists went to every corner of the country to strengthen small local demonstrations that had been threatened or had experienced violence.

Zimam (2016)

<https://www.zimam.ps/en>

Mission:

A pioneering grassroots youth movement that challenges the status quo. Taking a domestic approach to conflict resolution, we work with the leaders of tomorrow to build a more democratic, actively engaged, and pluralistic society. Driven by values of democracy, pluralism, and nonviolence, we are building the foundations for a peaceful future where we live in a sovereign and prosperous Palestinian state free from occupation. We work across nine governorates in the West Bank, Gaza, and East Jerusalem. Our programs empower young people and transform public thinking, fostering respect for others, building peace, and instilling democratic attitudes.

Vision:

A Palestine that is free from occupation, extremism, and the ability to engage with and contribute to a more peaceful world.

Activities:

- The Leadership Incubator
 - Through policy, skills, and problem-solving workshops, engagement and meetings with business and political sector leaders, and opportunities to implement their own social action initiatives in their communities, we are empowering young people to realize their potential as confident and capable architects of change, running for elections on their campuses and in their municipalities, and enhancing democracy and accountability across Palestine.
- Jerusalem Unites Us
 - Amplify nonviolent popular activism, harnessing its power to protect the Palestinian national project and rescue a two-state solution increasingly under threat.
- Transform
 - Using the arts to spark constructive conversation around hard-hitting social, political, and religious issues.

- Zimam Against Extremism
 - Thousands of Zimam activists assisted in campaign promotion, handing out brochures and signature cards, all the while incorporating the training they had received in order to persuade and recruit fellow young people.
- The Banner Initiative
 - The youth raised a mural with slogans in different languages to all Arab and foreign countries that showed support for Palestine against the decision to move the US embassy to Jerusalem.