



**MICHEL
DAHER**
FOUNDATION



IMPACT REPORT 2020



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2020 was a remarkable year in the life of Michel Daher Foundation. The foundation went through an extensive internal work to develop its policies and procedures.

Along the way, Lebanon was going through one of the most challenging years in its modern history. An unprecedented currency collapse, an economic crisis accompanied by the paralysis of the banking sector, and a deathly explosion that left the country shattered and the Lebanese citizens in a miserable state. Adding on top of that, the global crisis of the Covid-19 pandemic.

These events have shaped the path that the foundation would take in the near future, making 2020 a transitional year for Michel Daher Foundation. We rearranged all the work we are doing under four pillars: Health, social service, economic development, and community development and livelihood- to reflect our strategic priorities for the coming years. We also took the decision to focus more on the development of people, seeking to unlock the possibility in each individual and helping them achieve their highest potential.

The family of our foundation is growing, extending opportunities for recruitment, internships, and volunteering. We gained the trust of international and local donors. New partners joined efforts in different projects which enabled us to achieve more of our core mission. The number of beneficiaries increased exponentially. All of that was the outcome of the credibility we gained across the years from the work we do with dedication and the commitment to the greatest impact... Results that are not measured in numbers but by the impact we make on the quality of life of individuals.

Our promise for 2021 is to focus more on the problems, not on their results, to find solutions that are sustainable and scalable, to reset the values and change the redundant mindset, to engage the society and help people become productive human beings, and finally to nurture a better enabling environment and promote a self-reliance journey.



About MDSF

Michel Daher Foundation is a Lebanese organization that was founded in 2014, in Ferzol-Bekaa, to respond to the challenges that the community of Central Bekaa is facing.

Our Vision

We aim to reach an enabling environment where each individual achieves their highest potential.

Our Mission

We stand beside the Bekaa society in overcoming life challenges by responding to its needs, providing community health care services, building human capacities, promoting sustainable development and a clean environment.

Our Values

Impact: We are continuously working to ensure a positive social impact and make a positive change in the lives of the Bekaa community.

Commitment: we are fully committed to support and improve the livelihood of the Bekaa community in the face of adversity.

Accountability: We are responsible to meet the goals and hold ourselves accountable for achieving the foundation's vision and mission

Our scope of work

We work on four fundamental pillars to respond to every need and challenge.



Healthcare Sector



Economic Development and Livelihood



Social Development



Community Development



Healthcare Sector

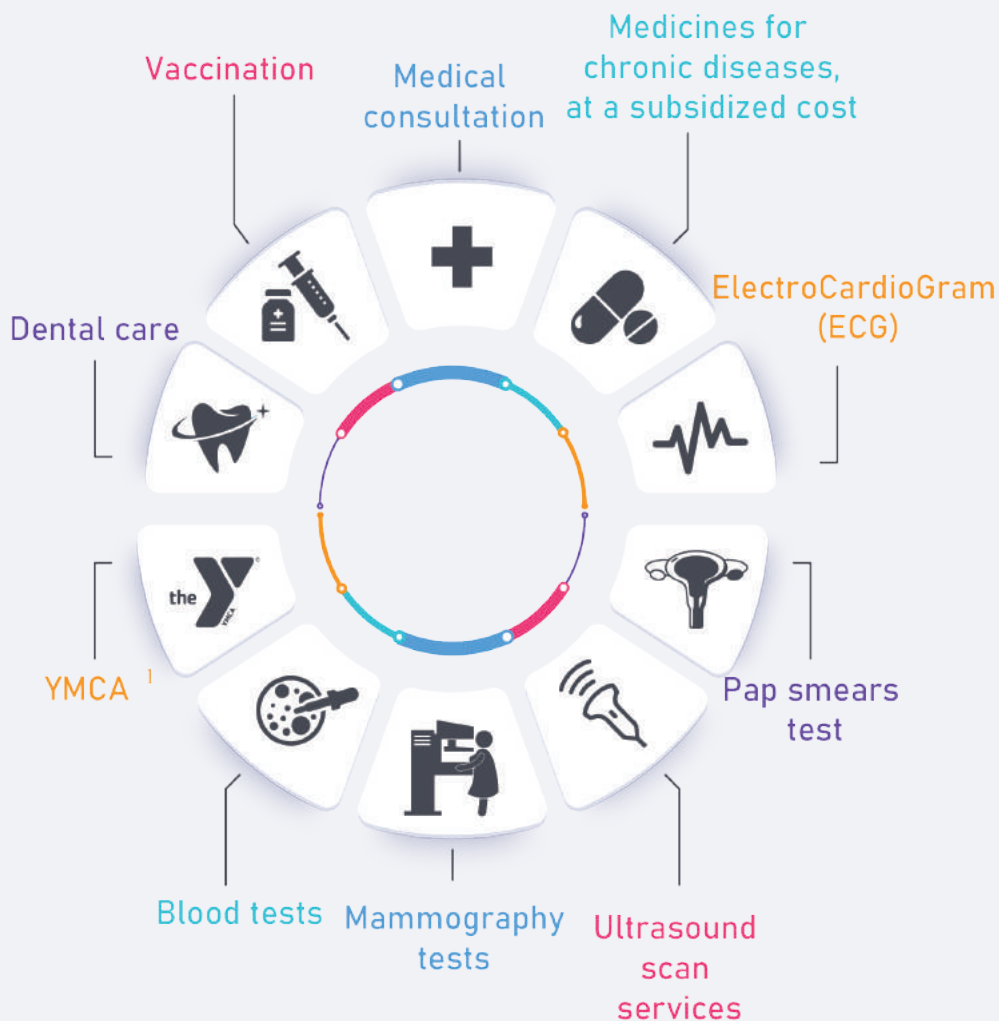
Promote a healthier community

Michel Daher Foundation's healthcare program is committed to deliver excellence in healthcare by providing accessible, high-quality, and patient-centered services to the Bekaa community.

We provide constant healthcare support to people who do not have medical coverage and ensure the prevention of diseases to all through two well-equipped Health Care Centers in Ferzol and Zahle-Rassieh, where people receive high-quality and immediate support at a low cost, from teams of medical professionals.

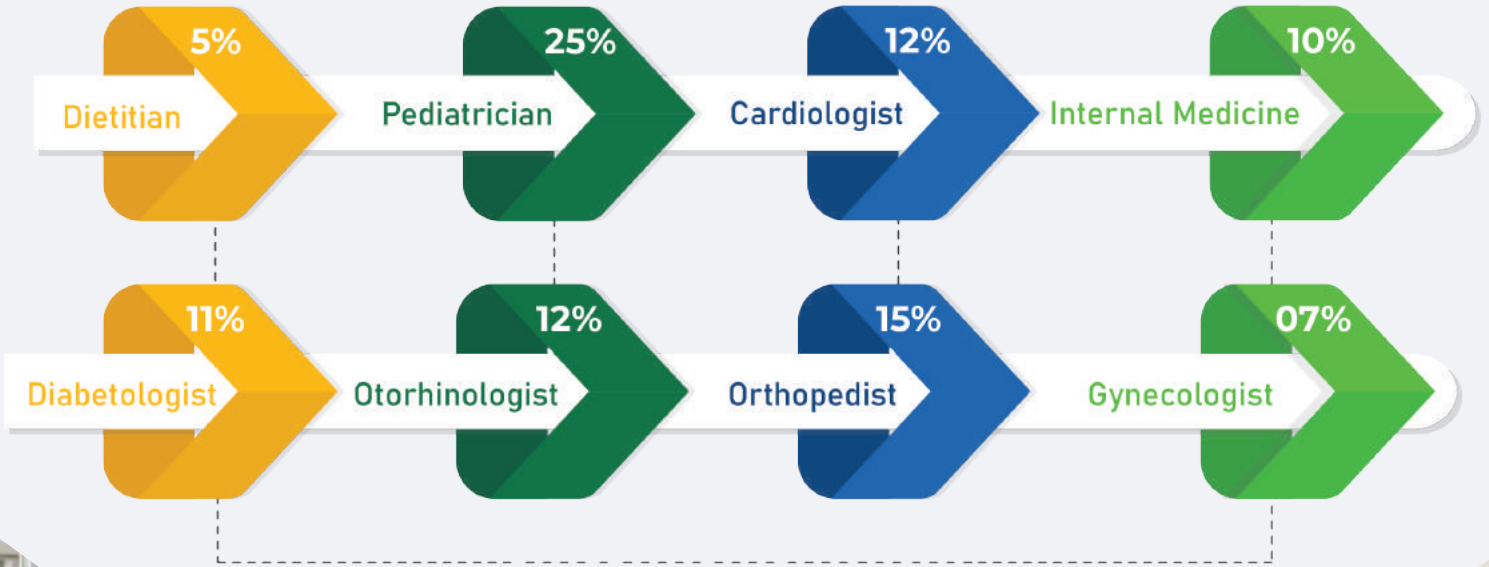
In 2020, the program undertook a detailed review of all its services to ensure that it can meet the commitment aims.

8995+ patients benefited from healthcare services



1-YMCA This program aims to provide those in need with 63 different medications free of charge through local health care facilities distributed all over the country. Our beneficiaries also receive access to full medical services provided by physicians, nurses, and health workers through these facilities.

2000+ consultations were provided by a diverse team of medical professionals



647 children received vaccinations to protect them from several diseases.



305+ women received mammography tests.

Michel Daher Foundation is working hard to raise awareness about breast cancer, promoting routine screenings, and encouraging women to do the mammography test. The doors of the ferzol health care center are open all over the year to help all women in early detection.





Economic Development and livelihood

Enhance economic growth and build human capacities with a particular focus on youth and women.

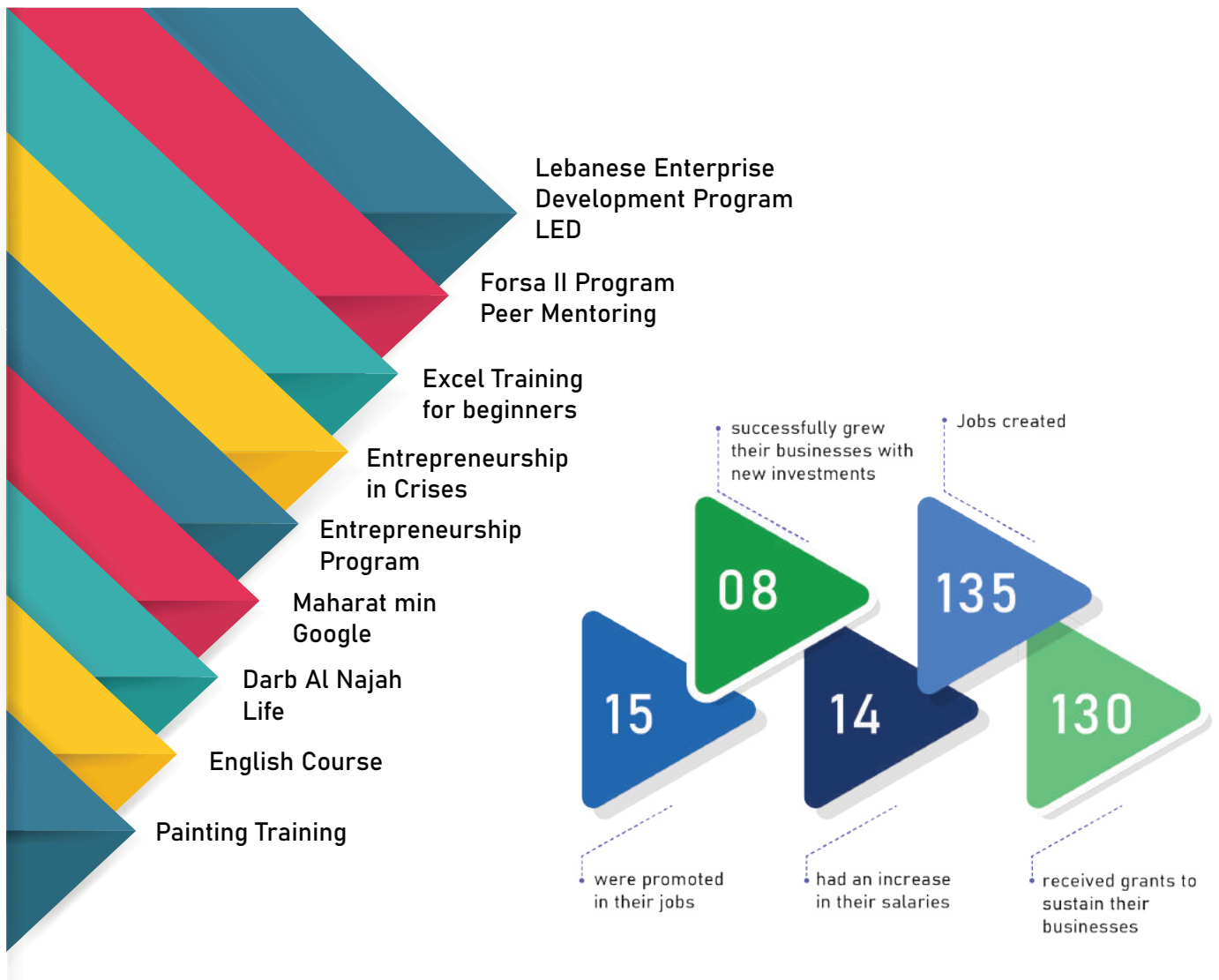
The Economic Development programs work with the youth, women, and SMEs to help them reach their highest potential and enhance their soft and hard skills by providing vocational and technical training in different fields.

The program also encourages entrepreneurship by providing entrepreneurs with training programs to start, improve, and sustain their ideas. It also supports small and medium enterprises in increasing their productivity and efficiency, strengthening their competitive advantage, and stimulating growth and development.



2000+ trainees benefitted from these programs in 2020

Trainings And Mentoring



Lebanese Enterprise Development Program-LED

The Lebanese Enterprise Development project was funded by USAID and implemented by Michel Daher Foundation. Its main aim was upscaling companies in the Bekaa by equipping their human resource with new skills, constantly enhancing the productivity of the companies, upgrading the whole process, raising their competitive advantage, and increasing their potential to grow and create new jobs.

198 beneficiaries from 10 companies and unemployed people received these training topics:

- ◆ PLC
- ◆ Vehicle Maintenance
- ◆ Vehicle Logistics
- ◆ Eco-Drive
- ◆ Supply Chain Management
- ◆ Electro Mechanical
- ◆ AutoCAD
- ◆ Motors Drive
- ◆ Synchronization System
- ◆ Argon Welding
- ◆ Soft Skills-Technicians
- ◆ Soft Skills-Sales
- ◆ Soft Skills-Admin



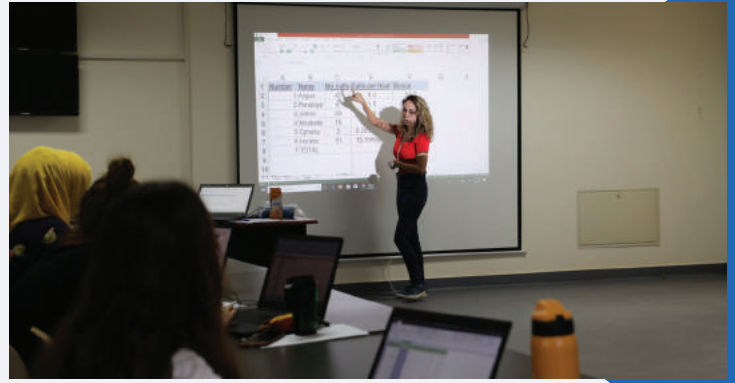
63 participants attended the Peer Mentoring training under FORSA II program

In partnership with Mercy Corps, the program provided mentoring sessions that cover different topics based on the mentees requirements and exchange the knowledge between mentors and mentees to help them find new job opportunities.



70 participants attended Excel training for beginners

In an ongoing effort to expand training opportunities for the Bekaa community to enrich computer skills, young adults aged 18 to 30 years old benefited from the Excel training held at our premises.



45 participants benefited from a webinar about "Entrepreneurship in Crisis"

During the lockdown, Michel Daher Foundation conducted the online webinar "Entrepreneurship in Crises" with Mr. Andre Abi Awad to talk about the opportunities youth can find during the economic situation that Lebanon is facing.



150 young men and women benefited from the Entrepreneurship programs

By year's end, we had armed more than 150 young women and men with the needed skills that enabled them to become successful entrepreneurs.



353 participants benefited from "Maharat min Google"

An online workshop that helped them to hone their digital marketing skills for future job opportunities.



400 individuals took part in the Darb Al Najah program, 130 received grants, and 8 had successful stories to share.

Darb Al Najah is a program with the LIFE project. It is an initiative that is funded by USAID, implemented by Palladium, and organized by three partners: Entrepreneurial Development Foundation (EDF), Michel Daher Foundation (MDF), and Chamber Of Commerce Industry & Agriculture Zahle and Bekaa (CCIAZ). “Dareb El Najah” initiative supported microenterprises to become self-reliant and contribute to the economic stability of the Bekaa region.



The initiative ended with the launch of “The Hidden Treasures of the Beqaa” booklet, a marketing and exposure tool that was created to help promote the businesses that took part in the program.

GO and CHECK IT OUT: <http://darebelnajah.org/booklet/>



40 participant benefited from English Course

The course aim is to increase the participants chances in getting new opportunities by enhancing their English language.

15 participant benefited from Painting Training

The main aim of this program, that was conducted after the 4th of August explosion, was to equip youth with the painting skills to benefit the vulnerable families affected from the blast.





Community Development

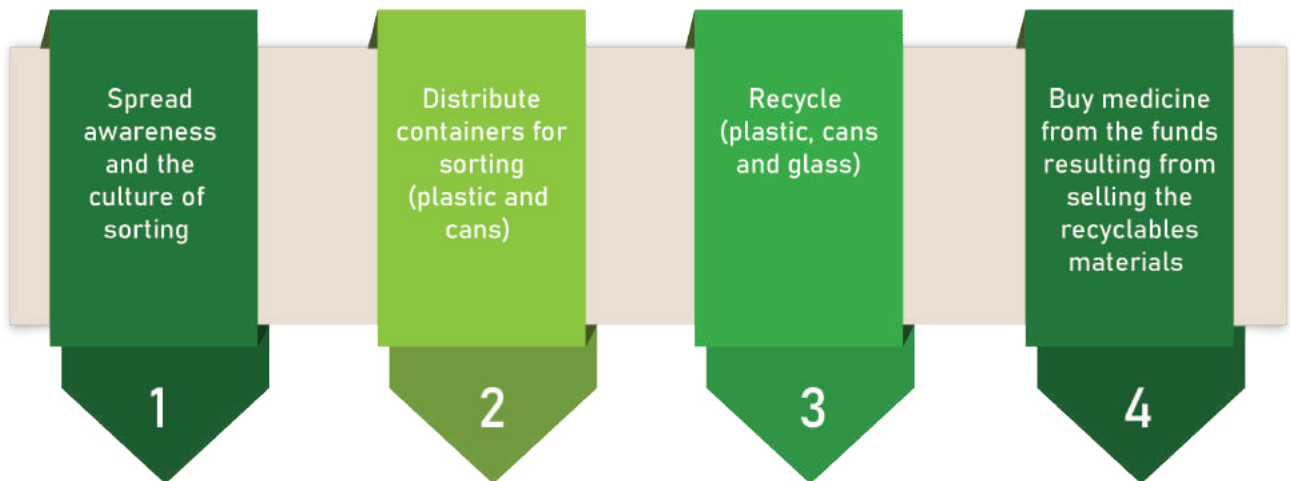
Reverse Environmental and Cultural Degradation



In this program, we engage in raising awareness, implementing campaigns, mobilizing people, encouraging all aspects of voluntary work, and supporting diverse movements to foster the change.

In 2019, “Faker Bi2iyān”, an environmental initiative, was launched to spread awareness about pressing environmental issues. In 2020, we created “Green Neighborhoods” campaign for a sustainable environmental neighborhood and

A complementary project “ **فروز بيتك وساعد غيرك** ” initiative that aims to:



In numbers, the program was able:



- ◆ To organize **2 Hiking activities, 4 Cleanup Campaigns**
- ◆ To give more than **12 Online & Offline awareness sessions** about different environmental topics in different village in Bekaa with the youth
- ◆ To reach **116+ Houses** to recycle with us
- ◆ To Distribute **31 recycling bins**
- ◆ To transform **2 neighborhoods** into green ones
- ◆ Distribute **670+ Medicine Pills** for free



We have reached out to a sustainable neighborhood in Zahleh, Ksara, where children, parents, and youth helped us sort plastic and cans and enhance their love of Nature.

Many amazing woman from Zahle participated with us in the plastic sorting campaign





Social Development

Preserve human dignity by responding to the needs of the Bekaa community

This program provides guidance and support through in-kind donations, medical assistance, psycho-social support and orientation for those who are in need, and works on empowering women of the Bekaa.

1027 cases

received support from this program, including women and children



821 women

attended sessions throughout “Ente Adda” initiative



is a socio-economic impact initiative that aims to support women and enable them to achieve their highest potential and to initiate change in their communities. Extra effort was put into socially supporting 821 women who attended online sessions by providing awareness in different communities and covering psychological topics to end gender inequality, and violence against women, through a series of 10 webinars conducted by passionate professional activist speakers about important empowerment topics.



206 children attended awareness sessions

In partnership with World Vision and under the Qudwa program, Michel Daher Foundation team members were trained to deliver awareness sessions to children on different topics such as child labor, early marriage, gender-based equality, people with disabilities and positive parenting and delivered sessions via Zoom meetings for caregivers in two different areas.



Thanks to our UNICEF and World Vision collaboration and funding, we were able to spread happiness and awareness all over 6 months in Zahle-Houch al Omara and Maalaka.



25 youth were trained on child protection topics

Because we do care about our next generation's mental health and in order to help prevent child abuse, Michel Daher Foundation collaborated with himaya NGO by training 25 youth to deliver awareness sessions on Child Protection and life skills.

9052+ families in need benefited from food boxes, medicines, health aid, house rehabilitations and other social support services

Michel Daher Foundation has been helping around 9000+ people in need on a yearly basis in Central Bekaa.





EMERGENCY RESPONSE

COVID-19 PANDEMIC

400+ people received free PCR tests services

In cooperation with the municipalities, mayors and local actors, the PCR campaign, which was supervised by a professional medical team from the North Hospital Center, 70 beneficiaries were confirmed positive.

Beirut Blast

From broken hearts and spirits rise new beginnings.

Following the Beirut port explosion, a group of **200+ volunteers** headed to Beirut to support the affected families by providing humanitarian assistance including health and nutrition supplies, access to water, sanitation and hygiene, house rehabilitation, and shelters with Michel Daher Foundation team by:



Food Boxes

700 +



Water

5,200 L



Hygiene Kits

8,000 +



Locations Cleaned

200 +



Shelters

40 +



Volunteers

200 +



Trash Bags

1,500 +



Houses Rehabilitation

50



Supporting community kitchens

2



Tools

157 +

REACH

TOTAL 2020 REACH OF THE COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT ON ONLINE PLATFORMS IS

245,323

PROUD PARTNERSHIPS

Michel Daher Foundation is proud to work with generous donors and partners, who share our belief that it is never too late to fight rural poverty and support the livelihood of people living in rural areas. In 2020, we worked with 8 donors and partners. The generosity of their support has been fundamental to our successes.

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