Humanitarian aid/charities/organizations helping people in Israel/Gaza

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An alphabetical list of organizations, fundraisers, and aid groups working on the ground to help those in desperate need right now, in this horrific moment, in Israel and Gaza.

Suggestions welcome for additional charities to include - please message me on social!

ANERA

Anera is providing urgent humanitarian relief to Palestinians in Gaza, including medical supplies like blood bags, hygiene kits, and food parcels for the overwhelming numbers of displaced families. Anera supplies assistance to only legitimate institutions to comply with U.S. laws, and as Hamas is designated as a terrorist group by the U.S. State Department, Anera does not work or coordinate with them, and is independently audited.

Anera.org

The Arab-Jewish Center for Equality, Empowerment, and Cooperation - Negev Institute for Strategies of Peace and Economic Development

During this crisis, AJEEC-NISPED are partnering with the Shared Emergency Center for the Negev Bedouins to respond to the needs of the Bedouin community in the south of Israel. One of the founders of this organization is peace activist Vivian Silver. She is among the 200 hostages abducted in the October 7 attacks and is currently being held captive by Hamas. https://ajeec-nisped.org.il/?page_id=20579&lang=en

BARZILAI MEDICAL CENTER

A frontline hospital that is under fire and has been hit by Hamas rockets but is still treating the mass casualties of the attacks in southern Israel. The hospital has created underground areas where newborns and critical patients are relocated for protection and treatment. http://bit.ly/3rZ3aLz

ERAN: Mental Health Support in Israel

Offers initial response and emotional support on the phone and online, to any person experiencing emotional distress in crisis. This service is available in multiple languages including Arabic.

En.eran.org.il

Hostage and Missing Families Forum

Volunteer-based, focused on bringing back the over 200 hostages, from infants to grandparents, violently abducted and held captive by Hamas.

Learn about the identified hostages, look at each face and every face, learn their names, hear from their families. The forum offers families support (including psychologists to help with the trauma) and works to make sure we don't lose sight of the hostage crisis, among all the myriad humanitarian horrors of this nightmare.

https://stories.bringthemhomenow

Leket Israel

The leading food rescue organization in Israel, harvesting surplus agricultural produce and collecting cooked meals for distribution. Currently providing emergency meals and essential supplies like baby formula and diapers to impacted families and individuals in the south of Israel, directly, or through their partner nonprofits.

https://www.leket.org/en/

Mrs. Najah's Kitchen

Providing emergency meals to displaced Gazans in the south of Gaza who have no food or way to feed themselves. The goal is to deliver meals for 400 families per day. https://www.globalgiving.org/projects/mrs-najahs-kitchen/

NATAL – the Israel Trauma and Resiliency Center

An apolitical organization providing multidisciplinary treatment and support to direct and indirect victims of trauma due to terror and war in Israel. NATAL's services are available to all Israeli citizens regardless of religion, ethnic background, age, gender or socio-economic status. NATAL's hotlines are currently inundated with calls from people trying to cope with this current crisis.

https://www.natal.org.il/en/about-us/

NATAN Worldwide Disaster Relief

An all-volunteer Israeli humanitarian NGO with over 19 years of experience working with communities in crisis throughout the world. Right now, NATAN volunteer family physicians, pediatricians, and nurses are aiding the survivors of the Oct 7 Hamas attacks, as well as providing medical care for the hundreds of thousands of displaced civilians from cities and villages in the north and south of Israel.

https://natanrelief.org/donate

Off-The-Grid-Missions

Nonprofit disaster-response organization dedicated to providing Deaf & Hard-of-hearing people with life-saving resources around the world.

"Both Deaf Palestinians and Deaf Israeli families are cut-off from vital information and incredibly frightened. We aim not to support governments, rather we support Deaf people in

crisis as a nonpartisan organization responding to Deaf people of all backgrounds, beliefs, and regions of the world.

If you know of a Deaf person in crisis please message us with the word "OTGHELP". https://www.offthegridmissions.org/lesgo

Ohela - Amen

Providing first-aid, mental-health support to people evacuated from Kibbutzim close to the Gaza border, including Kibbutz Be'eri. Treating children, (some orphaned), mothers with babies, parents, elders, and their caregivers. Care is being provided for cases of sexual violence. Currently fundraising to provide first aid and long term post-trauma care. https://my.israelgives.org/en/fundme/Deadsea23

Parents Circle Families Forum

A joint Israeli-Palestinian organization of hundreds of families, all of whom have lost an immediate family member to the ongoing conflict. The PCFF believes the process of reconciliation between Israelis and Palestinians is a prerequisite to achieving a sustainable peace. The PCFF is managed by a joint Israeli-Palestinian board and a professional team operating from the Palestinian office in Beit Jala and the Israeli office in Ramat Ef'al. www.theparentscircle.org

Rossing Center for Education and Dialogue

An interreligious organization based in Jerusalem working towards understanding, justice, and equality so that Israelis and Palestinians can live in peace. They have a diverse Israeli-Palestinian staff of Jews, Christians, and Muslims. Right now, their volunteers are supporting Arab residents of East Jerusalem, where families have been severely impacted by the war. Many people are afraid to leave their neighborhoods or travel to work. This group is organizing basic food supplies and other essential products, distributed through local community centers in various neighborhoods in East Jerusalem.

https://secured.israelgives.org/en/pay/RossingCenterEmergencyAppeal

SmartAID

A non-religious, non-political, non-governmental international humanitarian aid organization fighting global poverty and economic inequality. SmartAID are distributing essential relief items, including food, hygiene kits, blankets, etc for families in kibbutzim in the south as well as areas in the north of Israel that have absorbed thousands of evacuated families. SmartAID are also providing technical support to local charity first responders. https://www.smartaid.org/projects/update-on-smartaids-relief-efforts-in-israel

Standing Together

A grassroots movement mobilizing Jews and Palestinians in pursuit of peace, equality, social, and climate justice in Israel. Their Jewish-Arab solidarity networks have been:

cleaning shelters, opening their homes to people with nowhere to go, removing racist graffiti and replacing it with messages of partnership in Hebrew and Arabic, coordinating mutual donations to assist people in unrecognized Bedouin villages in the Negev that are not protected, opening a volunteer-run support hotline for victims of political persecution, having group meetings with psychologists to process this immense grief together, pooling efforts for humanitarian aid for people in need, and accompanying people afraid to leave their homes.

https://www.standing-together.org/donatehere

United Hatzalah

Fast-response Volunteer Emergency Medical Services raising funds to get equipment they need to save lives and the protective equipment to keep themselves safe. The goal of the campaign is to raise \$10 million to equip an additional 1,000 United Hatzalah volunteers with protective vests and helmets, oxygen tanks, defibrillators, trauma bandages, and tourniquets. https://israelrescue.org/campaign/israel-under-attack/

Unrecognized Arab Villages in the Negev

Volunteer-led fundraiser to support the over 40 neglected Bedouin villages in the Negev, with 350,000 residents. These villages aren't currently recognized, so they are not protected by Iron Dome, don't have warning sirens, and lack safe shelters. There is an immediate need for food, water, first aid, and emergency housing for this community. The relief operation uses the funds raised to purchase supplies, as well as transport donated food to these villages. https://gofund.me/bb119bd7

World Central Kitchen

Supporting impacted families in Gaza and Israel, providing food kits and meals for displaced families in both areas. WCK is also operating in Ukraine and Armenia, etc. https://wck.org/relief/israel-gaza-2023

Let Animals Live:

Also working to help beloved pets targeted during the Hamas attack. https://letlive.org.il/

SULALA ANIMAL RESCUE**

Sulala Society is the first and only animal rescue in the Gaza Strip. They are trying to provide care for stray, injured, traumatized animals with limited resources. https://sulalaanimalrescue.com **Please note - this charity is small and there is minimal information available. Please proceed responsibly as with any charity operating in a conflict zone, and look at the data available before making a decision for yourself as to donate here or not.

War Zone Animal Rescue:

Volunteers who are helping locate, reunite, foster and adopt dogs from the South of Israel. https://linktr.ee/helppetsisrael?fbclid=PAAaZpIj3iKKp8DmP6gYJKF0azMYuU_zPBkP2jpSKYgFiiZpgzGZnLg3MJiLY