On 4 August 2020, a massive explosion took place in the port of Beirut, Lebanon. Many casualties and injuries occurred, as well as heavy losses to property and the infrastructure. The leadership of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia immediately directed KSrelief to send Saudi airlift (air bridge) planes to Lebanon to deliver humanitarian and relief assistance to the victims of the explosion. Instantly following the deadly blast, KSrelief also rushed to support Lebanese medical teams on the ground to help victims via several humanitarian partner associations and ambulance teams funded by the center which were already operating in Lebanon. Four relief planes landed in Beirut over three consecutive days, delivering a total of 290 tons of urgently-needed emergency aid. The aid included ventilators, intensive care patient monitors, electronic infusion pumps, first aid supplies, medicines, antibiotics and painkillers, disinfectants and sterilizers, masks and protection materials, IV fluids, and other medical aid. Shelter support consisting of tents, blankets and rugs, and food, cookware and other supplies were included in the airlift aid. A specialized KSrelief team accompanied the shipments to follow up and supervise distribution operations in coordination with KSrelief’s office in Beirut.

KSrelief responds immediately to assist in the rescue operations
KSrelief supports Lebanese medical teams in helping victims
As directed by the leadership of Saudi Arabia, KSrelief launches relief airlift to Lebanon carrying medical, food, and shelter aid.
Two relief planes carrying 120 tons of aid arrive in Beirut
Relief plane carrying 80 tons of aid arrives in Beirut
Relief plane carrying 90 tons of aid arrives in Beirut

The relief air bridge is being provided thanks to a directive from the Custodian of the Two Holy Mosques, King Salman bin Abdulaziz Al Saud, who instructed KSrelief to deliver urgent medical and humanitarian assistance to alleviate the suffering of the Lebanese people. The directive embodies the Kingdom’s strong commitment to helping people in need around the world by providing impartial aid across all humanitarian sectors.

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KSRELIEF’S PROJECTS IN LEBANON

- **32** Projects
- **28** million USD

**LEBANON IN**: Food Security, Health, Education, Protection, Shelter & NFI, Multi-cluster, Charitable Assistance

**AL AMAL MEDICAL CENTER IN ARSAL**

Aims to support health care services for Syrian refugees and the host community by providing medical sector services free of charge in various medical specialties, including:

- General health
- Ophthalmology
- Emergency medicine
- Dentistry
- Pediatrics
- Ear, nose, and throat (ENT)
- Orthopedics
- Cardiology
- Urology
- Gastroenterology
- Obstetrics and Gynecology
- Endocrinology and diabetes treatment
- Mental health
- Community health services
- Pharmacy and laboratory services.

**AL AMAL CHARITY BAKERY**

Aims to enhance food security in Northern Lebanon by helping people put bread on their tables. The bakery provides free bread for Lebanese families in need, as well as to Syrian and Palestinian refugees in Northern Lebanon.

**150,000+**

Bags of bread are distributed every month (each bag containing 10 loaves).

**SUPPORTING HEALTH SERVICES FOR PALESTINIAN REFUGEES IN LEBANON**

Supporting secondary hospital services for Palestinian refugees in Lebanon who are included in the UNRWA Social Safety Net Program (SSNP), and for Palestinian refugees coming from Syria.

Supporting tertiary hospitalization services (specialized health care that requires high-level surgical and medical technology).

Providing supplementary material support for patients suffering from diseases that require expensive treatments and drugs, including cancer, thalassemia and multiple sclerosis.
A day to pay tribute to all humanitarian workers who are working on the ground despite ongoing danger and uncertainty, risking their lives to save others. Those serving on the frontlines of every humanitarian response strive to provide help, deliver aid, and bring hope to millions of vulnerable people around the world. This year more than ever, we must acknowledge their unstoppable humanitarian contributions, despite the unprecedented challenges they face due to the spread of COVID-19.

On this occasion, KSrelief mourns the loss of five demining experts working with the Saudi Project for Landmine Clearance (MASAM) in Yemen; these brave individuals lost their lives in accidental explosion in Ma’rib on 20 January 2019, during a demining mission to bring safety and security to the people of Yemen. They, along with all other heroic humanitarian workers around the world who have lost their lives while attempting to serve humanity, will forever be in our hearts and minds.