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Dear Friend,

Thank you for your interest in partnering with the International Rescue Committee (IRC) to help people whose lives have been shattered by conflict and disaster.

Today, more than 80 million people—that's 1 in every 95 people—have been forcibly displaced from their homes. In the minute it takes you to read this, another 20 people will have been forced to flee leaving behind their lives, businesses and sometimes their families to escape conflict, persecution and disaster. Not only are more people displaced than ever before, but they're displaced longer—on average 20 years for refugees and over 10 years for people displaced in their own countries.

As the world faces a triple threat of conflict, COVID-19 and climate change, already dire conditions are worsening dramatically and the most vulnerable are disproportionately affected. The climate crisis is causing a rapid escalation of need as pressure for resources grows, driving conflict, displacement and suffering.

The IRC was founded in 1933, at the request of Albert Einstein, to help people upended by conflict and crisis to survive, recover and regain control of their lives. Philanthropy played a very special role in the IRC's founding with 51 humanitarians contributing time, skills and resources to provide vital support to refugees fleeing Europe. Now, philanthropists have the opportunity to continue this almost 100-year legacy, driving the IRC's work in over 40 countries worldwide and helping us to deliver high-quality, cost-effective health, safety, economic wellbeing, education, and empowerment programmes—both on our own and with local partners. Together we can provide a lifeline for displaced people and refugees.

Our challenge is greater than ever. To make an even bigger impact for our refugee clients—and to close the growing gap between humanitarian needs and available support—we require not only new thinking and approaches, but additional, likeminded partners committed to fuelling fresh and innovative solutions. If you share our commitment to pioneering humanitarian responses and driving widespread change, I encourage you to speak with our philanthropy team to learn more about the impact you can have.

Thank you, once again, for your interest in the IRC's work. I hope you find your engagements with us to be rewarding and inspiring. Together, we can make a lifechanging difference for some of the world's most vulnerable people, at this time of critical need.

Sincerely,



David Miliband
President and CEO
International Rescue Committee

Our Mission

The IRC helps people whose lives and livelihoods are shattered by conflict and disaster, including the climate crisis, to survive, recover and regain control of their future.



The IRC Response



Philanthropy fuels the IRC's work responding to emergencies and protracted crises in over 40 crisis-affected countries. We provide shelter, clean water, sanitation, healthcare, education, support for children and special aid for women in the top-ten most fragile states and the world's most dangerous conflict zones. We stay in a region for as long as required to help revive livelihoods and support broken communities to rebuild.

As one of the only organisations that works across the entire arc of crisis—from the warzones of Syria to resettling refugees in dozens of cities across Europe and the Americas—philanthropy helps us provide lifechanging support to millions of people whose lives have been disrupted by crisis.

The IRC recognises that women and girls experience crises differently. As a feminist organisation, we put gender considerations at the heart of all our programmes. We also integrate our Climate Action Plan into programme design and outcomes. Helping global communities respond to changing climate now, by mapping hazards and developing early warning systems will save time, money and lives in the long-term.

PHOTO: Ampiya Mustafa (orange), Asha Shoaib Hassan (red), Hibo Saeed (pink), Shamsa Mohammed (brown) and Nurta Issa (blue) pose for a photo together.

The IRC Difference

The IRC has a unique approach to delivering impact for the people we serve. Our approach has four important aspects. Taken together, these set us apart:



Toughest places focus

Helping people in the world's toughest and most remote places, responding quickly and aiming to stay as long as we are needed.



Putting people first

Developing and deploying a wide range of programmes to address people's multifaceted needs and make the greatest impact.



Building community

Helping people to become part of their new communities worldwide, including in Europe and the Americas.



Relentless improvement

Constantly adapting and improving our programmes. Good enough is never an option for the people we serve or our staff worldwide.



Our Vision for IRC Clients

As we look to the future, we want the impact of our programmes and the influence of our ideas to make empowerment and lasting change the norm for everyone caught in crisis. We want our programmes to be a model for the highest global standards, so we have pledged to be the first non-government organisation (NGO) to ensure that all our interventions are either evidence-based or contributing to the creation of that evidence base. Through sharing this evidence with the broader humanitarian sector we will promote widespread change.

By combining the best available research with client-driven insights, and deep-rooted relationships with local and global partners, we are positioned to reshape the way the world aids those in need. The support of forward-thinking, trusted partners will be vital in making this possible. As we approach our 100th year of service, we invite you join us on our journey, partnering with us to transform the futures of people impacted by crisis and disaster.

➔ STRATEGY 100: A VISION FOR 100 YEARS OF ACTION

Expand our scale leveraging our resources and technical expertise to increase the number of people we reach

Increase our impact by combining sector-leading research with client-driven local knowledge

Use our influence by sharing our best ideas to improve the lives of people affected by crisis

Invest in our people to ensure the highest quality teams and an inclusive global workforce

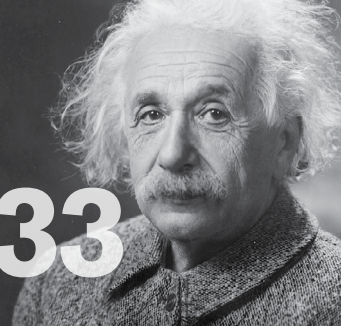
Stabilise our funding to make stronger investments to better respond to the people we serve.

➔ APPROACHING 100 YEARS OF THE IRC

Our commitment to providing lifechanging support to refugees and displaced people spans almost nine decades. The timeline below illustrates a few of the many significant milestones on our journey.

Albert Einstein rallied a group of 51 humanitarians to form the beginnings of the IRC. At a time when there were no aid agencies helping people uprooted by the Nazis, this group invented new ways to support refugees.

1933



1940s

At the end of World War II, the IRC initiates emergency relief programmes and starts refugee resettlement efforts in Europe.

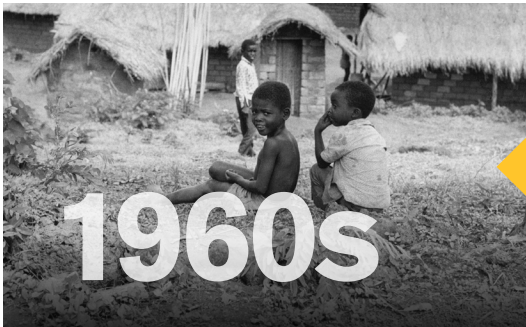
The IRC intensifies its aid in Europe with Project Berlin providing food to the people of West Berlin amid increased Soviet oppression.



1950s

1960s

IRC operations are extended to Africa as 200,000 Angolans flee to Democratic Republic of Congo.



The IRC provides medical assistance and childcare for 10 million East Pakistani refugees in India.

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The Women's Commission for Refugee Women and Children is established by the IRC to serve the rights and interests of women and children, who make up 80% of the world's refugees.



The IRC begins work in the former Yugoslavia and in Kosovo providing aid to hundreds of thousands of refugees.

The IRC opens an office in the UK to garner more support for its work and to add a new voice to the debates on refugees and asylum in the UK.



The IRC broadens its activities inside Afghanistan with emergency aid programmes reaching one million displaced people and rehabilitation programmes serving two million returning refugees.

The IRC responds to the war in Iraq with water, sanitation and health care support.



The IRC addresses natural disasters including the Haiti earthquake and tsunami in Japan, begins assisting Syrians impacted by a brutal civil war, and is at the forefront of the response to the Ebola virus outbreak in West Africa.

The IRC is reacting to the world's largest humanitarian crisis in Yemen, an unprecedented emergency in Afghanistan, and the growing needs of countries reeling from the ongoing impacts of conflict, COVID-19 and climate change.



OUR PROGRAMMES AND THEIR IMPACT



RESETTLEMENT, ASYLUM & INTEGRATION WORK

When refugees land in their new home country, often after a long and harrowing journey, they still face significant challenges on the pathway to rebuilding their lives, including barriers to employment, language, education, and access to basic services. As more people are being displaced from their homes than ever before, the IRC helps refugees and other vulnerable migrants to survive and thrive in their new communities across the United States and in Europe—including the UK.



PHOTO: Nasima, an asylum seeker from Afghanistan, comforts her son Alireza at a beach on the island of Lesbos, Greece.

➔ HOW THE IRC IS SUPPORTING REFUGEES IN THE UK

In January 2021, the IRC launched its first resettlement programme in the UK. Drawing on our experience of running refugee integration programmes in the United States and across Europe, the Refugee Integration in Southeast England (RISE) project can currently support 200 refugees through services ranging from cultural orientation training and job readiness preparation to peer mentoring opportunities and leadership training. The project aims to equip refugees with the skills and confidence to integrate into their new communities and participate independently in society.

“There was not a comprehensive, well-designed programme like this for refugees in the UK.

Imagine you land in a country where you don’t know what you need to do or what to do to get it. This [programme] is a very comprehensive, holistic approach to integration. We go through all aspects of life in the UK... we actually make sure our clients are self-sufficient. Once they’ve been to this training, clients will have the right information that can be shared with their peers, other refugees that the IRC might not know or support.”

— Emery Igiraneza, RISE Project Manager speaking about the 10 week Cultural Orientation programme.



LEFT: Maasom’s 4-year-old daughter Nasrin with her mom on the morning of her first day of school. Nasrin was born with a serious heart condition and when her family arrived in the UK, she was able to get the treatment she needed to heal.



RIGHT: Maasom is a Syrian refugee supported by the IRC UK’s RISE programme which helps resettled refugees navigate their new life in the UK. He volunteers at his local British Heart Foundation in Andover.

Meet Our Clients

IRC UK's cultural orientation courses are held over 10 weeks and teach refugees everything they need to know about life in the UK from how to contact their GP and what to do in an emergency, to basic human rights.

ABBAS

Abbas*, 38, has lived in Horsham for three years after moving to the UK from Syria with his family. He joined the RISE programme to help him better understand and navigate life in the UK.

“I benefited quite a lot from the programme. I had some anxieties before because I was wrongly diagnosed by medical doctors, so I wanted to understand ways to overcome this fear and panicking I’d have every time I go to a GP. The RISE programme hosted guests from the health sector, both for mental health and the medical department. They helped me overcome my fear and my anxiety.”

*Name has been changed for safety reasons.





ABDUL

Abdul, 27, talks about how helpful the programme has been for him and his father Walid.

“I’ve lived in Chichester for almost five years now. We settled here safely and peacefully in this great environment with great people around us. I hope to start my job now. I graduated as a Doctor and I’m doing some exams to get registered here. So hopefully, after this push from the RISE programme, it’s going to be a good achievement after all.”



HEALTH

Each year, millions of people, particularly women and children, die from preventable causes in countries affected by violent and natural disasters. Most of these deaths are the result of disruptions related to crisis: poor sanitation, shortages of food and medicine and inadequate prevention.

Philanthropic support enables the IRC to reach more people, reducing their risk of falling ill and providing treatment when they do get sick. It also helps us to support and train health-workers, share vital health information through online and mobile platforms and respond to the global hunger crisis with innovative solutions.

Our partners have helped us to slow the spread of COVID-19 in over 40 countries, provide 31 million people with access to health services, treat 410,000 children under five for malnutrition, and provide 2.6 million people with clean water.

PHOTO: A follow up visit for a child recovering from severe acute malnutrition.

➔ CRITICAL MATERNAL CARE FOR WOMEN

The IRC provides vital health care services to internally displaced pregnant women like Hussaini and new-born babies. Without the IRC, many women may not be able to access adequate maternal care.

Baby Bello was born in remote northeast Nigeria at a clinic supported by the IRC and the EU where our team of hard-working midwives aid parents at this critical time in their lives.

“I’m so happy to become a mother. I feel like a woman of my own.” — Hussaini, Bello’s mom

She struggled with high blood pressure and IRC staff closely monitored her throughout her pregnancy. Hussaini has dreams for Bello’s future: “I hope he becomes a good person that helps his community.”

When we asked Bello’s father, Ibrahim, how he felt, he said: “There’s no one as happy as I am right now—because I’m a father and no one can take that away from me. I pray that he grows up healthy, that he’ll be proud of me as a father.”



Portrait of baby Bello, just 7 days old, a few hours after his naming ceremony at their home in Gwoza, Borno, Nigeria.

The Impact of Philanthropy:

Our COVID-19 Response

The IRC's global COVID-19 funding campaign was a great success. We reached our goal of £22 million thanks to the generosity of thousands of supporters ranging from large corporations to smaller family foundations and individuals around the world. Gifts of all sizes were pooled to make the greatest impact and distributed rapidly to help to reduce the spread of COVID-19 and protect vulnerable families and communities, in over 40 countries, from the most devastating impacts of the virus. Our partners were kept up-to-date as the pandemic evolved through virtual roundtables, update calls, and regular reports from our programme experts.

Donor support helped us to: provide more than 5 million health consultations to keep people safe from COVID-19 and other illnesses; supply Infection, Prevention and Control services at more than 2,600 health facilities including additional staff, PPE and improved water and sanitation; deliver vital information on preventing transmission of threatening diseases and where to seek support to at least 3.5 million people; and improve water sources to help prevent the spread of COVID-19, benefitting 2.5 million people.

Our response leveraged the IRC's deep community ties across 200 locations, decades of experience responding to disease outbreaks in challenging contexts, and a commitment to providing innovative and evidence-based interventions.



A medical staff member providing life-saving health services to Venezuelan refugees at the IRC's Comprehensive Community Center in Cúcuta, Colombia.



An IRC nurse prepares a COVID-19 vaccine at the IRC's clinic in Za'atari Camp in Jordan. The clinic has been designated as a COVID-19 vaccination site by the Ministry of Health and aims to vaccinate all 80,000 Syrian refugees in the camp.



EDUCATION

During conflict and crisis, education protects children and sets them up for a better future. It provides a sense of hope and enables them to recover, learn and thrive. However, over 62 million children in countries affected by war and displacement remain out of school, while many others receive a poor-quality education. Despite this great need, education has received less than three percent of all humanitarian aid in recent years.

Philanthropic support helps us to provide children, youth and adults with educational opportunities that help keep them safe and learning the skills they need to survive and thrive, including formal, informal, accelerated learning programmes and social and emotional skill-building. We have provided 819,500 children with educational opportunities and 20,000 teachers and facilitators with professional development training. Philanthropy also enables us to develop innovative new teaching and learning materials such as our computer-assisted learning programme. This is quick to mobilise at the onset of a crisis and provides interactive and engaging learning games which allow children to learn at their own level and pace.

PHOTO: Fatima shows her mother Habiba what she has learned to draw in class. She loves to draw.

→ EDUCATION IS A LIFELINE FOR GIRLS IN NIGERIA

Fatima is only 8 years old, but already she has ambitious plans for her life.

“I want to get an education to become a doctor. I want to help parents because parents are losing their children. I also lost my brother.”

Fatima and her family were forced to flee Maiduguri, a large city in northeast Nigeria, and now live in Damaturu. Her mother, Habiba, supported the family by making soybean cakes but is now unable to afford the ingredients. Her husband and son work odd jobs to earn just enough income to manage.

Fortunately, Fatima and her older sister can attend the Waziri Ibrahim Primary School, where they participate in the IRC's Accelerated Learning Programme which targets children who have had to drop out of school and seeks to equip them with the skills necessary to return to public education.

“Life has changed for us,” says Habiba. Their adopted community found her family a place to live, and she has help with food, but Habiba is most thankful for the schooling her daughters now receive. “I am happy and proud of them,” she says. “When Fatima returns home, she tells me, ‘Mum, I learned this, this, and this. ...it surprises me!’”

“Arithmetic is my favourite subject,” says Fatima. “I feel very happy when I come to school.”



Fatima embraces her mother Habiba before attending her Accelerated Learning Program session where she'll gain numeracy, literacy and social and emotional skills before returning to mainstream education.

Partnerships in Action: Building a Better Tomorrow Appeal

Philanthropy can be a powerful convener and we are incredibly grateful to supporters who through their long-standing partnerships with the IRC are able to galvanise the support of others. In 2018, the Asfari and Said Foundations convened a special appeal for Syrian refugees that garnered the attention of philanthropists. Together this phenomenal group of individuals, with the matched support of the Foundations, were able to make an extraordinary gift of £5.4 million to initiate 'Building a Better Tomorrow'.

The 'Building a Better Tomorrow' programme was established to ensure that Syrian refugee children living in Lebanon have access to education and opportunities that will help them thrive. Through this programme we are providing Syrian children, including adolescent girls and street working children, with basic literacy and numeracy classes. We also address the surrounding issues they might face that threaten their safety and prevent them from accessing an education.

We provide life skills and psychosocial support sessions to help children to build resilience and process their mental health challenges. For adolescent girls, we also offer our 'Girl Shine' programme which is designed to empower young girls to protect themselves against gender-based violence.



The IRC and partners help children in Lebanon get back to their education and access safe spaces to help them feel secure so that they can build a better future.



Youth supported by the IRC Child Protection team took part in a wall painting activity in Lebanon to celebrate World Children's Day 2021.

“Philanthropy has so much to offer to bring about positive and long-lasting change to the lives of refugees and disadvantaged young people.

At the Saïd Foundation, we believe in the power of education to transform lives and have been proud partners of the IRC since 2012. Together with the IRC and partners, we have provided access to educational opportunities to over 65,000 children and young people who were displaced during the Syrian conflict.

Philanthropy has an important role to play to help refugees build better futures for themselves, their families and communities, and so I encourage you to give the IRC your support too.”

— Catherine Thomé, CEO, Saïd Foundation.



ECONOMIC WELLBEING

Economic wellbeing means people have their most basic survival needs met and have sustainable income and assets so they can prosper. During and after crises, people may be forced to make short-term decisions to survive—such as pulling children out of school to work—that will have long-term negative consequences.

Philanthropic support helps us to provide crisis-affected families with direct assistance so that they can feed their families and find a safe place to live. It also helps us deliver livelihoods opportunities to ensure long-term economic wellbeing, such as career planning education, skills training for in-demand jobs, and by connecting entrepreneurs and local businesses with critical resources.

Philanthropy has helped us to provide over 1.1 million people with cash or vouchers so they could meet their basic needs, offer 232,600 people livelihood support, including job training and agriculture and livestock programming; and give 13,413 businesses business development support.

PHOTOS: Um Abdo* at her sewing machine in her home in Dana, Idlib, northwest Syria.

➔ SEWING MASKS RESTORES HOPE IN SYRIA

Um Abdo*, who has been displaced three times, supports her family sewing face masks as part of an IRC-sponsored project in northwest Syria that is meeting a critical need in the fight against COVID-19. The extra cash earned producing the masks was a lifeline to Um Abdo's family in the winter of 2020. "I am a tailor, but there's not much work here in that field," says the 38-year-old mother of four and primary income-earner for her family.

"I opened a shop, selling clothes and accessories. I heard about the IRC's Cash for Work project through my neighbour... Thank God it worked out. The IRC came here and saw the condition of our family and my husband's situation. They prioritise assisting people who are truly in need." — Um Abdo

After she became involved in the mask-making project, Um Abdo became better known in her adopted community and her business improved. "The difference is that now, I'm able to buy supplies for home, wood for winter."

The IRC mask project has provided support to more than 200 workers and supervisors. More than 425,000 masks have been distributed to IRC clients and staff as well as IRC partners.

*Name has been changed for safety reasons.



Partnerships in Action:

Citi Foundation

Demonstrating their commitment to tackling global youth unemployment, the Citi Foundation has partnered with the IRC to provide refugees and vulnerable young people in Greece, Jordan, Nigeria, Cameroon, Lebanon and Germany with business training, mentorship (including from Citi staff), and start-up grants through the IRC's 'Resilient Futures' programme.

At a time when crisis and conflict are preventing young people around the world from reaching their full potential, 'Resilient Futures' is addressing a growing need. A key part of the programme is its focus on engaging city and community leaders to boost social cohesion and build bridges to the local labour market. By combining the IRC's technical and programming expertise with the knowledge and resources in Citi's global network, we are ideally positioned to help tomorrow's business owners and employees kick-start their economic futures. The programme has already supported over 3,000 young people since 2017.

The IRC's partnership with Citi is multifaceted. Citi supported the IRC's COVID-19 response with a six-figure grant through their 'Double the Good' campaign where they matched employee giving to any COVID-19 related cause with a donation to the IRC. Citi has also just funded a major new IRC report, examining the economic impact of COVID-19 on women in fragile settings. The IRC and Citi Foundation have since announced the continuation and adaptation of the Resilient Futures project in the face of the challenges detailed in this report. Lastly, employee volunteering and engagement is a key part of the partnership. Citi employees have mentored young people, given feedback on business plans and taken part in mock interviews to help prepare them for the world of work.





OPPOSITE PAGE: Bashar Walaya, a Syrian refugee, rides around his neighborhood in Germany with his mobile theatre. His portable productions help him speak about the issues that matter most to him and connect people to different experiences.

THIS PAGE: Fariba, a refugee from Afghanistan, lives in Greece and makes bags for tourists and cyclists. She uses materials from life jackets—such as repurposing the reflectors for bike bags—that refugees wore to cross from Turkey to Greece.



SAFETY

Each year, millions of people—particularly women and children—are subject to violence and abuse making them feel unsafe in their homes and communities. Trapped in countries plagued by crisis, many cannot access the resources they need to ensure their own safety and recover from abuse. The IRC helps those who are recovering from conflict and disaster seek protection from harm, build safer communities, and understand their human rights.

Philanthropic support helps us to improve health, safety, education, economic wellbeing and power structures for women and girls. It fuels our fight for a world where all people, regardless of their gender, are safe and protected, and enjoy the same rights and opportunities. Philanthropy has helped us to: reach over 1.2 million people through gender-based violence-awareness activities; receive 766,200 visitors to IRC safe spaces for women and girls; and provide 32,000 people with legal counselling.

PHOTO: Zainab Bare, a Somali refugee, advocating for women's rights and safe spaces as a part of the Women Steering Committee in Helowyn camp in Ethiopia.

→ EMPOWERING ADOLESCENT GIRLS IN HUMANITARIAN SETTINGS

15-year-old Asha Shoaib Hassan is a refugee from Somalia and a part of our 'Girl Shine' programme which seeks to provide girls with life skills, including decision-making and developing trust and friendships.

“Girls can learn whatever boys learn, and girls can reach their goals and potential just like boys can! I've learned important life skills, social and emotional skills. I've also learned the process and steps of how to select someone I can trust as a friend, and I know now where I can get support and help through the IRC if I face violence.”



15-year-old Asha Shoaib Hassan in the Helowyn camp in Southern Ethiopia. She came to Ethiopia when she was only 5 years old.

Partnerships in Action:

Sheryl Sandberg and Dave Goldberg Family Foundation

Women and girls are disproportionately affected by crises, suffering violence as well as poverty, and their needs are often neglected by government donors.

The Sheryl Sandberg and Dave Goldberg Family Fund has partnered with the IRC and CARE to minimise the harm caused by the pandemic to the lives of women and girls. Together, we are ramping up our efforts to prevent domestic violence and to ensure that women and girls maintain access to quality, safe healthcare, as limited health resources are diverted to address COVID-19.

Although women and girls will bear the brunt of a global recession they are frequently left out of decision-making. As the economy begins to rebuild, a fair division of power must be a priority. With support from the Foundation, we are striving to increase the engagement of women in decision-making processes and position them as leaders.

We are very grateful to The Sheryl Sandberg and Dave Goldberg Family Foundation for the difference they are making for women. Our partnership illustrates our mutual commitment to empowering women and advances the Foundation's work to build a more equal and resilient world.



A community health worker gives Health Education sessions to her neighbours during her free time.



Anastasié pictured with her mother, Wassa Naomé, sitting outside their home in Cameroon.



EMPOWERMENT

Millions of people across the world don't have control over important choices that affect their lives, such as where they live, how they live, and how they are governed. Women and girls in particular face obstacles to advocate for their rights. These issues are worsened by crises, which often uproot families, tear apart communities, and weaken government systems.

Philanthropic support helps us to ensure that people – including women, girls and other marginalized groups - are able to understand their rights and influence the decisions which affect their lives. We help people to increase their economic and social mobility and collaborate with local and national governments and communities. Philanthropy has helped us to: provide awareness raising sessions on peace building and social accountability to 620,000 people and train 30,800 people on governance themes ensuring they can influence community decision making.

PHOTO: Sarah presents a session on the drivers of conflict as part of her final evaluation to become a new leader for the PLAY for Peace programme.

➔ PLAY FOR PEACE IN LIBYA

The Promoting Leadership and Activism of Youth for Peace in Libya (PLAY for Peace) programme, brings together young people with diverse backgrounds and experiences in safe spaces to engage in dialogue, learn about conflict management, and develop interpersonal skills. It seeks to reduce violence and discrimination. As part of this it broadcasts positive messages to the public and organises community events to promote behaviour that discourages discrimination and violence.

“At this critical time, with displaced members of the Tawergha community returning to the city, it’s very important to recognise the role women and girls can play in promoting peace and avoiding hate speech,” says Zeineb Ghouli, a PLAY for Peace participant. “The sessions gave me the chance to learn about other experiences where women played a strong role and had a big, positive impact.”

➔ WORKING TO END VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN IN ETHIOPIA

“When I first started my job, community leaders didn’t want to listen to what I had to say. They thought I was too young and didn’t take me seriously...now, these community leaders are my friends.”

It is this determination, combined with a deep compassion for the women and girls that she helps, that has made Ifrah so good at her job as a Women’s Protection and Empowerment Programme Officer in southern Ethiopia.

“My job is mainly encouraging and counselling women and girls. The sessions are very important to them as they help them heal from violence and see a better future for themselves,” Ifrah explains. “I also help to create social networks between them so that they can trust and support one another.

The most common issue that I see is domestic violence. Women come to the centre after they’ve been physically assaulted by their husbands, and I offer them support. Overall, in the last three or four years, the attitude of men has improved—but still, we have men in the community that haven’t changed their views. We have to work with men to be accountable to women and girls and take action on the prevention of violence.”

➔ **BECOMING A PHILANTHROPIC PARTNER**

At the IRC, our supporters are our partners. We build partnerships that are transparent, transformative and long-term, and that reflect the impact our supporters want to make through their philanthropy.

Whether you are interested in making regular unrestricted donations or are passionate about driving progress against a particular humanitarian challenge, your support can be transformational for refugees and displaced people.

Our team of philanthropy professionals—tapped into our global programme delivery experts—are on hand to work with you to explore your philanthropic interests and motivations, aligning them to the goals of the IRC's work. Wherever you are on your philanthropic journey, we can provide advice and insight that will help you determine how you would like to use your philanthropy to respond to growing humanitarian needs.

We can also work with you and your advisors to get the most out of your giving. We can accept gifts in a variety of currencies and countries, and you can donate in a range of tax-efficient ways, including through a Donor Advised Fund. We are committed to recognising your generosity in accordance with your wishes, be this through crafting a public gift announcement or discreetly handling an anonymous donation.

Thank you for your interest in partnering with the IRC. We would be delighted to continue the conversation as to how we can work together to create an ambitious and impactful partnership to support and empower people whose lives have been shattered by crisis or disaster.

Together, we will change the future for refugees.

The Fifty-One Club

We continue the critical work of the 51 humanitarians rallied by Albert Einstein in 1933, forming the beginnings of the IRC and providing aid to refugees fleeing the Nazis. Now, just as then, the world needs new answers in the face of an unprecedented refugee crisis.

Members of the Fifty-One Club pool their annual investment of at least £10,000 with the contributions of other likeminded philanthropists to fuel innovative thinking, help us reach more people, faster—and to find better ways to make a bigger impact on refugee lives.



→ **RECOGNISING YOUR SUPPORT**

As a leading and highly valued supporter of the IRC, we know you will want to truly understand the impact of our work and the significance of your support. In recognition of your commitment to the IRC, you will receive access and insight into the organisation which goes beyond the norm. This will include:

A dedicated relationship manager to provide personalised updates on unfolding crises and the impact of your support

Tailored engagement opportunities defined by your interests and by the nature of your support which might include:

- Invitations to meet with a programme expert or an IRC leader
- The chance to attend an in-person or virtual programme visit
- Invitations to exclusive events with other high level partners

“At a time when our shared world is desperately needing to find collective, highly effective, trustworthy approaches towards protecting those most vulnerable in times of crisis, the IRC provides a powerful force for positive, sustainable, verifiable impact. I am proud to support the IRC in its quest for a stronger, safer, more compassionate, and more inclusive global community.” — Anita Mendiratta, IRC Supporter

“I could hardly be more proud to be UK patron of the International Rescue Committee, a remarkable organisation which exemplifies the very best of the human spirit.”

— His Royal Highness The Prince of Wales, in a video message recorded for the IRC in 2020.

To discuss how you can make a philanthropic impact on the IRC's work, please contact the IRC's dedicated Philanthropy Team:

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We are consistently ranked as one of the top charitable organisations for efficiency and quality.



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