



SAFE HAVEN SOCIETY

SERVING AT RISK CHILDREN IN LEBANON SINCE 2007

OUR HISTORY

FROM FOSTER CARE TO COMMUNITY CENTER...

Safe Haven Society was founded in 2007 under the umbrella of Ras Beirut Baptist Church.

For 12 years, Safe Haven operated as a foster home for abused and disadvantaged girls.

In 2019, the decision was made to move away from residential care into community center style ministry.



TRANSITIONS

LITTLE DID WE KNOW...

Just as Safe Haven was set to make the transition to a new kind of ministry, Lebanon was hit with a series of crises:

Revolution, total financial collapse, Covid, and the Beirut Explosion.

It changed the ministry landscape as well as the needs of children in Beirut drastically.



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FOR SUCH A TIME AS THIS

In early 2021, Safe Haven began an online homework help program for children who lived near the explosion site.

When electricity and internet ran out, we knew it was time to finally launch our community center...



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FILLING THE GAP FOR THE MOST VULNERABLE

Current data shows that due to poverty, more than 737,000 children have not returned to school since the Revolution in 2019.

Only 43% of Lebanese children are registered in school this year, and the number for Syrian refugees is even lower.

So Safe Haven started an educational program.



CURRENT PROGRAMS

GIVING CHILDREN THEIR BASIC RIGHT OF EDUCATION

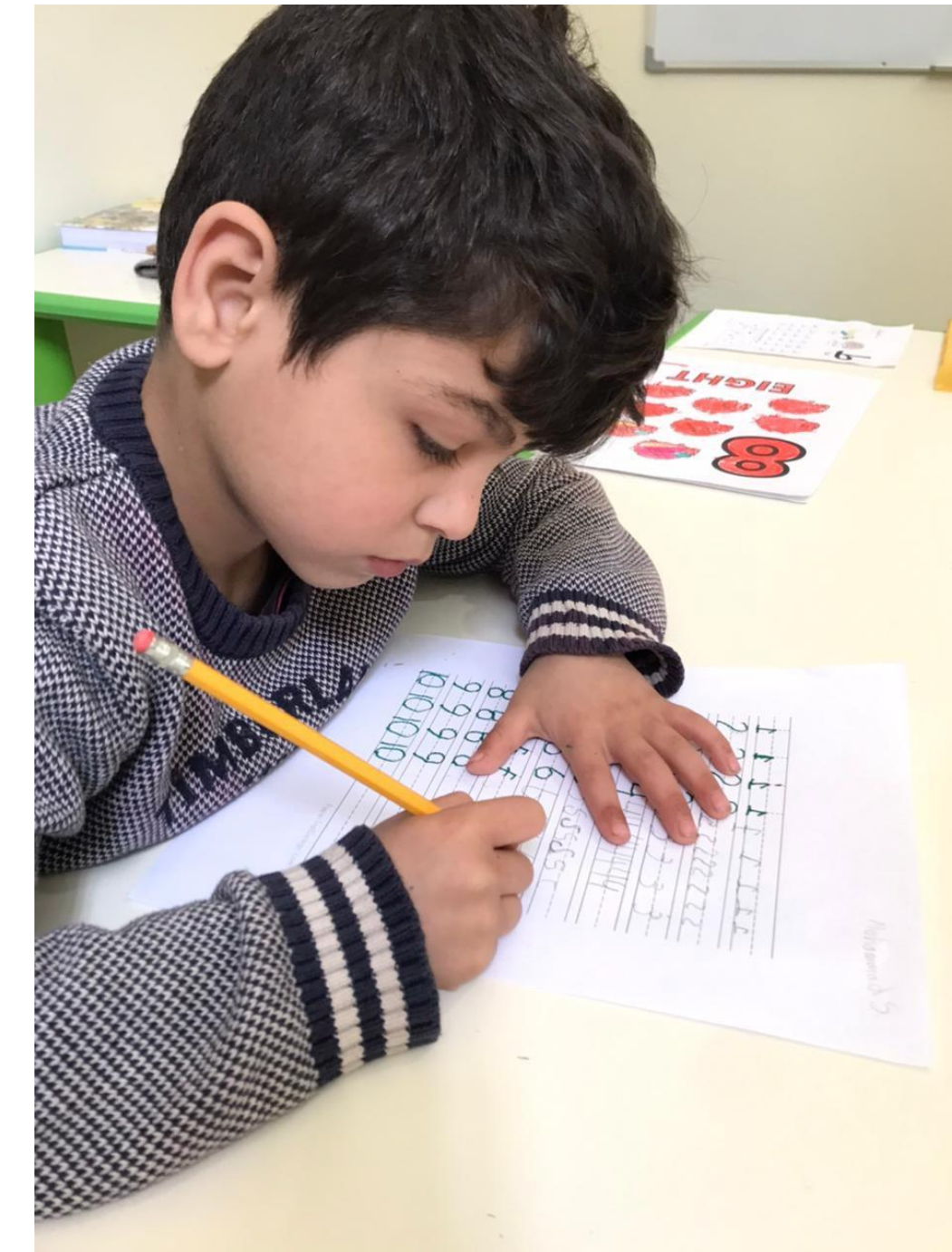
Currently Safe Haven is running two educational programs:

Morning program for children ages 4-13 who have never been to school

Afternoon homework support program for children ages 7-16 who are enrolled in school but need extra support

In addition to education, our program includes art, music, and weekly Bible stories and activities.

We have 30 children currently registered, with a goal of 48 by the summer.





ANOTHER PROBLEM

TACKLING HUNGER

Early on, we noticed the kids were struggling to focus and asking to drink water every few minutes. We quickly realized they were hungry and added a simple breakfast to our morning program.

We've also tried to support the families by providing supermarket vouchers.

But it's not enough...



HUNGER

ANOTHER BASIC RIGHT LOST

Food costs have risen 570% since 2019.

79% of families in Lebanon are living below the poverty line.

Safe Haven's kids, among many, are going to bed hungry at night.

HOT MEAL PROGRAM

MEETING BASIC NEEDS

Our hope is to start a hot meal program, so that every child that comes through our doors is able to eat at least one healthy, filling meal each day.

But with the rising cost of food and difficulty accessing it, we need help to make this dream a reality.



**EVERY \$3 GIVEN
FEEDS A CHILD
FOR A DAY**

AND WE CAN'T DO IT WITHOUT YOUR HELP

We praise God for His provision through His Church, and we are grateful that you have chosen to support the ministry of Safe Haven, and specifically our hot meal program through the coming year.

We believe that meeting physical needs opens the door for meeting spiritual needs. When little bellies are rumbling with hunger, ABCs are hard to learn, and the love of God is hard to understand.

So we are grateful for your commitment to help us get this program off the ground, to show the love of Jesus in a tangible way, and to ensure that every child who is a part of the Safe Haven family has the opportunity to hear the gospel through our words and deeds.



THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT