

AAS-I Activities Report 2006

DEPARTMENT: RELIEF & AID

• PROJECTS:

1. **Relief Program for Refugees & Needy Families:**

Due to the bad security conditions in the cities of Baghdad and Mosul, the exodus of hundreds of families from the cities to the towns and villages in northern Iraq and the Nineveh Plain continued. As the number of displaced families is about five thousand families and the number continues to increase with time. Hundreds of families left their homes to the north villages and towns seeking security & peace, living with their mostly poor relatives and friends.

It was our humanitarian duty to support them when they were in a very need for any type of support; therefore, we have executed many relief programs in the last two years.

These programs included distributing food materials, blankets and fuel for heating in Sapna, Zakho, Barwaribala area, Duhok City center and Nineveh Plain villages and towns like: Baretla, Telkif, Alqush, Baghdada, Telisqof, Batnaye, Einsifne, Baashiqaetc.

It's worth mentioning that our society is in continuance in this program and the number of the families is increasing, and the last one was distributing basic food substances in villages and towns of Nineveh Plain and also in Duhok city center and the surrounded villages.

We had another similar program for resettling families coming from Baghdad, Mosul, Duhok and other big cities to resettle in their original villages.

Our program included; providing tents, blankets, basic food materials, agricultural tools, basic home needs...etc in Fishkhabor, Derabon, Shiranish villages in Zakho area, Sardashti, Malakhta, Aqri, Khwari and Kanbalavi in Barwaribala area, Tin and Benatha in Sapna area, and Heish in Rekan area.

We are continuing our relief program to help needy and refugee families including distributing basic food materials from our main office in Duhok city center.

Our society presents different types of aids to needy families in different areas, according to applications presented to our society.

FUNDING:

- Evangelical Lutheran Church Stuttgart- Germany
- AAS Australia

2. **Supporting families of terrorist victims** in a special program in Baghdad and Kirkuk

FUNDING:

- Special fund from Assyrian Aid Society of America.

AAS-I Activities\ Nineveh Plain Branch:

In addition to the food substances that AAS-I \ Nineveh Branch distributed to the displaced families in the villages and towns of Nineveh Plain which included: Baghdada, Baretla, Karemlis, Baa'shiqa, Bahzani, Telkif, Batnaye, Baqufa, Telisqf, Sharafiya, Alqush, Einsifni.....etc and other surrounded villages.

The following performances were done by AAS-I:

1. Offering financial assistance to the harmed families due to the floods in Telkif and Telisqf.
2. Offering financial assistance and food substances to the harmed families living in Nineveh Plain (widows and old people).
3. Distributing food substances to some displaced families with the participation of Migration and Displaced Bureau in Mosul under the supervision of AAS-I.
4. Distributing beds and other food substances with the participation of International Health Organization (IHO) to some displaced families under the supervision of AAS-I\ Nineveh Branch.
5. Organizing the records and files of the displaced families to facilitate transferring their ration cards from Baghdad and other unsafe governorates by the Migration and Displaced Bureau.
6. In cooperation with Migration and Displaced Bureau in Mosul, the AAS-I undertook:
 - a. Transferring Health Cards for those who suffer from chronic diseases to their new living places.
 - b. Transferring retiree cards to their new living placed.
7. Supporting the activities of Assyrian Women Union in Nineveh Plain.

DEPARTMENT: HEALTH & MEDICAL SERVICES

PROJECTS:

1. Charity Clinic Centers

Among the activities and humanitarian programs done by our Society; Humanitarian and Health Dept.; in Nineveh Plain, a Clinic Center was recently opened in Batnaye Area on Friday the 7th of April 2006, in conjunction with our people's celebrations of Nissan Festivals.

The Clinic was opened by Mr. Ramin Danial from the Executive Board of AAS of America, who was in a visit to the homeland among a delegation from USA to have an awareness of our people's circumstances, and what is to be done by AAS-Iraq of activities and projects in the villages and areas inhabited by our people.

To have acknowledged of that the AAS Iraq has many similar Charity Clinic Centers in different villages and area in Nineveh Plain and in Sarsink supporting symbolic prices or free treatment to all people

It is worth to be mentioned that AAS-I \ Nineveh Plain Branch took upon its shoulders buying generators for Telisqf and Baretla Pharmacies.

FUNDING:

- Evangelical Lutheran Church Stuttgart- Germany
- AAS of America

DEPARTMENT: RECONSTRUCTION

PROJECTS:

1. Youth & Students Union Center in Duhok City

Finishing from building the Youth & Students Union Center. The work began in April 30th, 2005 and finished in Feb. 25th, 2006.

FUNDING:

- AAS of America

2. Assyrian Cultural Center Building (first floor)

Since the founding of the center in the early 1990s, a plot of land has been allocated to build a special building for this purpose and with the support of some national institutions in the Diaspora, particularly in the United States.

Only a parking lot had been built (the basement), which is currently used for the establishment of the Center's activities and after a big Hall was built.

The two main floors of the building were not built waiting for support to be completed.

Therefore, we feel at least the first floor of the main building to be built in the completion of the Center's activities and cultural functions, especially now, with the direct and important role in helping and leading of similar cultural centers in villages and towns in Nineveh Plain.

Therefore, we have tried our best to allocate the support given to this project.

Starting of this project was in Mar. 17th, 2006 and is still going on.

The total area is: 300 m²

Consisting of: five rooms, long corridor, kitchen, bathroom ...etc

FUNDING:

- AAS of America

DEPARTMENT: EDUCATION & TEACHING

PROJECTS:

1. Assyrian Primary Schools Support

- Supporting Assyrian schools in Duhok, Erbil, Nineveh plain and Baghdad, including paying salaries to the lecturers, helping needy teachers, and providing some basic needs for the schools in addition to what the Ministry of Education is presenting to schools administrations, teachers and lectures.
- Covering the transportation costs and other schools needs in Kirkuk by a special fund from Assyrian National Council of Illinois- Chicago
- Sharing with Ministry of Education in covering the transportation costs of all students and teachers in Duhok, Erbil and covering all the costs in Nineveh Plain and Baghdad.
- Covering the costs of Assyrian Teaching Committee in holding different types of educational activities.
This support is for all the teaching season period.
- Honoring all the superior students in all the primary schools in special celebrations.

2. Assyrian High Schools Support

- Covering the costs of housing and feeding about (100) students in Nissibin dormitories.
- Paying monthly salaries to the lecturers, bonuses for teachers, dormitories supervisors and workers.
- Sharing with Ministry of Education in covering the costs of transportation of the students and the teachers.
This support is for all teaching season period.
- Honoring all the superior students in all the schools in special celebrations.
- Sharing in covering the costs of training teachers in Duhok city.
- Covering the shortage in text books of primary and secondary schools by printing (copying) hundreds of copies in our office.

3. University Students:

Through Assyrian Students & Youth Union, our society covers the expenses of housing and feeding the University Students in Erbil and supporting the students in Duhok University.

4. Assyrian Schools in Nineveh Plain:

AAS-I is supporting the Assyrian Education Process in Nineveh Plain through:

- Transporting students of the Assyrian Schools in Baghdeda.
- Transporting students of the Assyrian Schools in Baretla.
- Transporting students of the Assyrian Schools in Perozawa villages and suburbs to Einsifni.
- Paying monthly salaries to the lecturers in the Assyrian School in Baghdeda.
- Paying monthly salaries to the lecturers in the Assyrian School in Baretla.
- AAS-I had distributed bonus to the teachers, lecturers and supervisors of the Assyrian Education Process in Nineveh Plain and other schools that teach the Assyrian language in Mosul city center.

FUNDING:

- We depend in covering the teaching process costs mainly on AAS of America and AAS branches in Europe, Australia, Canada, and Newzland
- Assyrian National Organizations; like Assyrian National Council of Illinois-Chicago, Assyrian American Federation (AANF), Chaldean Federation and others.
- Evangelical Lutheran Church in Stuttgart, Bavaria - Germany.

DEPARTMENT: SOCIAL

PROJECTS: Supporting Social Societies

1. Assyrian Women Union:

- Continue supporting the Day Care Center in Ankawa and Duhok.
- In addition to other supporters; our society Support the Union in achieving its different activities, most important are: Training course in nursing, sewing, teaching languages, charity markets & others in, Bakhdaida, Bartila, Alqush, Telisqf...etc within Mosul, Erbil and Duhok Governorates.
- Supporting the activities of Assyrian Women Union in Nineveh Plain.
- Renting a house for the Assyrian Women Union in Telkif, done by AAS-I\ Nineveh Plain Branch.

2. Assyrian Students & Youth Union:

- Support the Assyrian Student & Youth Union in achieving its different activities in Baghdad, Nineveh Plain, Erbil and Duhok.
- Finishing from the Internet Café at Assyrian Cultural Center Building. The work began in Oct. 6th, 2005 and finished in Jan. 5th, 2006.
The center is supplied with full computers and accessories, internet lines and furniture.
- With the support of the Assyrian Aid Society, the ChaldoAssyrian Youth & Students Union- Duhok Branch hold the seventh football championship of martyr Anwar in Berwari Bala area from 6-17th of July at the village Doure, which coincided with the anniversary of Mar Guryagos.
- Also the Union- Duhok Branch hold the seventh mini-football stadiums Championship of martyrs Piers and Samir, on Thursday July 7th, with the participation of (24) popular teams from Duhok district, Sarsink and Aqrah.
- Holding Deralok Football Championship from the period Aug.8th, 2006 till Aug. 21st, 2006.
- Also holding Aqrah Football Championship from the period Aug.11th, 2006 till Aug. 21st, 2006.
- Commencement Party for Duhok and Nineveh Universities, held in the Assyrian Cultural Center. It included distributing the AAS gift to the graduates and also to the superior students of the Assyrian Schools in the final stages (sixth-primary, third-secondary and sixth-high school).
- Supporting the activities of Chaldoassyrian Youth & Students Union in Nineveh Plain.

FUNDING:

- AAS of America
- AAS- NZ
- Evangelical Lutheran Church Stuttgart- Germany

3. Other Societies:

- Supporting Cultural & Athletic Centers in achieving different types of their activities.
- Supporting Augen Manna Cultural Center by covering the renting costs of the building used now by the center in Tilesqf (until starting constructing a special building for this purpose).
- Covering the costs of the center celebration.
- Supporting the activities of Ogen Manna Cultural Center in Telkif, done by AAS-I \ Nineveh Plain Branch.

FUNDING:

- Assyrian Aid Society- Iraq.