# Jinishian Memorial Program Gratitude Report Lebanon \$887,500

#### From poverty and despair to self-sufficiency and hope

For those living in Lebanon, 2020 was a traumatic year. Already reeling from political, economic, and financial turmoil, a deadly and devastating Beirut port explosion and the onset of Covid-19 heightened the sense of hopelessness for the most vulnerable citizens of Lebanon. The challenges that Lebanon faced preparing for the pandemic led to compounding poverty, economic hardship, and unemployment.

JMP staff worked diligently to help bring relief and hope to those in the Armenian community whose lives were most shattered. Through JMP resources and networking, our programs aimed to encourage, support, and lessen the grief of the applicants.

We are grateful to the Lord God for His care and mercy. We are grateful to all those checking up on us and caring. We pray that we can effectively help people in their time of need and be hopeful." -**Pauline Sagherian, Country Director** 

#### A TRUSTED RESOURCE IN TIME OF NEED



JMP safely distributed 2,250 hot meals to individuals in need



On August 4th, a powerful explosion shook Beirut causing death and destruction, displacing 300,000 Lebanese from their homes, and wounding many within the Armenian community. Thanks to our donors, relief came quickly. Damaged offices and waiting areas were repaired where staff serve clients with their medical and psycho-social needs. JMP networked with other NGOs and supported families for their basic needs of food, shelter, and medicine. Our Lebanon team continued to serve people with lifesaving medication and diagnostics in these difficult times. They also coordinated access to counseling for those who were experiencing trauma. Pictured below are blown out doors and windows in the JMP office.



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21 teens participated in the Teen's Development Group



JMP distributed medication for chronic illness to 1,848 individuals in need

With the belief that each of God's children has potential and dignity, JMP's programs prevent school dropouts and child labor by supporting educational and vocational education, particularly for teens. Teens like Sossi who kept missing classes because her family could not afford transportation to school. The pandemic made it difficult for her to find work and she felt like a burden to her family who could barely afford rent. Through JMP's Teen's Development Program, she now attends technical school (currently online). Thanks to you, Sossi has hope for her family and hope for her own future.

## 10,400

#### BENEFICIARIES RECEIVED CRITICAL OR HOLISTIC CARE, IMPACTING THOUSANDS OF LIVES.

#### Health programs (62% of budget)



- dispensary services including physicians
- medication for chronic illness
- hospital and medical expense assistance
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- psychiatric residential care

#### Social Services for Families and Seniors 33%



- affordable housing
- path to home ownership
- social services for families
- employment placement office
- senior stipends and home visits

#### **Community development 5%**



- teen self-development program
- improving women's health through education
- women's committee for community development
- interest-free home repair loans

"MAY THE GOD OF HOPE FILL YOU WITH ALL JOY AND PEACE AS YOU TRUST IN HIM, SO THAT YOU MAY OVERFLOW WITH HOPE BY THE POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT." - ROMANS 15:13

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