

Culture and Heritage



Birzeit Society has been supporting Birzeit projects promoting traditional events, cultural heritage and rehabilitation of the historical center of Birzeit.

For the last three years, the Society has provided funding and support to the Heritage Week of the Rozana Association of Birzeit which promotes culture and art, rural development, tourism, architectural heritage rehabilitation and traditional handicrafts.

The Rozana organizes a variety of programs and tours aimed at promoting economic development in Birzeit and rural Palestine, specifically in the area of Birzeit and the villages north of Ramallah.

The process of rehabilitating the historic center of Birzeit is part of a holistic vision that incorporates architectural heritage preservation and utilization into the development process.



The Birzeit Orthodox Scout Troupe has been at the forefront of all celebrations and parades in Birzeit, instilling in young Birzeitis a spirit of discipline, cooperation and public service. In past years, Birzeit Society provided financial support to the troupe to help cover the cost of equipment and forms.

Any support you provide will help programs like these flourish and expand.

Projects Supported by Birzeit Society (1987-2008):

Thanks to the generosity of Birzeitis in the Diaspora, Birzeit Society was able to provide humanitarian aid to the following projects:

(1987-1996)	
Birzeit Institutions (general support)	\$70,000
(1997-2008)	
BZS Scholarship Program	220, 552
Latin School Projects	15,100
Needy Families Program	36,262
Senior Citizen Center	11,500
Emergency Aid (2001)	22,200
Birzeit Cemeteries Maintenance	2,300
Rozana Association	4,000
Birzeit Mosque	2,000
Recreation Park	5,000
Garbage Containers - BZ Municipality	20,000
Medical Ambulance - BZ Municipality	10,000
Hearst	17,000
Bus Stop Umbrellas	10,500
Planting Memorial Trees	3,000
Nadi Birzeit -Birzeit	7,500
Birzeit Orthodox Scout	3,000
Birzeit Women Charitable Society	13,100
Birzeit Institutions	11,000
BZ Kindergarten	2,000
Nadi Birzeit -Amman	12,000
Palestine Children Relief Fund-USA	1,000

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GIVING HOPE TO OUR PEOPLE IN BIRZEIT



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**PLEASE HELP US
MAKE A DIFFERENCE
IN THEIR LIVES**

“THERE ARE THOSE WHO GIVE WITH JOY, AND THAT JOY IS THEIR REWARD”

KAHLIL GIBRAN



FAMILY RELIEF FUND



BZS provides family relief to families in need who have lost their income due to illness, injury, disability, or job loss because of high unemployment rates and frequent closures and military incursions. Financial aid goes directly towards shelter, food, clothing, and medicine. Although contributions are offered in modest amounts, they can make a crucial difference in their daily lives.

In recent years, Birzeit Society provided many needy families and individual with much needed cash, particularly to lonely elderly men and women who have no family members to care for them. The Society also contributed funds to help pay for medical expenses of young children whose families cannot afford to treat them at hospitals. You can make a big difference in the lives with a small commitment.

The situation in Birzeit is no exception. Health care groups are in urgent need for emergency equipment and supplies with which to save lives. Your contribution will help them upgrade their aging equipment, expand their services and promote preventive health care, and ensure a steady supply of basic medicines.

BIRZEIT SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER



The Birzeit Senior Citizens Center was inaugurated in July 2005 by the Holy Land Christian Ecumenical Foundation to provide a place where the elderly enjoy social and cultural activities with one another, including health awareness, sports and recreational activities.

The Center operates three days a week, offering an array of social, recreational, nutritional, educational and even occupational services to its members.

The Center's programs ensure that all social, spiritual, physical and moral aspects of a senior citizen life are cared for. Currently, the Center has 55 registered men and women aged 60 to 86. They come together three days a week to share a meal and each other's company.

The Center's services include nurse's visits that provide health education, blood pressure screening, nutrition and weight monitoring.

A weekly aerobic exercise routine has also been instituted to help the elderly maintain healthy living.

The Center is now a vibrant reality for these elderly people who have lost many of their family members to immigration. The tradition of children taking care of their aged parents has been broken, and many seniors are left to live on their own. Please help them keep the Center open and running by contributing to this project.

**The olive tree has sustained our ancestors for centuries...
As our people in Birzeit continue to suffer under dire economic conditions, it is our duty to sustain them.
You can make a difference in their lives by supporting any of the following Birzeit Society programs:**

EDUCATION



Education is the basic ingredient that made Birzeit famous the world over. Let us continue this tradition and help our younger generation in Birzeit get the education they deserve. Birzeit Society Scholarship Fund has been helping hundreds of Birzeit students over the last 20 years. It provides tuition to needy and qualified students attending Birzeit University to ensure that talented students get educated when their families are unable to afford their education expenses. During this difficult time in Palestine, a small contribution from you will go a long way in helping a needy student in Birzeit.

HEALTH & EMERGENCY RELIEF



Since its establishment, BZS has attempted to address the health care needs of the local Birzeit population by providing much needed equipment and services to local clinics.

The medical system in Birzeit has been depressed due to the problems facing the Palestinian health care system, which is severely underdeveloped in the context of chronic poverty and brutal occupation.

The Palestinian medical community can barely meet the needs of West Bank and Gaza Strip patients for lack of financial and technical resources.