

# COOPI IN LEBANON



## COOPI PRESENCE IN THE COUNTRY

COOPI has been present in Lebanon since 2013, working alongside Syrian refugees and their host communities. Lebanon stands as the country hosting the highest number of refugees in proportion to its population. This influx, resulting from the enduring Syrian crisis, has placed substantial strain on Lebanese authorities in delivering basic services, particularly to the most vulnerable segments of the population.

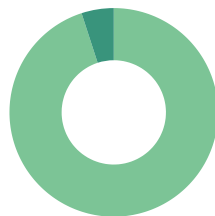
In August 2020, COOPI - in partnership with Lebanese NGOs and local communities - was among the first organisations to assist the victims of the terrible **explosion** that hit Beirut by distributing hot meals and food rations and supporting traders to restart their businesses destroyed or damaged by the explosion. COOPI also launched a development project in the north of the country to set up - together with the municipalities involved - a sustainable municipal solid waste collection programme.

In addition, COOPI focused on **child protection** and **education**, improved **sanitation** and **cash-for-work projects**.

### FROM 2013 TO 2023:

**19**  
PROJECTS

5%  
DEVELOPMENT



95%  
EMERGENCY

**162,107**  
DIRECT BENEFICIARIES

### SECTORS IN WHICH COOPI HAS WORKED IN THE COUNTRY



FOOD SECURITY AND LIVELIHOODS



HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE



TRAINING



EDUCATION IN EMERGENCY



WASH



PROTECTION



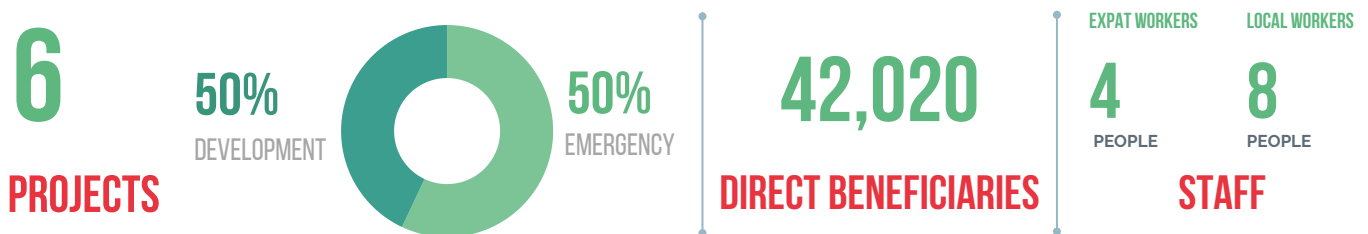
GOVERNANCE AND HUMAN RIGHTS

## COOPI IN LEBANON TODAY

In Lebanon COOPI adopts a multi-sectoral and integrated approach with interventions primarily in the fields of **Child Protection, Education, Livelihoods** and **WASH**.

Following the severe economic crisis that has recently hit the country, COOPI implemented several **Cash for Work** initiatives in the **Tripoli** Area and in the **Akkar** Governorate in northern Lebanon, supporting mostly Syrian and Lebanese head of households in vulnerable condition.

In terms of WASH activities, COOPI is carrying out a multi-year programme to support **solid waste collection and management systems** in 15 villages in the **Akkar** region, north Lebanon.



### AREAS IN WHICH COOPI OPERATES IN THE COUNTRY



COOPI is currently present in Lebanon with its office in Beirut and additional operational bases in the Tripoli and Akkar districts.

COOPI Regional Coordination in the Middle East and North Africa is located in Beirut.



## MAIN AREAS OF INTERVENTION



### WATER AND HYGIENE

In Lebanon in the field of Water and Hygiene, COOPI works at community level, primarily through projects for integrated and sustainable municipal solid waste management.

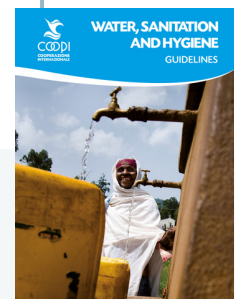
Solid waste management presents several critical issues in Lebanon, mainly due to the proliferation of hundreds of open dumps. The district of Akkar is one of the most affected areas – here the high influx of Syrian refugees combined with the precarious living conditions of the local population puts a strain on the local authorities who are in charge of managing this basic service. In this context, COOPI leads a multi-year project designed to regulate the production and management of solid waste in the district and carried out in partnership with Local Authorities, INGOs, NGOs and the private sector. The participatory approach of the project actively involves the Union of Municipalities in the planning and implementation of activities, invests in the recycling and rehabilitation of illegal dumps and includes actions to raise awareness among the local population for proper personal waste management.

2024:  
**4**  
 PROJECTS  
**30,000**  
 BENEFICIARIES

READ MORE ABOUT THE APPROACH AND METHODOLOGIES APPLIED:

**WATER AND HYGIENE GUIDELINES**

[HTTP://WWW.COOPI.ORG/WASH-POLICY](http://www.cooipi.org/wash-policy)





## MAIN AREAS OF INTERVENTION



### EDUCATION IN EMERGENCY

The education sector in Lebanon faces numerous challenges due to economic crisis, political instability, and the Syrian refugee crisis, endangering the prospects of numerous children.

COOPI intervenes to facilitate the resumption of regular education and training for children and young people in host and refugee communities, specifically by offering:

- SCHOOL INFRASTRUCTURE REHABILITATION AND IMPROVEMENT;
- CLASSROOM EQUIPMENT AND SCHOOL SUPPLIES;
- NON-FORMAL EDUCATION ACCOMPANIMENT FOCUSED ON THE REINTEGRATION INTO THE EDUCATION SYSTEM AND THE REDUCTION OF SCHOOL DROP-OUT;
- TRAINING TO TEACHERS, ESPECIALLY WHILE DEALING WITH TRAUMATISED CHILDREN;
- PSYCHOSOCIAL SUPPORT;
- CHILD PROTECTION CASE MANAGEMENT

2024:  
**1**  
PROJECTS  
**2,020**  
BENEFICIARIES

READ MORE ABOUT  
**EDUCATION IN EMERGENCY POLICY**  
[WWW.COOPI.ORG/EIE-POLICY](http://WWW.COOPI.ORG/EIE-POLICY)



## COOPI NETWORK IN LEBANON

### SECTORS IN WHICH COOPI PARTICIPATES

Education • Protection • Social Stability • Livelihood

### INSTITUTIONS WITH WHICH COOPI COORDINATES

Ministry of Education MEHE (Ministry of Education and Higher Education) • Ministry of Social Affairs MoSA and its decentralised agencies SDC • Municipality of Tripoli • Union of the Municipalities of Jurd al Kaytee • American University of Beirut

### COOPI NATIONAL AND LOCAL PARTNERS

ABAAD • Greentrack ONG • MADA Association ONG • Renee Mowad Foundation

### COOPI INTERNATIONAL PARTNERS

COSPE • CISP • Municipality of Fano (Italy)

COOPI is a member of the Lebanese Humanitarian INGO Forum.

### COOPI INSTITUTIONAL DONORS

#### COOPI ACTIVITIES IN LEBANON ARE CURRENTLY FUNDED BY :



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## COOPI DEVELOPMENT LINES IN LEBANON

COOPI's historical areas of intervention in the country, such as Water and Hygiene, Sustainable Waste Management, Education in Emergency, Business Development and Income Generating Activities remain at the core of COOPI's programming in Lebanon.

The participatory approach towards local and host communities will continue to be the overarching theme of COOPI's interventions, while promoting structured multi-stakeholder consultation processes. COOPI will also engage with local authorities and civil society representatives, especially for projects aimed at improving the delivery and quality of public services, such as water services and waste management.



READ MORE ABOUT COOPI PROJECTS IN LEBANON

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