



FACE

for children in need
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REPORT

to

ROTARY CANADA



EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT (ECD) PROGRAM

A- ECD PROGRAM

During the 3rd quarter of 2016, **175 children (48 girls)** have stayed within the four FACE orphanages (8% increase compared to previous quarter):

- **50 children have stayed in the Maadi Home (8 girls)**
- **45 children have stayed in the Benha Home (8 girls)**
- **46 children have stayed in the Obour Home (32 girls)**
- **34 children have stayed in the new Sherouk Home (only males)**
- **6 new children** have joined the ECD program during the quarter (which represents a similar increase with the previous quarter).

During the first quarter 2016, **a new center has been opened in Sherouk** suburb, close to Obour, in order to receive males over 10 years old, in order to follow MoSS regulations requiring the separation of males and females from the age of 6 years old. The new center has received 24 boys who were previously staying in Obour center, which also contributed to reduce the number of children staying in the Obour center.

141 staff members have worked in the ECD program centers, ensuring the following staff/child ratio:

- **42 staff members** in the **Maadi Home** (0 to 2 years old) with a ratio of 1 to 2 babies per carer
- **35 staff members** in the **Benha Home** (2 to 6 years old) with a ratio of 2 to 3 children per carer
- **37 staff members** in the **Obour Home** (4 to 10+ years old) with a ratio of 2 to 3 children per staff
- **27 staff members** in **Sherouk Home** (males above 6) with a ratio of 3 to 4 children per staff.



B- MEDICAL/ PSYCHOLOGICAL CARE SERVICES/HYGIENE AND NUTRITION

FACE has provided medical check-ups, medical care, surgery and vaccinations to all 175 children. This consisted of **676 medical acts**, of which 439 were provided internally and 237 medical acts were conducted externally through referrals to specialized hospitals during the quarter. Baby massages are provided to children under 1 year. During the 3rd Quarter, 869 massages have been conducted for 46 children (or an average of 20 massages per month per baby). Children have benefited from **1669 psychomotricity/psychological sessions** in the four centers. 836 participants joined in individual sessions and 833 participations joined group sessions. All children at the Maadi, Benha, Obour and Sherouk Homes receive **high standards of hygiene and nutrition**, as recommended by the orphanage's paediatrician and the National Institute of Nutritionists.

C- NON-FORMAL EDUCATION AND INTEGRATION OF CHILDREN INTO PUBLIC SCHOOL

All children under 6 years of age (55 children in total) have access to specially tailored non-formal education conducted by FACE teachers within the centers, with the aim of preparing them to be qualified for entry into public schooling.

All children from the age of 3 years and a half (122 children in total) are registered in full time schooling:

- **Benha center:** 33 children enrolled in school (Preschool: 15 children/Primary school: 12 children/Private Kindergarten: 6 children)
- **Obour/Sherouk centers:** 89 children enrolled in school (Kindergarten and Preschool: 10 children/Primary school: 54 children/Preparatory school: 21 children/Special needs school: 4 children).

For the new school year, the children of Benha have been enrolled into a new school (El Shobban El Moslemeen) as the team was not satisfied with the previous one.



D- CHILDREN PLACEMENTS INTO FAMILY AND KAFALA FAMILIES

A new transversal Case Management team has been created to support the work of social workers in each center. Placement of children into family requires important work of preparation, with children, with families, with national and/or local administrations, schools... FACE has thus decided to create an additional team of 8 social workers, who are still receiving training, specialized and dedicated to Case Management work to prepare individual plans with children to prepare their placement into family. 2 Case Managers are based in each of the four FACE centers, they are supervised and supported by a Case Management Supervisor. **10 new Case Management files have been opened** over the quarter (37% of which are females) in order to prepare social reintegration with children and their families (total 80 Case Management files opened). During the quarter, the Case Management team has also prepared the registration of 86 children into schools and Kindergartens for the new scholar year 2016/2017. FACE has supported the issuing of one birth certificate for one of the girls placed in FACE by MoSS.

7 children have been placed or reintegrated during the 3rd quarter 2016.

FACE teams and MoSS have reintegrated 6 children into Kafala (foster families). 1 child staying at Obour has been supported to reintegrate his biological family.

E- OTHER ACTIVITIES

In July, 31 children saying in Obour and Sherouk have received a training on first aid from the Orphans Friends Association (OFA). 4 sessions have been conducted to teach them about first aid, risks linked to road traffic, protection from accidents, natural disasters and climate change and about healthy nutrition.



In August and September, summer camps have been organised for 99 children staying in ECD centers above 2 years old. The camps were organised for 1 week at the Marsa Matrouh Beach near Alexandria.



In September, children in ECD centers have celebrated the El Adha feast. The children have celebrated the feast inside and have been wearing traditional clothes, organizing parties, eating special meals. Some individual donors have donated new clothes for the feast.



F- CHILD STORY

Rania is a 9 years old girl who has been staying with FACE since she was a baby. She has grown up as healthy and very bright girl in the FACE centers. The girl has reached the age of nine and FACE teams were less and less optimistic about finding a foster family (Kafala) for her. We know from our experience that Kafala families usually (and unfortunately) only want to take very young children with them. However, during the visit to Obour center of a potential Kafala family, this family met Rania and they became very attached to her. The family already had 3 sons and one daughter, and Egyptian authorities usually do not accept mixing of gender among Kafala families. However, considering the excellent impression made by the family, FACE has offered to help MoSS in assessing the family, several assessment visits and meetings have been conducted with the assistance of FACE Case Manager. After several visits, it appeared that the family cared very much for the girl, who also became very attached to her new family, she even started counting the days between the visits. The foster family has a good economic situation, the father used to work as brigadier-general in Egyptian armed forces and he is now retired and on pension. The mother is a house wife, the eldest son is graduated and he is doing the military service nowadays, the second brother is still studying at the university, the third son and the daughter are in secondary school, while Rania will be studying in primary stage.

Rania has moved to stay with her new family in August after the final approvals by MoSS. The family has welcomed to keep in contact with FACE after receiving the child. They are still communicating with the FACE social workers and they are welcoming its monitoring visits. The child has told on several occasions to her Case Manager that she was living the best days of her life with the new family. Rania has explained us she always wanted to live with a family. She said that she used to see some of her friends at the center go and visit their families, but she never imagined she could be as happy as she is now. Rania

has also told us that she had met many other relatives and extended family, that she now has a big family, and that she is now going to all family trips, as any other child of her family.



STREET CHILDREN (SC) PROGRAM

A- FACE STREET OUTREACH TEAMS

FACE street outreach team has worked on a daily basis on the streets of Cairo, during the day and evenings, in order to provide support to children living and working on the streets to remain safe and find alternatives to their lives on the streets. The team is composed of one group during this quarter (5 staff, including 1 female).

During the third quarter 2016, the outreach team have reached 1170 individuals (2507 contacts) on the streets of Cairo and in detention centers.

On the streets: 2262 contacts have been made with 1089 individual street children (43% females)

- 104 children have received first aid
- 18294 problem solving sessions with children on the streets
- 1592 children participations in literacy education
- 3184 children participations in storytelling and art sessions
- 105 participations in life skills education sessions
- 23660 children participations in sports and games on the streets.

In detention centers: 245 contacts have been made with 81 individual children (40 % females)

- 21 children received first aid
- 265 children participations in literacy education
- 195 contacts children participations in life skills education
- 1966 psychosocial interventions with children
- 1265 children participations in sports activities and games
- 1 Case Management file was opened.

After a temporary decrease in the number of children reached on the streets during the first quarter 2016, the team reorganization has showed very positive results and a large increase of the number of children supported by the outreach team.

The team has observed an increase in the number of girls in the area of Mohandiseen. Street living and street working children (between the ages of 12-16 years old) gather in this area due to the presence of Gulf countries tourists. The team has decided reinforced its presence in Mohandiseen.

The team has continued to work in detention centers. An educational level assessment has been conducted with the assistance of the FACE Child Friendly School teachers in the El Koba center for girls. It has showed a very poor educational level among the 15 girls interviewed. It has thus been decided to intensify educational activities with the girls in the coming months. FACE is also providing educational and school support services to 15 girls in El Koba center and 20 children in El Shaabiya detention center for boys. The number of children in detention of boys has increased this quarter due to the high police arrests that have been occurring.



B- FACE DROP IN CENTER (DIC)

FACE DIC is located in Cairo's suburb in Medinat El Salam. The center opens daily and provides street children and youth with a wide range of services aimed at facilitating their reintegration including education, medical, counselling, legal support, arts, sports and games,...

During the quarter, **1221** contacts (16% females) have been made in FACE DIC with **353 children**. **61 children were coming for the first time**. These numbers are stable in comparison with the last quarter.

202 medical contacts were made for DIC children; 16% of which were females. All children joining activities in the center receive breakfast and lunch in order to allow them to concentrate on the educational activities. **90** children have participated in **12** life skills sessions during the quarter (hygiene, HIV/AIDS and road safety, nutrition), **299** children participated in non-formal education/literacy activities (14% females), **802** children participated in recreational activities and sports and **494** in arts and handicraft activities.



A low attendance has been observed during the quarter, mainly due to the period of Ramadan when children tend to spend longer hours on the street to make more money from begging and selling. Beginning of summer is also a period when many children travel to Alexandria to work there.

14 children have attended a special awareness session conducted by the media complex in Salam about hygiene and health nutrition.

Children from the DIC and Transitional Home have participated in a summer camp for 7 days. The week has included number of visits, outings to the beach, games and parties.





C- FACE TRANSITIONAL HOME (TH)

The FACE TH looks to offer a transitional shelter to children and youth wishing to pursue a life away from the streets and follow either vocational training or full-time education, whilst being prepared for social reintegration into a family or alternative setting:

- **44 children have stayed in the FACE TH** over the quarter (**8 new children**)
- **1** children have been staying for **medical emergencies**
- **5** children have been staying in **prevention of relapse** (children already reintegrated into their family and having problems and who receive temporary support from social workers)
- **1 baby stayed in FACE TH with his brothers**
- **14** children have attended the FACE **child friendly school** on a regular basis
- **19** children staying in the TH have **attended the local public school**
- **4** young people attended **vocational training in a business or workshop** (1 sewing factory and 3 in cooking).
- **20** children staying in the TH have participated to a **summer camp in Alexandria for 7 days**
- **32** children joined a **trip to Ismailia**
- **6 trips and cultural visits** have been organized in Cairo for **37 children**
- **Weekly soccer games** have been organized in youth club El Salam to train the children for the street child world cup and the homeless child world cup.
- **2** children staying in the FACE TH have **participated to the Homeless World Cup in July in Glasgow**, Scotland, accompanied by one of the team social workers. After a long preparation along the year, 2 young people have joined 7 other youths from different organisations to form the Egypt team. The team entered the tournament unranked and quickly showed that their hard work and training were worthwhile, winning four of their first five games. Two wins in the second round earned them a spot in the Men's Plate competition where they faced Ireland in the final, losing in a tight match in overtime. The squad finished in 10th place overall and their enthusiasm and skill earned them the Best New Team award. One of the team members from FACE has received the title of the best team captain in the tournament. Mr Samer Abdulla (FACE social worker) received Glasgow city's Badge to honour him as the best social worker in the championship for encouraging and supporting his team.



D- FACE REINTEGRATION TEAM: During the 3rd quarter 2016:

- **28 new Case Management** files have been opened, of which 32% were females.
- **18** children and youths have received support to their **reintegration during the quarter**:
 - 2 children to reintegrate back into their family or extended family
 - 9 children into Primary school (29% females)
 - 7 youths have been placed into employment (28% females): 1 as secretary in a hospital, 6 in fast food restaurant.
- **270** children have received support (school uniforms and materials) in order to **remain in school** and prevent drop out.
- **2** families have received support from FACE through a **grant** aimed at starting up a small business (1 grocery, 1 hair dresser).
- **Case Managers have conducted 201 follow up visits** to meet children and assess their situation in their families, schools, and places of work.
- **7** children have received **legal support**; 2 for identification cards, 5 legal court cases regarding proves of genealogy.

New contact has been established with Kafr Alu NGO in Helwan. This local NGO supports children at risk of dropping out of school and supports young people at risk to find employment opportunities.

E- NETWORKING

- Two meetings have been held during the quarter with MoSS and the Tahya Masr Fund (national fund for investment in social projects) to prepare the launch of a new national project for setting up mobile outreach units in 10 governances in Egypt. MoSS has requested the support of FACE and other civil society organisations to provide training and capacity building to the MoSS newly hired staff.
FACE has taken part in a three day theoretical training of the MoSS newly hired outreach staff. FACE gave a presentation about street outreach activities and target group.
- Meetings have been held with the OFA to plan the training and coaching to the OFA orphanages staff.
- Meetings have been held with MoSS Social Defence department to plan a new project of support and training to MoSS Social Defence institutions with the support of the European Union potentially starting in the beginning of 2017 (still to be approved by EU).
- FACE has also participated to several meetings with NCCM and UNICEF to plan the strategy of a coming new national program aiming at implementing and training Child Protection Committees at the district and governorate level in 10 governorates in Egypt. FACE, who has a strong expertise in Case Management, has been invited to join these meetings and to potentially contribute to it.

TRAINING PROGRAM

A- SALAM TRAINING UNIT

During the 3rd quarter, 14 days of trainings have been conducted with a total of 78 participations.

Topics of training	Participants	Duration
Case Management	12 FACE staff	6 days
Children positive reinforcement (practical and theoretical)	20 social workers and staff from ECD Obour center	4 days
FACE Child Protection policy	26 Staff from Benha, Maadi centers and Salam street children program	3 days
First aid training by Samusocial	20 staff	1 day

B- ECD PROGRAM TRAINING UNIT

During the 3rd quarter, 37 days of trainings have been conducted with a total of 232 participations.

Topics of training	Participants	Duration
Orientation session for new employees (4 sessions)	53 staff (Salam - Maadi - Banha - Obour)	4 days
Basic staff training (7 modules : children, FACE target group, child development, social work/child carer, communication skills, safe touch)	7 staff (Benha)	8 days
Child protection policy	13 staff (Maadi)	2 days
Child protection policy	6 staff (Banha)	2 days
Reinforcing positive behaviours (5 modules)	23 staff (Obour - Sherouk)	8 days
Child care techniques	30 staff (Maadi - Obour - Sherouk)	3 days
Washing hands - Sterilization of bottles - Building security	17 staff (Maadi)	2 days
Safety indoors (2 modules)	33 staff (Maadi)	2 days
Washing hands - Hygiene and Cleanliness - Sterilization of bottles - Preparing milk formula	11 (Maadi)	2 days
Baby massage	11 (Maadi)	1 day
Hygiene and Cleanliness - Building security - Safety	8 staff (Benha)	1 day

indoors		
Healthy child	13 (Benha)	1 day
Washing hands - Nappy changing - Safety outdoors - Healthy child	7 (Benha)	1 day



THANK YOU for your continued support.

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