

Livelihood Opportunities for Forcibly Displaced People from Artsakh

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Project Impact



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Livelihood opportunities are created and facilitated for Armenians forcibly displaced from Artsakh enabling them to become self-reliant and economically secure in their efforts of building a new and dignified life in Armenia.

Project Objective



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At least 55 forcibly displaced Armenians from Artsakh, currently residing in remote bordering regions of Armenia, are empowered to achieve self-reliance through engagement in income-generating activities, supported by the provision of necessary tools, equipment and resources.

Progress on activities



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Identifying project locations	Gegharqunik and Syunik regions – remote communities
Gegharqunik research findings and results	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Extracted data from 2024 research findings- Reevaluated potential candidates- Visited Gegharqunik region and donated all required tools and items to beneficiaries (6 persons/families)
Research in Syunik region	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Phone interviews- Field visits to Syunik (all 7 communities)- Data entry and analysis- Donation to selected persons necessary tools and items (5 persons)
Upcoming Activities in Syunik Region	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Regular field visits for in-depth interviews- Potential participant selection- Arrangement of purchases of tools/equipment- Handing over and trainings upon need- Monitoring of performance

Progress on activities



6 persons from Gegharkunik region were distributed necessary equipment for further self activity, such as: electrical instruments, sewing machine, gardening tools, etc.

5 person from Syunik region get welding machine, decorative backdrops and some tools and equipment for manicure.

Currently, visits and researches are in progress, and the list of beneficiaries is updating.

Grigoryan Arevik (Martuni, Gegharkunik)



In Artsakh, Arevik and her family lived in the Hadrut region, specifically in the village of Tumi. There, she enjoyed a simple rural lifestyle, focusing on gardening, small-scale livestock breeding, and poultry farming. She and her 18-year-old daughter participated in sewing courses organized by the Caritas NGO.



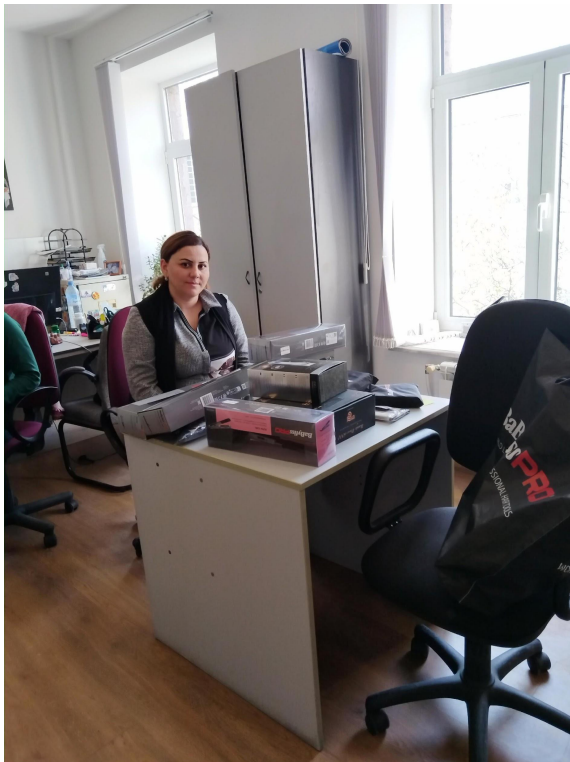
Minasyan Aragats (Geghamavan, Gegharkunik)



Aragats moved to Armenia from the village of Poghosagomer in the Martakert region. Now his occupation is in the village of Geghamavan that includes repairing household appliances, gardening tools, and constructing equipment for locals.



Ruzanna Mirzoyan (Vardenis, Gegharkunik)



Ruzanna relocated to Armenia from Harutyunagomer in the Martakert region. Currently, she works in a hairdressing salon, but to enhance her income, she aspires to offer independent hairdressing services to women using her tools.



Mirzoyan Vitali (Shatjrek, Gegharkunik)

Vitali Mirzoyan is from Stepanakert. He was professionally engaged in providing horticultural services. His work included the cultivation, care, and maintenance of gardens and greenhouses, among other responsibilities. Now continues to offer his expertise in horticulture. However, he is urgently in need of tools to enhance his work.



Stepanyan Vanya (Chkalovka, Gegharkunik)



Stepanyan Vanya comes from Vardadzor in the Martakert region. Now he is keen on taking on private projects, offering his electrical installation skills for residential properties. Moreover, Vanya has the ability to handle welding and repair work on machines if equipped with the right tools.

Hovsep Aleyan (Mets Masrik, Gegharkunik)



The family lived in the city of Stepanakert in Artsakh. Hovsep was a Contract serviceman while also engaging in private construction and renovation initiatives. Hovsep continues to work on renovating private houses and apartments in the area.

Davit Ghukasyan (Kajaran, Syunik)



Davit's family is from Artsakh, and now they live in Kajaran. In Artsakh they were involved in agricultural work, but Davit has skills of welder. So, he prefers to get necessary tools to continue his job in Kajaran, Syunik region. Now he has a big hammer, set of metal brushes, electrical grinding instruments (big and small) and a professional welding machine.

Milena Aghabekyan (Tatev, Syunik)



Milena is truly inspired by her job in the manicure business. Thanks to the program she got a drill machine for nails, disinfection machine, lamp for manicure, drying machine, vacuum cleaner for nails, table for manicure , set of nails and different sets of gels.



Manushak Harutyunyan (Kornidzor, Syunik)



After losing his son in 44-day war in Artsakh, Manushak found strength in her beloved occupation. She got a sewing machine, iron ruler, wooden ruler, triangular ruler, scissors set, measuring ruler, table for sewing machine and steam-system iron.



Varduhi Minasyan (Qarashen, Syunik)



Varduhi loves to make every celebration feel like a fairytale. She organizes buffet and various events. For decorations, she preferred to get decorative hearts, set of tables, big and small angels, teeth with electrical lamp, stands for flowers.

Syuzanna Meloyan (Tegh, Syunik)



Syuzanna's artistic approach to nail design inspires her entire home village. Like Milena from Tatev, she also got a drill machine for nails, disinfection machine, lamp for manicure, drying machine, vacuum cleaner for nails, table for manicure , set of nails and different sets of gels.

Selected beneficiaries from waiting list



Aramayis Hairapetyan is from Shushi, he has disability. Aramayis' family has a greenhouse in Aghitu village where they live. He learned in Shushi art college and has a skills of decorator. For developing this activity he needs electrical tools

Selected beneficiaries from waiting list



Aramayis Hovsepyan is a shoemaker from Shushi city, Artsakh. He lives with his 85 years old mother in Sisian city and takes care of his mother. He wants to establish a small shoe repair workshop in Sisian and needs sewing machine and tools.



Selected beneficiaries from waiting list



Agha Poghosyan's family is from Martuni. After displacing, they live in Sisian and has established a small bakery in the home. They need professional electrical oven and other accessories.



Also, the have hens, and are interesting in developing of this activity.

Selected beneficiaries from waiting list



Atayan Gor is from Tumi village, Hadrut region of Artsakh. To further develop this endeavor, Gor requires various beekeeping tools and accessories, which he has outlined in a list shared with the staff of JMF.

Selected beneficiaries from waiting list



Suren Astatryan is from Askeran region, and now lives in Sisian city. For continuing his activity of welder he outlined necessary tools and electrical machines.