



What about the Palestinians? – Resources

Headline news leaves out the nuance, the ambiguity, the efforts and commitment of many Israelis and Palestinians to act in the name of compassion and to transcend the daily grief and horror with actions that anchor us in hope. Here is a list of such initiatives to support, join and learn about as we consider the universal human need for safety, protection and thriving.

- 1) <https://www.nif.org/press-releases/jewish-donors-raise-unprecedented-funds-for-humanitarian-aid-to-people-in-gaza/>

The **New Israel Fund (NIF)** raises money from grassroots donors to help feed innocent people living in Gaza. Donations to the World Central Kitchen, enabled operations on the ground to resume and they have already served over 2 million meals into Gaza.

- 2) <https://www.womenwagepeace.org.il/en/>

Women Wage Peace is a broad, politically unaffiliated movement, which is acting to prevent the next war and to promote a non-violent, respectful, and mutually accepted solution to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, with the active participation of women through all stages of negotiations.

- 3) <https://mailchi.mp/75e403e9e30e/interact-so-far?e=578ad20216>

InterAct is committed to humanitarian efforts for families affected by the conflict. They offer humanitarian aid, food security, and mental health support. Their project, the *Dual Narrative Education Center*, is designed to revolutionize the way we understand the Israeli-Palestinian narratives.

- 4) <https://arava.org/>

Over the past 26 years, the **Arava Institute for Environmental Studies (AIES)** has demonstrated that cooperation on environmental issues impact all the people of the region. It is an effective path to building cooperation among communities that have been locked in conflict for generations. AIES has brought together nearly 1,800 Palestinian, Jordanian, Israeli, and international students, and has educated future leaders to meet the Middle East's environmental challenges with innovative peace-building solutions to ensure a sustainable future for the region. Arava has been nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize.

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- https://cfpeace.org/?gr_s=BtGro0n&gr_m=B2Dolw∓gr_x=a62b

Launched in 2006, **Combatants for Peace** is a grassroots movement of Israelis and Palestinians, working together to bring peace, equality and freedom to the region. Committed to joint nonviolence, CFP uses civil resistance, education and other creative means of activism to build a free and peaceful future from the ground up. Nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize.

- 6) <https://open.spotify.com/episode/4WJEUa3ZuvPP4HKACX14Xh?si=IB0bEWBSROG8YXsb08GLO&nd=1&dlsi=6869da2e956f4228>

What is Israel's plan with the Rafah assault? This podcast interview with **Gershon Baskin** a long-time peace activist and subject matter expert explores the topic.

- 7) <https://www.launchgood.com/communitypage/support-palestinians-in-gaza#!/community/support-palestinians-in-gaza/>

Launch Good focuses on humanitarian aid efforts in Gaza. They do not take a stance on political matters, but rather are dedicated to providing assistance to those in need.

- 8) <https://merkazim.org/en/>

Founded in 2016, **Tzedek Centers** operate with an eye towards Israel's long-term democratic future through a combination of deep, grassroots work and shorter term, high impact initiatives. This national grassroots movement, composed of organized communities in cities across Israel, works to build a vibrant democracy

- 10) <https://parentspherefriends.org/about/>

American Friends of the Parents Circle-Families Forum (AF-PCFF) shares the human side of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict with the American public in order to foster a peace and reconciliation process. The AF-PCFF is committed to supporting the Parents Circle-Families Forum (PCFF), a joint Israeli-Palestinian organization made up of more than 600 bereaved families. Their common bond is that they have lost a close

family member to the conflict. But instead of choosing revenge, they have chosen a path of reconciliation.

11) <https://www.standing-together.org>

Standing Together is a grassroots movement mobilizing Jewish and Palestinian citizens of Israel in pursuit of peace, equality, and social and climate justice. While those who benefit from the status quo of occupation and economic inequality seek to keep people divided, the majority have far more in common. **Standing Together** seeks peace and independence for both Israelis and Palestinians, full equality for all citizens, and true social, economic, and environmental justice.

12) <https://jerusalem-youth-chorus.org/involved>

The **Jerusalem Youth Chorus** is a choral and dialogue program for Palestinian and Israeli youth in Jerusalem. Their mission is to provide a space for these young people from East and West Jerusalem to grow together in song and dialogue. Through the co-creation of music and the sharing of stories, they empower youth in Jerusalem to speak and sing their truths. As they become leaders in their communities, they inspire singers and listeners around the world to work for peace, justice, inclusion, and equality.

13) <https://fkf-tennis.org/>

The **Freddie Krivine Initiative** runs empowerment, shared society, coexistence and social equality programs for Arab Israeli children and teens through the sport of tennis. Since 2005 they have coached over three thousand marginalized and disconnected youth in the sport of tennis.

14) <https://peacenow.org/page.php?name=mission-statement>

APN (Americans for Peace Now) is the sister organization of **Shalom Achshav**, Israel's preeminent peace movement. **APN's** mission is to educate and persuade the American public and its leadership, to support and adopt policies that will lead to a comprehensive, and durable Israeli-Palestinian/Israeli-Arab peace, based on a two-state solution, guaranteeing both peoples security, and consistent with U.S. national interests. They also work to ensure Israel's future and the viability of Israel's democracy and Jewish character through education, activism and advocacy in the United States, and by mobilizing American support for **Shalom Achshav**.

15) <https://www.timesofisrael.com/israeli-and-palestinian-based-in-germany-launch-fundraiser-to-build-toilets-for-gazans/>

Call for Donations: Sanitary Needs in Camps for Displaced Persons in Gaza, to alleviate the sanitary needs of the people in Gaza. The severe health situation of Gazans affects everybody around them and the aim is to build 200 units over the next few months. Donations can be made directly to the PayPal address: toilets.for.camps@gmail.com, or via email: toilets.for.camps@gmail.com.

16) <https://www.mistaclim.org/za-tara-junctio>

Activists of **Looking the Occupation in the Eye** are a group of Israeli citizens who care about human rights and the future of the State. This movement maintains permanent links with the Palestinians and tries to solve problems related to human rights, morality, the loss of humaneness, power relations of occupier and occupied, and that even under occupation there are laws, duties and red lines that should not be crossed.

17) <http://linktr.ee/jordanvalleyactivists>

Jordan Valley Activists assists Palestinian shepherds in the Jordan Valley.

19) <https://cgcinternational.co.in/the-hamas-attack-and-israels-war-in-gaza/>

"The Hamas Attack and Israel's War in Gaza" by Omer Bartov (November 24, 2023) for the **Council for Global Cooperation**.

20) <https://did.li/zgzaa>

The **New Israel Fund** is a leading organization advancing and defending democracy in Israel. Their aim is to protect and advance liberal democracy, freedom of speech, minority rights, and to fight inequality, injustice, and extremism. **NIF** pursues this goal using a number of strategies, including by providing grants to Israeli non-governmental organizations, such as Mothers Against Violence.

21) <https://www.mavisrael.com/about-us/mavisrael>

Mothers Against Violence Israel (MAVI) is a non-profit organization of Israeli women activists dedicated to ending the occupation. They advocate for peace, non-violence, and a democratic Israel. They envision a political solution that will grant Israelis security and peace, they oppose the current government's policies and want to create a more peaceful, democratic future for all. This organization is forcefully demanding a return of the kidnapped hostages, a bilateral ceasefire, a clear plan to restoring security and rehabilitating our injured peoples.

22) <https://www.allmep.org/news/dedicated-to-partnership-and-service-our-members-stories-and-actions/>

A peacebuilding community dedicated to partnership and service, helping those most in need of assistance at this critical time. Initiatives include the first ever Arab-Jewish Emergency Center, delivering vital aid, food baskets, assistance, and legal counsel to the Bedouin society in the Negev.

23) <https://www.rhr.org.il/eng?lang=en>

Rabbis for Human Rights (RHR) is an Israeli organization that was founded in 1988. Since its inception it has expanded to include a vision of justice rooted in Jewish tradition to prevent violations of human rights. It supports a vision of Judaism sanctifying life, justice and equality.