

Objectives of 'SHANKAL'

The overall goal of the project is to “improve human security and resilience of vulnerable women, youth and children living in the urban neighborhoods of Tripoli and affected by the crisis, through economic empowerment, enhanced protection and quality basic services”.

ABJAD Center

Abjad is a social-cultural centre for Bab Al-Tabbaneh/Jabal Mohsen neighbourhoods, aiming at targeting women, youth and children to improve their life conditions, through life skills, vocational training, engaging them in cultural and prevention programs based on Human Security principles in Shankal project.

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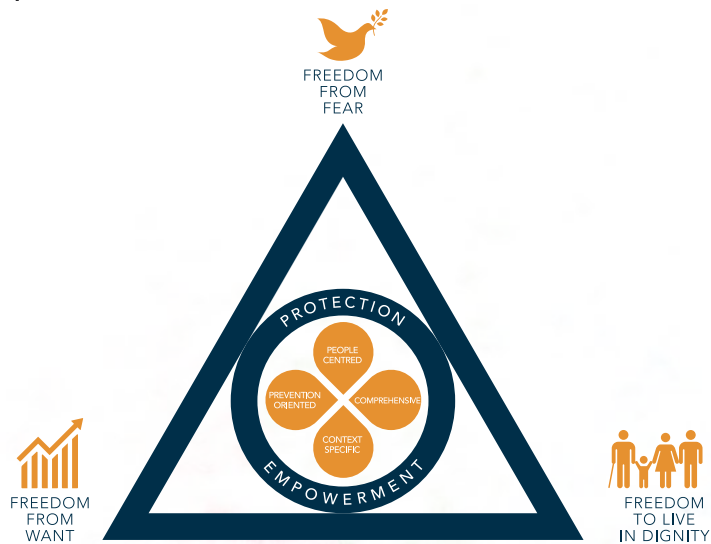


What is a Human Security ?

Today, many threats in various fields make the world insecure for many humans. As part of sustainable development, these threats must be tackled by adopting a global and comprehensive approach across the government, UN agencies and other actors to ensure the survival, livelihood and dignity of people.

Human Security emphasizes on the triangular relationship between security, development and human rights and considers these to be the building blocks of the human being and therefore national security.

As noted in the General Assembly resolution 66/290, “Human Security is an approach to assist Member States in identifying and addressing widespread and cross-cutting challenges to the survival, livelihood and dignity of their people.” It calls for “people-centred, comprehensive, context-specific and prevention-oriented responses that strengthen the protection and empowerment of all people.”



Human Security promotes a multi-dimensional approach that targets challenges impacting different areas of Human Security including Economic, Food, Health, Environmental, Personal, Community and Political.

In response to these challenges, Human Security provides a framework for promoting more coherent and integrated solutions that result in more effective and tangible improvements in the daily lives of people and their communities.

Why Human Security Approach

The UN in Lebanon has adopted a holistic and integrated approach to mitigate and respond to the threats to Lebanon’s stability and promote a broader conflict prevention agenda – the “Whole of Lebanon Approach”. To address the interlinked threats to human security, the UN in Lebanon is combining its efforts under a common framework – the UN Strategic Framework (UNSF).

This framework brings together all UN organizations working in Lebanon as well as the political and peacekeeping missions working toward three priority areas: Peace and security, Governance and Stabilization, and Socio-economic development. The UNSF outlines a multi-faceted approach to support Lebanon ensure that its residents can live free from fear, indignity and want in line with the basic principles of human security.

Applying the Human Security Approach in Lebanon

Tripoli has been one of the Lebanese regions that has for long been experiencing rising tensions and recurring crisis and conflicts. Within Lebanon, Tripoli is considered the most affected region by Syria crisis where local sectarian and political tensions have been severely exacerbated.

In this context, the three UN agencies namely, UN-Habitat, UN Women, and UNICEF have joined efforts to enhance the Human Security Approach within the hosting communities in Tripoli not only to respond to the complex nature of the security situation but also to address the possible future threat of events escalation.

What is ‘SHANKAL’?

Shankal is a Human Security Program aiming to improve the living conditions of vulnerable women and youth groups in Jabal Mohsen and Bab Al-Tabbaneh neighborhoods in Tripoli. It engages and ensure the participation of both communities, hand in hand, to address insecurities and identify priorities. The program initiates an assessment and situation analysis to define threats and causes to determine appropriate local level solutions in collaboration with all the concerned parties.