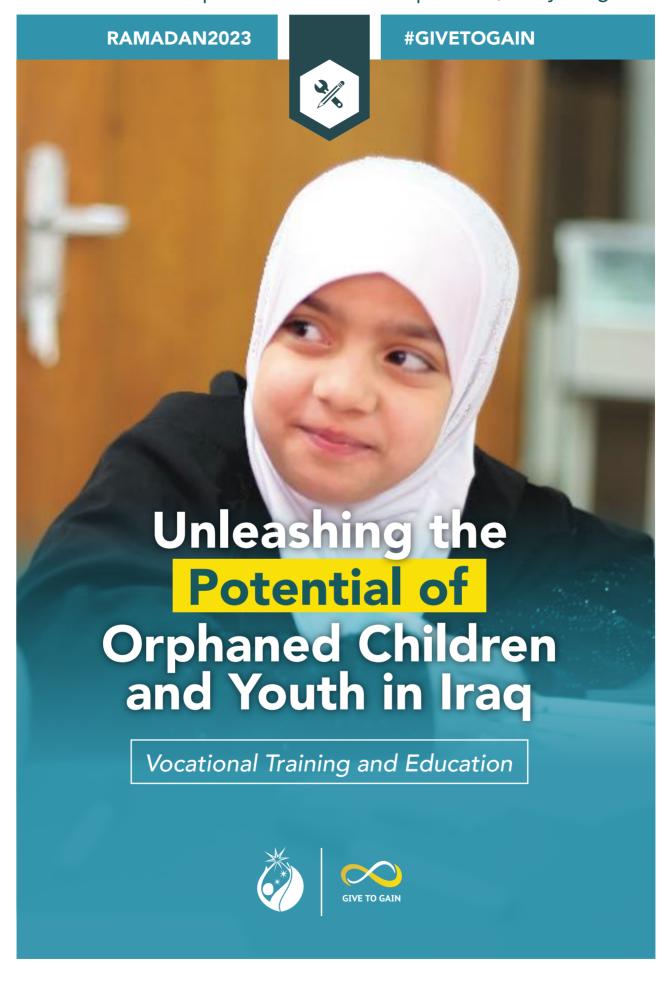
In a world where orphaned children are empowered, everyone gains









# A SUSTAINABLE SOLUTION

# FOR A BETTER FUTURE

Our vocational training initiative supports the independence and transition of orphaned children into adulthood, as well as the empowerment of widowed mothers. The following courses are offered:







**Phone-repairs** 



Sewing



IT skills



Cooking

Our committee periodically assesses how trainings are distributed and how stable each cohort is. Moreover, vocations are selected based on a study carried out to identify professions that are not oversaturated and will always be required in society.





# GAINING LIFELONG SKILLS

Al-Ayn offers the resources the orphaned youth require for training, including all the necessary tools and equipment, transportation expenses, and meals during training hours. The training includes seminars on time management, how to draw in clients, and how to interact with them, as well as life skills and advice on how to apply their new knowledge in future careers and in wider society.

# ? Did you know?

700 students have graduated from our Vocational Training Programme as of this writing. 200 of the graduates already use those skills to earn a living.

# MICROFINANCE LOANS

Al-Ayn assists trainees in starting small businesses to promote their independence through microfinance loans, which is offered to the trainee interest-free. Trainees repay the loan over time and in accordance with their financial means. Additionally, each young adult is given a buddy (an experienced acquaintance) to assist them with their venture or project, preventing them from being thrown into the deep end too soon.



## ? Did you know?

Participants in the phone-repair vocational training programme are also taught software capabilities in addition to hardware skills, and they receive ongoing training to keep informed with advancements. Given Iraq's growing technical economy and the rise of computers in homes, there is also a plan to teach trainees how to service computers and laptops.



# GIVING ORPHANED CHILDREN

### THE EDUCATION THEY DESERVE

Al-Ayn is dedicated to equipping every orphaned child living in poverty with the resources and educational tools they require to successfully navigate their challenges. We believe that when a child fulfils their potential, not only does their personal future change, but also the futures of their families, their communities, and society as a whole. Through Al-Ayn, orphaned children are given the opportunity to maximize their potential.

# **SCHOOLING AND TUITION**

Al-Ayn encourages every child who is of school age to complete their education. At the beginning of the school year, each child receives a back-to-school kit that contains a school uniform, a school bag, stationery, and more.

Throughout the weekends and on holidays, tutors provide free tuition to students who require it in certain subjects, and those who are performing well are incentivised financially to keep improving. Many of the individuals who have benefited from support over the years are currently enrolled in academic institutions, others are employed and able to support their families and themselves.

# SUPPORTING UNIVERSITY STUDENTS

Al-Ayn finances the tuition for 64 students who are presently enrolled in universities around Iraq. Dentistry, Law, Medicine, Pharmacy, Computer Engineering, and Accounting are just a few of the courses that are being pursued presently.

### ? Did you know?

Children in Iraq suffer greatly from a lack of educational opportunities. Sadly, local schools sometimes lack the resources to offer the required help. Classes can often include up to 60 students, and for some children the closest school may be miles away. Due to the high cost of travel, mothers sometimes borrow money to pay for the travel expenditures.



# CASE STUDY

"I'm Mustafa and this is my barbershop. Before getting registered with Al-Ayn, I had to leave school and work in a clothes shop. After joining the Luminous Stars Centre and graduating from the barbering course, I have my own shop now! But even better - I'm now back in secondary school, catching up on my studies. My life has really taken a positive turn."

There's always light at the end of the tunnel. Join us in changing more lives of orphaned children.

# ORPHANED CHILDREN AND

# YOUTH HAVE THE RIGHT TO AN

# **EQUAL PLAYING FIELD**

#### **Vocational Training**

Following the Vocational Training programme's success, Al-Ayn is completing 12 similar initiatives in 12 different cities across Iraq. These projects are already under construction, with some of them nearing advanced completion stages. Your support can assist these orphaned children and offer them newfound hope.



Cover vocational training costs for an orphaned youth

£2,500



Provide a microloan for a graduate to begin working

£3,000



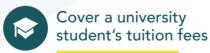
Building a new training workshop

£26,000

#### **Education Support**

Give orphaned children and young adults the opportunity to achieve their potential, by supporting them to stay in school and university.

Orphaned children can receive free school uniforms, school bags, and stationery. Children who are struggling in particular subjects are offered free tuition via volunteer teachers and others who are doing well can maintain their progress through financial incentives.



£5,000



Provide 10 students with a school kit each

£500

Amounts are indicative and based on current average costs. Any excess that you give will be spent on Al-Ayn's Education and Vocational Training projects for orphaned children in Iraq.

#### **DONATE NOW**

#### Support orphaned children in Iraq this Ramadan

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