



Final Report

Warmth & Dignity Project – Warm Winter 2026

Final Report for the Winter Blanket Distribution Project for
Displaced Families in the Gaza Strip

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1. Executive Summary :

The “Warmth and Dignity – Warm Winter 2026” project comes as an urgent humanitarian response aimed at alleviating the impact of extreme cold on displaced families in the Gaza Strip, amid damage to temporary shelters and rising levels of health vulnerability, particularly among children and the elderly.

Between December 13, 2025, and January 19, 2026, the organization’s team implemented a winterization intervention through the distribution of heavy-duty, high-quality winter blankets to the most vulnerable families in displacement sites and collective shelters. The intervention adopted targeting, documentation, and duplication-prevention mechanisms to the greatest extent possible, within the constraints of the field reality.

Key Results :

- Distribution of 4,925 winter blankets to 4,925 displaced families within the intervention areas in the southern and northern Gaza Strip.
- Coverage of more than 20 sites, including displacement camps, collective shelters, and schools, in addition to distributions conducted through SMS notifications and designated collection points.
- Improved thermal comfort inside tents and damaged buildings, reducing direct exposure to cold and dampness, thereby contributing to a decreased risk of common colds and respiratory disease complications, as a preventive measure supporting the healthcare system.
- Strengthening the principles of human dignity and equitable targeting through coordination with local committees, regular list updates, and field verification.

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Funding and Governance:

The total project value amounted to USD 238,387, covering the cost of blankets, labor wages, and transportation. The project was implemented within FAJR Global's established Monitoring, Evaluation, Accountability, and Learning (MEAL) framework, enhancing transparency and the ethical use of resources.

Key Recommendations:

- Strengthen Post-Distribution Monitoring (PDM) tools through visits and phone calls to a representative sample, measuring satisfaction indicators and the quality of distributed items.
- Establish a unified project coding system and standardize report templates to facilitate archiving and presentation to donors.
- Explore the possibility of expanding the winter intervention in the future to include a comprehensive winter package (blankets, mattresses, additional covers), depending on the available funding.

2. Humanitarian Background and Context :

During the 2025–2026 winter season, the Gaza Strip experienced severe cold waves accompanied by heavy rainfall and strong winds, directly affecting displaced families residing in temporary tents or partially damaged buildings. Limited heating options and difficulties in delivering shelter materials due to crossing restrictions exacerbated the risks of exposure to cold and damp conditions, resulting in health issues, particularly among children under five, pregnant women, the elderly, and individuals with respiratory illnesses.



Based on field monitoring conducted by the organization's medical teams in hospitals and primary healthcare centers, a notable increase in cases of colds and respiratory infections among children and the elderly was observed. This highlighted the urgent need for direct humanitarian intervention to provide essential heating solutions that contribute to preventing complications from these illnesses and alleviating pressure on the healthcare system.

3. Project Description :

3.1 Overall Goal:

To provide warmth and protection to displaced families in the Gaza Strip during the winter season, while reducing health risks associated with exposure to extreme cold and preserving the dignity of beneficiaries.

3.2 Specific Objectives

- Distribute heavy-duty, high-quality winter blankets to the most vulnerable groups.
- Reduce the likelihood of colds and respiratory disease complications, particularly among children and the elderly.
- Enhance the sense of safety and human dignity within displacement sites through fair and transparent interventions.

3.3 Scope of Intervention:

- **Target Geographic Area:** Selected displacement sites, collective shelters, and schools in the Gaza Strip, with a focus on northern Gaza due to its higher density of camps and lower presence of international organizations compared to southern Gaza.
- **Implementation Period:** 13 December 2025 – 19 January 2026.
- **Target Beneficiaries:** Displaced families, prioritizing households with young children, the elderly, persons with disabilities, chronic health conditions, or families with very low or no income.

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4. Implementation Methodology and Targeting Mechanisms :

4.1 Beneficiary Identification and Verification:

FAJR Global adopted an approach that ensures fairness, transparency, and minimizes duplication through the following measures:

- Prior coordination with local relief committees and management of displacement sites to prepare preliminary lists of the most vulnerable families based on agreed-upon criteria (shelter type, household size, presence of children/elderly, and economic status).
- Field verification of the lists by cross-checking basic data (name, ID number, household size, shelter status).
- Exclusion of families who had recently received winter blankets prior to implementation, to the extent possible, in order to reduce duplication.
- Direct distribution to targeted families, or organized distribution via SMS notifications to manage crowds and ensure assistance reaches the intended households.

4.2 Duplication Prevention and Integrity Measures

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4.3 Humanitarian Considerations (Protection and Dignity)

- Organize the distribution process to ensure the dignity of beneficiaries, avoiding any form of embarrassment or discrimination.
- Allocate safer and quieter spaces for women and the elderly at distribution points whenever possible.
- Avoid photographing faces or collecting sensitive personal information without explicit consent, relying instead on general images that reflect impact while preserving privacy.

5. Blanket Procurement and Quality Assurance :

FAJR Global ensured the procurement of high-quality winter blankets suitable for use inside tents, prioritizing heavier weights (7 kg) for their superior thermal insulation.

Due to crossing restrictions and limitations on material imports, the available supplier options changed during the implementation period, resulting in blankets of varying weights ranging from 5–7 kg. This variation was addressed by:

- Establishing standards for fabric quality and filling thickness, and verifying the integrity of each product before distribution.
- Prioritizing the heavier blankets for the most vulnerable families, such as the elderly or households residing in exposed tents.

6. Activities Implemented vs. Plan

The main project activity was implemented as follows :

- Preparing blankets at the storage site and sorting them by available batches
- Organizing distribution points and scheduling locations in coordination with local committees .
- Conducting direct handover to targeted families and documenting deliveries through lists and visual evidence where possible .
- Implementing SMS-based distribution/collection points in some areas to overcome access and addressing challenges .

7. Outputs and Results

7.1 Outputs:

- Total blankets distributed: 4,925 blankets.
- Direct beneficiary households: 4,925 families.
- Number of covered sites: +20 locations including camps, shelters, schools, and collection points.

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7.2 Results and Impact:

In addition to the quantitative outputs, the project had a positive impact on the living conditions of families in tents and damaged buildings, reflected in:

- Improved warmth during extremely cold nights, particularly for children and the elderly, reducing the need for multiple individuals to share a single blanket or to use unsafe heating methods.
- Contributing to a lower likelihood of respiratory disease complications related to cold exposure, serving as a preventive intervention that complements the healthcare system.
- Enhancing families' sense that they are not forgotten and that their basic needs are being considered, positively impacting dignity and psychological well-being.

Methodological Note:

It is recommended that any future funding allocated for winter interventions include a clear provision for Post-Distribution Monitoring (PDM) covering at least 5–10% of the beneficiary sample. A simple survey should be used to measure satisfaction, the quality of materials, usage patterns, and any feedback related to fairness or complaints, in order to enhance learning for the management of future projects.

8. Targeted Locations File (Camps / Shelters)

The distribution was carried out across a number of camps, collective shelters, schools, and collection points in northern and central Gaza. The following two tables provide a summary of the main locations, the approximate number of beneficiaries, and the number of blankets distributed, as reported in the field report.

First: Phase One

Site / Camp	Blankets Distributed	Estimated Families	Estimated Tents/Households	Estimated Beneficiaries	Geographic Area
SMS-Based Distribution	1703	1,703	N/A	8,515	Multiple Sites
Jenin Camp	315	667	653	2668	Al-Jalaa Street
Cairo Shelter Center	300	503	462	3018	Al-Thawra Street
Al-Safa Camp	300	760	717	4560	Al-Rashid Street
Al-Majda Waseela Site	225	391	357	1955	Tel Al-Hawa
Al-Samidoon Camp	200	349	318	1745	Al-Jalaa Street
Al-Rahma Camp	196	491	504	1964	Near Palestine Stadium
Al-Shati Boys School (C)	189	479	486	1916	Al-Shati Camp West Gaza –

Second: Phase Two

Site / Camp	Blankets Distributed	Estimated Families	Estimated Tents/Households	Estimated Beneficiaries	Geographic Area (continued)
Al-Salama Camp	180	402	366	1608	Al-Rimal
Amir Al-Mansi Camp	147	437	430	2185	Al-Rimal
Al-Jundi Camp	143	353	339	2118	Al-Rimal
Al-Aaliyah School	142	413	380	1652	Al-Shati Camp
Al-Mamounia School (A)	133	334	325	1336	Al-Wihda Street
Baladna Camp	130	322	326	1288	Al-Jalaa Street
Palestine School	109	282	292	1410	Palestine Street
Tayba Camp	104	238	236	1190	Islamic University
Al-Jawad Camp	102	314	301	1570	Islamic University
Al-Doha Camp	97	278	294	1668	Islamic University
Atfaluna Deaf Children Association	82	142	143	710	Islamic University
Ard Al-Israa Camp	53	159	157	954	Al-Rashid Street
Al-Nakhla Camp	50	129	119	516	Al-Saraya
Al-Saraya Camp	25	57	53	285	Al-Saraya

"The site distribution demonstrates a concentration of the intervention in areas with a high density of displaced people in northern Gaza, using SMS-based distribution to reach scattered families across multiple geographic locations."

9. Monitoring & Evaluation and Community Accountability

The project adopted monitoring and evaluation procedures appropriate for an emergency intervention, integrated within the institutional MEAL framework, through the following measures:

- Use of updated registration and distribution lists for each site, with signatures from beneficiaries or their representatives.
- Visual documentation (photos/videos) that preserves beneficiary dignity and is used for reporting and donor documentation purposes.
- Collection of feedback and complaints via camp supervisors and local committees, documented in a dedicated log, with cases requiring immediate response referred to the project team.
- Daily/weekly review of distribution data and field team observations, with adjustments to the distribution plan and site priorities based on lessons learned (continuous learning and adaptation).

Selected Indicators and Measurement Tools:

- Number of blankets distributed compared to the planned quantity (4,925 out of 4,925).
- Coverage of the most vulnerable groups in targeted sites (approximately 75%, with a target of at least 70%).
- Beneficiary satisfaction with blanket quality and distribution method (approximately 88%, based on field observations and phone follow-ups, with a target of at least 80%).
- Number of complaints recorded and addressed (4 complaints out of 12 main observations that were followed up and resolved).

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Indicator	Target	Verified	Means of Verification
Blankets Distributed	4,925	4,925	/ Distribution lists warehouse records
Coverage rate of the most vulnerable groups	≥70%	≈75%	/ Targeting forms list review
Beneficiary satisfaction level with quality	≥80%	≈88%	/ Phone follow-up field observations
Number of complaints registered/handled	—	≈4 / 12	Complaints and feedback log

10. Challenges and Lessons Learned

10.1 Challenges

- Limited access to some displacement sites due to rough roads and lack of clear addresses.
- Continuous changes in supply availability due to border constraints and procurement delays.
- Risk of duplication in some locations due to simultaneous interventions by other actors.

10.2 How the Team Responded

- Updating distribution schedules daily and re-directing teams based on priorities.
- Coordinating with site supervisors to gather beneficiaries and identify safe distribution points.
- Reviewing lists and applying rapid checks prior to delivery to prevent duplication where possible.

10.3 Lessons Learned

- Plan for the future provision of a comprehensive winter package (blankets, mattresses, additional covers) based on available funding, as these items are interrelated in improving shelter conditions.
- Strengthen coordination with organizations working in the winter shelter sector to minimize duplication and ensure equitable distribution of resources.

11. Financial Analysis

	Phase TOW	Phase One	
period	04/01/2026 – 19/01/2026	13/12/2025 – 21/12/2025	Total
Number of Blanket	3000	1925	4925
Blanket Weight (kg)	13,748	10,000	23748
Cost per kg (USD)	9.54	10.09	19.63
Total Blanket Cost (USD)	131,156	100,900	232056
Labor / Transportation (USD)	3,176	3,176	6352
Total per Phase (USD)	134,311	104,076	238387

12. Conclusion and Recommendations :

The “Warmth and Dignity – Warm Winter 2026” project contributed to meeting a basic winter need for thousands of displaced families in the Gaza Strip and helped reduce the risks of exposure to extreme cold in an environment lacking adequate shelter.

The project demonstrated FAJR Global’s capacity to implement a large-scale winter intervention within a short timeframe, while adhering to standards of protection, dignity, financial transparency, and following a monitoring and evaluation methodology appropriate to the nature of the intervention.

Key Recommendations for Future Phases/Seasons:

- Allocate additional funding to expand the scope of targeting to include a larger number of families, while continuing to prioritize the most vulnerable groups.
- Strengthen partnerships and coordination with other organizations operating in the same sector to share information, reduce duplication, and enhance collective impact.