

Dear Friend,

In a time when headlines leave little room for hope, your steadfast support tells a different story. It speaks of care that extends beyond borders, of trust placed in the people who are doing the daily work of service, and of a quiet conviction that positive change is still possible, even now. We feel that care every day at AFEDJ, and so do the people served by the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem's hospitals, schools, and centers throughout the Holy Land.

This report is a way of showing you what that care looks like in practice. While numbers matter, what stays with us are the individual stories: a teacher who can continue his work with dignity because his salary has been paid. A student whose training opens a door to self-reliance. A health worker who no longer carries the weight of her patients' needs by herself. These are the lives you've touched through your gift. This report offers just a glimpse.

Twice a year, we take the time to reflect and share. Not because your impact can be contained in a few pages, but because we believe that staying connected to the work is an essential part of our partnership—you deserve to know how your giving is carried forward and what it makes possible on the ground.

In this report, we're shining a light on the Episcopal Technological and Vocational Training Center (ETVTC) in Ramallah. It's just one example of the commitment, skill, and vision that exist across the Diocese of Jerusalem's institutions. We hope it gives you a sense of how your generosity supports immediate needs while also providing the kind of long-term investment that changes trajectories and opens doors.

Thank you for choosing to be part of this work. Your presence matters more than you know.

With gratitude,

Eileen Spencer
Executive Director

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### **Why Your Support Matters Now**

Every gift to AFEDJ is an act of solidarity. In a time of compounding hardship across the Holy Land–economic strain, ongoing conflict, and rising need–your generosity has helped sustain a network of hospitals, schools, and centers that many families rely on as a lifeline.

From East Jerusalem to Gaza to Ramallah and beyond, the institutions of the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem are rooted in their communities and trusted by those they serve. AFEDJ stands beside the people who operate these humanitarian institutions, ensuring they have the resources to carry out their mission with dignity and focus.

This report captures just a portion of what your giving made possible during the first half of 2025. It highlights a single institution, but behind every story are hundreds more families receiving care, students gaining confidence, and communities holding fast.

We hope what follows offers meaningful insight and brings you closer to the people and places your generosity helps sustain.





## **Your Impact By The Numbers**

From January through June 2025, individual donors and private family foundations cumulatively raised over **\$1M** of support for the humanitarian institutions of the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem.

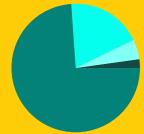
#### Allocation of Funds

74% Where need is greatest

19% Al Ahli Arab Hospital

5% Other diocesan institutions\*

2% Jerusalem Princess Basma Centre



\*Other institutions include Ahliyyah & Mutran School (Amman, Jordan),
Arab Evangelical Episcopal School (Ramallah, West Bank),
Episcopal Technological & Vocational Training Center (Ramallah, West Bank),
Holy Land Institute for the Deaf (Salt, Jordan), Jofen Community Rehabilitation Center
(Jordan Valley, Jordan), St. Luke's Center for Rehabilitation (Beirut), and St. Luke's Hospital (Nablus, West Bank).

# **Spotlight on The Episcopal Technological and Vocational Training Center**



At the Episcopal Technological and Vocational Training Center (ETVTC) in Ramallah, young people who have grown up with economic hardship and political instability find something rare: a path forward. With programs in information technology, culinary arts, electrical engineering, and more, ETVTC equips students with marketable skills that lead directly to employment, and to a sense of dignity and possibility that extends beyond the classroom.

Because of your support, AFEDJ is able to help ETVTC respond to what students need most. Whether it's upgrading outdated equipment, funding scholarships for students whose families can't afford tuition, or covering operating costs during moments of uncertainty, your gift—especially when directed to "where the need is greatest"—gives leaders on the ground the flexibility to act quickly and wisely. In a region where opportunities can be scarce, your generosity helps ETVTC open doors.



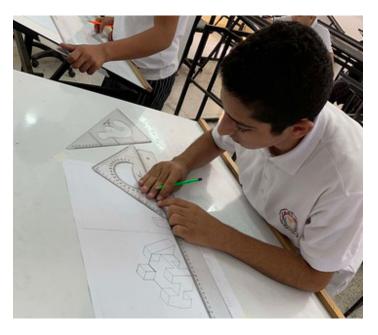
This spring, vocational students in ETVTC's Information Technology program put their skills to the test through two hands-on competitions that brought their classroom learning into focus. One group focused on developing mobile applications designed to solve everyday problems in their communities, while another group worked to identify and repair simulated hardware malfunctions using programming and diagnostic tools.

Both competitions challenged students to think critically, collaborate under pressure, and apply their skills in real-world scenarios, giving them a sense of ownership over their work and a chance to see their learning come to life. Along with their peers, Ahmad Nakhleh, who earned first place in the mobile app competition, and Jihad Al-Husseini, who led the computer maintenance track, demonstrated strong skills and a clear readiness to step into their chosen fields with purpose and confidence.

With support from AFEDJ donors like you, every student at ETVTC is able to gain this type of practical experience, preparing them for the demands of today's job market. Your generosity makes these opportunities possible, turning potential into real progress for young people ready to shape their own futures.













#### **Donor Gratitude**

AFEDJ understands that giving is a personal decision that reflects your values, your hopes, and your decision to take action in a complex world. We recognize the care behind that decision, and we carry your gift forward with the respect it deserves.

What your support made possible this spring is part of a larger story, one that stretches across borders and into everyday lives. You helped keep vital institutions open through uncertainty. You stood behind educators, nurses, program directors, and students who are holding their communities together. Your gift offered stability in a time of deep disruption, and it reminded those doing the work that they are not alone. For that, we are profoundly grateful.

Whether you gave for the first time or have been part of this work for years: **thank you** for choosing to partner with AFEDJ.

We'd love to hear from you.

Please take a few minutes to **fill out this short survey** to share your thoughts about your experience as an AFEDJ supporter.

Your feedback helps us strengthen our work and deepen our connection with donors like you.