

Ceasefire in Lebanon One year after



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SITUATION UPDATE

One year after the ceasefire reached on 27 November 2024, the situation in Lebanon remains extremely fragile. Israeli forces still hold five border positions inside Lebanon, while Israeli military activity persists across the South, the Bekaa Valley, and Beirut. **The United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL) has recorded over 10,000 air and ground violations since the ceasefire, which have killed at least 335 people (including 13 children) and injured 973 people (including 146 children). In November, Israeli strike Beirut twice, killing 13 people, including 11 children, heightening fears of renewed escalation.**

Ongoing attacks have also caused extensive damage to civilian infrastructure such as homes, schools, roads, agricultural land, and key economic sites. Meanwhile, the construction of a wall extending into Lebanese territory and crossing the Blue Line has further limited people's access to their land and livelihoods.

More than **150,000 people remain forcibly displaced** from their villages, struggling with rising rents, limited income opportunities, and growing economic pressure. Continued hostilities hinder reconstruction and prevent safe returns, while children face constant fear and instability, undermining their right to protection.

The Israeli war on Lebanon has severely affected children's lives, with impacts still visible even after the ceasefire. According to a UNICEF survey from January 2025, **72% of caregivers reported that their children were anxious or nervous during the war, and 62% said they were depressed or sad.** The assessment also highlighted an alarming deterioration in child nutrition in Baalbek-Hermel and the Bekaa: **in Baalbek-Hermel, 51% of children under two are facing severe food poverty, and in the Bekaa the rate reached 45%**, a dramatic increase from the previous year.

In addition, the conflict further worsened an already fragile education system. **The war destroyed or heavily damaged schools in South Lebanon and the Baalbek-Hermel areas**, while many others—especially in Mount Lebanon and North Lebanon—sheltered part of the 1.3 million internally displaced people. **Out of an estimated 1.69 million school-aged children, nearly 500,000 remain out of school**, more than 80% of whom are non-Lebanese. Prolonged closures in 2024 further widened disparities, jeopardizing children’s education and protection.

One year on, continuous attacks have intensified vulnerabilities in Lebanon, driving unemployment, destroying agricultural assets, and worsening food insecurity in areas heavily reliant on farming.

Combined with soaring inflation, damaged water and electricity infrastructure, and declining access to basic services, households face severe pressures and are increasingly forced into harmful coping mechanisms that undermine recovery.

Therefore, as the truce remains fragile and humanitarian needs continue to deepen across Lebanon, **coordinated and sustained action is essential to prevent further deterioration and support early recovery.**

KEY DATA FROM WEWORLD INTERVENTION

(in 2025)

4 Schools

rehabilitated benefiting
2,460 children

+62,000 People

including more than 18,000 children
have access to safe, sufficient and
sustainable WASH services

15 Water Facilities

rehabilitated to guarantee access to
water for +273,000 people, including
more than 93,000 children

Distributions

1,300

emergency hygiene kits
distributed

1,664

menstrual hygiene kits
distributed

1,022

food parcels distributed,
benefiting
+2,000 people

11,735 People

benefiting from Cash and Voucher
Assistance interventions

WEWORLD INTERVENTION

Since the escalation of the Israeli war on Lebanon in September 2024, **WeWorld has maintained its emergency response while supporting communities through a Humanitarian-Development-Peace (HDP) Nexus approach.** Following the ceasefire, the organisation has monitored security developments and displacement trends to adapt its programmes and ensure timely assistance to the most vulnerable people.

WeWorld delivered multisectoral assistance in education, food security, WASH, and livelihoods, addressing urgent needs while reinforcing community resilience. Interventions focused on the **Bekaa, Baalbek-Hermel, and Akkar governorates**, which faced direct attacks or hosted large numbers of displaced families.

Since June 2025, operations have expanded to Nabatiyeh and South Lebanon, scaling up WASH and livelihood support for communities directly affected by the conflict. Activities include support for local economic development, assistance to small enterprises and farmers to strengthen agri-food value chains, and the rehabilitation of water services and infrastructure, alongside community engagement and support to local water institutions. **By restoring safe water access, stabilizing household livelihoods, and revitalizing local economies, these interventions also aim to reduce pressures on children by improving their health, nutrition, and overall well-being,** and helping create safer and more resilient environments for them to grow up in.

WeWorld has strengthened its preparedness capacity and ability to respond to shocks and disasters by updating Contingency and Security Plans, Emergency Response SOPs, and Remote Management Plans.



In addition, building on its long-standing presence in its operational areas, **WeWorld has reinforced its logistics capacity to enable faster food distribution and the rapid deployment of water-trucking services.**

In 2025, WeWorld reached +350,000 people, building on its long-standing presence in Lebanon and supporting the most vulnerable communities. Its interventions focus on WASH, education, food security, livelihoods, social cohesion, and local economic development, with priority given to restoring essential services and strengthening community resilience in conflict-affected areas.

Guided by the HDP Nexus and a strong commitment to localisation, WeWorld works closely with public institutions, local organisations, and community actors to ensure coherent, sustainable responses that reflect local priorities and effectively support the most vulnerable individuals, including children and young people.

PROPOSED WAY FORWARD

WeWorld in Lebanon aims to **consolidate its ongoing operations while scaling up support in areas where needs remain unmet, with particular attention to the well-being of children and youth.** The priority is to deliver timely, life-saving, and multi-sectoral assistance that strengthens the resilience of crisis-affected or other vulnerable communities and ensures their continued access to essential services. **Restoring key services rapidly, through a conflict-sensitive, inclusive and people-centered approach,** remains central to WeWorld's strategy in Lebanon.

Given the disproportionate impact of the crisis on children and youth, WeWorld places their protection and learning at the core of its interventions.

Ensuring inclusive and safe education, expanding access to child-friendly spaces, improving WASH conditions and services in schools and communities, and supporting families' livelihoods to reduce reliance on negative coping mechanisms are key priorities for safeguarding children's wellbeing.

Sustained donor engagement is critical to preventing further deterioration of livelihoods and living conditions for the population residing in Lebanon.

Continued support enables WeWorld and its partners to maintain emergency operations, reinforce community coping capacities, and lay the foundations for early recovery, ultimately contributing to a more protective and resilient environment for every child.

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