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Annual Report

2013



Our Message and Gratitude

I extend my sincere gratitude to all who have expressed interest in our activities, projects and achievements in 2013. You will find many inspiring details in this report. But before you start satisfying your curiosity, I would like to call your attention to few important highlights listed below.

Year 2013 was significant to us: we celebrated 20 years of operation in Armenia, an opportunity to recognize all our achievements and lessons since 1993. The organization began by focusing programs on social welfare to help the country overcome hardships. Today, the Jinishian Memorial Foundation (JMF) has become a profound and well known development agency. It has introduced and implemented many successful development programs in the areas of civil society, health, community, and economic development. Thousands of needy families, orphans, handicapped children, and hopeless elderly received support from the foundation, creating a significant and positive difference in the lives of these individuals.

In 2013 we successfully accomplished our work plans and maintained all our major and prioritized projects. About 30 projects have targeted about 81,311 people of different ages, occupations, interests and social conditions. Most importantly, youth have been on the frontline of most of our projects and are seen as the nation's key resource to bringing about powerful changes for today and tomorrow.

JMF continued supporting Armenian communities in Karabagh and Georgia by expanding our projects and focusing on new achievements for the coming years. We have significantly increased our network, earning the respect of many esteemed organizations and individuals supporting our projects with grants and donations, technically and morally. Thanks to these people, we have been able to extend our outreach to those facing adversity in otherwise neglected, remote areas.

The heart and strength of our organization continue to be the expertise of our Advisory Board members in Armenia and the USA, the dedication and professionalism of our staff, the commitment of partners, and the generosity of donors. These assets ensure that we have strong support behind us, equipping us to serve the needs of Armenian people and to promote healthy development in the country. We are blessed by your support and try each day to earn your faith in our ambitions.

In subsequent pages, you will learn more about our annual activities. I invite you to visit our website, Facebook pages, and Youtube channel for up-to-date information, pictures and videos to investigate more.

With many thanks,

Armen Hakobyan
Country Director
Jinishian Memorial Foundation

A stylized, handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Armen Hakobyan'.



Devoted Service in Desperate Times

Dear Partners,

The Jinishian Memorial Program has always been uniquely positioned for efficient, appropriate emergency response because our grassroots leadership brings wide-ranging expertise and a holistic perspective that adjusts to changing needs. For almost 50 years we have provided uninterrupted support to Armenian communities in Lebanon, Syria, Jerusalem and Turkey. In Syria, the Jinishian Program has continually provided services in spite of attacks, blocked roads, and communication failures. Our organization has brought compassion where there is brutality, dedication where there was neglect, and adaptability even when the obstacles surround us on all sides.

Along with fine-tuned relief work, we continued our long-term development work in Armenia. Many of you were with us in September 2013 to celebrate the 20th anniversary of Jinishian Memorial Foundation's work in Armenia. Twenty years... tremendous work has been done for Armenian communities during these years with minimal resources. This report offers a glimpse of how JMF helps families and communities in Armenia, Artsakh and Georgia to experience lasting change, laying a foundation for a better future.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank JMF partners and donors in Armenia and beyond for your dedicated support, and to say once again that this long-term, sustainable work would not be possible without your trust and true collaboration.

Eliza Minasyan,

Chair of the Board of Trustees,
Jinishian Memorial Program

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CELEBRATING 20 YEARS IN ARMENIA



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Everything began in 1993, when the first seeds were planted to start the operation of the Jinishian Program in Armenia and to establish the Foundation. The activities of the Jinishian Program in Armenia were launched at a time when the country was facing difficult economic and social hardship. Thousands of needy families, orphans, handicapped children, and hopeless elderly received support from the Foundation as well as hope and faith. Residential buildings were constructed in Giumri and Akhourian; numerous schools, kindergartens, health clinics, and water pipelines were renovated; many families were finally able to spend cold winter months in a warm apartment; and thousands of children spent their summertime in camps sponsored by the Foundation. Since the year 2002, JMF made the strategic decision and to move to development work by prioritizing projects with sustainable, transformational impact. Later JMF succeeded in extending its activities geographically: implementing projects in Kharabagh since 2005 and in Georgia since 2009.

Twenty years have now passed. On September 29, 2013 JMF Armenia's 20th anniversary celebration took place at the Cross of Armenian Unity open space in Echmiadzin city. The US Jinishian Memorial Program (JMP) executive director, members of JMP-US and JMF-Armenia advisory committees, staff members, partners, and beneficiaries were present at the event.

CELEBRATING 20 YEARS IN ARMENIA



The Cross of Armenian Unity NGO president Grigor Babakhanyan welcomed the guests on the premises of the NGO. The JMP executive director Eliza Minasyan, the JMF-Armenia director Armen Hakobyan, the chairwoman of the JMP-US advisory committee Victoria Gehrt, and member of the JMF-Armenia advisory committee Sister Arousiag Sajonyan delivered welcoming speeches and thanked the guests for sharing with JMF this joyous day.

Thanking the guests for coming to celebrate 20 years of JMF's progress in Armenia, Mrs. Victoria Gehrt mentioned: "The essential ingredients to achieving the successful results in Armenia are, first of all, you for being such strong and reliable partners; second, the support from many international organizations; and third, building the trust and cooperation of the community."



CELEBRATING 20 YEARS IN ARMENIA



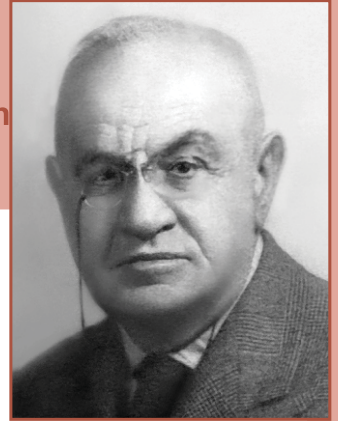
During her speech Eliza Minasyan reflected: "The endowment fund established by Vartan Jinishian, born in Marash, western Armenia, and designated for the prosperity of Armenians has been operating for almost 50 years. One of the notes of Vartan Jinishian says: "a cheerful giver is one who gives 50% with a smile rather than 100% with a frown." Nevertheless, Vartan Jinishian, gave 100% of all that he had and with a real willingness and a smile. Starting from 1966, four generations of Armenians have become beneficiaries of this incredible gift."

The official ceremony was followed by the presentation of the Jinishian Memorial Foundation's 20th anniversary project, dinner and entertainment program.



photo by Zaven Khachikyan

Vartan Jinishian
1870 - 1966



OUR HISTORY

The Jinishian Memorial Foundation (JMF) began work in Armenia in 1993 and became legally registered as a local foundation in 1999. Since then it has provided economic, social and spiritual assistance to millions of needy Armenians, and supported more than 160 grassroots and local non-governmental organizations through partnership and collaboration.

Today, JMF is a reputable organization which implements development projects aimed at overcoming poverty in the area. The success of the organization is the direct result of partnerships, involvement in different networks, etc.

The JMF is primarily sponsored by the Jinishian Memorial Program (JMP) of the Presbyterian Church USA. Established on May 17, 1966 by a bequest of Vartan H. Jinishian in memory of his parents, JMP has provided basic services and direct relief to millions of poor Armenians who have lived in the midst of conflict and instability in Lebanon, Syria, Turkey, Iran, Iraq, South America, Jordan and Armenia.



DREAMS AND PLANS

Mission

The Jinishian Memorial Foundation enables Armenians in need to move from poverty and despair to self-sufficiency and hope – through relief, development and spiritual uplift.

Vision

Armenian communities are integrated and empowered to sustain a dignified life.

Strategies

Taking a comprehensive approach, the Jinishian Memorial Foundation aims to:

- Reduce poverty by supporting the development of sustainable economic activities,
- Empower Armenians at all levels of society to work together to overcome social and economic problems,
- Support the spiritual, intellectual and social development of young Armenians,
- Strengthen civil society through support of non-governmental organizations (NGOs) and other formal and informal social benefit activities,
- Relieve the immediate suffering of the most vulnerable and marginalized groups through material and spiritual assistance.

Priority Areas

The Jinishian Memorial Foundation focuses its activities in:

- Civil Society
- Economic Development
- Community Development
- Health
- Education and Spiritual Uplift

Program Mechanisms

Within the priority areas indicated above, the Jinishian Memorial Foundation employs four program mechanisms to achieve its mission and goals in Armenia:

- Project development and implementation,
- Partnership with local and international organizations,
- Small grants for development projects,
- Affordable credits through micro-finance institutions.



OUR PEOPLE

Advisory Board

Our Advisory Board is comprised of representatives of the Armenian Apostolic, Evangelical and Catholic Churches, and professionals related to the Jinishian Memorial Foundation's priority areas.

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CIVIL SOCIETY



In 2013, the JMF's Civil Society and Education Department prioritized projects that encouraged and facilitated youth participation in the development of a strong and healthy civil society and broadened the youth perspective and understanding of the role of civil society as a vital part of long-term socio-economic improvements in Armenia. Additionally, the JMF prioritized the fully utilized role of NGOs and informal groups (youth councils, Civic Action Groups, Youth Clubs, etc.) in the development of civil society, where youth could mobilize and focus their joint efforts on current issues facing the country.

To serve the JMF's Civil Society and Education Department, the JMF has prioritized the following objectives among Armenian youth:

1. Increased knowledge of civic issues (i.e. human rights, gender, environment, legal and governance issues, etc.)
2. Developed capacity for applying the knowledge and skills.
3. Increased sense of citizenship and voluntarism among youth.
4. Increased ownership of the projects implemented by the youth.
5. Participation of the youth in all stages of the initiative/project, involving the whole spectrum: from the project initiation to its evaluation.
- . Enhanced cooperation between youth (youth groups) and civil society structures.

The following strategic actions have been taken during the year to reach the objectives:

- . Education and skills development
- . Application of innovative approaches
- . Diversification of mechanisms
- . Practical application of knowledge (grant projects, advocacy actions, internships, etc.)
- . Capacity building of NGOs (particularly youth NGOs), Youth Clubs, other youth oriented structures
- . Networking among the youth informal and formal groups and NGOs
- . Geographical and institutional expansion of activities.

The following are the projects approved and initiated in 2013 under the Civil Society Program.

CIVIL SOCIETY



1. “Youth Engaged in Society”

Brief Description: The JMF has been implementing the YES project since 2004. The project is aimed at fostering democracy and developing civically conscious and socially responsible citizens in Armenia through the creation and development of Debate Clubs for secondary and high school students. Debate clubs involve students aged 14-17, who later use debate as a tool for being engaged in the civil society development process. The project provided knowledge to high school students about key issues related to the development of civil society, democracy and human rights, building communication and analytical thinking skills that will permit them to more actively participate in the development of Armenian society. The debate clubs, organized in the schools as extracurricular activities, also added value to the education system. The initiative builds links among youth, the NGO sector, and governmental agencies through a civic initiative seminar series and round-table discussions.

In 2013 JMF, in collaboration with the Open Society Foundations - Armenia (OSF- Armenia), World Vision (WV) and Children of Armenia Fund (COAF) continued the implementation of the project which is currently in progress. The number of beneficiary schools involved in the project is 121.

The JMF is the only implementer of the project, and to fulfill project activities, JMF hired appropriate staff of four Program Officers. A Facebook page is very actively used by the project's stakeholders and has been providing resources and a forum for discussions. Karl Popper debate structure was introduced in 8 Gyumri and Vanadzor high schools within the scope of the project. The JMF continues its cooperation activities with the National Assembly of the Republic of Armenia (NA of the RoA), OSCE Yerevan office, and the UN office in Yerevan. Seminars/meetings for the students from the regional and Yerevan schools were organized at OSCE and UN Yerevan offices in 2013. The students paid several educational visits to the NA of the RoA.

Each year the National Debate Championship (NDC) is organized at the end of the academic year and brings together the representatives of all debate clubs. Twenty-two debate teams participated in the NDC, representing the project participant schools.



Time Frame: September 1, 2013 – May 30, 2014

Implementers: JMF

Donors: OSF- Armenia, World Vision (WV)

Beneficiaries: nearly 2,600 school students from 121 schools of Yerevan; 16 towns: Armavir, Abovyan, Ashtarak, Artashat, Masis, Metsamor, Vagharshapat, Hrazdan, Gyumri, Sevan, Gavar, Vanadzor, Talin, Aparan, Vardenis, and Alaverdy; and 15 villages: Akori, Haghpap, Chochkan, Akhtala, Gulakarak, Urut, Sverdlov, Mec Masrik, Shenavan, Arteni, N. Bazmaberd, Mastara, Sarnakunq, Brnakot, and Shinuhayr.

Project Cost:

OSF- Armenia: \$70,000

World-Vision: \$25,000

JMF: \$26,800 financial and \$9,200 in-kind

CIVIL SOCIETY

2. Civic Dialogue and Action (CDA) and CDA for Change 2012-2015

Brief Description: The JMF has been implementing the CDA project since 2005. The project is aimed at fostering civil society development in Armenia through supporting and encouraging university students in out-lying regions to play a more active, capable, and informed role in immediate and long term economic, social and political development of the country. The project helped to develop students' knowledge and skills in civil society sector and enhanced their civic participation.

Seven universities are targeted under the CDA project, six of which are regional universities and one is in Yerevan: Gavar State University (GASU), Gyumri State Pedagogical Institute (GSPI), Goris State University (GOSU), Kapan Branch of State Engineering University of Armenia (KBSEUA), Vanadzor State Pedagogical Institute (VSPI), Ijevan Branch of the Yerevan State University (IBYSU) and State Engineering University of Armenia (SEUA).

CDA for Change 2012-2015 is a three-year project, which is the logical continuation of the CDA 2011-2012 project. It is readjusted based on the project beneficiaries, stakeholders, and evaluators' suggestions. The project will continue providing the students of targeted universities a further opportunity to examine local and national issues relevant to Armenia's immediate and long-term social, economic and political development. The project will encourage students to initiate new civic activities and small grant projects.

CDA for Change is directly managed and implemented by the JMF. During the project implementation the JMF will constantly use external technical and human resources, as well as expertise of other local and international organizations for increasing the effectiveness of the project.

Time Frame: October 1, 2012 –

September 31, 2015

Donor: Gulbenkian Foundation and Embassy of Norway in Moscow

Implementer: JMF

Beneficiaries: Nearly 4,500 university students of 7 universities and 2,000 young adults of surrounding communities, keeping gender balance.

Indirect beneficiaries are other students of the targeted seven universities student councils' members, administration and staff of the universities, families of the students, community members and in general the public of Armenia.

Project Cost:

Gulbenkian Foundation: \$120,000

Embassy of Norway in Moscow: \$50,000

JMF: \$44,000



CIVIL SOCIETY

3. Leaders in a Networked World - Kapan and Goris

Brief Description: JMF and Leadership Development Center in Yerevan have developed this training program to provide the students of Goris State University (GSU) and Ijevan branch of State Engineering University of Armenia (IB SEUA) with additional practical educational resources on team building, effective communication, negotiations and conflict management, which will strengthen the CDA for Change project's impact in Goris and Kapan cities.

The training provided both theoretical and practical knowledge. Using a participatory approach, it included team discussions and tasks to actively involve the participants in a training process. Training was conducted by Case-in-Point method, i.e., training participants learned not only from trainers but also from each other. They were given an opportunity to reveal, observe, and analyze those questions and statements that they come across during the training. In the scope of the training, participants regularly did verbal and written reflection of the acquired knowledge and experience, which gave them an opportunity to think critically and analyze the received information. Participants were provided with Armenian materials on the topics discussed during the training.

Time Frame: April 1-30, 2013

Implementer: Leadership Development Center in Yerevan and JMF

Beneficiaries: 20 students (CDA for Change project new participants) of 2 universities: Goris State University and Ijevan branch of State Engineering University of Armenia

Project Cost:

JMF: \$5,015



CIVIL SOCIETY

4. Youth Action for Change

Brief Description: Since October 2013, Youth Action for Change (YAC) project has been involving youth from the regions of Armenia to play more active and conscious role in bringing and inheriting positive social change towards development of democratic values in Armenia via establishment and operation of youth centers (YC) in the regions.

YAC project consists of four interconnected components: youth centers establishment; priority issues identification; research, project/action development and implementation; and YAC project summits.

Ycs have been established in three sites: Gyumri (Shirak marz), Vanadzor (Lori marz), and Gavar (Gegharkunik marz). These are the places where JMF has implemented its youth projects and have a vast experience and capacitated active human resources. The YCs have been established by the former participants of the JMF projects in the site, the graduates of the local universities, in co-operation with the local and international NGO representatives. Each YC will focus its operation on the following areas: 1. Environment, 2. Human Rights (Gender/ Domestic Violence/Civic and political rights/ etc.), and 3. Economic Stability. These areas have been prioritized by the project stakeholders. Each YC consists of 3 professional teams, one team in one above mentioned area with 3-5 graduates with appropriate expertise in the field, in total 9 teams. The YC works on a voluntary basis.

During 2014, special trainings will be organized for YC members to further develop their knowledge and shape skills within a specific area. YC members will have an opportunity to organize public meetings, debates and round tables involving the specialists in the area, local community representatives and youth, and to discuss the issues the region faces in a specific area. These activities will help the YC team members to better understand the situation in the communities regarding a specific area and identify the priority issues in the area to focus on later in their projects. Teams will research the identified issues of the area, mobilize the interested youth around the problem, propose solutions to the issues, and implement appropriate projects. YC Summit will be organized to enhance a network of communication and collaboration on social/economic/political issues.

Time Frame: October 1, 2013- September 30, 2014

Donor: Royal Norwegian Embassy in Moscow

Implementer: JMF

Beneficiaries: The total number of direct beneficiaries is nearly 1,500 (750 students of 3 universities of Gyumri, Gavar and Vanadzor; 250 the most active graduates who participated in CDA 2005-2012 projects; 500 young adults of surrounding communities of the 3 universities)

Project Cost:

Royal Norwegian Embassy in Moscow: \$51,725

JMF: \$26,985



CIVIL SOCIETY

5. University Debate Clubs - TV Debates 2013

Brief Description: The project is aimed at empowerment of the university students to promote civic participation and human rights culture development in Armenia. To achieve the goal, students aged 18-30 directly participated in the project activities, representing seven universities: State Engineering University of Armenia (SEUA), Goris State University, Kapan branch of SEUA, Gavar State University, Gyumri State Pedagogical Institute, Vanadzor State Pedagogical Institute, and Ijevan branch of Yerevan State University (YSU).

Seven debate clubs have been operating in the universities, one in each targeted university. Each club has had at least 40 active members who met at least twice per week to discuss the social and political issues in the country, select topics of debates, organize practice debates to prepare for the debate competitions and TV debates, conduct research activities, etc.

Intra-university debate tournaments were organized in each university. Debate club members formed four or five intra-university teams. The teams squared off and debated in front of university students and staff. International and local NGOs and local and regional government representatives were invited as well. On average each university holds nine intra-university debates. The winning teams of the intra-university debate tournaments took part in TV debates.

Nine TV debates altogether were organized during the project implementation. The TV debates on hot social, civic and political topics selected by the students were prepared, shot, and broadcasted within “Azat Qaghaqaci” (Free Citizen) JMF/Yerkir Media joint program's new studio. In sum, 18 teams and 90 students directly participated in the TV debates.



Time Frame: May 1, 2013 –
January 31, 2014

Donor: US Embassy in Yerevan

Implementer: JMF

Beneficiaries: 280 students, 40 from each university, will be directly involved in the project's main activities: intra-university debate tournaments and TV debates. Indirect beneficiaries of the project are the other students and the staff of the seven universities, Yerkir Media studio “Azat Qaghaqaci” program audience.

Project Cost:

US Embassy: \$20,045

JMF: \$4,640 (in kind: \$4,400;

financial: \$240)

CIVIL SOCIETY

6. Azat Qaghaqaci - new studio design

Brief Description: In July 2010, “Azat Qaghaqaci” (Free Citizen) TV debate program has been launched as a result of JMF's and Yerkir media TV channel's collaboration and joint efforts. Through the financial support of the Counterpart International-Armenia, “Azat Qaghaqaci” TV studio was designed. The TV studio was successfully used for four years. During these years more than 60 school and university TV debates were prepared and broadcasted by the support of European Commission, UK Embassy in Armenia, People in Need Foundation, and US Embassy in Yerevan. Within the project a new “Azat Qaghaqaci” TV debate studio design has been purposed and constructed. The studio will be used for the university and school TV debates airing and broadcasting for the upcoming years

Time Frame: October-November, 2013

Donor: N/A

Implementer: JMF/Yerkir Media Studio

Beneficiaries: Nearly 3000 students of the 130 schools and 7 regional universities involved in JMF's debate club projects. The indirect beneficiaries of the project are the other students of the schools/ universities, parents, general audience of Yerkir Media studio.

Project Cost:

JMF: \$10,815



CIVIL SOCIETY

7. Youth Involvement in Small and Medium Enterprises' (SMEs) development

Brief Description: The project aimed at raising awareness and interest among the youth and general public in the regions on SME development issues and problems in Armenia via public dialogue and debates. Students (aged 18-30) directly participated in the project activities from seven universities: State Engineering University of Armenia (SEUA), Goris State University, Kapan branch of SEUA, Gavar State University, Gyumri State Pedagogical Institute, Vanadzor State Pedagogical Institute, and Ijevan branch of Yerevan State University (YSU).

Within the scope of the project, the university debate club students (established in the above mentioned universities by JMF within its previous CS development youth projects) organized: meetings and interviews with the representatives of the SMEs, experts, state authorities, parliament members; seminars on SME with participation of experts in the field; intra-university debates on identified issues and problems connected with SME development in the regions; a forum for public discussion on those issues and problems with participation of state authorities, SME representatives, and experts in the field. Short TV news programs were prepared and aired by local TV stations on the events organized by the university students.

Time Frame: September, 2013- March, 2014

Donor: US Embassy in Yerevan

Implementer: JMF

Beneficiaries: Nearly 400 students of seven universities in Yerevan, Ijevan, Goris, Kapan, Gyumri, Vanadzor and Gavar, experts, SME representatives directly participating in the project activities in the regions.

Project Cost:

US Embassy: \$2,005

JMF: \$4,350 (in kind contribution)



CIVIL SOCIETY

8. School TV Debates 2013/14

Brief Description: The JMF has been implementing YES TV Debates project since 2010. YES TV Debates project is aimed at youth engagement in the process of democratization of the Armenian society via participation in debates broadcasted on TV. The debates are broadcasted via Yerkir Media TV Company on a weekly basis within “Azat Qaghaqaci” (Free Citizen) TV program. The project empowers and provides opportunity and space for youth civic participation via a format of structured TV debate in Armenia. The project increased the knowledge and interest of young Armenians in key issues related to the development of civil society, democracy, and human rights. It enhanced the research and debating skills among the students via preparation and participation in TV debates. Additionally, the project contributed to the development of the culture of the debate via mass media influence and support. The positive results of the project, encouraging feedback of the students, school administrations, parents, the state officials and representatives of the local and international NGO communities revealed an acute need for sharing the project experience and results, as well as viewpoints of the schoolchildren on democracy development in Armenia, with broader layers of the population via TV broadcasting of the debates.

In 2014 the JMF will continue shooting and broadcasting TV debates within the Azat Qaghagaci (Free Citizen) program of Yerkir Media studio. It is a logical extension of the YES school debate club creation project (YES Project) implemented by the JMF. The project involved the students from almost all schools participating in the YES project during the last nine years from Yerevan city and regions. During the YES TV Debates 2013/2014 project implementation period, five high quality TV debates will be prepared and broadcasted.

Time Frame: April- June, 2014

Donor: N/A

Implementer: JMF

Beneficiaries: 50 students from YES project schools will directly participate in five TV debates. Additionally, 50 students and 10 mentors will directly take part in the debates as audience members.

Indirect beneficiaries: the schools' administrations, the other children of the schools, parents, and general public

Project Cost:

JMF: \$8,740



CIVIL SOCIETY

9. University Students Second National Debate Championship

Brief Description: University students' National Debate Championship (NDC) took place on November 14 and 15 in Yerevan. The championship was among the student teams from the University Debate Clubs - TV Debates 2013 project participant seven universities. Each university was represented by a team composed of five to six members. The first stage of the competition was organized at the American University of Armenia. During the first stage of the debates, five debates were organized. Three debates among the preselected six teams were organized on the same topic: "The education should be free in State higher education institutions." The winners of the first three debates and the 7th team, four teams in all, participated in two debates on the topic: "The Governments should support Youth political parties." The winners of the last two debates participated in the final debate.

The final debate was conducted at Ani Plaza Hotel on 15th of November, 2013. The topic of the final debate was "The service in the regular army should be compulsory for the females in Armenia." The final debate has been held between the two teams from Gyumri State Pedagogical Institute and Yerevan compiled team of students. Gyumri team was recognized as the winner of the championship by the judges. The team of students from Yerevan took the second place in the championship. At the end of the event, participants of the championship received medals, presents (books), and certificates of honor from the project implementing organizations. More than 200 students and representatives of NGOs and international organizations were present in the final debate at Ani Plaza Hotel. All the expenses connected with the NDC organization were directly done by OSCE Yerevan office.

Time Frame: November, 2013

Donor: OSCE Yerevan office

Implementer: JMF

Beneficiaries: 35 students from seven universities

Project Cost:

OSCE: 5,000 EUR (OSCE direct expenses)



EDUCATION



The following are the projects approved and initiated in 2013 under the Education Program.

1. Play it Fair

Brief Description: Human rights education is a significant and indivisible part of formal and non-formal education in Armenia, therefore, Jinishian Memorial Foundation (JMF) in collaboration with Equitas – International Centre for Human Rights Education (HRE) decided to implement a "Play it Fair" (PiF) project, which Equitas has already been successfully integrating into summer camps and after school programs across Canada and internationally since 2005.

The project was financed by Counterpart International Armenia and JMF. The PiF project was designed to increase awareness of human rights values among children, facilitating their expression in behavior and attitudes, equipping children to identify and apply appropriate solutions to issues confronted daily. It also had an aim of increasing human rights knowledge among Armenian youth and developing their mentoring and leadership skills. As a result of the implementation of PiF project, more than 1000 children—from different communities, and social layers of society who have spent their summer holidays at the camps of Apostolic, Catholic and Evangelical churches—had an opportunity to obtain knowledge on fundamental human rights and principles through a rather different way than they learn at their schools. They have learned it through interactive approach, through games, which made the process of learning more interesting and attractive.

Those games have been organized by 28 students from different universities of RA and 3 summer camp staff members, who have been initially trained by an Equitas specialist to become PiF educators. As a result, they enriched their facilitation and leadership skills, became more experienced in educating children, and had an opportunity to transfer the knowledge and skills that they have obtained to the children as well as to their peers. Such values as tolerance, equality, respect, etc. became an inseparable part of their daily work with children and after all became an invariable part of their lives.

Time Frame: May 1-November 30, 2013

Donor: Counterpart International Armenia

Implementer: JMF and Equitas, Canada

Beneficiaries: 1,000 children in the summer camps and 28 university students and 3 camp staff members who participated in the TOT and functioned as human rights' educators and facilitators

Project Cost:

Counterpart International Armenia: \$10,275

JMF: \$12,337



EDUCATION

2. Summer Camps

Brief Description: The JMF supported Our Lady of Armenia Convent (Armenian Catholic), Armenian Missionary Association (Armenian Evangelical) and Armenian Apostolic Church dioceses to organize summer camps for schoolchildren from vulnerable families. The camps are located in rich and beautiful nature sites. The camps provided an environment conducive to spiritual and physical growth of children along with developing moral and aesthetic values of children through extracurricular activities such as arts and crafts, outdoor and indoor games and music classes. The daily program at the camp provided a blend of Armenian religion, language, culture, history, dance, music and sport programs. Children have been provided with four nutritious meals during the day and learn to live in a group environment and develop new social skills.

The JMF has been contributing to the organization of summer camp project since 1994.



Catholic Community

Time Frame: June 17 and August 23, 2013

Implementer: Our Lady of Armenia Convent

Beneficiaries: About 850 children from needy families and orphanages from different marzes of Armenia.

Project Cost:

JMF: \$10,000

Our Lady of Armenia Convent: \$123,310



Apostolic Community

Time Frame: August 9 – 16, 2013

Implementer: Armenian Apostolic Church, Center of Christian Education

Beneficiaries: 85 children aged 8-15, from needy families attending the "Eornekian" public school in Etchmiadzin and 16 mentors from the school and the Center of Christian Education.

Project Cost:

JMF: \$10,000

Armenian Apostolic Church: \$1,660

Evangelical Community

Time Frame: July 5 - September 1, 2013

Implementer: Armenian Missionary Association

Beneficiaries: About 1,820 children, youth and young adults from vulnerable families and 160 camp counselors

Project Cost:

JMF: \$10,000

Armenian Missionary Association: \$64,008

EDUCATION

3. Summer Camp for Disabled Children

Brief Description: In the framework of the Summer Camp for Disabled Children project, the JMF supported Full Life NGO to organize summer camps for 156 children from Lori, Gegharkouniq region, Yerevan and Kharabagh having the aim of promoting independence in disabled children and children from socially vulnerable families. The following activities have been included in the project: first aid provision training, Bocce ball trainings, formation of Christian attitude/Christian upbringing, art therapy and cognitive trainings on environment.

The summer camp enabled the kids to learn survival techniques as well as how to provide first aid to others. Children enriched their knowledge on values and traditions of Christianity. They learned to play Bocce ball, which is extremely popular game in the handicapped/disabled community.

Time Frame: August 5, 2013 – August 27, 2013

Implementer: Full Life NGO

Beneficiaries: 156 children ages 10-17 from Lori, Gegharkouniq region, Yerevan and Kharabagh, (81 disabled children and 75 children from socially vulnerable families from Stepanavan, Tashir, Gavar, Sevan cities and surrounding villages as well as Yerevan and Kharabagh)

Project Cost:

JMF: \$7,010

Full Life NGO & other donors: \$8,725



EDUCATION

4. Summer Camp for School Age Armenian Children of Javakhq

Brief Description: The JMF supported the Eparchial Vicarage of Samtske-Javakhq to organize summer camp and to develop skills and stronger spiritual and moral convictions of 200 Armenian children from socially vulnerable families living in Akhalkalaki. The project provided safe learning and spiritual development environment for children and contributed to the spiritual up-bringing and national identity perception of these children.

Time Frame: August 17, 2013 – September 17, 2013

Implementer: Eparchial Vicarage of Samtske-Javakhq

Beneficiaries: 200 Armenian school age children living in Akhalkalaki, the Republic of Georgia. Indirect beneficiaries are families of the children.

Project Cost:

JMF: \$2,000



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5. Christmas Packages for Children from vulnerable regions of Armenia

Brief Description: In December 2013 with the support from private donors the JMF reached children from the marginalized villages of Vardenis region, Gegharqouniq Marz and Giumri city, Shirak Marz where harsh social and economic conditions are intensely reflected and conditioned by a number of factors such as severe climate conditions, unemployment and migration. JMF delivered Christmas packages to about 302 children aged 2-16 from socially vulnerable families from which 160 were living in five marginalized villages of Vardenis area of Gegharqouniq region; Kut, Azat, Norabak, Kutakan, Kakhakan villages and 70 children living in Giumri; the Our Lady of Armenia Convent Care Centre and children from vulnerable families living in Gyumri. Each child was provided with a personal gift package which included either a package of candies, toy, warm pajama and warm blanket. Within the frame of the project 21 gift packages with toys were provided to the children of Musical Collectives Choir of the Union of Blind People of Armenia in Yerevan. The initiative brought small but significant emotional uplift to the children.

Time Frame: December 24 – 31, 2013

Implementer: JMF

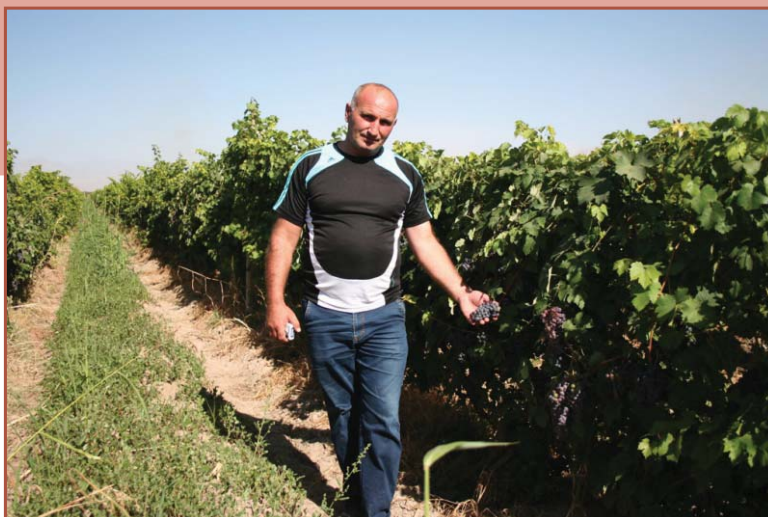
Beneficiaries: 302 children ages 2-16 from socially vulnerable families from marginalized villages of Vardenis regions of Gegharqouniq Marz and Giumri, Shirak Marz and Yerevan.

Project Cost: \$3,427

Private Donors: \$2,350

JMF: \$1,077





ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

In 2013 the JMF's Economic Development Department prioritized projects that support the sustainable development of farmers' cooperatives and farmer households as a vital part of long-term economic improvements in Armenia. In addition JMF designed and developed a new project supporting small and medium businesses development in Armenia. JMF continued prioritizing partnerships and intermediary lending mechanisms delivering small and medium credits with minimized interest rates through microcredit organizations.

The following objectives have been set to serve JMF's Economic Development Department prioritized areas:

1. Increased access of beneficiaries (farmers, small and medium businesses, women groups) to microcredit services.
2. Enhanced institutional lending services.
3. Increased educational level of borrowers (education on lending services, rights and responsibilities of borrowers, new methods in agriculture, land cultivation, how to start business, marketing, etc.).

The following strategic actions have been taken during the year to reach the objectives:

- MFI sector strengthening activities,
- Advocacy at the state level,
- Fostering agricultural cooperatives
- Promotion of small and medium businesses,
- Collaboration and partnership,
- Education/training for MFIs and clientele,

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

1. Micro Lending Support to Farmers

Brief Description: Armenian farmers have no access to low-interest loans since the vast majority of Armenian banks refrain from financing agriculture due to the high risk of the sector and lack of collateral. The recent worldwide financial crisis in its turn hindered commercial banks from working with farmers. Through the “CARD Agro Credit” Universal Credit Organization CJSC (CARD), the project provides 26 farmer cooperatives with an opportunity to get low-interest (subsidized) loans to perform timely agricultural activities and receive low-cost, quality agricultural inputs. As a result, the members have efficient and high-quality production/yield ensuring further agricultural development and sustainability. The JMF has six years of experience of supporting farmers with low-interest loans.



Time frame: December 1, 2013 –
October 31, 2014

Implementer: “CARD Agro Credit”
Universal Credit Organization CJSC
(CARD)

Beneficiaries: 26 farmer cooperatives. In
total about 300 farmers from Armavir, Ararat,
Vayots Dzor and Aragatsotn marzes.

Project Cost:
JMF: \$494,873

2. Micro Lending Support to Farmers and SMEs of Meghri region Low Interest Loan Project

Brief Description: To improve the overall economic state of farmers and SMEs of Meghri the JMF extended its loan capital to Meghri region through CARD MFI, to provide low-interest loans to farmers and SMEs of the region. Under this project borrowers will get 11% interest rate loans on reducing balance bases. Farmers engaged in horticulture, vegetable growing and live-stock breeding activities, as well as small and medium businesses owners of the region will be able to apply for the loans.

Time frame: October 1, 2013 – September 30, 2015

Implementer: “CARD Agro Credit” Universal Credit Organization CJSC (CARD)

Beneficiaries: 20 potential SMEs and Farmers of Meghri region

Project Cost:
JMF: \$ 98,765

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3. Micro Lending Support to SMEs

Brief Description: To create a sustainable source of financing for SMEs through affordable access to credit, the JMF will deliver 12% loans to SMEs throughout Armenia through CARD MFI, mostly targeting regions of Armenia. Loans will be delivered mostly in the marzes of Armenia targeting rural towns and villages. The initiative will support development of micro and small business sector in the regions of Armenia resulting in increase of employment and incomes.

Time frame: August 1, 2013 – July 31, 2016

Implementer: “CARD Agro Credit” Universal Credit Organization CJSC (CARD)

Beneficiaries: 20 potential Farmer Cooperatives (FC) and in average 25 farmers per cooperative, in total about 500 farmers from Armavir, Ararat, Vayots Dzor and Aragatsotn marzes

Project Cost:

JMF: \$ 246,914

4. Goris Crochet Assistance

Brief Description: To develop business opportunities for the women from Goris region and to increase the capacity of the Goris Women's Development Resource Center Foundation (GWDRCF), the JMF funded GWDRCF to gain ASTM and CE certifications to be able to export a wide variety of hand-crocheted, high quality items produced by women. The testing not only helped Goris Women's Center, but it also helped several other projects of the Homeland Handicrafts Initiative Foundation.



Time frame: May 8, 2013 – August 31, 2013

Implementer: Homeland Handicrafts Initiative Foundation (HDIF)

Beneficiaries: 63 women from Goris Women's Development Resource Center Foundation and the women from the region involved in business activities.

Project Cost:

JMF: \$16,016

HDIF and other partners: \$2,000

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5. Shamshadin Honey and Berry Festival 2013



Brief Description: The JMF supported the Homeland Handicrafts Initiative Foundation to organize a Honey and Berry Festival in Shamshadin which was largely designed, coordinated, and implemented by active civil society members from the Berd region with the ultimate goal of a sustainable, self-implemented festival in the future. The festival was very well planned and executed. The festival contributed to building local experience in arranging this large event, and created the basis for other events and initiatives from the people of the Berd region themselves during the year.

Time frame: June 14, 2013 – August 20, 2013

Implementer: Homeland Handicrafts Initiative Foundation (HDIF)

Beneficiaries: About 6000 people from Shamshadin and other regions

Project Cost:

JMF: \$9,033

HDIF and other partners: \$3,594



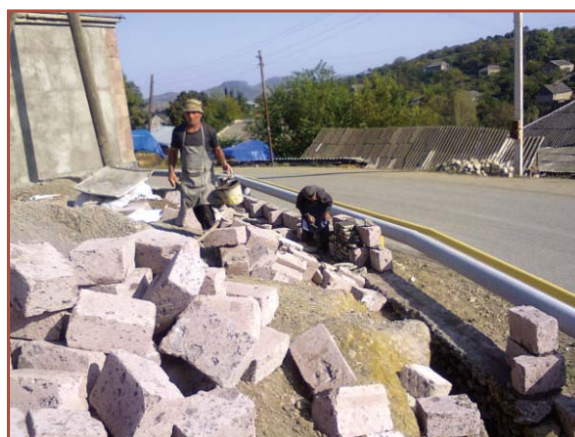
Community Development

In 2013 the JMF's Community Development Department prioritized projects that empower Armenian communities to find solutions to socio-economic problems within communities through the mobilization of local resources. The JMF continued focusing on the projects that assist in the empowerment of communities, encourage community members' active participation. The projects were developed on the values and principles of the Community Mobilization Initiative Model developed by the JMF in 2005 which is appropriate for the current community development tendencies and perspectives. Based on its observations and successful project experience with youth, JMF continued unifying its efforts on more youth oriented activities, prioritizing youth roles in the communities. In the communities, where there were active Community Action Groups (CAGs), formed by JMF or other organization's efforts, youth groups were provided with an opportunity and encouraged to cooperate with CAGs during activities in the communities.

The JMF continued emphasizing its partnership building strategy to make the impact of the projects more sound and sustainable. The partners were identified based on their experience and reputation working with youth and communities. Meanwhile, for keeping updated with international and national practices in all levels of community development, the JMF continued its collaboration with International and local organizations acting in the Community Development sector.

The following objectives have been set to serve the JMF's Community Development Department prioritized areas:

1. Communities are mobilized and empowered to find solutions to local community based problems, using internal and external resources.
2. Community youth are active and understand their role in the society.
3. Community youth cooperate with university students of the region, identify and solve problems jointly.
4. Community youth engaged in community development activities.
5. A network of collaboration and synergy between youth groups (including university students groups), communities (CAGs) and government bodies is facilitated and strengthened in all levels.
6. Providing non-formal education opportunities to CAGs and youth groups,
7. Support to CAGs and youth groups on external resources acquisition,
8. Providing CAGs, youth groups and consequently communities with grant opportunities,



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1. Social Responsibility Grant projects

Within the scope of its economic development project, JMF, in partnership with the “CARD Agro-Credit” Universal Credit Organization and the Open Society Institute Foundation, has been implementing “Cooperation in Providing Financial Services to Selected Farmer Cooperatives” program. As a part of the strategic objectives of the organization and the requirements of the mentioned program (to direct 2% of the loan interest rate to social programs in the rural communities of targeted cooperatives) the Jinishian Memorial Foundation announced Corporate Social Responsibility Grant Competition. The farmer cooperatives which were involved in “Cooperation in Providing Financial Services to Selected Farmer Cooperatives” lending program and successfully fulfilled their obligations and/or the community nonprofit organizations working in the target communities applied. Arevik and Jrashen cooperatives won the grant competition. As a result of this initiative, the entire roof of the cultural house in the village Arevik was fully renovated and the water supply system in the village Jrashen was improved. In total about 3,727 people benefitted from this initiative.



I. Project name: Water supply improvement / v. Jrashen, Armavir marz

Brief Description: Four pumps providing access to drinking and irrigation water to the community were renovated within the scope of the project. The project was carried out with the joint efforts and active participation of the village municipality's cooperative members and other community members.



Time frame: May 13, 2013 –

September 30, 2013

Implementer: Jrashen 1 Agricultural Cooperative

Beneficiaries: Community residents (727 person)

Project cost:

JMF: \$ 3,457

Community of Jrashen - \$1,283

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II. Project name: Culture house roof renovation / v. Arevik Armavir marz

Brief Description: To prevent the fall of the community's cultural house, Arevik agricultural cooperative members initiated and implemented the cultural house roof renovation project. The building code required the design of the construction by a licensed institution and the construction to be done by a specialized construction organization. The community found all necessary resources for that and successfully accomplished the project.



Time frame: May 13, 2013 –
September 30, 2013

Implementer: Jrashen 1 Agricultural Cooperative

Beneficiaries: About 3000 community residents

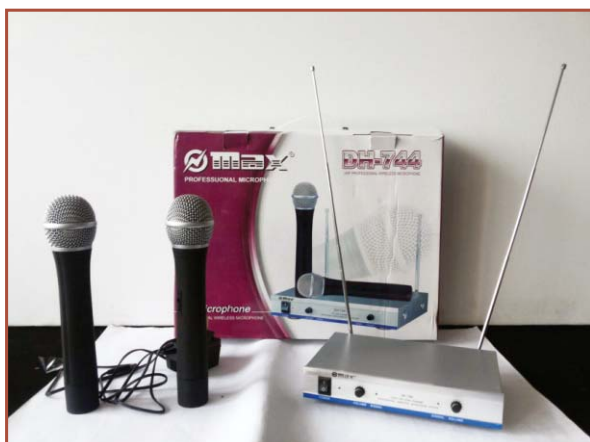
Project cost:
JMF: \$ 3,457
Community of Arevik - \$4,226

2. Technical Equipment of UNIMA-Armenia and Karapet Puppet Theater

Brief Description: The project supported the UNIMA Armenia NGO (Union Internationale de la Marionnette) to be technically equipped for the organization of the “Toumanyan Fairy Tale Day” International Festival of Puppet Theaters and for vivifying the cultural life in the communities of Lori region through the organization of puppet performances and other events.

“Toumanyan Fairy Tale Day-2013” International Festival of Puppet Theaters was organized and managed by the UNIMA-Armenia NGO and hosted 7 puppet theaters from Armenia and abroad. The opening ceremony of the festival took place in Dsegh, the native village of the greatest Armenian writer, Hovhannes Toumanyan.

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The sound equipment, projector and camera that were purchased within the scope of the project were used during the festival and later actively used during various cultural events, such as performances, scenic events, master classes in puppet art, a puppet exhibition, daily evening clubs, excursions, video demonstrations and other events regularly organized and carried out by the UNIMA Armenia.

Time frame: August 1, 2013 – October 20, 2013

Implementer: UNIMA-Armenia

Beneficiaries: 6,000 children and teenagers

Project cost:

JMF: \$3,137

UNIMA-Armenia & other donors \$29,630

3. Christmas Performances for Disadvantaged Children

Brief Description: Every year UNIMA-Armenia NGO (Union Internationale de la Marionnette) prepares New Year performances for special schools and orphanages of Yerevan. On Christmas Eve JMF supported UNIMA-Armenia to organize Christmas performances for 92 disadvantaged children from three institutions in Yerevan; Missionaries of Charity Yerevan Branch in Nork Marash center, Center for Poor Children in Charbakh, and Medical, Psychological and Pedagogical Scientific Evaluation Center. UNIMA-Armenia organized the performances and games with the participation of tale heroes and clowns. Snow Maiden and Santa Claus joined the feast bringing the magic of New Year and distributing presents to the children.

Time Frame: December 1, 2013 - January 31, 2014

Implementer: UNIMA Armenia

Beneficiaries: 111 disadvantaged children and teenagers

Project cost:

JMF: \$1,793

UNIMA Armenia: \$ 1,235



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4. Matching Grants to Rural Communities in the Frame of Counterpart International's Civil Society / Local Government Support (CSLGS) Program

The JMF established partnership relations with Counterpart International Armenia to support the USAID approved Civil Society / Local Government Support (CSLGS) Program technically and financially. This program is aimed at increasing the level of informed and effective civic activism at the local and national levels, along with more participatory, decentralized, efficient and responsive local governance that supports the democratic process.

In 2013 JMF co-funded six projects within the scope of CI Civil Society/Local Government Support (CSLGS) Program. The communities have been selected based on quality of written project proposals and the project outcome efficiency.

Communities implemented infrastructure, construction, property and equipment replacement projects, which helped them to get more mobilized, united, and capable of identifying community problems, combining internal and external resources, and finding durable solutions to local problems.

Time Frame: February 1, 2013 – December 30, 2013

Partner Organization: Counterpart International (CI)

Implementers: The LSGs and CAGs of the targeted communities

Beneficiaries: 6 rural communities with about 10,000 residents

Project cost:

JMF: \$38,650

CI: \$108,219

1. Project name: Koti ceremony hall outside space reconstruction / v. Koti, Tavush marz

Brief Description: The joint efforts of the CI, the JMF and the community of the village Koti allowed the complete improvement of the community center of the village and its surrounding area. With the CI support, one of the abandoned buildings was renovated as a community center by the village active citizens. The JMF grant allowed them to refurbish the community center and to restore the street lights of the community center's surrounding area.

Beneficiaries: Koti community (2,247 residents)

Time Frame: September 23, 2013- December 25, 2013

Partner Organization: Counterpart International Armenia

Implementer: Community of Koti

Contractor: Koti village municipality

Project cost:

JMF: \$5,526

Koti \$1,877

CI: \$4,493



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***II. Project name:** Safe drinking water for the border village / community of Bardzruni, Vayots Dzor Marz*

Brief Description: Water basins, from which Bardzruni village was getting its drinking water, were located on high mountains about 4 km away from the community and close to the Armenian Azery border. The basins were small and open, unprotected from the rain water, and therefore did not meet technical and sanitary standards. Within the scope of the project, the community built a large water reservoir with covers on each small basin and a fence to protect the area from the animals.



Beneficiaries: Community of Bardzruni (422 residents)

Time Frame: October 1, 2013-
December 25, 2013

Partner Organization: Counterpart International Armenia

Implementer: Community of Bardzruni and a construction- contractor

Contractor: Bardzruni village municipality

Project cost:

JMF: \$5,4045

Community of Bardzruni: \$816



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III. Project name: Furniture and equipment for Ashnak municipality/ community of Ashnak, Aragatsotn Marz

Brief Description: To create appropriate working conditions and facilities for the community groups and organizations, the community of Ashnak, with support from the Counterpart International, initiated and started “Community Center” Reconstruction project. The center was located in a two-story building where the village municipality, the community library, the youth community action center, the computer center, and the public postal service center were functioning. The Community Center was renovated and then furnished and equipped with new furniture and equipment. Within the scope of the project, the community bought computers, uninterrupted power supplies, three-in-one printing, scanning and copying machine, wardrobe and bookshelves, chairs and tables, jalousies and other necessities.

Beneficiaries: Community of Ashnak (1385 residents)

Time Frame: October 23, 2013- December 25, 2013

Partner Organization: Counterpart International Armenia

Implementer: Community of Ashnak

Contractor: Ashnak village municipality

Project cost:

JMF: \$5,556

Community of Ashnak: \$626



IV. Project name: Furniture and equipment for Haykadzor municipality/community of Haykadzor, Shirak Marz

Brief Description: To create appropriate working conditions and facilities for the community groups and organizations, the community of Ashnak, with support from the Counterpart International, initiated and started “Community Center” Reconstruction project. The center was located in a two-story building where the village municipality, the community library, the youth community action center, the computer center, and the public postal service center were functioning. The Community Center was renovated and then furnished and equipped with new furniture and equipment. Within the scope of the project, the community bought computers, uninterrupted power supplies, three-in-one printing, scanning and copying machine, wardrobe and bookshelves, chairs and tables, jalousies and other necessities.

Beneficiaries: Community of Ashnak (541 residents)

Time Frame: October 09, 2013- December 25, 2013

Partner Organization: Counterpart International Armenia

Implementer: Community of Haykadzor

Contractor: Haykadzor village municipality

Project cost:

JMF: \$5,442

Community of Haykadzor: \$889



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V. Project name: Culture and Art Festival Urtsadzor 2013 / Community of Urtsadzor , Ararat Marz

Brief Description: To create favorable conditions for the preservation of the region's cultural traditions and for revealing talented young people, Urtsadzor community implemented the «Culture and Art Festival Urtsadzor 2013» project. In the frame of project, the community bought scene equipment, dynamics, microphones, a sound mixer panel, and lighting effects. Upon completion of the project activities, as it was planned an inter-community art festival was successfully carried out, which showcased many talented youngsters and adults from Urtsadzor and neighboring communities.

Beneficiaries: Community of Urtsadzor (3,152 residents)

Time Frame: October 09, 2013-
December 25, 2013

Partner Organization: Counterpart
International Armenia

Implementer: Community of Urtsadzor

Contractor: Urtsadzor village municipality

Project cost:

JMF: \$5,556

Community of Urtsadzor: \$840



VI. Project name: Community library / NGO center, civil society development NGO Community

Brief Description: The Community Library project was aimed to contribute to the proper functioning and development of the library in the village. The community action youth group organized library books repair, organized poetry events. Within the scope of the project, new bookshelves, tables, chairs and a computer were purchased for the library. The success of the project is the fact that today large numbers of readers are visiting the library. The literary discussions that regularly take place in Margahovit library contribute to the role and importance of books in human life, as well as promote the development of friendly and interpersonal relations among children.

Beneficiaries: Community of Margahovit (4500 residents)

Time Frame: October 23, 2013-
December 25, 2013

Partner Organization: Counterpart
International Armenia

Implementer: NGO center, Civil society
development NGO Community

Contractor: NGO center, Civil society
development NGO jointly with Margahovit
community active youth

Project cost:

JMF: \$1,234

Margahovit community: \$955

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5. Vardenis Development Initiative Project

Brief Description: In 2013 JMF launched the new project in Vardenis region of the Gegharkounik region named Vardenis Development Initiative. VDI project was developed based on the JMF developed Community Mobilization Initiative Model's basic principles, which is to help build sustainable communities through grassroots citizen participation in community problem solving, ongoing capacity development, and provision of financial support to community grassroots initiatives.

The goal of the VDI project is to empower Vardenis region communities to find durable solutions to socio-economic problems within communities through the mobilization of internal and external human and financial resources. The project has been implemented in cooperation with World Vision Armenia Vardenis Area Development Program and targets 20 villages (out of 35) from Vardenis region. During the project implementation, JMF considered and used all available resources of the region, including the Community Action Groups (CAG) formed by the support of World Vision Armenia, Armenian Caritas and other organizations working in the region. The grant projects approved in the scope of the initiative are mainly directed to the improvement of infrastructures such as renovation of schools, kindergartens, water pipelines, etc. The project has its official Facebook page /VDI-Vardenis Development Initiative/ which is being regularly updated. Within the scope of the initiative, the Local Advisory Committee was formed from well-known, respected Vardenis inhabitants. The committee is well-informed of the issues present in the area and coordinates projects implemented in Vardenis by different organizations, which in its turn promotes the successful im

Time Frame: February 10, 2013 – April 1, 2014

Partner Organization: World Vision Armenia

Implementers: JMF, World Vision Armenia

Beneficiaries: 20 rural communities with about 10,500 residents

Project cost:

JMF: \$55,938



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Bellow are the grant project approved within the scope of the VDI project.

I. Project name: "Drinking water" / Community of Azat, Gegharquniq Marz

Brief Description: The goal of the project was provision of 24 hour good quality water supply to the community inhabitants. The community built a 1000 liter reservoir on the water catchment spot, fenced it and built 1km plastic pipeline. The remaining planned renovations around the reservoir will be done in early spring of 2014 and the project will be completed.



Beneficiaries: Community of Areguni (173 residents)

Time Frame: September 17, 2013- December 15, 2013

Partner Organization: World Vision Armenia

Implementer: Community of Azat

Contractor – Community of Azat

Project cost:

JMF: \$ 2988

World Vision: \$1175

Azat community \$1321

II. Project name: Grazing fields watering system reconstruction / Community of Lchavan

Brief Description: To contribute to the improvement of grazing fields watering system of Lchavan community within the scope of the project, the community obtained the pump electric motor driver and did water piping repair and installation for grazing fields and livestock watering.

Beneficiaries: Community of Lchavan (627 residents)

Time Frame: September 17, 2013- December 15, 2013

Partner Organization: World Vision Armenia

Implementer: Community of Lchavan

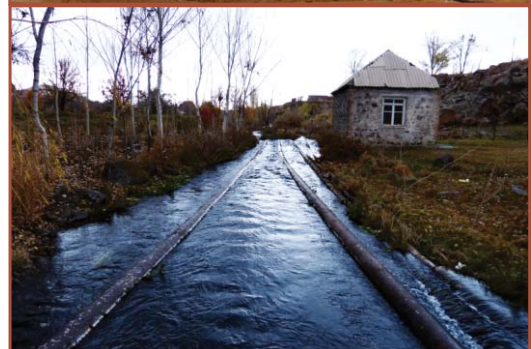
Contractor: Community of Lchavan

Project cost:

JMF: \$2,988

World Vision: \$1,221

Lchavan community: \$1,291



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III. Project name: Drinking water project / Community of Vanevan

Brief Description: To contribute to the drinking water quality improvement, the community of Vanevan replaced 1000 meter old pipeline with new plastic pipes, and renovated the remaining damaged sections of the metal pipes.

Beneficiaries: Community of Vanevan (394 residents)

Time Frame: September 17, 2013-
December 15, 2013

Partner Organization: World Vision Armenia

Implementer: Community of Vanevan

Contractor: Community of Vanevan

Project cost:

JMF: \$ 3,000

World Vision: \$ 1,242

Lchavan community: \$1,154

IV. Project name: Arpunk school doors and windows refurbishment / Community of Arpunk

Brief Description: To contribute to the education quality improvement in the secondary school of Arpunk village within the scope of the project, the high school building was partially renovated and 19 windows and 6 doors were replaced.



Beneficiaries: Community of Arpunk (523 residents)

Time Frame: September 17, 2013 - December 15, 2013

Partner Organization: World Vision Armenia

Implementer: Community of Arpunk

Contractor: Community of Arpunk

Project cost:

JMF: \$ 3,617

World Vision: \$ 1,294

Arpunk community: \$1,680

V. Project name: Watering system pump house reconstruction / Community of Torfavan

Brief Description: The goal of the project is to contribute to the improvement of the social and economic situation of the community via reconstruction of the irrigation pump house in Torfavan community. First, the community made all necessary arrangements for purchasing materials and working group formation. Later, on new premises, the group established a base and built a new

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pumping station on the edge of the water channel. The new pumping station reconstruction activities are still in progress and will be completed in spring 2014.



Beneficiaries: Community of Torfavan (526 residents)

Time Frame: September 17, 2013-
December 15, 2013

Partner Organization: World Vision Armenia

Implementer: Community of Torfavan

Contractor: Community of Torfavan

Project cost:

JMF: \$3,000

World Vision: \$1,235

Torfavan community: \$1,299

VI. Project name: Makenis High Shool partial repair / Community of Maqenis

Brief Description: Within the scope of the project, 3 classrooms and a reception room were fully repaired in Makenis village school. The subject-focused classrooms were formed, which will help to improve the quality of secondary education and vocational orientation for the schoolchildren. All old doors and windows were replaced with new, quality plastic ones. Some repair activities were postponed because of the cold weather conditions and will be completed in spring of 2014.



Beneficiaries: Community of Maqenis (465 residents)

Time Frame: September 25, 2013 - November 30, 2013

Partner Organization: World Vision Armenia

Implementer: Community of Maqenis

Contractor: Community of Maqenis

Project cost:

JMF: \$3,000

World Vision: \$1,264

Maqenis community: \$2,308

VII. Project name: School yard improvement/ Community of Small Masrik

Brief Description: To create safe and comfortable learning environment for Small Masrik village schoolchildren, the community mobilized internal and external financial and human resources of the village. Within the scope of the project, it is planned to fence the secondary school yard, to repair the soccer field, to install benches, and to plant trees around the edge of the yard. The preparations were finished in late fall of 2013. The renovation and other outside project activities

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such as renovating the soccer field and planting trees will be done in early spring of 2014.

Beneficiaries: Community of Small Masrik (883 residents)

Time Frame: September 25, 2013- December 15, 2013

Partner Organization: World Vision Armenia

Implementer: Community of Small Masrik

Contractor: Community of Small Masrik

Project cost:

JMF: \$3,000

World Vision: \$1,245

Small Masrik community: \$1,142



VIII. Project name: *Drinking water / Community of Kut*

Brief Description: To contribute to the improvement of drinking water supply and quality, the community active members and the local government bodies jointly implemented a drinking water project. The construction materials and pipes were purchased, and the pipeline was installed which will supply water to a community. About 50 meters of pipeline that connect a water catchment inside the community to the water distributing main pipeline was also installed; the water catchment spot was rebuilt into a small water reservoir. The project has not been finished yet. The construction activities will be continued in early spring of 2014.

Beneficiaries: Community of Kut (192 residents)

Time Frame: September 25, 2013 - December 15, 2013

Partner Organization: World Vision Armenia

Implementer: Community of Kut

Contractor – Community of Kut

Project cost:

JMF: \$3,000

World Vision \$1,242

Kut community \$1,023



IX. Project name: *Drinking water system reconstruction / Community of Norabak*

Brief Description: To contribute to the improvement of drinking water supply and quality, the community water reservoir was partially renovated and replaced with 1km pipeline. The main project activities are completed. Some renovation works are pending and will be completed in early spring of 2014.



Beneficiaries: Community of Norabak (269 residents)

Time Frame: September 25, 2013 - December 15, 2013

Partner Organization: World Vision Armenia

Implementer: Community of Norabak

Contractor: Community of Norabak

Project cost:

JMF: \$3,000

World Vision: \$1,249

Norabak community: \$1,029

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X. Project name: Drinking water system reconstruction / Community of Daranak

Brief Description: To contribute to the improvement of (24 hour) drinking water supply and quality, drinking water system reconstruction was done. The community supposed that the improved community services will encourage inhabitants not to

leave the village, or the country. Within the scope of the project, the water reservoir which is located on the edge of the hill near the village will be renovated and fenced; the water catchment zone will be improved, and about a kilometer of water pipeline will be replaced.

The project activities will start in early spring of 2014. YMCA is the cofounder of the project and will be equally responsible for coordinating the project activities.

Beneficiaries: Community of Daranak (161 residents)

Time Frame: September 25, 2013-December 15, 2013

Partner Organization: World Vision Armenia

Implementer: Community of Daranak

Contractor: Community of Daranak

Project cost: \$ 9,204

JMF:

World Vision: \$ 1,263

YMCA: \$ 2,469

Daranak: \$1,546

XI. Project name: Drinking water / Community of Areguni, Gegharquniq Marz

Brief Description: To contribute to the improvement of water supply and elementary sanitary conditions in the village, the community will renovate and fence the main reservoir on the mountains, will renovate the catchment spots, and will replace about 1500 meter of pipeline. The project activities will start in early spring of 2014. YMCA is the cofounder of the project and will be equally responsible for coordinating the project activities.

Beneficiaries: Community of Areguni (883 residents)

Time Frame: September 23, 2013- December 15, 2013

Partner Organization: World Vision Armenia, YMCA

Implementer: Community of Areguni

Contractor – Community of Areguni

Project cost:

JMF: \$2,607

World Vision: \$ 1,218

YMCA: \$ 2,468

Areguni community : \$1,096

6. Technical Assistance to Hamazgayin State Theater

Brief Description: Hamazgayin State Theatre was founded in 1991 by the famous Armenian actor Sos Sargsyan.

The theatre was lacking technical equipments, especially stage lighting and the potential of the theatre was not used appropriately. The JMF will support the theater with the portable stage lighting equipments; lighting controller, stage lights and projector which will allow delivering quality on-stage and outreaching performances to the Hamazgayin Theater audience.

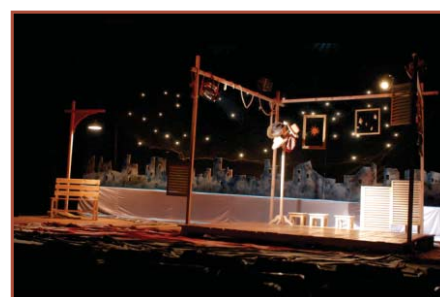
Beneficiaries: Theater audience in Yerevan and the regions

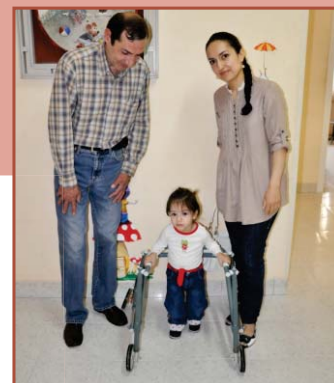
Time Frame: January 8, 2014 - May 31, 2014

Implementer: Hamazgayin State Theater

Project cost:

JMF: \$12,346





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In 2013, JMF's Health Program prioritized projects that focus on Women, Children and Adolescent Health, Disabled Children Health, Community Health Development. These areas/beneficiary groups have been selected based on the ongoing needs in Armenia identified through available research and JMF's experience in recent years.

To serve JMF's Health Department prioritized areas, the following objectives have been prioritized:

1. Improved accessibility and affordability of quality health care services through awareness raising, health education promotion, and capacity building of health specialists for children, adolescents, disabled children, and women in Armenia.
2. Improved access of rural communities to health services by providing training, education, and resources to health specialists and community members.

The following strategic actions have been developed to reach the objectives:

- . Health education and promotion
- . Preventive care
- . Awareness raising campaign
- . Development and strengthening of health resource and information centers
- . Community based health development
- . Advocacy (policy making, curriculum development, etc.)
- . Networking

1. Disability Prevention among Children and Outreach Clinics in Armenia – Phase IV

Brief Description: To reduce developmental displacement/dysplasia of the hip (DDH) disability among children and improve the quality of life of disabled children in Amasia, Ashotsq, Artik, Maralik cities of Shirak region, Vanadzor city of Lori region, Kapan city of Syunik region and in Yerevan city, JMF in collaboration with the Ministry of Health of Armenia (MOH) developed training/educational modules with guidelines for ultrasound specialists and pediatric orthopedists training in 2010. In the frame of the project, nine ultrasound doctors from five targeted regions and four maternity homes of Yerevan were

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trained in prevention and management of DDH according to the abovementioned modules. At the end of the project, ultrasound doctors learned how to properly screen infants for DDH before and after the disability is identified, while the pediatric orthopedists learned how to read the ultrasound pictures, identify different levels of DDH and its risk groups, observe changes and improvements of hips, and provide updated treatment of newborn with DDH. Now targeted regions have at least one ultrasound specialist trained in imaging of the hip joint in newborns and an ultrasound device upgraded with the appropriate nozzles/tubes for scanning of hip joints

Time Frame: September 16, 2013– March 31, 2014 (7,5 months)

Implementer: JMF

Beneficiaries: Direct beneficiaries of the project are about 7,000 newborns, 250 disabled children (to be identified) and 10 trained doctors of the targeted regions. Indirect beneficiaries are the families of the newborns and disabled children.

Project Cost:

JMF: \$ 11,600



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2. Disability Prevention among Children and Outreach Clinics in Karabakh

Brief Description: To reduce DDH disability among children and improve the quality of life of disabled children in Stepanakert, Qashatagh, Hadrut, and Mardakert regions of Nagorno-Karabkh (NKR) as well as in Yerevan, the JMF in collaboration with the Ministry of Health of Armenia (MOH) developed training/educational modules with guidelines for ultrasound specialists and pediatric orthopedists training. The educational modules were approved by MOH of NKR

The main outcomes of the project are:

1. 640 newborns were examined by regional team and three of them suffered with DDH.
2. Increased number of revealed children with DDH because of massive screenings and improved early diagnostics.
3. Four ultrasound doctors from Stepanakert, Qashatagh, Hadrut, and Mardakert regions of NKR were trained and oriented on DDH prevention and management.
4. Network created and operated between regional trained doctors (teams) and the POD of Arabkir Medical Center. .



Time Frame: April 15 – August 31, 2013
(4.5 months)

Implementer: JMF

Beneficiaries: Direct beneficiaries of the project are about 10,000 newborns, 200 disabled children (to be identified), and 12 trained doctors of the targeted regions. Indirect beneficiaries are the families of the newborns and disabled children.

Project Cost:

JMF: \$ 9,588

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3. Support to the Second International Nursing Congress in Armenia

Brief Description: The JMF has provided financial assistance for the translation during the Second International Nursing Congress in Armenia. The congress brought together various perspectives about global nursing leadership's development, challenges and direction that impact nurses and their ability to lead models of care to change the practice or service for quality health outcome of the patients as well advancing the nursing profession. About 170 international health specialists/nurses and medical doctors all over the world participated in the Second International Nursing Congress in Armenia in September 2013.



Time Frame: September 2013

Implementer: "Armenian Association of Nursing Administrators" NGO

Beneficiaries: 170 international nurses and medical doctors.

Project Cost:

JMF: \$ 2,469 USD

4. "Healthy Pregnancy" health education project

Brief Description: Taking into consideration the huge demand of the "Healthy Pregnancy" book from the population and different local and international organizations, the JMF will update, edit, republish and distribute the book among the targeted population.

In close collaboration with the MoH, the JMF developed and implemented a health education project called "Healthy Pregnancy," which was focused on enhancing child development knowledge and skills among the parents and family members of newborns throughout Armenia. Ten thousand copies of the updated and edited version of the JMF developed "Healthy Pregnancy" book will be published in 2014. The distribution also will be done in 2014.



Time Frame: November 2013 – May 2014

Implementer: JMF

Beneficiaries: 10,000 pregnant women

Project Cost:

JMF: \$23,572

OUR STUDY TOURS

DISCOVER AN OLD COUNTRY WITH USTRAVEL TO ARMENIA AND NAGORNO-KARABAKH



June/ September 2015

We offer a unique and exciting opportunity for you to deeply immerse in the cultural heritage of Armenia while learning about its modern life. You will have opportunities to do more than just site see as you meet with university students, farmers, business people, and visit JMF internationally recognized programs to expand your appreciation and understanding of modern day Armenia. The tour is designed to give a more enriching experience simply missing from commercial tours.

Program

Jinishian Memorial Foundation's (JMF) Study Tour Program is an ideal combination of experience sharing and learning about JMF distinguished projects while exploring and enjoying Armenia and Nagorno-Karabakh, renowned with their old history, traditions, Christian values, art, cultural events, food and wine. The program usually is 12 days and is tailored to each group's specific needs beforehand. Thanks to your financial contribution included in the Study Tour Fee, the proceeds will directly benefit a JMF project of your choosing after the study tour.

Experience Sharing/Learning Activities

Our Study Tour provides a unique opportunity to explore JMF projects, witnessing the changes JMF makes in the communities. You will see diverse urban and rural life and visit Armenian families, meet with high school and university students engaged in civic activities, meet and lunch (local food) with farmers in one of the organic gardens, meet JMF partners and stakeholders, learn and exchange your experience with people from this distinctive culture, while immersed in Armenian hospitality. Most importantly, discover ways you can be involved in making positive social change in Armenia.

Cultural Activities

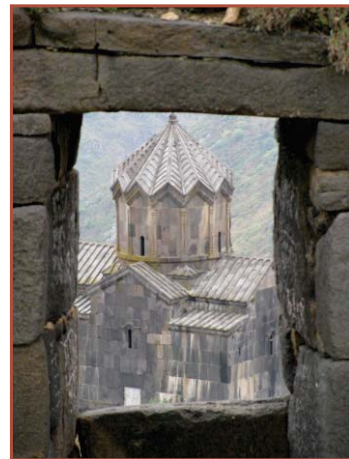
Participate in excursions to historical sites and cultural attractions, visit Echmiadzin – the spiritual center of Armenia, spend three days in Nagorno-Karabakh admiring its breathtaking landscapes, visit historical sites and ancient churches, shop in Armenia's largest open air marketplace, the Vernissage, and discover Armenian carpets, local art work, handcrafted jewelry, wood carvings and ornaments, and more...

Besides, learn about Armenian history, culture, politics and socio-economic problems in Armenia and Nagorno-Karabakh.

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Services and Benefits of Study Tours

- Your care begins with a welcome at the airport and continues throughout your stay.
- Itineraries designed to maximize your overall experience.
- Comfortable accommodations in Yerevan and Karabakh .
- All tours are accompanied with guides.
- Tours can be customized to the group's interests.
- Access to your Study Tour coordinator/guide for free help and advice 24/7.
- Get a better value for the whole package than available by traveling on your own, or even with another group.
- No worry about visiting territories with unfamiliar customs and habits.
- No hassles about where to stay or how to get around.



Accommodation

After arrival you will stay at a 4 star Ani Plaza Hotel (www.anihotel.com). Ani Plaza Hotel is comfortably situated in the Business and Entertainment Center of Yerevan. It is about 15 minutes from the Zvartnots airport by taxi. Upon request we will book a comfortable single or double room, nicely decorated and equipped with modern amenities and conveniences.

Fees

Trip cost is \$2500 per person (double occupancy). Single occupancy is by request with additional charges.

Deposit of \$500 is required per applicant. Final Payment is due 30 days before departure. If the payment is not received, space will be cancelled.

This trip is LAND ONLY to allow you the option of airlines and best fares as well as the opportunity to extend your trip on an independent basis. U.S. Domestic and International air transportation to and from Armenia are not included. However, all ground transportation in Armenia for the duration of the trip is included. Once accepted, participants will need to make their own flight arrangements to and from Armenia.

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Cancellation

Any deposit and/or total trip price will be refunded upon your participation cancellation within 60 days of departure. JMP changes/cancellation: all trips are subject to change of itinerary and/or cancellation. Once airline tickets have been purchased and issued they are typically non-refundable and airline rules apply. Cancellation and a variety of travel supplementary protections are available from: www.travelguard.com, www.csatravelprotection.com, www.travelinsure.com or other vendors.

Visa Requirements

For air travel and visa guidance, please go to the following web-site of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia / www.mfa.am/. Visas for Karabakh will be acquired in Yerevan during one business day. Please take with you two passport size photos.



Application

If you are interested in the Jinishian Memorial Foundation's Study Tour Program, completely fill out the Application and Pre-tour Questionnaire and return both documents along with your deposit to Eliza Minasyan, the Coordinator/Executive Director of the Jinishian Memorial Program, so we can process your application.

PLEASE MAKE ALL CHECKS PAYABLE TO PCUSA and list in the memo section either "JMP-SE12011" for the summer study tour , or "JMP-SE12012" for the fall study tour.

For more information and an application, please contact:

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OUR FINANCES

FINANCES

The JMF projects are mainly funded through the endowment fund established by V. Jinishian and through the donations and grants from the organizations and institutions.

BALANCE SHEET AT DECEMBER 2013

ASSETS

Non-current assets	133,671
Property, plant and equipment	133,642
Intangible assets	29
Current assets	1,544,532
Cash and cash equivalents	922,661
Partially repayable grants and loans	616,410
Inventory and other assets	26
Account receivable	5435
TOTAL ASSETS	1,678,203

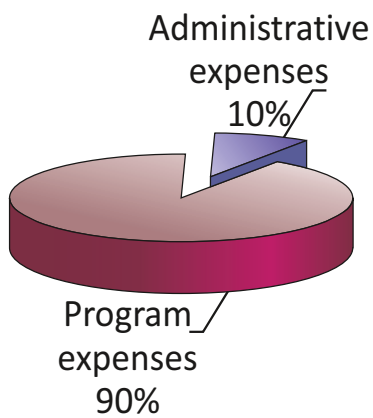
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES

Equity	1,298,924
Revolving Fund	1,194,343
Deferred Revenue	104,581
Liabilities/Accounts	379,279
Project commitments	379,279
TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES	1,678,203

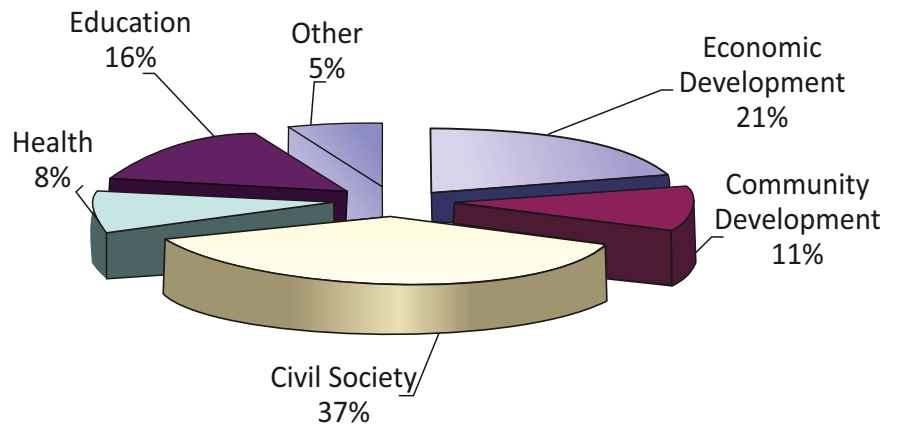
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2013 BUDGET SPLIT

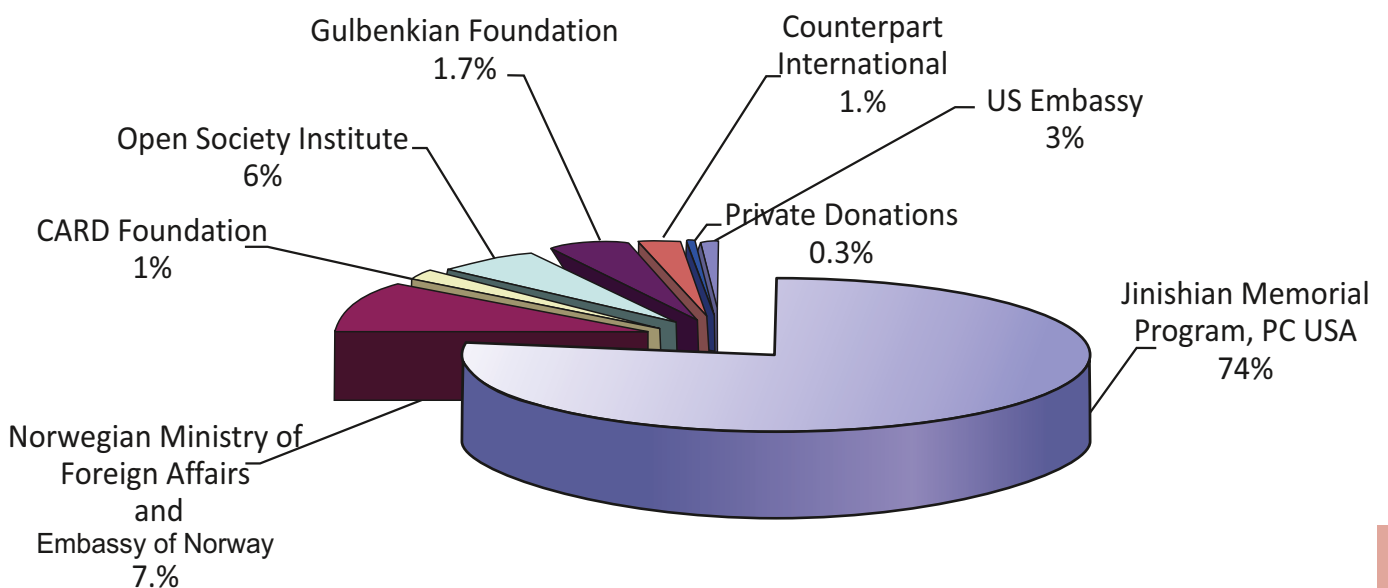
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Program Expenses



Financial Contributions by Donors





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