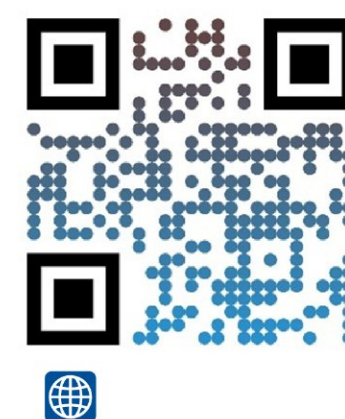




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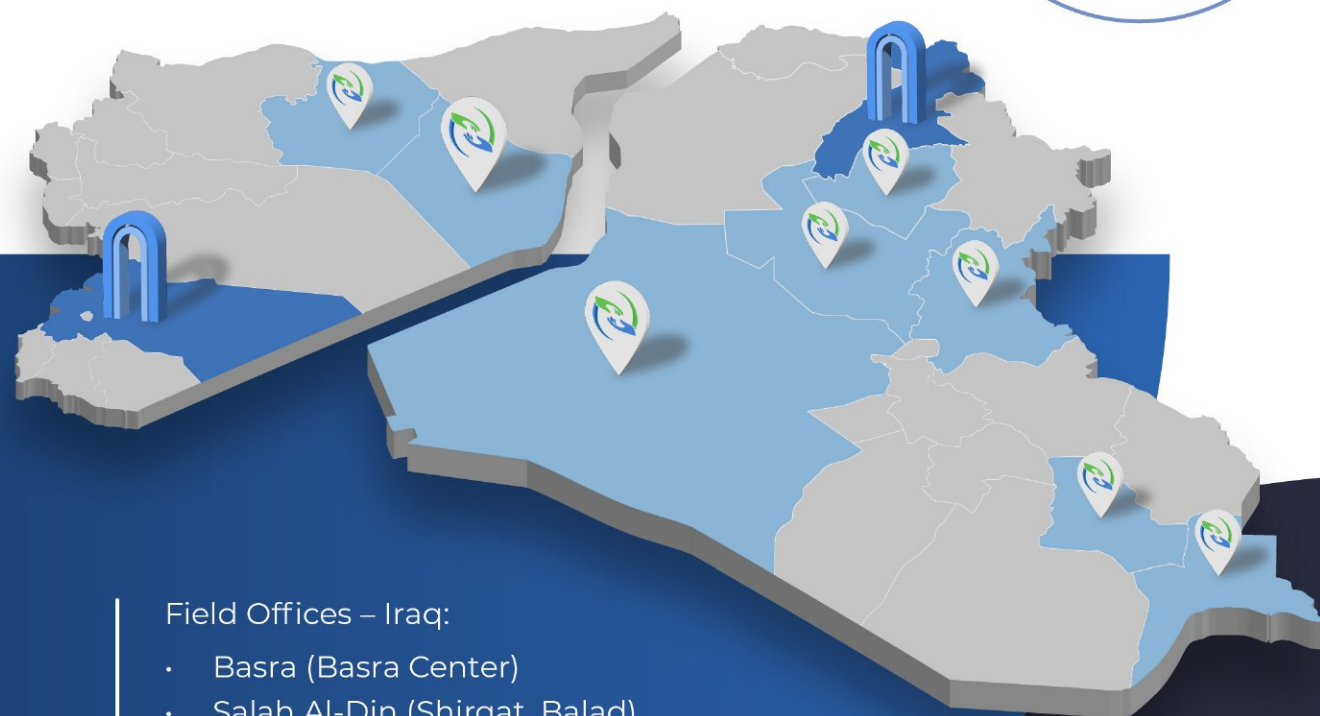


Contact & General Information

Organization Name: Aid Gate Organization (AGO)

Headquarters: Iraq, Erbil, HQ

Registration Details: Certificate No.: 1D2108009



Field Offices – Syria:

- Damascus (Country Office)
- Deir ez-Zur Office
- Ar-Raqqah Office

Field Offices – Iraq:

- Basra (Basra Center)
- Salah Al-Din (Shirqat, Balad)
- Nineveh (Mosul, Baaj)
- Anbar (Ramadi, Qaim)
- Diyala (Baqubah)
- Field Teams in Missan, Thi-Qar, Kirkuk

Overview / About Us:

Aid Gate Organization (AGO) is an independent Iraqi non-governmental organization established in 2014 in response to the humanitarian crises caused by the conflict with ISIL. Since its founding, AGO has grown into a leading actor in humanitarian and development interventions across Iraq and Northeast Syria.

The organization works closely with national and international donors, UN agencies, governmental institutions, and civil society organizations to deliver integrated and sustainable services. AGO focuses on durable solutions, livelihood development, social cohesion, protection, agriculture, climate action, and good governance.

AGO is committed to addressing root causes of vulnerability, strengthening community resilience, and promoting long-term stability. Through its holistic approach, AGO supports the development of empowered, green, equal, and peaceful communities.

Mission Statement

Aid Gate Organization (AGO) aims to build resilient, empowered, green, equal, and peaceful communities by supporting Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs), returnees, and vulnerable host populations. AGO provides sustainable solutions, strengthens social cohesion, promotes equality, and empowers individuals and communities to thrive.

Vision

AGO envisions inclusive societies where people possess opportunities, capacities, and resources to overcome challenges. Decision-making is community-driven, environmentally responsible, and grounded in peaceful conflict resolution. AGO works to ensure sustainable resource use, equality, resilience, and shared prosperity for all.



Core Values:



Collaboration:

We believe in strong partnerships and collective action to achieve shared goals.



Sustainability:

We prioritize long-term environmental health and responsible resource management.



Peace:

We promote dialogue, conflict resolution, & peaceful coexistence.



Credibility & Accountability:

We maintain transparency and accountability to communities, donors, and stakeholders.



Humanity Beyond Identity:

We serve people based solely on need, upholding dignity and equality.



Inclusiveness:

We ensure that marginalized voices are heard & resources distributed equitably.



Agency & Dignity:

We empower local communities to define and shape their own development.



Independence:

We operate independently while collaborating with partners to serve community needs.



Services & focused sectors

Thematic areas & associated Interventions:

✓ **Livelihood Interventions:**

AGO implements various livelihood projects in urban and rural areas to assist vulnerable families in earning a living, Includes income generation assistance, vocational skills training, support for micro, small, and medium businesses, apprenticeships, cash-for-work programs, and multi-purpose cash assistance and livestock management and support. Aims to enhance economic stability, empower individuals, and improve livelihoods.

✓ **Social Cohesion Initiatives:**

AGO actively engages in social cohesion, conflict prevention, and peacebuilding through integrated and conflict-sensitive development programs. It focuses on strengthening social cohesion, building trust between society and the government, preventing violent extremism, and promoting responsive, inclusive, and resilient institutions. Aims to foster understanding, dialogue, and cooperation for sustainable peace.

✓ **Agriculture and Climate Action:**

Programs AGO recognizes the importance of sustainable resource use and addresses the impact of climate change on poverty reduction. Focuses on climate-adapted cultivation, sustainable agriculture, water management, and alternative income generation. Promotes environmental rights, waste management, and market-based approaches for sustainable development.

✓ **Protection Programs:**

AGO implements human rights protection programs to assist vulnerable groups such as children, adolescents, women, the elderly, people with disabilities, and displaced persons. Prioritizes protection services, survivor support, access to food assistance, and mitigation of exposure to new threats. Advocates for the rights of marginalized groups and works towards durable solutions, as well as providing Mental health Psychosocial support (MHPSS) and case management programming.

✓ **Good Governance Initiatives:**

AGO promotes good governance by minimizing corruption, incorporating community views, ensuring inclusivity, and guaranteeing women's rights. Prioritizes capacity development for local authorities and civil society organizations, transparency in decision-making, collaboration in policy-making processes, and strengthening CSOs as independent advocates for their communities.

Target Audience:

01 Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs):

Individuals and families who have been displaced within the region due to conflicts, particularly those affected by the conflict with the Islamic State in Iraq & the Levant (ISIL).

02 Returnees:

Individuals and families who have returned to their communities after displacement, requiring support for rebuilding their lives and reintegrating into their communities.

03 Vulnerable Host Communities:

Communities that have hosted displaced persons and may face challenges themselves, requiring assistance to strengthen their resilience and well-being.

04 Women:

A specific focus on women's empowerment, addressing their unique needs, and promoting gender equality.

05 Elderly Individuals:

Providing support and protection for elderly individuals within the target communities.

06 Children and Adolescents:

Particularly vulnerable groups within the target communities, with a focus on child protection, education, and ensuring their well-being.

07 People with Disabilities (PWDs):

Ensuring inclusivity and addressing the specific challenges faced by individuals with disabilities.

08 Local Authorities:

Collaboration with local government authorities to strengthen their capacities for effective governance and community development.

09 Civil Society Organizations (CSOs):

Building partnerships with CSOs to enhance their role as independent advocates for the needs of their communities.

10 Youth:

Engage with the youth population, empowering them to participate actively in decision-making processes and contribute to community development.



AGO Governance Structure:

Board Members:

Provide strategic leadership & overall direction for the organization. The Board consists of highly qualified leaders with diverse professional backgrounds, contributing significantly to AGO's long-term vision and strategic goals.

Senior Staff:

Oversee all programmatic & operational departments. They bring extensive experience from international NGOs and UN agencies, ensuring high-quality program management & effective organizational performance.

International Board of Trustees:

Offer strategic guidance & technical support in developing programs & tools aligned with international and UN standards. Members possess strong global expertise in protection, livelihoods, climate action, social cohesion, & broader humanitarian systems.

Research and Development Team:

Support AGO's transition toward sustainability, innovation, & evidence-based programming. The team includes academic experts with PhD & Master's degrees in peacebuilding, sociology, economic inclusion, agriculture, and climate change.

Program and Support Staff:

Responsible for implementing & supporting projects across all thematic areas. The team comprises skilled professionals with extensive experience in national & international NGOs, UN agencies, & relevant sectoral specialties.

Interns:

Acquiring exposure to various areas such as strategic partnerships, communications, advocacy, policy, evaluation, human resources, program planning, research & data, finance, & ICT. Outstanding graduate-level students contributing to AGO's work through their skills & dedication.

Volunteers:

Providing regional support, particularly in districts like Salah al-Din, Kirkuk, Tel Afar, Sinjar, and Baaj, etc. Multicultural volunteers with extensive regional experience, ready to assist in the organization's work.



Partnerships/Collaborations:

✓ National and International Donors:

Collaborating with donors to secure funding for humanitarian services & development initiatives that address the needs of IDPs, returnees, & vulnerable communities.

✓ Governmental Departments:

Partnering with ministries such as the Ministry of Labor and Social Affairs (MOLSA), Ministry of Environment (MoEn), Ministry of Agriculture (MoA), Ministry of Migration and Displacement (MoMD), and Ministry of Education (MoE). These collaborations enhance AGO's capacity-building efforts, advocacy programs, and durable solutions.

✓ Civil Society Organizations (CSOs):

Strengthening CSOs to advocate for community needs, promote governance, and support community-led development.

✓ Local Authorities:

Engaging with local authorities to implement development plans, promote accountability, and support governance frameworks .

✓ International Advisory Panels:

Leveraging expert guidance on protection, livelihood, climate action, and social cohesion to ensure programs meet international standards and best practices.

✓ Academic Institutions:

Partnering with universities and research centers for studies in peacebuilding, economic inclusion, agriculture, and climate resilience.

✓ National Programs:

Working with the National Counter Violent Extremism Program, Office of National Security Advisor (ONSA), and Vocational Training Centers (VTCs) to enhance security, counter-extremism, and skill development programs.

Social Responsibility/Community Involvement:

Aid Gate Organization (AGO) is committed to social responsibility and actively engages in community involvement initiatives to contribute positively to the well-being of the communities it serves. Some A include:

- **Conflict Prevention and Peacebuilding:** AGO is actively involved in conflict prevention and peacebuilding projects; by addressing root causes and fostering social cohesion, AGO contributes to preventing conflicts and promoting a culture of peace within communities.
- **Youth Engagement and Preventing Violent Extremism:** AGO engages with youth through various programs, preventing violent extremism and promoting positive community participation; empowering youth with skills and opportunities helps build a resilient community, preventing the spread of extremist ideologies.
- **Empowerment of Marginalized Groups:** AGO focuses on empowering marginalized groups, including women and vulnerable populations; through economic empowerment, capacity-building, and advocacy, AGO works towards creating inclusive and equitable societies.
- **Community Mobilization and Dialogue Projects:**
Launching dialogue projects and community mobilization efforts, building understanding, interaction, and interdependency within communities, countering efforts to promote hatred and divisions.
- **Environmental Rights and Climate Action:**
AGO advocates for environmental rights and implements climate action projects. Promoting sustainable resource use, climate adaptation, and resilience-building, AGO addresses the impact of climate change on vulnerable populations.
- **Human Rights Protection and Advocacy:**
AGO implements human rights protection programs and advocates for the rights of vulnerable groups, Ensuring the well-being and rights of individuals, particularly children, women, and displaced persons, are protected.
- **Capacity Building for Local Authorities and Civil Society:**
AGO conducts capacity-building programs for local authorities and civil society organizations; enhancing the capacity of local entities contributes to better governance, active citizenship, and community-led development.

Financial Overview:

Aid Gate Organization (AGO) maintains a strong financial position, ensuring transparency, accountability, and efficient use of resources. The organization follows international guidelines and standards for financial management. Key aspects of AGO's financial overview include:

✓ Transparency and Accountability:

AGO prioritizes transparency in financial operations. Regular financial audits are conducted to ensure compliance with international standards.

✓ Grants Management:

AGO has established effective grant management processes to ensure that funds are utilized in line with the objectives of each project.

✓ Diversified Funding Sources:

AGO secures funding from a diverse range of sources, including national & international donors, government partnerships, and collaborations with non-profit organizations.

✓ Capacity Building for Financial Management:

The organization invests in the continuous capacity building of its staff in financial management practices.

✓ Financial Control Systems:

AGO utilizes robust financial control systems, including the use of accounting software (QUICKBOOK) to track and manage expenditures effectively.

✓ Social Impact Measurement:

AGO measures the social impact of its programs, ensuring that financial resources contribute to meaningful and sustainable outcomes for the communities served.

✓ Strategic Budgeting:

AGO employs strategic budgeting practices to allocate resources efficiently across various programs & initiatives.





Funding Secured in the Recent Years:

Annual Turnover
for the last 5 years

2024	USD	6,152,000	On - going programs
2023	USD	2,749,120	Audit report 2023
2022	USD	1,031, 781	Audit report 2022
2021	USD	509, 376	Audit report 2021
2020	USD	510,000	Audit report 2019 - 2020
2019	USD	840,000	

Testimonials/Client Stories: Voices from Field

Testimonial 1

Working with Aid Gate Organization has been a transformative experience for our community. The livelihood projects implemented in our area have provided economic opportunities and empowered us to build a more resilient and sustainable future. AGO's commitment to collaboration and inclusiveness truly sets them apart."
— Community Leader, Salah Al-Din.

Testimonial 2

As a partner organization, we have witnessed the positive impact of AGO's social cohesion initiatives. Their dedication to preventing conflict and promoting peace through community resilience is commendable. AGO's programs have fostered understanding, dialogue, and cooperation, making a lasting impact on the communities they serve."
— Representative

Testimonial 3

Aid Gate Organization's commitment to sustainable agriculture and climate action is evident in their programs. The support provided to farmers and communities facing climate change challenges has improved livelihoods and contributed to environmental resilience. AGO's holistic approach is making a real difference."
— Local Farmer

Future Plans: Looking Ahead:

✓ Expansion of Reach:

AGO aims to expand its reach to more regions and communities in Iraq and Northeast Syria, addressing the diverse needs of vulnerable populations affected by conflict and displacement.

✓ Innovative Livelihood Programs:

Introducing innovative livelihood programs, including the Enterprise and Innovation Programme (EIP), to stimulate sustainable growth, support startups, and enhance economic opportunities.

✓ Technology Integration:

Leveraging technology for more efficient project management, data collection, and communication to enhance the overall effectiveness of our programs.

✓ Enhanced Social Cohesion Initiatives:

Strengthening social cohesion initiatives with a focus on preventing violent extremism, engaging with youth, and fostering dialogue to build stronger and more resilient communities.

✓ Climate Action and Environmental Advocacy:

Increasing efforts in climate action, environmental advocacy, and sustainable agriculture to address the impact of climate change on vulnerable populations.

✓ Capacity Building:

Continuously investing in the capacity building of our team members and partners to ensure the highest standards in program delivery and impact assessment.

✓ Partnership and Collaboration Expansion:

Expanding strategic partnerships and collaborations with national and international organizations to enhance the collective impact of our humanitarian and development initiatives.



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