



Here's what we are all looking forward in 2018

Here we are at the start of a new year with all the possibilities that it brings. First, let us say that we hope your past year had a **good impact** on your lifetime and that at least it added an **empowering story** to your existence.

Safety, Security and **Empowerment** are 3 necessities that we are all looking forward in **2018**. We all hear about the **NGOs concept** and we know that they have been working on those necessities for a while now. Their empowering force is "**exponentially**" ongoing. Although their relationship with the community has been subject to much debate in the last 7 years of crisis in many countries, evidence of their works continues to mount their positive impact in the community.

Recently the agenda of statistics concerning community empowerment and support for both individuals and families in different sectors has changed a lot. It is quite noticeable for example how much more prominent vocational empowerment has become in the everyday life of youth

living in Lebanon. There are obviously many factors that led to this, things like the principle of sustainability that increases their trust in the services obtained.

NGOs are changing the community for the better and they are also changing themselves. There is a growing movement within the non-profit and the non-government sector to define itself in a more constructive and exact way. Readings state that there is a trend toward getting rid of the "Non" word for a liberated self-identity, which we are looking forward in Lebanon.

Dear Readers, next month we will be publishing our yearly impact in numbers. Hopefully, evidence will continue to mount our social responsible behavior as a key local NGO in Lebanon for the good.



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1 Finding Fun in Health and Nutrition

An event hosted more than 100 children from vulnerable families to set the point on several health and nutrition issues...

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2 Education with transformative potential

In Tripoli, implementation of a package of life and social skills for boys and girls ...

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3 Committed to promoting education

This year Academia Lebanon International Education Fair 2017 included the undergraduate and the post-graduate forums...

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4 The steps to connecting with kids

Parenting sessions are implemented weekly to teach parents how to handle different aspects of their child's life and problems...

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...INTO POWERFUL AND MEANINGFUL EXPERIENCES

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5 **Advocating Change Through Internship Programs**
A cooperation agreement was signed with LAU for the Internship and Civic Engagement Program...

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6 **Think Twice. Seek Advice.**
On the World Antibiotic Awareness Week, LPSA gathered with community members to discuss the rise of antibiotic resistance...

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7 **Warmness is overflowing through the heart of Beirut**
It was not a regular morning in Beirut for the good spirit of Dafa Campaign that came to make the morning warmer for everyone...

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8 **Solidarity makes us stronger!**
“Clean the Beach” is an environmental awareness project launched with UNHCR for people with special needs...

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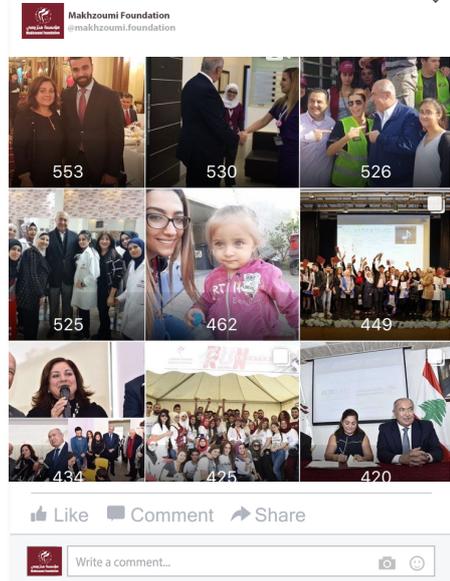
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LET'S INTERMINGLE

I witnessed...

Haitham El Kaissi
Logistics and Operational Manager
Vocational Training Center Manager in Mazraa

5 years ago, I submitted a job application to Makhzoumi Foundation. My background was mainly in for-profit organizations and I worked in fields such as car rentals and gas stations. Makhzoumi Foundation was my first experience in non-profit work as I was looking for an objective that is helping others. And it all started then...

What strikes most is people's perception of the Foundation as owned by a politician, which was depicting unclear images about its services. However, along my journey, I witnessed the total opposite. I witnessed the support, the good people, the millions of services and the infinite number of beneficiaries. I witnessed the Foundation's projects that our country needed the most.

At Makhzoumi Foundation, I joined a very special team, supportive people and a caring President and Founder. Working here makes you feel that every success is your own success.



WHAT PEOPLE ARE WATCHING



IS IT DIFFICULT FOR YOU TO GET A BUSINESS LOAN?



To clear thing-up, here are eight common reasons why your business loan was rejected, and how to make sure that won't happen again.

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SAVE THE DATE IN JAN



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7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

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New Year

This is the first day of the civil year in the Gregorian calendar used by most countries.



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Hugging Day

The idea of this Day came up in 1986 because society is embarrassed to show feelings in public.



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Martin Luther King Day

King was the chief spokesperson for non-violent activism in the Civil Rights Movement and successfully protested racial discrimination.



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Data Privacy Day

The purpose of Data Privacy Day is to raise awareness and promote privacy and data protection best practices.



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Armenian Christmas

Armenian Christmas is a culmination of celebrations related to the birth and baptism of Christ.



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Street Children's Day

This day is commemorated every year to highlight the situation of street children and raise funds for them.



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