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Annual Report 2023

Creating Safe Spaces for Children



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CHAIRPERSON'S STATEMENT

Dear Friends and Banati Family,

As always it is with pride and pleasure that I introduce to you the Banati annual report for the year 2023 on behalf of our Board of trustees, employees and children.

Banati is a labor of love, a home shared by the children and caregivers, with hopes, ambitions and hurdles like any family with children.

Our challenges are often a bit different since our children come from backgrounds that often lack safety and love, and this leaves psychological and social marks on their bodies and souls. Nevertheless they are full of fun and energy, and share other children's excitement about learning and exploring life, they are also kind and intelligent and have a lot to give to each other and society.

We are immensely proud of them all, and we thank them for teaching us life and love every day.

This year Banati finalized its "Manual for caring for children in danger", an enormous effort by all of our staff in which we documented and edited in 380 pages our methodology of handling children from the moment we meet them on the street up till the day they graduate into society. In this manual anyone who wants to pursue this path will find a detailed and practical guide covering all our departments and their specific interventions (outreach program, residence, kitchen and housekeeping departments and programs, school, mental and physical health departments, case management, reintegration and graduation program, activities and vocational training department, project department). This will be available to others along with a training program taught by our team.

By producing this manual we have fulfilled an important part of our Mission statement that was written in 2012 together with board, employees and children, "to become a center of excellence in the field and to develop a methodology that is replicable by others".

On behalf of Banati Board of trustees, I thank you and wish you and your loved ones a year of peace and love.

Hannah Aboulghar

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S STATEMENT

On behalf of Banati family,

In 2023, we faced numerous challenges amidst the current economic conditions and global uncertainties. However, Banti turns every challenge into an opportunity and achievement. This year, witnessed the completion of Sawaseyya project, funded by Drosos Foundation, a project and success story that began in 2016 and concluded in 2023. Despite the project's end, it planted the seed of rehabilitative and productive workshops within the girls' rehabilitation program. We now have emerging talents in jewelry making, sewing, pottery, and professionals who have received awards at the national level in swimming, kung fu, gymnastics, etc.

As for sustainability, and as a result of Sawaseyya project funded by Drosos, our girls' talents now produce Banati's quality line, consisting of a variety of products crafted by our girls, maintaining high-quality production such as handicrafts, pottery made within the foundation, providing both perennial and seasonal products custom made. These products have received much admiration and continuous demand. This success is the result of years of effort, work, love and energy, along Banati's loving family and supporters of the cause. This year also marked the end of a project under the sponsorship of Sawiris Foundation and the beginning of a new project, "the Protection and Empowerment of children deprived of parental care", funded by Sawiris Foundation for Social Development, AlexBank, Shorouk Misr, and other partners. As part of the foundation's efforts for Capacity building, collaborations were established with various entities such as (Safe Kids & VOIS) to conduct specialized training for caregivers on positive parenting and behavior management, in addition to raising girls capacities; numerous partnerships were formed with various organizations such as Life Makers, Investors Association, Save the Children, and Helmak b-edak Initiative.

After years of planning, monitoring, and implementing the foundation's rehabilitation program, we successfully concluded the year 2023 with another Success that the foundation is proud of: a graduation ceremony for two girls to become independent members of society. This year also witnessed, for the first time, the legal registration of all our sons and daughters with the state without any cases of dropping out. The foundation strives to maintain this success and progress with the support of the loving Banati family.

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About Us.

Abnaa Alghad Foundation, commonly known as 'Banati,' commenced its mission in 2010 with a steadfast commitment to safeguard and support children at risk. This includes those living in street situations and those lacking parental care. As a locally-driven Egyptian developmental institution, Banati is officially registered with the Ministry of Solidarity under registration number 615 since 2012.

Our Vision

At Banati, we envision a world where every child at risk is given a second chance—a chance to overcome their challenging psycho-social conditions and emerge as empowered, contributing members of society.

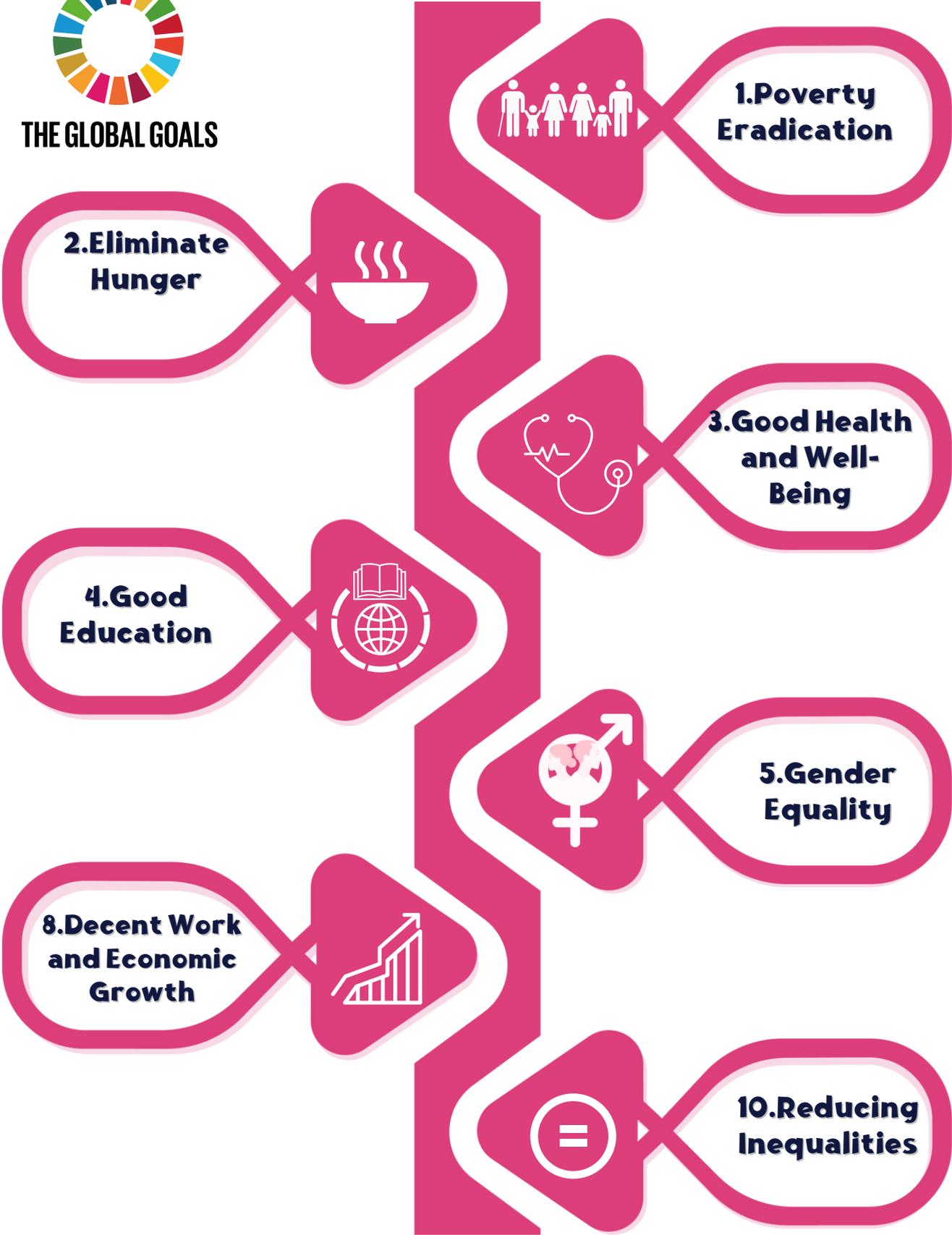
Our Mission

Our mission is to be a center of excellence in rehabilitation and research serving girls at risk by developing a unique social and psychological rehabilitation program and providing education, safety and equal opportunity, through advocacy, capacity building and development of a rehabilitation methodology used by staff and partners.

Banati Foundation works to achieve 7 of the sustainable development goals:



THE GLOBAL GOALS



Banati's Service Centers:



The outreach program, also known as "The Mobile Unit," plays a pivotal role in the early detection of vulnerabilities among children at risk and those in street situations. Serving as the first point of contact, this program aims to establish trust and rapport with these children, thereby facilitating pathways towards improving their lives.

Through the Mobile Unit, Banati's dedicated team of social workers and psychologists deliver essential services to children, including healthcare, nutrition, clothing, and psychological and social support. Comprising professionals such as doctors, social workers, and other specialists, the Mobile Unit operates with a singular focus on addressing the needs of children without shelter, ensuring they receive the necessary care and assistance to navigate their challenging circumstances.



The Reception Center is a daily center that helps in early detection and early intervention by hosting children and young mothers on daily visits. During this short time, the children are exposed to psychological and social reconditioning through creative play and positive nurturing that encourages them to return to the center and gradually leave behind the street life. The center offers healthy and nutritious meals, clothes, and a place to rest and/or sleep in addition to vocational workshops.

Moreover, we believe that the best place for the child is their home. The Reception Center, therefore, has a family reintegration unit that works with the family and the child to try to strengthen the relationship and help to reunite them together.

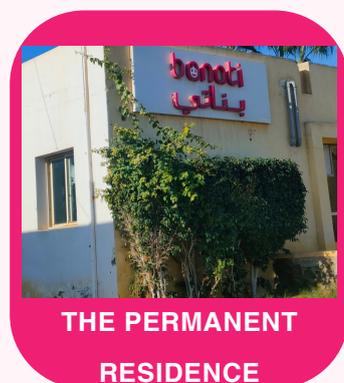
The family integration of children happens through the reception center. As such working with the family and the child altogether in order to create a space of friendship and reunion between them. The center also provides a service for mothers, where they are trained on small projects, for family integration, economic empowerment and maintaining basic livelihoods.

Banati's Residences:

Banati's residences offer protection and rehabilitation for children at risk or in street situations. Operating through two facilities, Banati provides a permanent shelter situated on the 6th of October in Haram city, along with a temporary shelter in Imbaba.



At the Banati Foundation's Temporary residence in Imbaba, children with critical needs receive intensive care and protection. Upon admission, each child receives a customized rehabilitation plan and access to a range of essential services, including education, physical activities, psychological support, training, and recreational activities. As their well-being improves, they may transition to the Permanent residence in October. Alternatively, if it's feasible and safe, efforts are made to reintegrate them into their family. With a typical capacity of 6 to 12 children, the Imbaba residence offers personalized attention and care for each child.



Banati's residence in October offers a stable and permanent residence for children, particularly catering to younger ones who require extended care, rehabilitation, and integration. With a capacity to accommodate up to 218 children, this facility provides a nurturing environment where children can blossom and thrive.

At the Permanent residence, children are provided with essential services including comfortable sleeping arrangements in shared accommodations, nutritious meals served three times daily, and access to basic amenities. A dedicated team comprising psychologists, case managers, and schoolteachers work collaboratively to support the children's holistic development. Additionally, the Activities Department organizes a variety of productive and vocational workshops aimed at furthering the rehabilitation process and fostering valuable skills in the children.



We Served:

OUTREACH PROGRAM:

2641

Number of children served by Mobile Unit in 2023

736

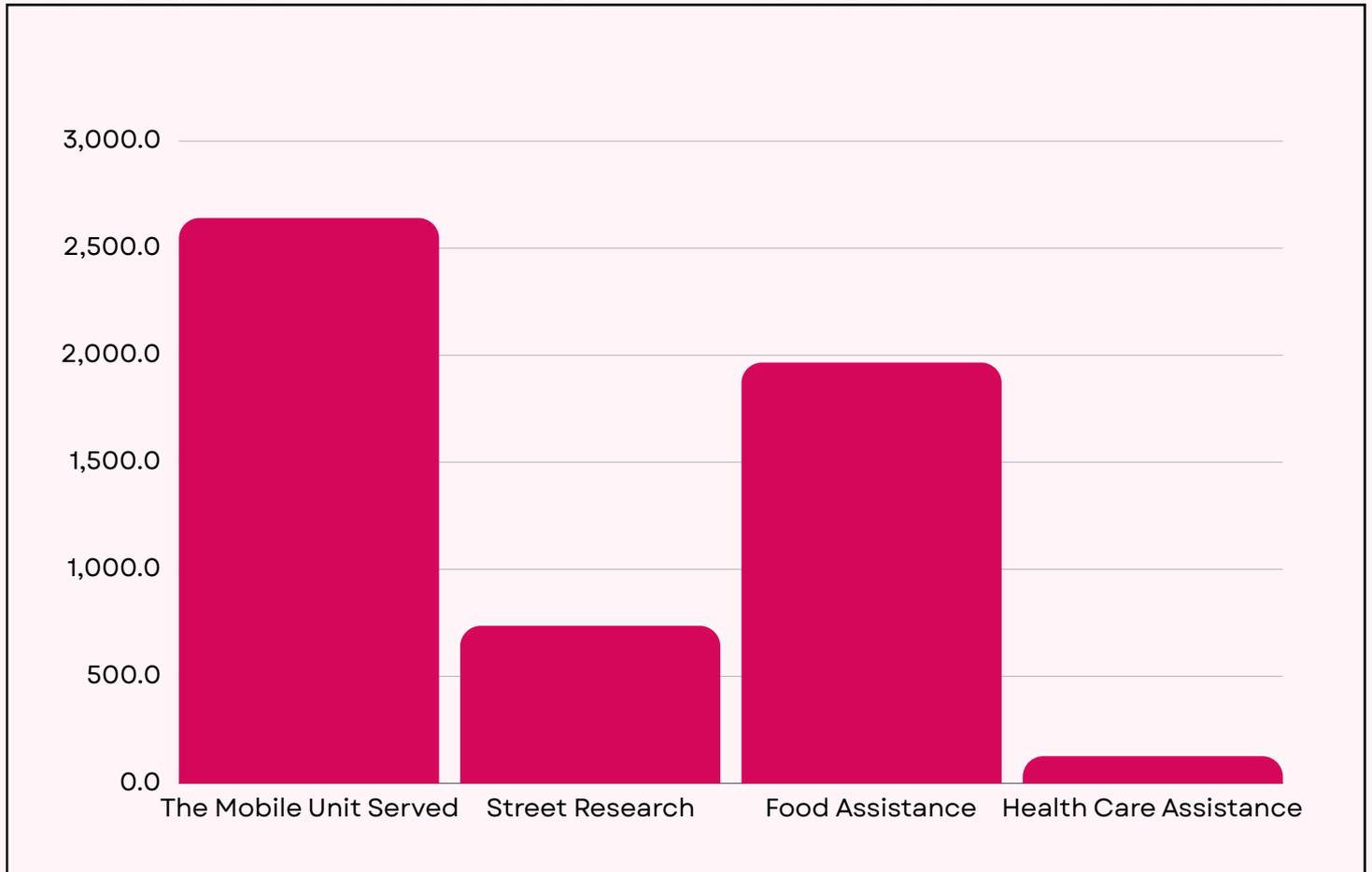
Total number served since 2009 by the outreach team

1966

Total number of meals served on the street in 2023

127

Number of medical interventions on the street in 2023



RECEPTION CENTER



4352

Served by reception center since 2009

235

Served by reception center during 2023

37

Children reintegrated with their families in 2023

25

Housing allowance per month in 2023 for CSS

THE TEMPORARY RESIDENCE

7

Visits to medical facilities during 2023

94

Children served at Imbaba center during 2023

17

Medical consultations by visiting doctor





THE PERMANENT RESIDENCE

816

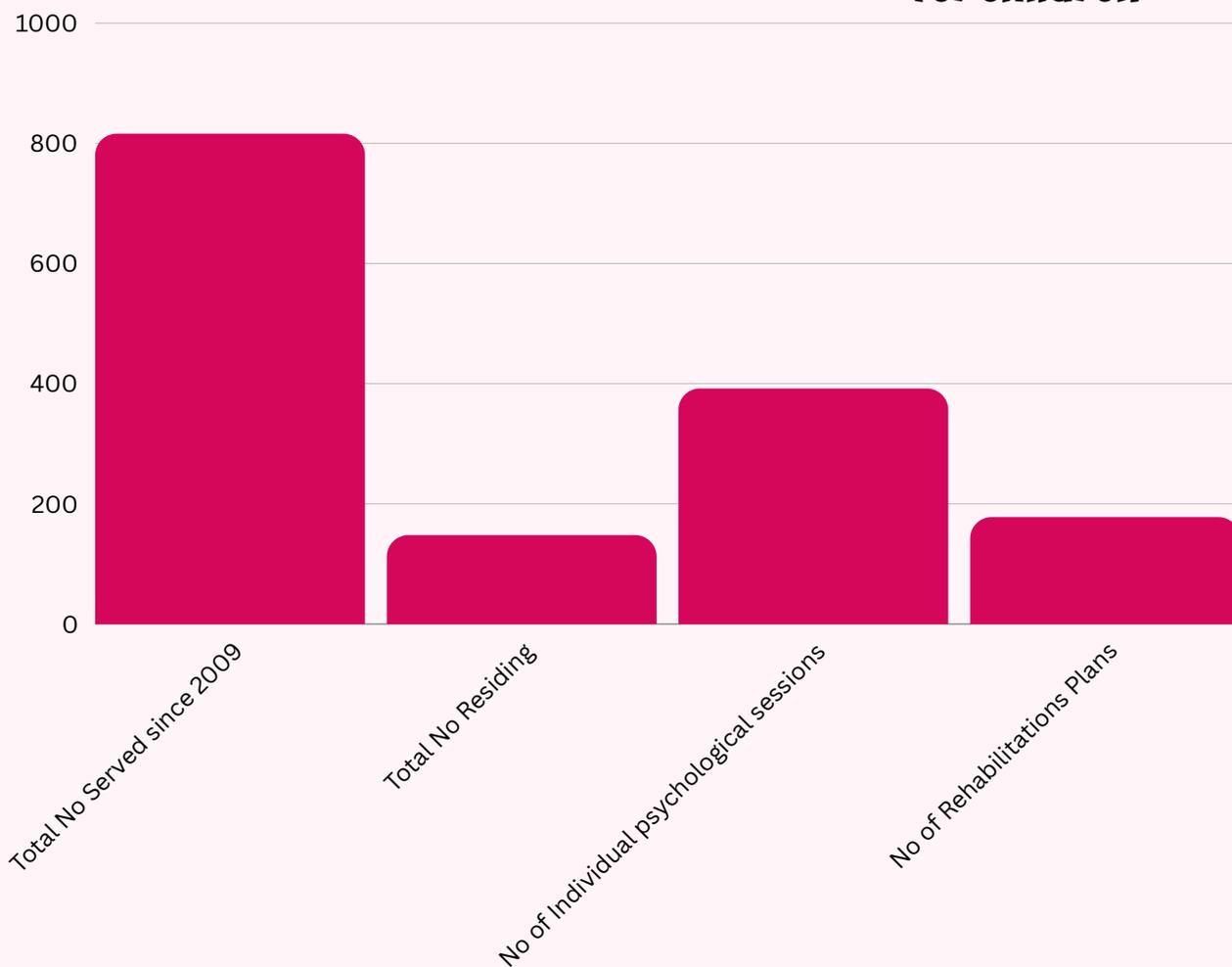
Total No Served since 2009:

200

Total No Served during 2023:

142

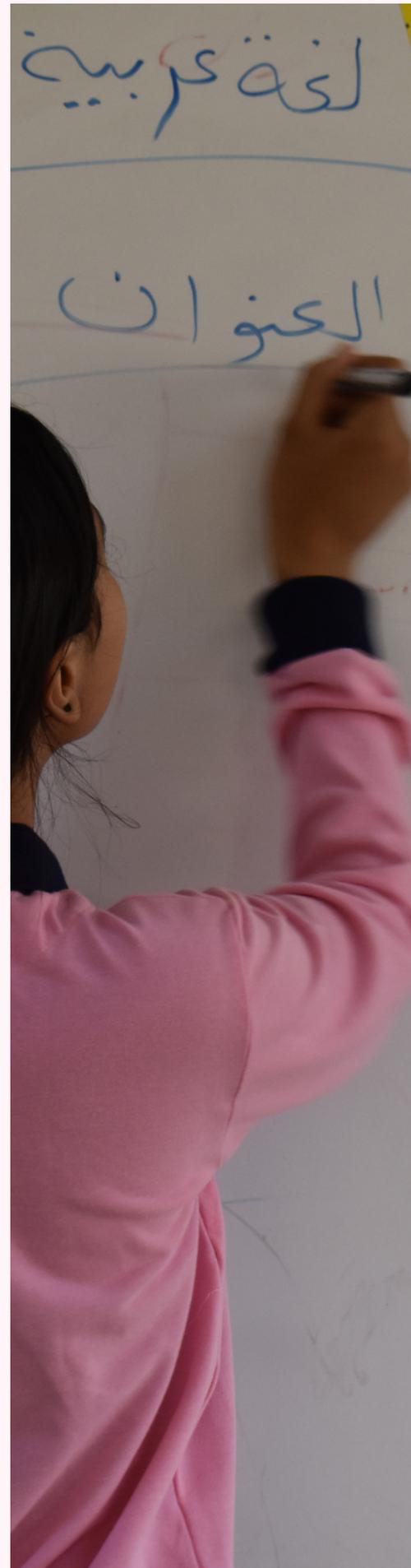
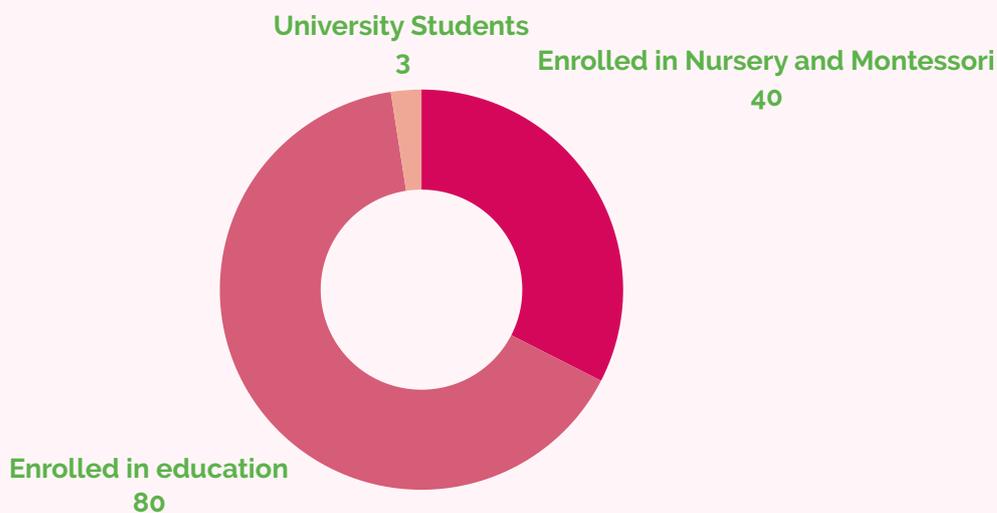
No of Financial accounts opened for children



Our Rehabilitation Program:

1- Education Program

- Banati features an internal school that is separated into a school and a nursery.
- The Montessori method and other interactive learning resources are used at the nursery.
- For students enrolled in community, experimental, and governmental schools, the school acts as a substitute tutoring system.
- For the kids who aren't enrolled, it provides literacy support.
- In an effort to enhance and increase the effectiveness of the educational system, Education First has been training and evaluating teachers since 2021.
- Literacy classes are offered at the reception center.
- The educational level of the children is measured through placement tests, periodic tests and graduation tests, and class groups are formed according to their educational level.
- Classes are held for mothers too.

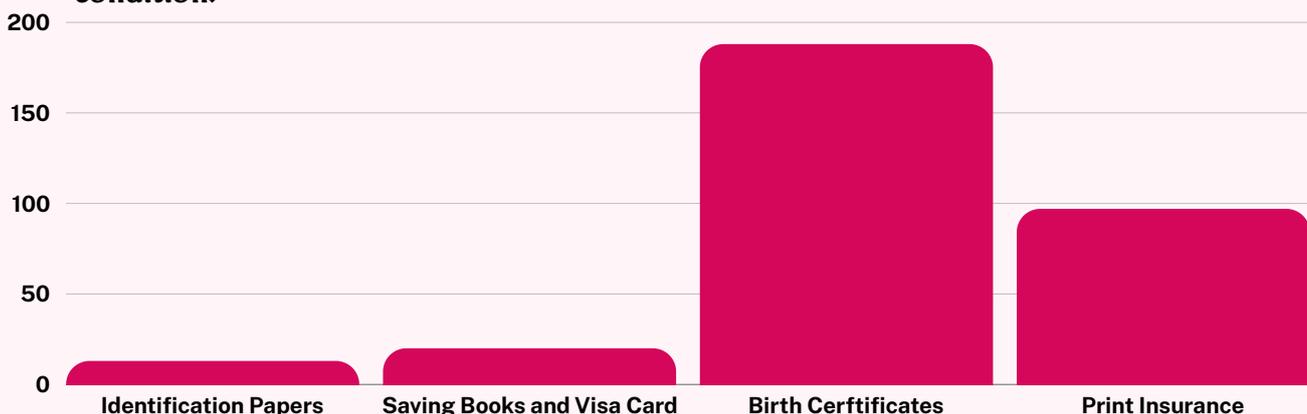


Our Rehabilitation Program:



2- Case Management

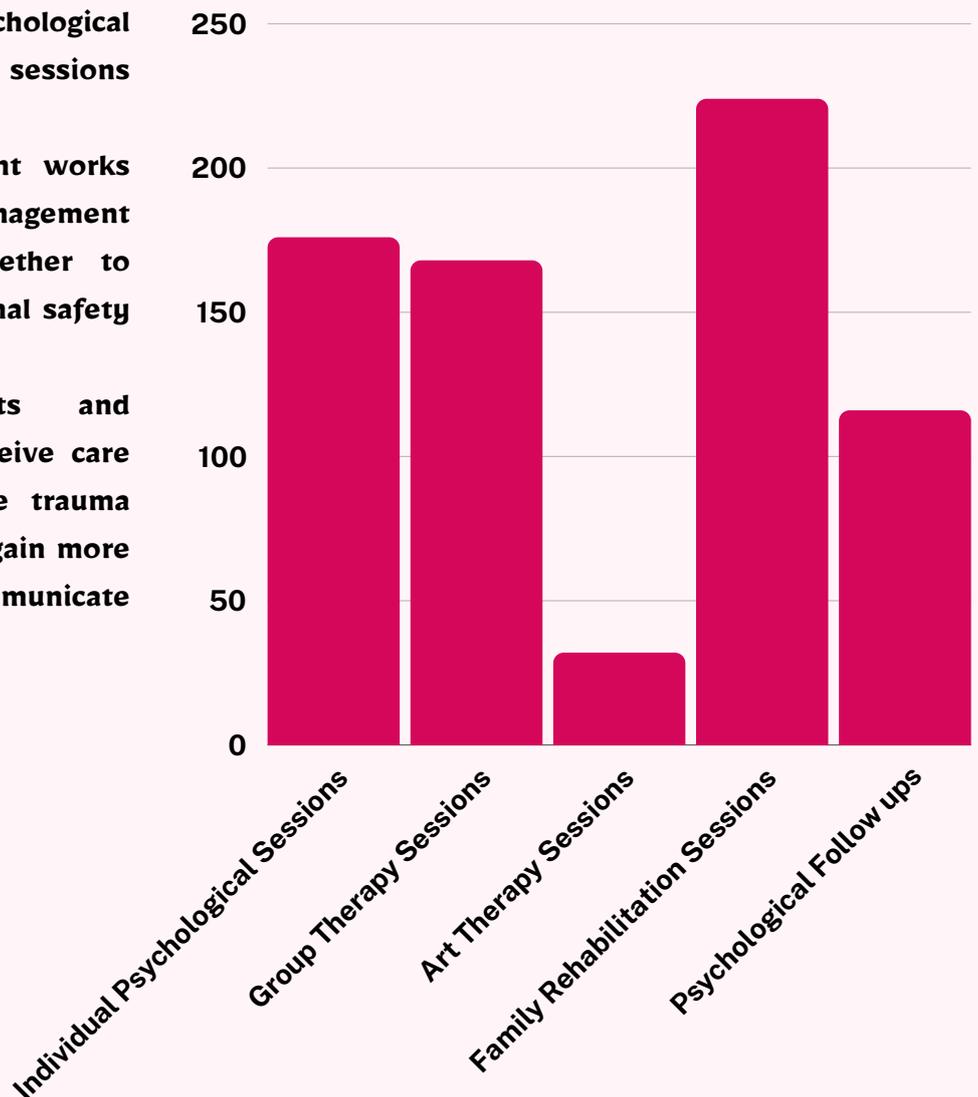
- This department provides detailed services for each child by designing, developing and implementing comprehensive plans for all cases.
- All plans are made with the children themselves. Each child has a profile and a time plan to enable a good foundation for the child to improve their mental and emotional health and wellbeing.
- The case management system is reviewed and developed regularly, and each child has a case manager so that all cases receive the appropriate care and time and the quality of services provided to children is guaranteed.
- Training and workshops are also provided to increase effectiveness and build the capabilities of case managers.
- The Foundation focuses greatly on reintegrating children into society through all programs and plans established.
- If the child's reintegration with society and the family is achieved again, the cases are followed up after their reintegration or after graduation to ensure their presence in a safe environment and to contribute to the development and improvement of the child's condition.



Our Rehabilitation Program:

3- Psychological Health

- Banati has a special mental health unit that treats the traumas that children suffer due to street conditions.
 - What distinguishes the department is that it provides each child with an individual treatment plan, a responsible psychiatrist, and plans to monitor and evaluate the child's psychological state.
 - Through these plans, children receive assistance in dealing with trauma, the external environment, and integrating into society. That's why we offer individual support sessions to build and maintain good relationships for effective treatment. Group therapy is also offered where children can share different experiences.
 - During these sessions, the psychologist works with the children to improve their memory, concentration, effective communication skills, social skills, and personal hygiene.
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- In addition, individual psychological support and rehabilitation sessions are provided.
 - The Psychology Department works with the Case Management Department to work together to promote the child's emotional safety and well-being.
 - Through these projects and collaborations, children receive care that helps them overcome trauma and integrate into society, gain more self-confidence and communicate better with others.



Our Rehabilitation Program:

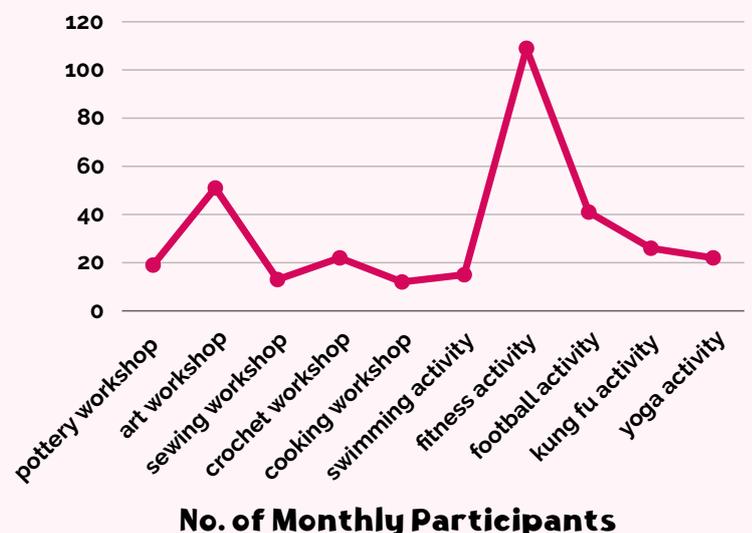
4- Activities and Artistic Workshops

- One of the main goals that we focus on is to provide a safe space for sports and recreational activities as well as workshops to reintegrate children and train them on the labor market.
- We also works on internal training for girls as it opens their horizons and paves the way for discovering their tendencies, abilities and talents.
- The necessary tools and materials are provided and specialized trainers to implement the necessary programs and activities.
- We provide a range of activities to cover all the interests and include crafts that can help children develop skills relevant to work like: football, yoga, music, drawing, cooking, sewing, fitness and crochet.
- The recreational activities included several visits and trips for children, such as the children going to Fayoum and seeing the waterfalls of Wadi El Rayan and climbing Mount Medwara, their visit to the Giza Pyramids area, and their participation in the 42nd Pyramids Race held in the same area.
- They also visited the Galala Aqua Park Hotel in Al Ain. Sokhna, in addition to an entertainment trip to New Cairo Park in the Fifth Settlement In addition, a trip to the Smart Village was coordinated in order to attend Maker Faire activities in order to integrate the children into society



Artistic and productive workshops in numbers:

- 19 in the Pottery workshop
- 51 in the Art workshop
- 10 in the Jewelry workshop
- 13 in the sewing workshop
- 22 in the crochet workshop
- 12 in the cooking workshop



Our Rehabilitation Program:

4- Activities and Artistic Workshops

Sports in numbers:

- 15 in the swimming activity
- 11 in the gymnastics activity
- 26 in the kung fu activity
- 41 in the football activity
- 109 in the fitness activity
- 22 in the yoga activity
- 15 in the contemporary dance activity



2023 Trips

- A trip with 30 children to Italian fantasy circus
- An entertaining trip with 41 of Banati's students to AlFayoum
- In a collaboration with Orascom, a trip was made to the pyramids twice with 35 children
- An entertaining trip to Cairo park with 40 children



Our Rehabilitation Program:

5- Physical Health

- One of Banati's most important interventions is providing all medical needs, starting with the mobile unit where first aid is provided to children in danger and street situations.
- A pediatrician who specializes in treating health issues in street children works full-time to give the medical care.
- Within the reception center is a clinic that is fully furnished with all the tools needed to give medical services and consultations.
- A group of physicians working together with well-established networks of labs and specialties to provide the necessary exams and operations.



Reception Center:

- 843 examinations
- 227 external medical visits
- 20 surgeries performed
- 401 medical analyses

Shelters:

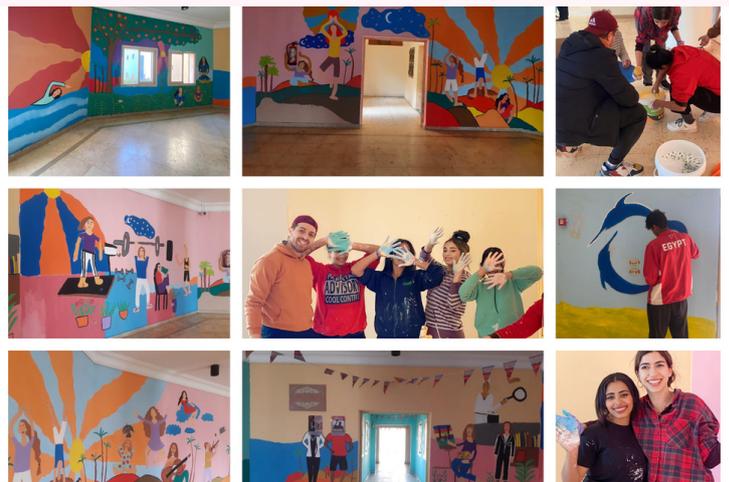
- 2116 examinations in the permanent shelter's clinic
- 458 external medical visits in the permanent shelter
- 6 surgeries performed in the permanent shelter
- 278 medical analyses in the permanent residence
- 17 examinations in the temporary shelter's clinic
- 7 external medical visits in the temporary shelter





2023 BREAKTHROUGHS

- Implementation of a mural about girls' hobbies at the main entrance to Banati, designed and drawn by the artist Mona El-Kateb with the participation of 25 girls and boys, and they colored it in very cheerful colors
- Arranging and organizing Banati's first Christmas bazaar, which was met with great success



- Comprehensive organization of the annual Banati Ramadan Iftar celebration, which included: performances (dance troupes - choir and drum six)
- Exhibition at Al Ahli Bank of Kuwait in Smart Village
- Participation in the "Kaon" exhibition with 4 drawing boards on International Women's Day. The exhibition is organized by The Arts' Hub



2023 BREAKTHROUGHS

- The contemporary dance team of the girls of the Banati Foundation presented "Who is the most beautiful girl!?" at the Fifth Performing Arts Forum for Children at Risk, written and directed by dance instructor Nermine Habib
- Banati Christmas Bazaar for products at Banati Foundation
- The annual summer program for Banati has been prepared and applied for all children of the October and Imbaba residence centers
- Participation in the exhibition of the American University in Maadi.
- Display of girls' products at the annual Rotary Exhibition at Al-Jazeera Club - Zamalek.
- Another Banati's breakthrough this year was the graduation ceremony that was held on the 8th of December for two girls, celebrating their graduation in a warm proud family vibes; surrounded by Banati's artworks and goodies that was displayed also in the christmas bazar under the celebration of closing Sawaseyya project funded by Drosos Foundation.





2023 BREAKTHROUGHS

- Another greatest achievement for Banati Foundation and as a result of years of handwork under the project sawaseyya funded by Drosos Foundation. Banati Foundation has a premium line of high end products made with love by Banati's hands.
- We have been receiving special orders from several clients and in different occasions
- We have been showcasing our products on social media platforms and exhibitions where it has met with a remarkable success.

BANATI PREMIUM LINE





2023 SUCCESS STORIES



- Our daughters A.Y. and M.M. showcased their remarkable talent at the Cairo Swimming Area Championship (Fins 2023) held at Cairo Stadium, securing the third and fifth positions respectively. Their achievements underscore their prowess in the water.
- 9 girls took part in the amateur festival of artistic gymnastics, where they excelled, winning gold medals, and receiving certificates of honor.



- Our daughter N.G. achieved remarkable success at the Conservatory of Music, obtaining a degree of excellence in playing the violin at the Institute, scoring a perfect 100%.
- 16 of Banatis children participated in the friendly swimming championship, where they were honored by the club. Each swimmer received a certificate and a medal for their outstanding performance.
- Our son, T.M., a talented musician, was selected from Ali Al-Drams' team for his exceptional talent. He earned entry into the secondary Music Zone Center concert, featuring over 100 musicians and singers.
- 11 girls successfully passed the Kung Fu belts championship, earning themselves the prestigious yellow belt.



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“ Throughout Banati’s journey, the support of our partners, supporters and individual donors has been the key factor that kept us protecting and serving the children in street situations. Without their generous contribution, Banati would have never been able to sustain its operations and offer its services to its target group. To our donors, and to anyone helping and supporting Banati, we extend our sincere thanks, appreciation and gratitude. Together, we have achieved years of success, and, together, we will continue working to bring back safety, comfort, hope and happiness to our children. ”





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