Foundation for the Future

... Towards **promoting** democracy and human rights through strengthening CSOs in the Broader Middle East and North Africa.
Background

- The Foundation for the Future is an independent, multilateral, not for profit organization.

- A tangible outcome of the Forum for the Future process launched during the second meeting of the Forum held in Manama, Bahrain in November 2005, in response to calls by regionally based CSOs.
Our Donors

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FFF Comparative Advantage

-DEMAND DRIVEN
-WELL POSITIONED
-REPUTABLE
-OPEN
-ACCOUNTABLE

-INDEPENDENT
-EXPERIENCED
-FLEXIBLE
-COMPREHENSIVE
-CREATIVE
FFF Main Areas Of Interest

• Human rights
• Rule of law
• Democratic governance
• Women’s rights and empowerment
• Youth participation
• Freedom of association
• Accountability
• Independent media
• Civic education
FFF Geographical Mandate

Afghanistan  Iran  Morocco  Saudi Arabia  Algeria
Iraq  Oman  Syria  Bahrain  Kuwait
Pakistan  Tunisia  Egypt  Lebanon  Palestine
United Arab Emirates  Jordan  Libya  Qatar  Yemen
FFF Activities

- Grant Making
- Training for Capacity Building
- Evidence Based Research
FFF Grant-Making Program:

The grants program is the core activity of the Foundation. It offers financial and technical support to CSOs based in the region for helping them in implementing relevant and innovative projects, specifically within the Foundation’s priority areas.
Number of proposals received 2007 to 2010
Training for Capacity Building:

Training is geared toward enhancing the effectiveness of CSOs and the impact of their work at community and policy levels by improving the organizations’ know-how, management and technical capacity, advocacy skills and internal governance.
Evidence Based Research:

Through offering ad-hoc, evidence-based research (EBR), the Foundation will ensure better data availability for CSOs and other stakeholders in order to improve the effectiveness of their initiatives and the overall impact of their work. In addition, EBR will contribute to upgrading the Foundation’s knowledge base for the formulation of its strategic interventions.
FFF in Numbers

353 Proposals received to date
80 projects funded to date
4 Country Liaison Officers
14.5 Million in Grants
11 Board Members
16 countries with active interventions
CONFERENCES & WORKSHOPS

Internet Freedom Index

Security Sector Governance

Research on Civil Society Organizations
On 22-23 June 2009, the Foundation for the Future (FFF), the Institute of Law at Birzeit University (IoL) and the Geneva Centre for the Democratic Control of Armed Forces (DCAF) organized the first Regional Conference on “Security Sector Governance in the Arab Region: What Role for the Civil Society?” in Amman, Jordan.
A regional conference entitled "Research on Civil Society Organizations; Status and Prospects" was organized by the Foundation for the Future at the Dead Sea of Jordan during 26-28 January 2010 with the purpose of reviewing the compilation of literature on civil society organizations (CSOs) over the last two decades, and exchanging ideas on the findings deducted from the related research work in this period within the region.
SPONSORED EVENTS

Preparatory Civil Society Workshop for the Forum for the Future

Bicycles as Vehicles for Peace and Women Empowerment
Women Empowerment

FFF cooperates with Civil Society Organizations to enable women enjoy their rights for Equality, citizenship, and protection from abuse. This is translated through the Foundation’s support to projects focusing on:

Women Empowerment
Women Empowerment

FFF is Supporting 20 projects on Women Empowerment for the value of $2,900,000 in:

Jordan
Iraq
Lebanon
Yemen
Egypt
Pakistan
Libya
Algeria
Women Empowerment

Lebanon

Grantee: Women Empowerment Program WEP (2 Projects)

Project title: Women’s Human Rights Education Program TAMKEEN

Objective: To empower women through training and education in schools as well as raising awareness at community level
Women Empowerment

Lebanon

Grantee: National committee for the follow up on women issues-CFUWI

Project title: Promoting the culture of democracy within the Lebanese Families

Objective: to promote the culture of democracy and women’s rights within Lebanese families, and to promote dialogue, negotiation and conflict resolution among the community.
Women Empowerment

Yemen

Grantee: SOUL for the Development of Women and Children Country (2 Projects)

Project title: Khamer Women Empowerment and Literacy Program

Objective: To strengthen the facilities of “Khamar Educational Center” in order to reach more women through literacy and training skills
Women Empowerment

Yemen

Grantee: Media Women Forum (MWF)

Project title: Training and Upgrading the Skills of Women Journalists in Yemen

Objective: To encourage the participation of Yemeni women in the media landscape of the country, and to promote gender equality and development in the media.
Women Empowerment

Jordan

Grantee: Women Cultural Development Association
Country - Namaa

Project title: Achieving Behavioral Change towards Women’s Rights among Youth Enrolled in Community Colleges

Objective: To contribute toward change of gender-related attitudes and behavior by providing awareness and ad hoc training to students of the “Community” (Diploma) colleges that are often from underprivileged working families background.
Women Empowerment

Jordan

**Grantee:** Jordan River Foundation

**Project title:** Strengthening Local Capacity in Addressing Domestic Violence in Jordan

**Objective:** To enhance the capacity within the Jordanian National Family Protection System (FPS) in understanding and addressing the needs of domestic violence victims (gender based violence and child abuse).
Women Empowerment

Egypt

Grantee: Egyptian Center for Women Rights - ECWR

Project title: Legal Empowerment and Aid: Enhancing Access to Justice for Egyptian Women

Objective: To provide legal counsel for low-income Egyptian women and raising their awareness on their legal rights.
Women Empowerment

Egypt

Grantee: Land Center for Human Rights – LCHR

Project title: Supporting and Providing Legal Aid for Rural Working Women in the Egyptian Countryside

Objective: To eliminate discrimination and inequality against women living in the Egyptian countryside, with a Gender-focused approach
Women Empowerment

Egypt

Grantee: Appropriate Communication Techniques for Development (ACT)

Project title: Activating women’s rights to political participation

Objective: To increase the percentage of women in the Egyptian parliament in addition to increase the percentage of women voting, and forming a cadre of women capable of running for public election campaigns and parliament elections.
Women Empowerment

Iraq

Grantee: Iraqi Women for Gender Equality (IWGE)

Project title: The Campaign of «Behave Yourself” for Combating Women Harassment in Iraq

Objective: To comprehend women’s rights to live freely and with their dignity respected as stated in the literatures of Human Rights and Women Rights, and to combat the physical and verbal harassment of women.
Women Empowerment

Iraq

Grantee: Women’s Legal Aid (WoLA)

Project title: Kifri Women’s Center

Objective: Empowering women through providing a safe space for self-assertion and self-organization
Women Empowerment

Iraq

Grantee: Pana Center for Combating Violence Against Women

Project title: Women’s Free Law Center in Kirkuk Province

Objective: To improve the legal awareness and legal representation of underprivileged Iraqi women in the province of Kirkuk, and to provide social and psychological support for violated women.
Grantee: The Yemen Education for Employment Foundation

Project title: “Anchoring Democracy, Economic Development and Labor Rights in a Youth Job-Oriented CSO”

Objective: To combat youth unemployment, strengthen, scale up and sustain innovative public-private partnership model and achieve economic rights for youth in Yemen. YEEF views youth employment as a critical issue to ensuring stability in Yemeni society. Such a project will not only prepare young people for the market place, and help them attain their economic rights. It will also seed in them an urge for entrepreneurship and self-employment.
Women Empowerment

Pakistan

Grantee: Children Care Foundation of Pakistan - CCF

Project title: Rehabilitation / Elimination of Female Child Labour through Provision of Education

Objective: To contribute to reducing poverty and improving the economic conditions of the target group through an integrated education and raising awareness strategy in the local community on civil rights, community organization and participation.
Women Empowerment

Pakistan

Grantee: Civil Society Human and Institutional Development Programme

Project title: Socio-Economic Empowerment of Rural Women in Tehsil Sohawa, District Jehlum

Objective: contributing to rural women’s realizations of their social and economic right and ensure their access to opportunities, to empower women survivors in 20 targeted villages to confidently participate in social and economic activities
Women Empowerment

Pakistan

Grantee: National Rural Research and Development Foundation – NRDF

Project title: Women Empowerment through Livelihood Opportunities and Democratic Engagement

Objective: To empower marginalized Pakistani women to actively engage in the democratic process, participate and benefit from development opportunities and substantially contribute towards the community.
Women Empowerment

Algeria

Grantee: La Ligue de Prévention et de Sauvegarde de la Jeunesse et de l’Enfance

Project title: All together for equality and against violence

Objective: Promoting peaceful and non-violent culture in Kabylie, through gender equality and tolerance values.
Women Empowerment

Libya

**Grantee:** Protection Program for Family & Women

**Project title:** Addressing Domestic Violence in Libya

**Objective:** To enhance the capacity within the Libyan legal system for Family Protection in understanding and addressing the needs of domestic violence victims (gender based violence)