

# IMPACT REPORT GAZA HEALTH PROJECTS-2024



**MEDICAL AND HUMANITARIAN  
RELIEF IN GAZA**



## HUMANITARIAN OVERVIEW

- +42,000 killed including ~ +16,000 children
- +3.3 million facing humanitarian crisis
- 1 in 3 children under 2 acutely malnourished
- Limited access to food-water-medical care-shelter
- +1.55 million children in need of humanitarian aid
- +99,000 injured

The situation continues to be dire in Gaza with over **3.3 million of which 1.55 million are children in need of humanitarian aid**, and over **1.9 million are internally displaced** leaving the most vulnerable in critical conditions. Over **42,000 people have been killed, 60% are women and children**, and over **99,000 have been injured**.

Most hospitals were destroyed or are now dysfunctional. Given the lack of power or generators that are operational, the remaining operating hospitals no longer have the ability to provide care to those in desperate need.

Access to food, water, hygiene, and other basic human needs are extremely limited, creating a breeding ground for illness, skin rashes, and disease and ultimately, preventable deaths.

One of our dedicated **UOSSM doctors, Dr. Anas Al Kassem**, shared valuable information after he went on two medical missions in Gaza (March and July), his harrowing account that reflected a heartbreaking reality – the people of Gaza are in desperate need of our support. Dr. Al Kassem reported that **there are over 5000 patients with open wounds after his first medical mission in March**. And the number of those traumatized by the violence (especially children) is countless.

Advanced wound care is vital to ensure proper healing, and the prevention of complications. In addition, there is an urgent need to support the mental health and psychosocial well-being of the displaced families.

UOSSM USA is continuing its relief efforts in **securing and delivering food essentials to local and displaced families, and needed medical equipment and supplies**. UOSSM USA is actively working with local doctors and nurses on the **provision of medical services** including medical consultations, outpatient and inpatient surgeries, home visits, and **advanced wound care** for patients with open wounds, including the use of specialized wound care devices such as vacuum assisted closure (VAC) devices that are designed for use in crisis areas to promote healing of wounds. These high-quality, specialized VAC devices were specifically designed with UOSSM technical support during the Syrian crisis and are non-reliant on power. In addition, they offer effective, quality wound management

UOSSM USA is also actively working with local psychologists and case workers on initiatives to provide **Psychosocial Support Services (PSS)** in Gaza aiming to address the urgent need for supporting the mental health and well-being of displaced families, **with a focus on children**.

# EMERGENCY DISASTER RELIEF



- Provided emergency humanitarian aid to over **24,000** people in need
- Aid includes **medical supplies, food baskets, baby formula, baby diapers, hygiene and first aid kits**
- Staff in Gaza provided **cooked meals, vegetables, and cash assistance** to displaced families

Since November 2023, UOSSM USA has been providing medical and humanitarian aid including **medical supplies, food baskets, blankets, sleeping bags, hygiene kits, first aid kits, baby formula, and baby diapers.**

We have delivered **70 pallets** – with over **53 tons** of medical and humanitarian aid. Our teams are continuously sending aid as funds become available. We have *unique access* through our strategic partnership with the Jordan Hashemite Charity Organization (JHCO).

In addition, our Jordan regional office is collaborating with other organizations to facilitate sending aid to Gaza. Through these partnerships we already aided other organizations to send **370 pallets** to Gaza.

Recently, we launched humanitarian and medical projects with staff on the ground in Gaza. During the month of Ramadan, additional food baskets and cooked meals were also distributed to the neediest of families. In addition, we have been providing cash assistance. During Hajj season, our teams provided Adahi, along with cooked rice to those needy and displaced families.



# EMERGENCY DISASTER RELIEF



Delivered 70 pallets with over 53 tons of medical and humanitarian relief



Aided other organizations to send 370 pallets to Gaza



67+ Boxes  
Medical Supplies



~1700  
Food Baskets



500  
First Aid Bags



5050  
Feminine Hygiene &  
Personal Items



8300+  
Baby Items  
Formula - Diapers



Distributing Food in Gaza to Displaced Families



# MENTAL HEALTH AND PSYCHOSOCIAL SUPPORT PROJECT



- Providing **individual and group sessions**-alleviating the suffering of displaced children in Gaza.
- Providing **parenting skills** sessions for parents
- Providing over **5100 people** with mental health sessions in only 4 months!

Our mental health project has been providing specialized mental health and psychosocial support services to **displaced families, with focus on women and children, in central and southern Gaza**. The project will help alleviate their suffering, improve their well-being, and strengthen their resilience.

Many people, especially children, are experiencing **anxiety, depression, and PTSD**, among other mental health illnesses.

Our teams are providing group **psychosocial support activities for children**, and **parenting skills sessions for parents**. Most activities are being provided in shelters and camps in southern and central Gaza.

Despite challenges that accompany crises and war, including unstable conditions and displacement, this project has persevered.

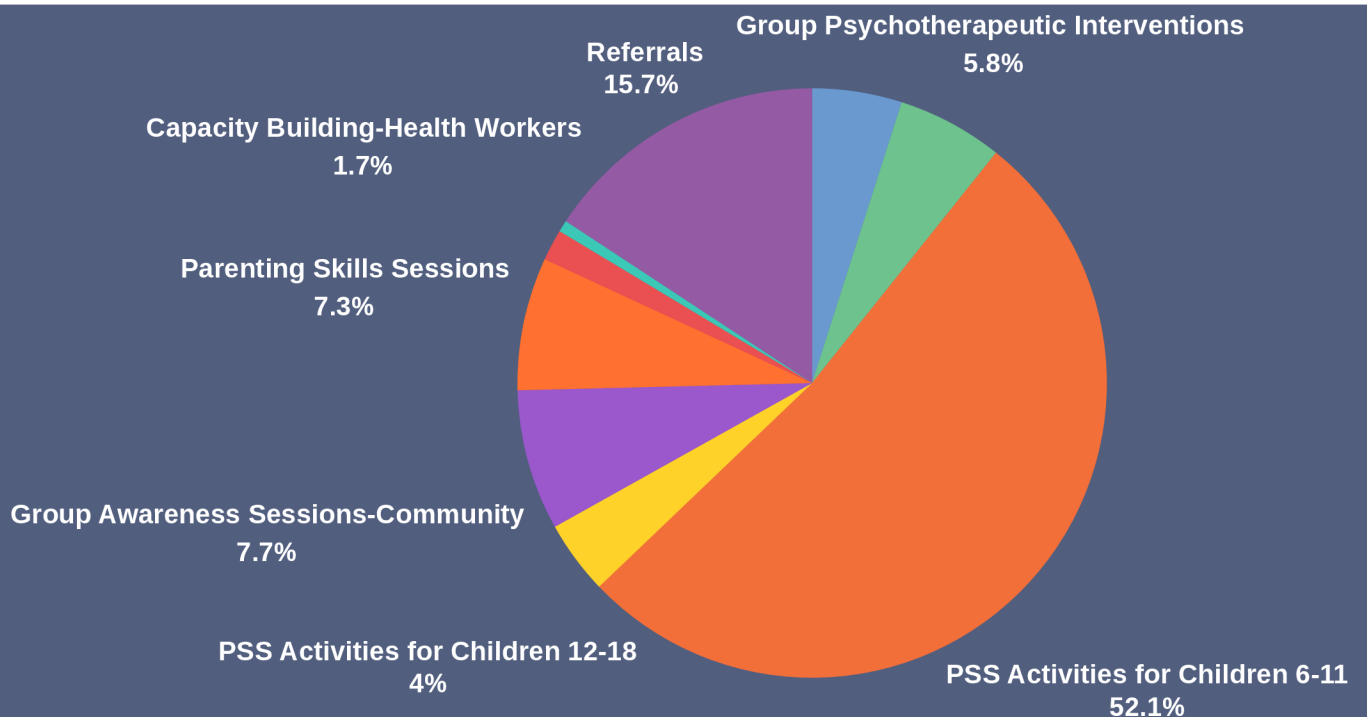
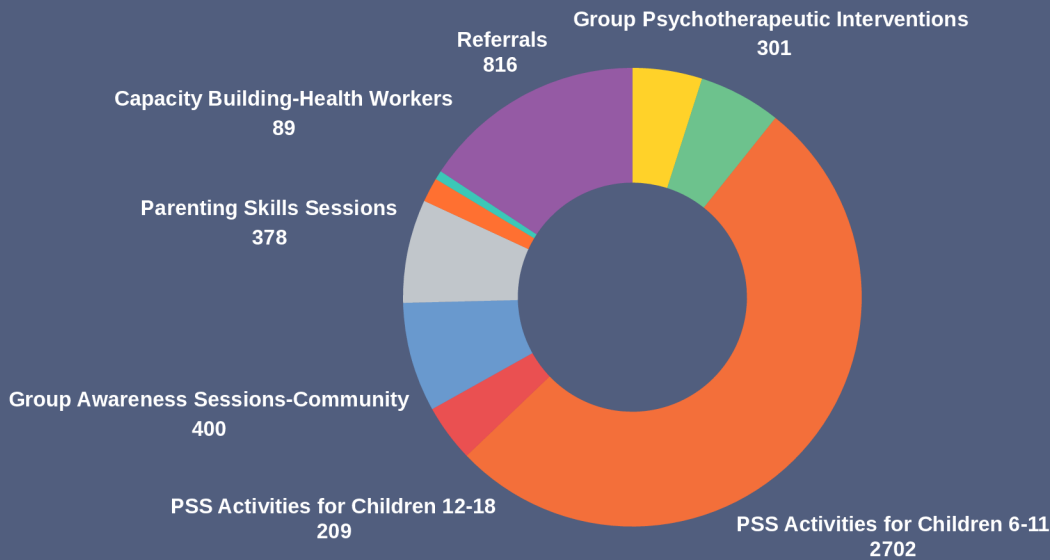
Our mental health team provided mental health sessions to over **5100 people, focused on children and women**, in four months (June-Sept.) amid the brutal war. Our team has faced many challenges including the death of one of our newly hired psychologist counselors, Amany Al Derby (who was killed along with her four children in an airstrike).



# MENTAL HEALTH AND PSYCHOSOCIAL SUPPORT PROJECT

## MHPSS Services and Types June - Sept 2024 Total Beneficiaries - 5183

- Individual Psychotherapeutic Interventi...
- Group Psychotherapeutic Interventions
- PSS Activities for Children 6-11
- PSS Activities for Children 12-18
- Group Awareness Sessions-Community
- Parenting Skills Sessions
- Capacity Building-Health Workers
- Capacity Building-MHPSS Staff
- Referrals



# MENTAL HEALTH AND PSYCHOSOCIAL SUPPORT PROJECT

## MHPSS Services and Types June - Sept. 2024 Total - 5183

Types of Services or Interventions	No. of Individuals
Affected Populations with MH Disorders	556
Affected Children Received Focused PSS Activities	2911
Awareness and Training on MHPSS to Community Members	400
Referral to External Services	816
Parenting Skills to Parents/Caregivers	378
Capacity Building (Frontline Health Workers)	122
<b>Total</b>	<b>5183</b>



# ADVANCED HEALTH PROJECT



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- Enhancing trauma and advanced wound care using cutting-edge technologies such as Vacuum-Assisted Closures (VAC)
- Delivering essential medications and medical supplies
- Providing access to wide range of specialized comprehensive healthcare including outpatient, inpatient, surgeries, and home visits.

In May 2024, **UOSSM USA**, in partnership with **UOSSM Canada**, launched a comprehensive health project in Gaza to address the diverse healthcare challenges amid the ongoing crisis. This joint initiative provides a wide range of healthcare services, with a focus on **specialized advanced wound care**, offering treatment for wounds related to both conflict and health conditions like diabetes utilizing **cutting-edge technologies** such as Vacuum-Assisted Closure (VAC) devices, along with the provision of medications and medical supplies to support effective wound management. The integration of VAC devices into **trauma care** promotes faster healing, reduces infection risks, and lowers the chance of complications for patients with severe wounds, ensuring comprehensive care. This type of treatment has revolutionized wound care for patients with both acute and chronic wounds.

Initially, services were delivered through collaboration with physicians and nurses across hospitals in North and South Gaza, offering medical consultations, advanced wound care, VAC applications, and home visits. With the growing demand for specialized care, a dedicated in-hospital clinic was established in the north, focusing on diabetic care and advanced wound management. A second clinic is now being established in the south, further expanding the project's reach.

By enhancing access to specialized healthcare, we aim to support the health and contribute to finding sustainable healthcare solutions amid ongoing destruction to those affected by the crisis. Through September 2024, the Gaza Health Project delivered **5,962 medical services**, including **156 VAC specialized wound treatments**, across key hospitals in both North and South Gaza.



# ADVANCED HEALTH PROJECT



Due to logistical challenges in mobilizing resources, the North Gaza hospital provided the majority of these services, accounting for 4081 treatments, while Al Aqsa and European hospitals in the south contributed 964 and 777 services, respectively.

As we expand, we remain focused on maintaining the effectiveness and accessibility of healthcare services for all, regardless of location or circumstance amid the ongoing conflict.

The advanced wound care health project has demonstrated remarkable progress improving healthcare outcomes for the people in Gaza. The project also enhances the healthcare infrastructure, empowering medical staff and delivering hope to patients who face unimaginable challenges in their journey to recovery. This project will continue to be a beacon of healing for the people of Gaza.



# ADVANCED HEALTH PROJECT

5962



**Total Medical Services (Including VAC)**

5806



**Medical Consultations**

2374



**Inpatient Admissions**

2646



**Outpatient Consultations**

564



**Surgical Operations**

156



**Vacuum-Assisted Closure Services**

222



**Home Visits**

23



**Pallets of Medicines and Medical Supplies Delivered to Northern Gaza**

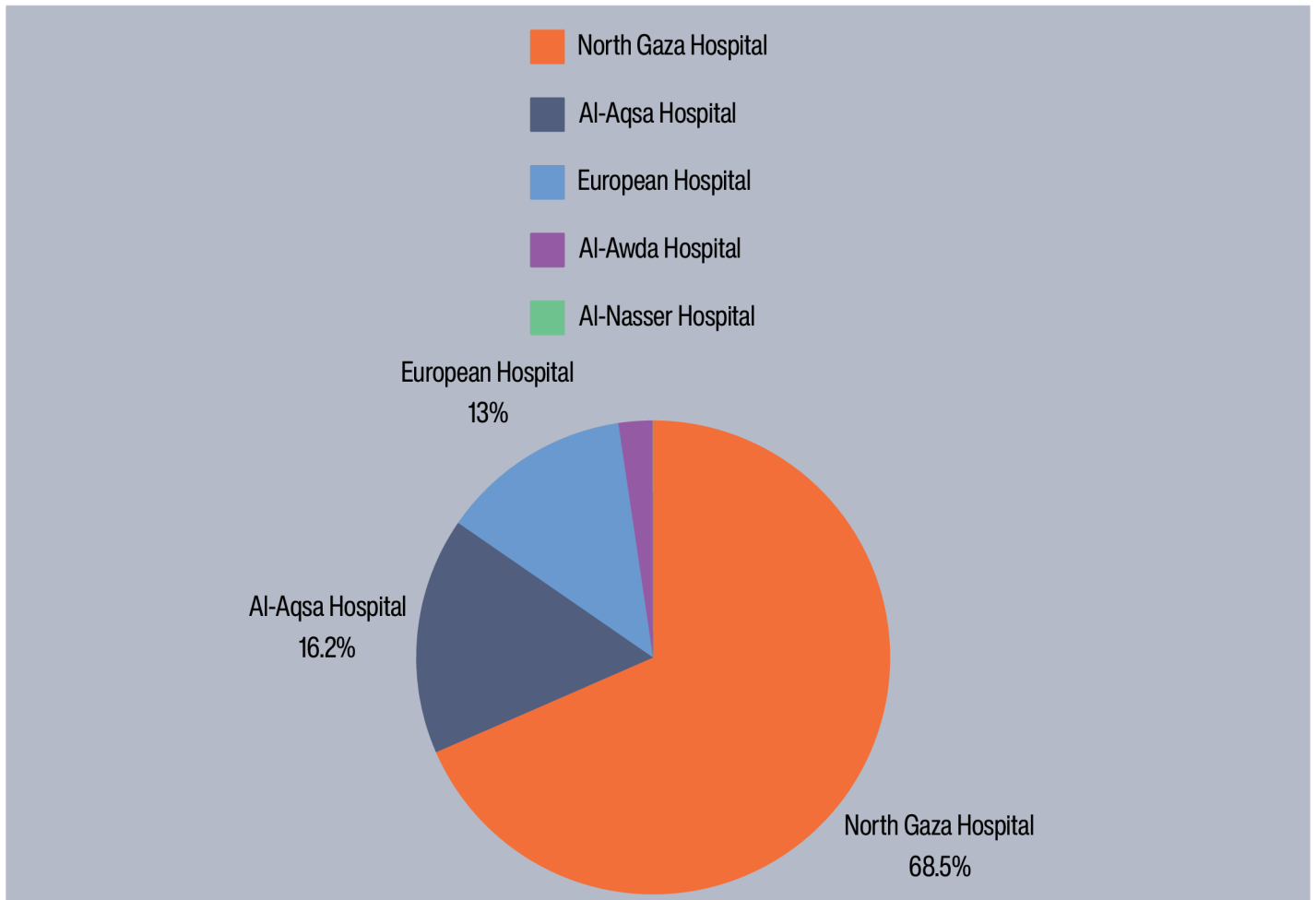
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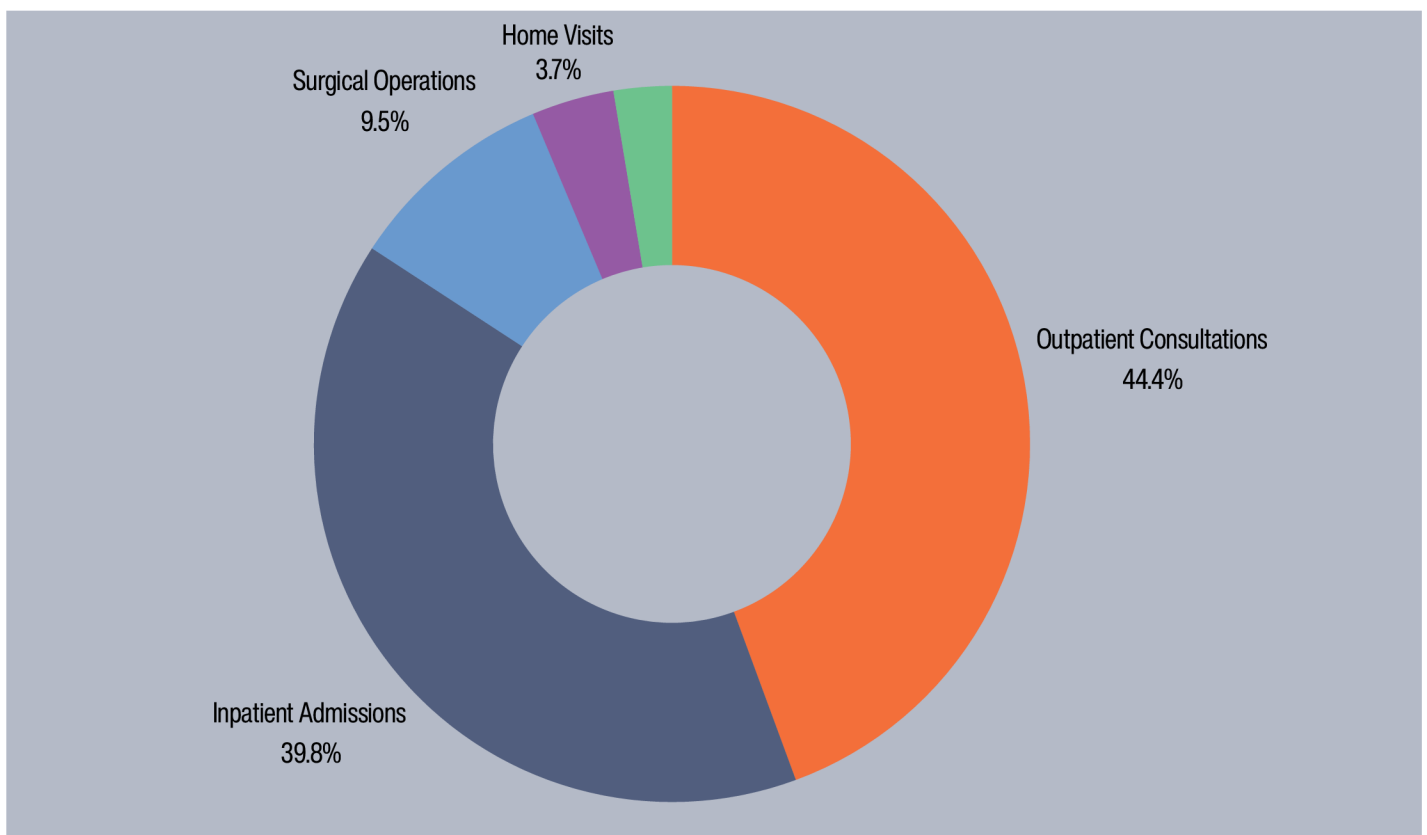
**Pallets of VAC Devices Delivered to Northern Gaza (1045 Devices)**

# ADVANCED HEALTH PROJECT

## PER HOSPITAL CONTRIBUTION TO TOTAL MEDICAL SERVICES



## TOTAL MEDICAL SERVICES BREAKDOWN



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