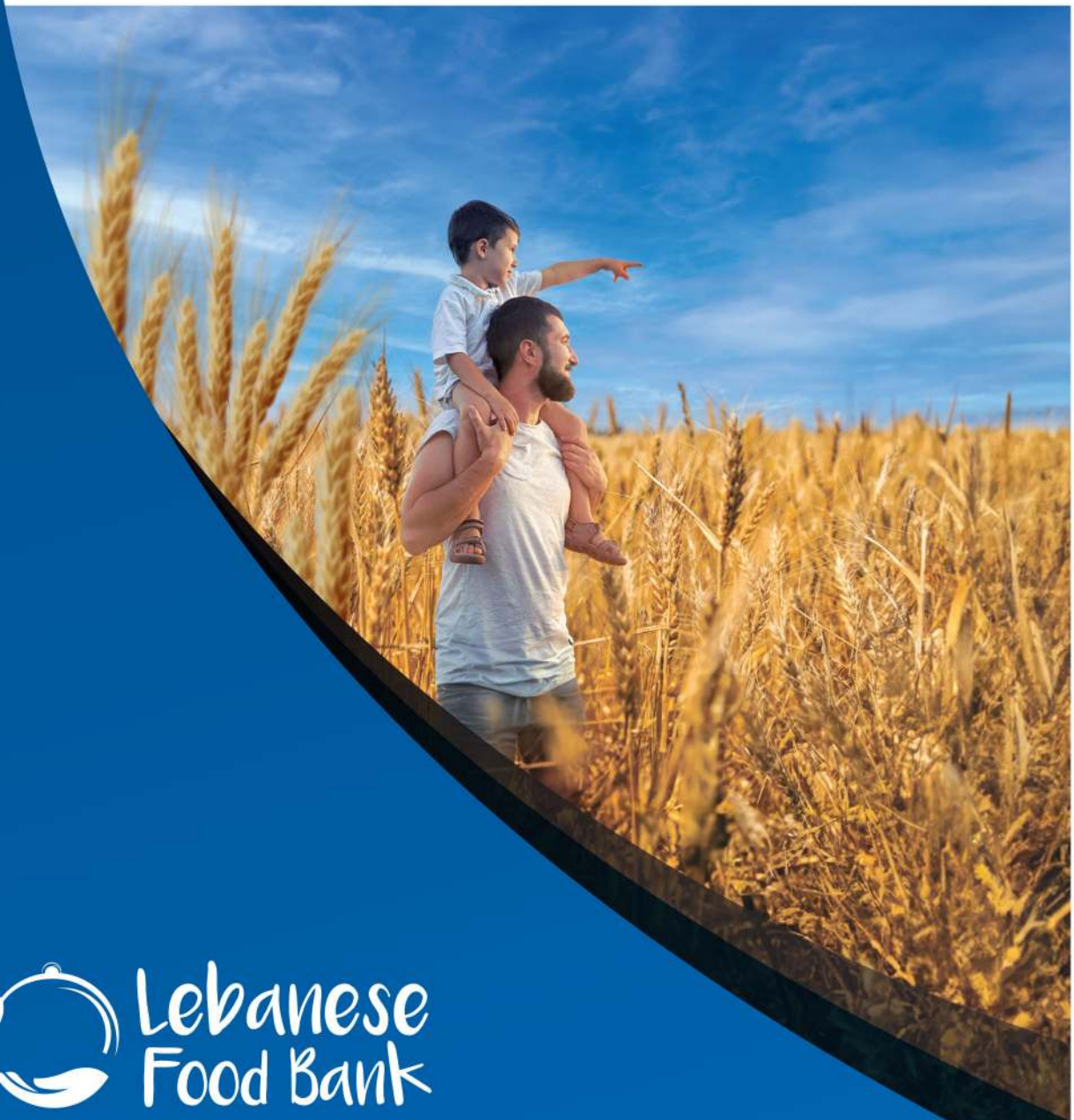


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IN PRESERVING
HUMAN DIGNITY

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Deep in the heart of Lebanon lies a remarkable haven, where only a select few have the privilege of eternal residence. It is a eutopia, a realm where true compassion prevails. This sacred space is

accessed not through geographical coordinates but by transcending sectarian divides, erasing social class distinctions, and prioritizing the essence of human dignity. Kamal Sinno, a visionary leader, is among the esteemed inhabitants of this Eutopia, alongside a handful of Lebanese leaders who consistently placed the human aspect above personal gains.

As you go through the pages that follow, it is imperative to recognize that this is not a mere chronicle of events or simple facts and figures; it is a tribute to a leader who transformed aspirations into tangible realities. you will bear witness to triumphant celebrations, lives profoundly impacted, and small but remarkable achievements.

This report is not just a retrospective; it serves as a glimpse that dreams are dynamic entities, living and breathing, evolving through the actions of those who believe in them.

“If love is found, bread is found for all. In my heart, love is abundant...” (*Kamal Sinno*).

Yet, concealed beneath these visible achievements are the unseen attempts, formidable challenges, unwavering commitment, and strenuous efforts that paved the way for success. Kamal Sinno's humanitarian battles were waged in silence, a testament to the depth of his dedication.

The achievements you witness today owe their realization to the collective support of the entire LFB team, spanning from board members to employees and volunteers, who have embraced this nationwide vision. In a landscape where ulterior motives are rare, their commitment stands out.

The commitment of the LFB transcends the confines of this report; it extends into our lives, communities, and our continuously troubled nation. We pledge to be torchbearers of Kamal Sinno's dream, actively seeking ways to make a positive impact, nurturing empathy, and contributing to the well-being of those in need while always... preserving human dignity.





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FOREWORD BY **LEBANESE FOOD BANK'S PRESIDENT**



Since its inception in 2011 by its founder, the late Mr. Kamal Sinno, the Lebanese Food Bank has been committed to actively creating awareness about food waste and combating hunger by providing clean and healthy food to needy families. It has indeed been a challenge, but one that we have addressed throughout the years within our community and even globally, aiming to secure the mental and physical health of underprivileged children in our beloved country, while always considering their dignity and self-respect.

Our commitment at the Lebanese Food Bank is to look within ourselves, embrace humanity, and find the motivation and unconditional desire to help others, ultimately making a difference by helping to eradicate hunger in Lebanon. This encapsulates the essence of what the Lebanese Food Bank stands for.

I extend my thanks to all our supporters, members of the general assembly, board members, and all employees at the Lebanese Food Bank for their collaborative efforts, which have made it possible for us to succeed in fulfilling our mission transparently.



Mrs. Mona Geha Kenaan
President

WHO WE ARE

The Lebanese Food Bank (LFB) is steadfast in its mission to narrow the malnourishment gap in Lebanon, championing inclusivity and equality without regard to religion, age, political affiliation, or race. In addition to this vital work, LFB is dedicated to raising awareness about food waste and promoting efficient management of food resources. Proudly affiliated with the Regional Food Banking Network in Dubai, which is an integral part of the Global Food Banking Network.



Our overall goals

Hunger eradication

Malnutrition reduction

Sustainable environment

Livelihood improvement

Mission

To alleviate hunger and help the environment throughout Lebanon by collecting wasted food of good quality and impartially distributing it to charities and people in need as means to social progress.

Vision

A Hunger-free Lebanon by 2030 in alignment with SDG-2 which aims to ensure that everyone, everywhere has enough good quality food to lead a healthy life.

Values and Guiding Principles

Accountability, Collaboration, Transparency, Sustainability.

WHO WE ARE

Meet the members of the board

The LFB is governed by individuals from a variety of backgrounds bringing a vast array of knowledge, experience, and passion.



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BOARD MEMBER

Our team members

The LFB team exemplifies dedication and commitment, tirelessly working towards positive change. They go above and beyond to make a difference in the lives of others, embodying the spirit of service and compassion. None of the achievements in the report could have been made possible without their invaluable contributions.



A DECADE OF ACHIEVEMENTS 2013 - 2023

It has been a challenging decade since we embarked on our journey to preserve human dignity. Despite the obstacles, our profound commitment to our country has driven extraordinary accomplishments.

	Our achievements	
 374,610 FOOD BOXES حصص غذائية	Providing food boxes and basic necessities.	
 10,955,732 BENEFICIARIES مستفيد	Supporting underprivileged families and individuals, by providing hot healthy meals.	
 50+ TRAININGS & WORKSHOPS برامج تدريبية وورش عمل	Adhering to international standards of safety and hygiene; Providing families with hygiene supplies; Conducting regular training programs to our team.	
 1,607 WOMEN EMPOWERED امرأة ممكنة	Gender equality, originating from the board level and extending to all staff, acts as an example for enhancing women's economic and social status throughout Lebanon.	
 200+ TEAM MEMBERS & VOLUNTEERS فريق العمل والمتطوعين	By ensuring food security and creating job opportunities, we aim to eradicate hunger, thereby playing a crucial role in bolstering our country's economy and reinforcing social security.	
 100,000 USD DONATIONS THE BEIRUT PORT EXPLOSION تبرعات انفجار مرفأ بيروت	Helping the families and communities affected by Beirut 4 th of August explosion; Paying tribute to our women and men heroes from Firefighters, to Civil Defense, and the Red Cross.	
 2,178 TONS COOKED MEALS وجبات مطبوخة	Contributing towards food waste reduction and promoting sustainable consumption through conducting awareness campaigns in schools.	
 1,286 TONS AGRICULTURAL PRODUCE PURCHASED منتوجات زراعية مشتراة	Supporting farmers to hold on to their land; Purchasing part of farmers' produce, that goes to women to benefit from when preparing 'Mouneh', hence; Ensuring circular economy.	



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1 Hilton Foundation's Partnership for Food Security:

The collaboration between the Hilton Effect Foundation and the Lebanese Food Bank was not merely a one-time effort but a sustained partnership aimed at addressing the pressing issue of food insecurity in Beirut and Mount Lebanon. Beyond just providing meals, the partnership involved comprehensive support, including nutritional education, access to cooking facilities, and community engagement programs. The distribution of 1,771 meals over nine days was part of a broader initiative that sought to build long-term resilience in these regions by addressing the root causes of food insecurity. Through this partnership, vulnerable families received not only immediate relief but also the tools and resources needed to secure a more stable future.



2 CMA CGM's Social Responsibility Efforts:

CMA CGM's commitment to social responsibility extended far beyond financial donations. Their collaboration with the Lebanese Food Bank and social kitchens across different regions of Lebanon was a multifaceted approach to addressing food insecurity. In addition to providing hot meals, the initiative included training programs for women, empowering them to generate income and become self-sufficient. Furthermore, CMA CGM facilitated community dialogues and workshops to raise awareness about nutrition and healthy eating habits. By taking a holistic approach to tackling hunger, CMA CGM demonstrated its dedication to making a lasting impact on the lives of vulnerable populations in Lebanon. The generous donation of USD150,000 allowed the distribution of over 70,000 meals



3 CMA CGM's Milk Donation:

The donation of 12,000 milk containers by CMA CGM came as part of strategic intervention measures to address specific priority needs during a time of crisis. The provision of milk, a vital source of nutrition, was particularly crucial for families with young children who were disproportionately affected

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by the country's economic downturn. CMA CGM's donation not only alleviated immediate hunger but also contributed to the overall health and well-being of the community. Moreover, by partnering with the Lebanese Food Bank, CMA CGM ensured that the distribution of milk was carried out efficiently and reached those who needed it the most.

4 Matbakh el Kel and GIZ Collaboration:

The collaboration between Matbakh el Kel and GIZ went beyond mere meal distribution; it was a coordinated effort to address the multifaceted challenges faced by vulnerable communities in Lebanon. By leveraging the expertise of Matbakh el Kel in culinary arts and the community development initiatives of GIZ, the partnership was able to provide not only sustenance but also opportunities for skill-building and empowerment. The use of Lebanese Food Bank trucks for distribution ensured that the meals reached even the most remote areas, demonstrating the partners' commitment to leaving no one behind. Moreover, the partnership fostered a sense of solidarity and resilience within the community, showcasing the transformative power of collaborative efforts in humanitarian endeavors. Lebanese Food Bank trucks were able to distribute 115,151 hot meals across various regions in Lebanon.

5 Radisson Blu Martinez's Ongoing Support:

The consistent support provided by Radisson Blu Martinez Hotel to the Lebanese Food Bank underscored a long-term commitment to corporate social responsibility. Beyond just providing meals, the hotel's involvement in community engagement



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programs and capacity-building initiatives highlighted a holistic approach to addressing food insecurity. By actively involving their staff in volunteer activities and fundraising efforts, Radisson Blu Martinez Hotel fostered a culture of giving back within the organization, inspiring other businesses to follow suit. Moreover, their partnership with the Lebanese Food Bank served as a model for how the private sector can contribute to social welfare and community development.



6 Blanket Donation for Winter Relief:

The donation of 400 blankets to the Lebanese Food Bank was not only a practical response to the immediate needs of vulnerable families but also a reflection of solidarity and compassion. In addition to providing warmth during the winter months, the blankets served as a tangible expression of care and support for those facing hardship. The initiative highlighted the interconnectedness of humanitarian action, as donors acknowledged the importance of coordinated efforts in addressing basic needs such as shelter and clothing supplies when considering food security issues. Moreover, by partnering with the Lebanese Food Bank, donors drew upon the networks to ensure that their contributions were distributed efficiently and reached those who needed them the most.

7 Mother's and Child's Day Campaign:

LFB's campaign for Mother's and Child's Day was more than just a celebration; it was an opportunity to honor the resilience and strength of mothers amidst the challenges facing Lebanon. By engaging influencers, bloggers, and celebrities in the campaign, LFB amplified the voices of mothers and shed light on their invaluable contributions to society. The live event at Hotel Phoenicia provided a platform for meaningful discussions and insightful interviews, fostering a sense of solidarity and support within the community. Moreover, the participation of Miss Lebanon Yasmina Zeytoun helped raise awareness on a national level. Overall, the campaign served as a powerful reminder of the importance of appreciating and supporting mothers, especially during difficult times.



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8 Collaborative Efforts with Carrefour for Ramadan:

LFB's collaboration with Carrefour during Ramadan was about harnessing the collective power of shoppers to make a difference in the lives of those facing food insecurity. By setting up donation points and organizing awareness campaigns within Carrefour stores, LFB provided a convenient platform for individuals to contribute to the cause. The collaboration was not limited to the much-needed funds but also fostered a sense of community and compassion among shoppers, as they came together to support their fellow citizens in need. Moreover, by partnering with Carrefour, LFB demonstrated the potential for public-private partnerships to address social issues and create positive change in society.



9 Ramadan Support Initiatives:

During Ramadan, the Lebanese Food Bank (LFB) orchestrated a comprehensive effort to provide both immediate relief and long-term support to vulnerable communities. By partnering with social kitchens and NGOs across various regions, LFB ensured that hot meals reached those in need, accompanied by food boxes to further support families. Additionally, recognizing the importance of sustainable aid, LFB facilitated job opportunities within these social kitchens, empowering individuals with stable income and dignity. This integrated approach not only addressed the immediate hunger crisis but also laid the groundwork for ongoing support and community resilience.



10 PepsiCo & Pepsi Foundation's Festive Donations:

The generous donation of \$80,000 from PepsiCo & Pepsi Foundation during Ramadan and Christmas was a testament to their commitment to addressing food insecurity in Lebanon. Beyond the financial support, volunteers from PepsiCo actively participated in LFB's activities, embodying the spirit of corporate social responsibility. By joining hands with LFB, PepsiCo demonstrated the power of partnership in making a tangible difference in the lives of individuals and families during critical times of the year, spreading hope and solidarity within the community.



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1 1 Individual Initiative for Fundraising:

Mounif Habib's altruistic endeavor of embarking on a running journey from Tripoli to Beirut showcased the profound impact of individual initiatives in addressing societal challenges. His mission not only raised funds for the Lebanese Food Bank but also raised awareness about the issue of food insecurity in Lebanon. Through his unwavering determination and community support, Mounif Habib's selfless act exemplified the transformative power of grassroots efforts in making a positive impact on the lives of others, inspiring individuals to rally together for a common cause.



1 2 Cargill's Contribution to Food Security:

The collaborative initiative between the Lebanese Food Bank Association and Cargill was a testament to the power of corporate partnerships in addressing pressing social issues. By donating 1,925 hot meals to families in Sin El Fil and Aramoun, Cargill demonstrated its commitment to corporate social responsibility and community welfare. Moreover, the partnership provided a sense of solidarity and support within the community, emphasizing the importance of collective action in addressing food insecurity and promoting social welfare.



1 3 Annual Commemoration for Beirut Explosion Victims:

The Lebanese Food Bank's tradition of providing food in memory of the Beirut explosion victims was a poignant tribute to their sacrifice and resilience. By offering sustenance during this solemn occasion, LFB not only honored the memory of the victims but also provided support and solace to their families and communities. This compassionate gesture embodied the spirit of solidarity and remembrance, ensuring a sense of unity and compassion amidst collective mourning for the lives lost.

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1 4 School Awareness Campaign Against Food Waste:

LFB's targeted awareness campaign within schools and universities was a proactive effort to address the detrimental effects of food waste and hunger. Through engaging presentations and interactive activities, LFB educated students about the importance of responsible food consumption and waste reduction. By empowering young people with knowledge and practical solutions, LFB inspired a new generation of leaders committed to ending hunger and fostering sustainable practices within their communities, paving the way for a more food-secure future.



1 5 Oxfam's Flour Donation:

Oxfam's significant donation of 14 tons of flour to the Lebanese Food Bank was a powerful initiative to support families across Lebanon. The donation, titled "تخبزوا بالأفراح" We Bake with Joy, aimed to empower women and families by providing them with the means to prepare bread, a staple of Lebanese cuisine. This generous contribution not only addressed immediate food needs but also promoted self-reliance and community resilience, emphasizing the importance of collective support in times of crisis.



1 6 Miss Lebanon Yasmina Zeytoun's Advocacy:

Miss Lebanon Yasmina Zeytoun's dedicated advocacy for the Lebanese Food Bank exemplified the impact of influential figures in driving positive change. By

undertaking a fundraising tour across the United States and collaborating with LFB on various initiatives, she raised awareness and garnered international support for the organization's efforts. Yasmina Zeytoun's commitment to combatting hunger and poverty in Lebanon showcased the transformative potential of public figures in inspiring collective action and solidarity within society.



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17 World Food Day Awareness Campaign:

LFB's dynamic awareness campaign at International College (IC) school for World Food Day engaged over 1,000 students in meaningful discussions and activities. Through a rally paper activity and interactive sessions, students gained a deeper understanding of food security issues and the importance of combating hunger. By involving students in hands-on experiences

and empowering them to advocate for positive change, LFB inspired a new generation of leaders committed to eradicating hunger worldwide. This collaborative effort raised awareness among youth and added a sense of responsibility and activism, echoing the spirit of World Food Day's mission.

18 Event for Children of Army Martyrs:

LFB's participation in a special event dedicated to honoring the children of the Lebanese army's martyrs was a heartfelt initiative of support and appreciation. Partnering with Joué Club to distribute over 400 gifts, LFB brought joy and comfort to the lives of children who had lost their parents in service to their country. This act of generosity provided tangible expressions of support to the children and served as a touching reminder of the community's gratitude for their families' sacrifices. Through this event, LFB demonstrated its commitment to standing in solidarity with those affected by loss and adversity, fostering a sense of belonging and support within the community.



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19 ICC Group's Collective Generosity:

The ICC group's initiative to gather employees for in-kind donations to the Lebanese Food Bank showcased the power of collective generosity in addressing social challenges. By mobilizing their resources and channeling them towards a common cause, the ICC group demonstrated the profound impact that small acts of kindness can have in creating positive change within the community. Through their collective effort, a diverse range of essential goods were collected to support LFB's mission of alleviating hunger and aiding vulnerable communities. This collaborative endeavor provided practical support and fostered a sense of solidarity among employees, inspiring them to continue making a difference in the lives of others.

20 Collaboration with Next Step NGO during Christmas:

LFB's collaboration with Next Step NGO during the festive season of Christmas exemplified the spirit of inclusivity and compassion. By joining forces to cook hearty meals for families in need, the organizations celebrated the fundamental worth and potential of every individual, regardless of disability. Volunteers from Next Step and PepsiCo contributed their time and energy to spread joy and warmth to those facing hardship, embodying the true spirit of the holiday season. Through this collaborative effort, LFB and its partners nourished bodies and nurtured spirits, encouraging a shared sense of belonging and community among all individuals involved.



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2 1 Christmas Event for Children:

LFB's heartwarming event during Christmas brought joy and festive cheer to 200 children in need, creating lasting memories of warmth and generosity. Alongside providing nourishing hot meals, LFB delighted the children with goody bags and thoughtful gifts, eliciting smiles and laughter from all participants. The event, organized in collaboration with volunteers from Youth National Developments NGO,

showcased the transformative power of collective action in spreading joy and nurturing a sense of community. Through their dedication and generosity, LFB and its partners brought the magic of the holiday season to those who needed it most, leaving a lasting impact on the hearts of all involved.

2 2 Campaign in Response to Southern Lebanon Bombings:

LFB's "Our Heart Beats SOUTH" campaign in response to the devastating bombings in southern Lebanon was a clear expression of solidarity and support. Amidst the chaos and displacement caused by the violence, LFB swiftly mobilized to provide essential food support to affected families, offering solidarity and reassurance during difficult times. By extending a helping hand to those who chose to remain in their villages despite the instability, LFB demonstrated unwavering compassion and empathy for communities facing tragedy. Through this campaign, LFB addressed immediate needs and stood as a symbol of resilience and compassion, embodying the spirit of unity and solidarity that defines the Lebanese spirit.



BEIT AL KUL

Following the passing of the founder, Mr. Kamal Sinno, on January 2, 2024, his legacy continues through the unwavering dedication of both the Lebanese Food Bank (LFB) and his family.

In a tribute to his memory, they are determined to realize his unfulfilled dream. Together, they are bringing to life a remarkable initiative: Beit Al Kul (بيت الكل) a kitchen for all that will provide nourishing daily hot meals to the disadvantaged.



The kitchen will spread across Lebanon through different branches symbolizing the enduring commitment of the Lebanese Food Bank and his family to fight hunger and uplift communities, carrying forward Mr. Sinno's compassionate vision with profound impact.



TOGETHER... WE WILL CONTINUE TO EMBARK ON A JOURNEY TO PRESERVE **HUMAN DIGNITY.**



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