

## Project Two

# Increasing Access to Primary & Reproductive Healthcare for Women in Remote Communities in Area C of the West Bank



**This project focuses on the lack of access to primary and reproductive healthcare, for women living in remote communities in Area C of the West Bank. It is designed to raise health awareness and deliver services to women of different age groups.**

### The Issue

In rural area C of the West Bank, ~114,000 Palestinians - mostly women and children - have been identified as being 'at risk' by the World Health Organization due to limited access to healthcare\*. The absence of proper infrastructure connecting rural and urban centers compounded by traditional societal structures and gender roles have created barriers to healthcare access which have been further complicated by the worsening political and economic situation.

### Solution & Outcomes

**A multidisciplinary team of young women healthcare professionals from the Hebron region, trained in the use of remote care technologies and supported remotely by specialist practitioners, are deployed to strengthen the healthcare workforce at the community level .**

By improving local accessibility to reproductive healthcare through accurate and timely diagnosis and delivery of primary healthcare services, this project will significantly reduce antenatal complications, among other ailments, and enable women and girls to make informed decisions about their health. Moreover, it has the potential to positively shift the way healthcare is delivered in remote areas of the West Bank and promote agency for women.

The **target beneficiaries** of this project are the women and girls living in remote villages and five rural communities in the Hebron Governorate in the West Bank, with 1,000 direct beneficiaries receiving primary and reproductive health services and 5,000 indirect beneficiaries impacted by this improved access.

**Project Budget: \$140,000**

\*World Health Organization Regional Office for the Eastern Mediterranean, Right to Health 2018

