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# About Us

LWF Iraq has been responding to the priorities of internally displaced persons (IDPs), returnees, and host communities since the conflict started in 2014. With the active conflict over and IDPs gradually moving back to their areas of origin, LWF Iraq is strengthening holistic programming integrating a rights-based approach. The program is expanding its areas of operation, especially in Gol through local partners, in order to support returnees and host communities to rebuild their lives, while continuing to support IDPs, in Iraqi Kurdistan.



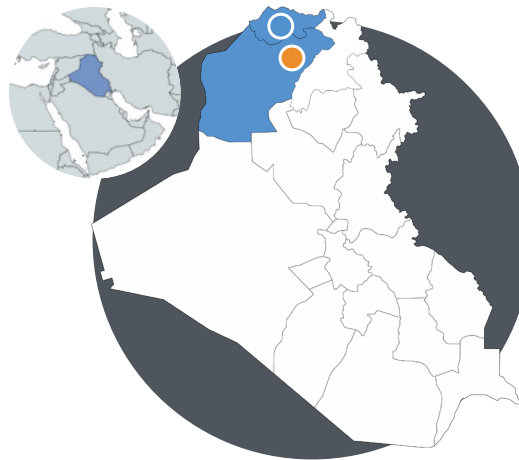
WASH



Protection & Social Cohesion



Livelihoods



- Country office
  - Dohuk City
- Operations
  - Dohuk governate
  - Nineveh governate
- Field office
  - Mosul

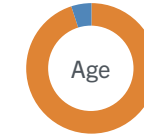
# LWF Iraq 2024

# Who We Work With

In 2023, LWF Iraq supported more than **68,835** people.



- 19,962 IDPs (29%)
- 138 refugees (0.2%)
- 40,613 returnees (59%)
- 8,122 host community (11.8%)



- 65,394 adults (95%)
- 3,441 children (5%)



- 35,794 women and girls (52%)
- 33,041 men and boys (48%)

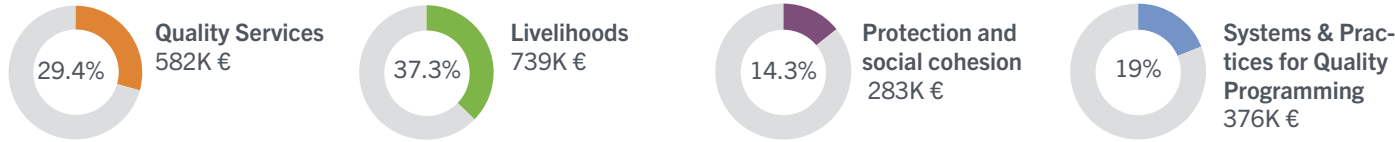


Issa Ahmed Ali, 28, Mukhtar of Kani-Spi Neighborhood in Sumel District, shared the challenges his community faced before the construction of a formal water network. Informal water connections were purchased and installed directly by residents and often broke during new house constructions, making it costly and unreliable.

LWF's intervention, building a formal network, significantly improved the situation. "I thank LWF for allowing me to oversee the project as part of the supervisory committee," Issa said. The project alleviated water scarcity and brought positive change, providing the community with a reliable and regulated water supply.

# Our Impact

LWF Iraq focuses on three programmatic areas: protection and social cohesion, livelihoods, and WASH. We work in each programmatic area at the individual, community, and institutional levels, and across the humanitarian, development, and peace nexus. For 2023, Iraq invested 2 million Euros in programming. Expenditure and its impact are as follows:



**QUALITY SERVICES - 62,221 PARTICIPANTS**

- 91% of participants who reported that rehabilitation of WASH infrastructure increased their access to water
- 87% of participants who reported that they improved their hygiene behaviors and practices

**LIVELIHOODS - 9,999 PARTICIPANTS**

- 79% of participants who reported a positive change in their income

**PROTECTION & SOCIAL COHESION - 5,615 PARTICIPANTS**

- 85% of participants in PSS who reported a positive change in their psychosocial wellbeing
- 84 women led advocacy initiatives on protection issues

**CROSS-CUTTING FOCUS AREAS**

- Gender justice
- Disability inclusion
- Climate change adaptation



My name is Younis, a 21-year-old University of Duhok student who participated in LWF's Communication Skills Training. Despite being born with low vision, my determination has driven me to impact my community. The training, which brought together diverse individuals, fostered coexistence and effective communication.

Over three days, I engaged in workshops and discussions that enhanced my skills in active listening, expression, and empathetic communication. This experience highlighted the power of words, body language, and advocacy in creating positive change. It reinforced the importance of empowering individuals to share their stories and bridge gaps for a more inclusive environment.

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