

HEALTH



From our very beginnings, Action Syria has funded medical care — and the need remains urgent as ever.

Starting with prosthetics, and growing to deliver primary health services — we've supported communities in some of Syria's most underserved regions.

Medical support remains at the core of our mission. As Syrians are beginning the long road to recovery, improving access to healthcare will be essential.

The Health Pot exists as a lifeline for Syrian communities who fall between the cracks of larger scale recovery efforts. Our latest project is delivering vital medical equipment and training to a hospital in Aleppo.

Not only does this work support communities responding to urgent health needs, it strengthens a healthcare system on the brink of collapse.



The challenge

Syria's healthcare system is in crisis. Over 15 million people need medical care, yet only 57% of hospitals and 37% of primary healthcare centres are fully functional. In many areas, people rely almost entirely on NGOs for medical care.

With shortages of medical staff, facilities and equipment, health centres operate under immense strain and have limited capacity to treat patients. This leaves many Syrian communities unable to access the life-saving medical care they need.

At the same time, Syria is experiencing severe drought conditions which have increased public health risks and exacerbated an already critical situation.

How we work

We partner with local organisations who understand the needs of their communities best — and we stay flexible so we can support what matters most. Here's how:

- **Long-term commitment:** supporting Syrian communities for as long as we are needed, and funding programmes for the long term.
- **Agility:** quickly adapting to the changing context, working with local partners to provide support where it's needed most.
- **Rigorous due diligence:** vetting and carefully selecting local partners to ensure funds are used safely.
- **Accountability:** receiving regular reporting from our local partners, so that we can share honest updates on your impact.

"The care and support I receive here make me feel confident in my abilities and hopeful for my future."

Bashar, age 18

Recent programmes

Equipping Aleppo University Hospital

Together with SAMS, we're providing vital medical equipment and training to the intensive care and neurological units at the primary referral hospital in the most populous region of the country.

Not only will this improve the quality of care at the hospital, but also strengthen the hospital's long-term capacity to treat at least 500 patients a year suffering from respiratory distress and severe neurological conditions.

This project costs £30,000. We have already granted £15,000 of funding, enabling the project to begin in August 2026. We are seeking funding to meet the remaining cost to provide this vital support

Prosthetics clinic

With 86,000 Syrians facing amputations, we worked in partnership with PAC to provide life-changing prosthetics services until May 2025, helping children and adults regain mobility and independence.

Alongside this, we provided the physiotherapy and mental health support they needed to cope with their past experiences and adjust to life with their new prosthetic.

Primary health clinics

From 2017 to 2024, we worked with SAMS to provide crucial and life-saving basic health services to communities in poor and remote areas, where no alternatives were available.

Together, we provided vital clinics and medical equipment to around 25,000 patients a year. We cared for new mothers and their babies, treated chronic health issues like diabetes and, towards the end of the partnership, worked to combat malnutrition.



Qamar's story

Qamar was just nine when she received her first prosthetic leg through our partner PAC. Born with a limb difference, she struggled to walk — but her new customised prosthetic limb changed everything.

Two years later, as she grew, her prosthetic was causing her pain and discomfort. The team took new measurements and provided a new, comfortable, well-fitting prosthetic.

Today, Qamar is walking confidently again, without crutches.

Looking ahead

For years, we've worked with trusted local partners to deliver vital medical care to communities in Syria. We hope to reach more families and communities, and to continue enabling access to free, quality healthcare where it's needed most.

Based on community needs and insights from local experts on the ground, we will also focus on supporting mental health services for women and young people, sexual and reproductive health, disability and rehabilitation support, and assistance for vulnerable groups.

The Health Pot helps us to sustain this work — and grow it.
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