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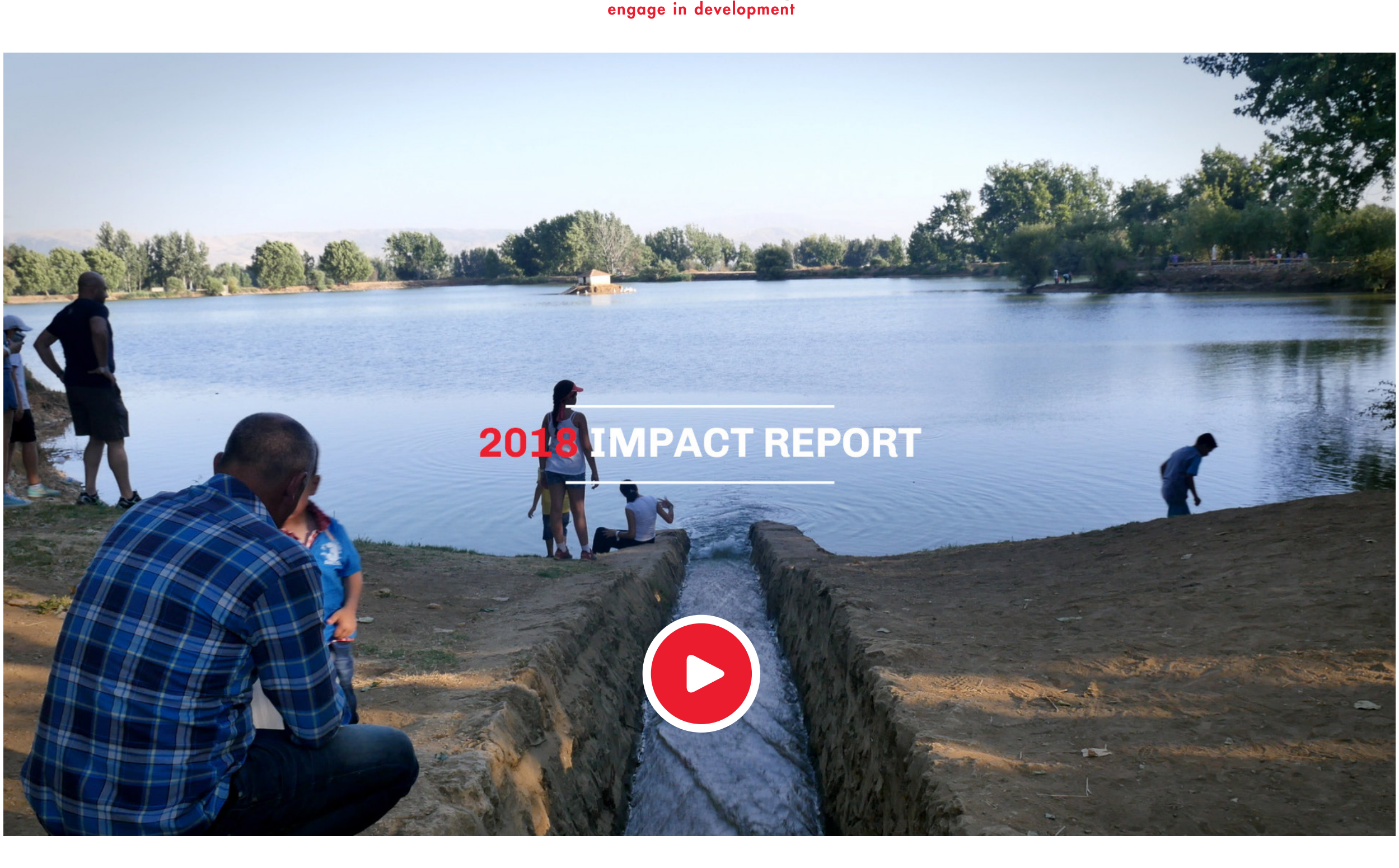


2018 IMPACT REPORT

arcenciel's commitment lies in the sustainable development of Lebanon and its communities, acting for and with people in need. By working closely with local communities and strategic partners, arcenciel paves the way to sustainable development, financial autonomy, social integration and environmental protection through all of its projects and services.

50,000 PEOPLE SERVED

arcenciel works with and for people in need by providing personalised care, and continuous support throughout all stages of their lives.

4.1K MOBILITY EQUIPMENT PRODUCED BY OUR WORKSHOPS

16.7K MEDICAL CARE SERVICES PROVIDED BY OUR HEALTH PROGRAMME

192 CHILDREN WERE ENROLLED IN OUR SPECIAL CARE SCHOOLS

12.9K SOCIAL SERVICES PROVIDED TO FAMILIES IN NEED

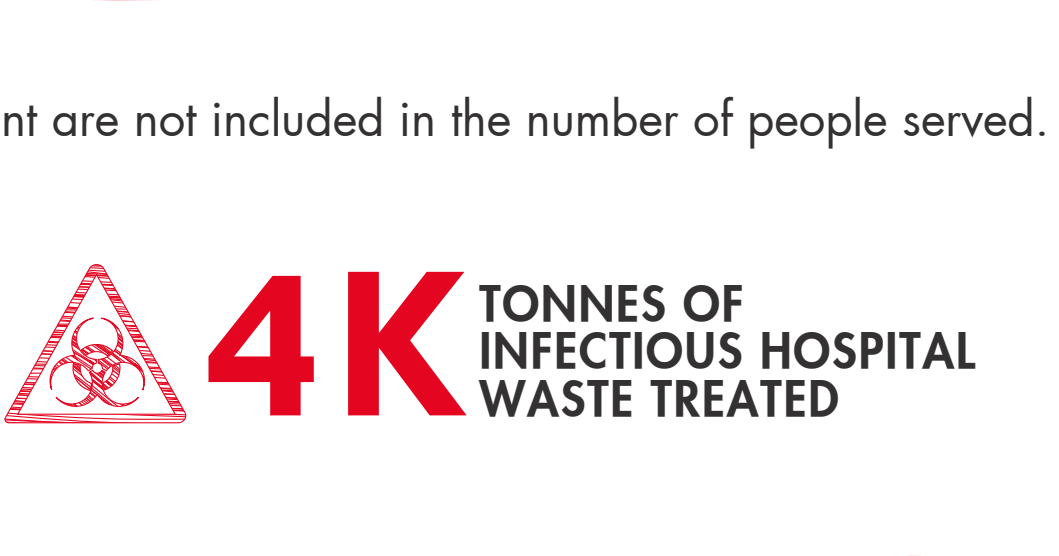
INDIRECT SERVICES

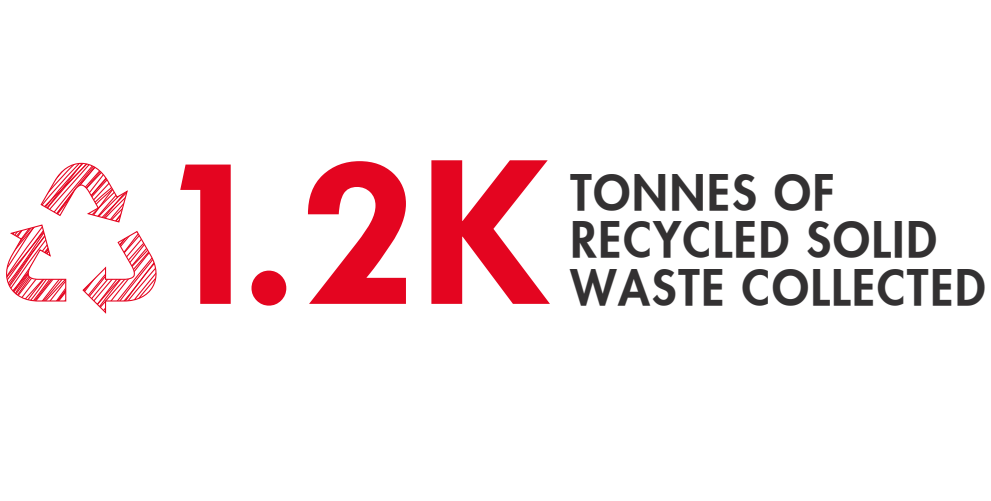
arcenciel services benefitting broader communities and the environment are not included in the number of people served.

1.6K TONNES OF FARMERS' PRODUCE WERE TRANSFORMED, REFRIGERATED OR COMMERCIALISED

4K TONNES OF INFECTIOUS HOSPITAL WASTE TREATED

1.2K TONNES OF RECYCLED SOLID WASTE COLLECTED



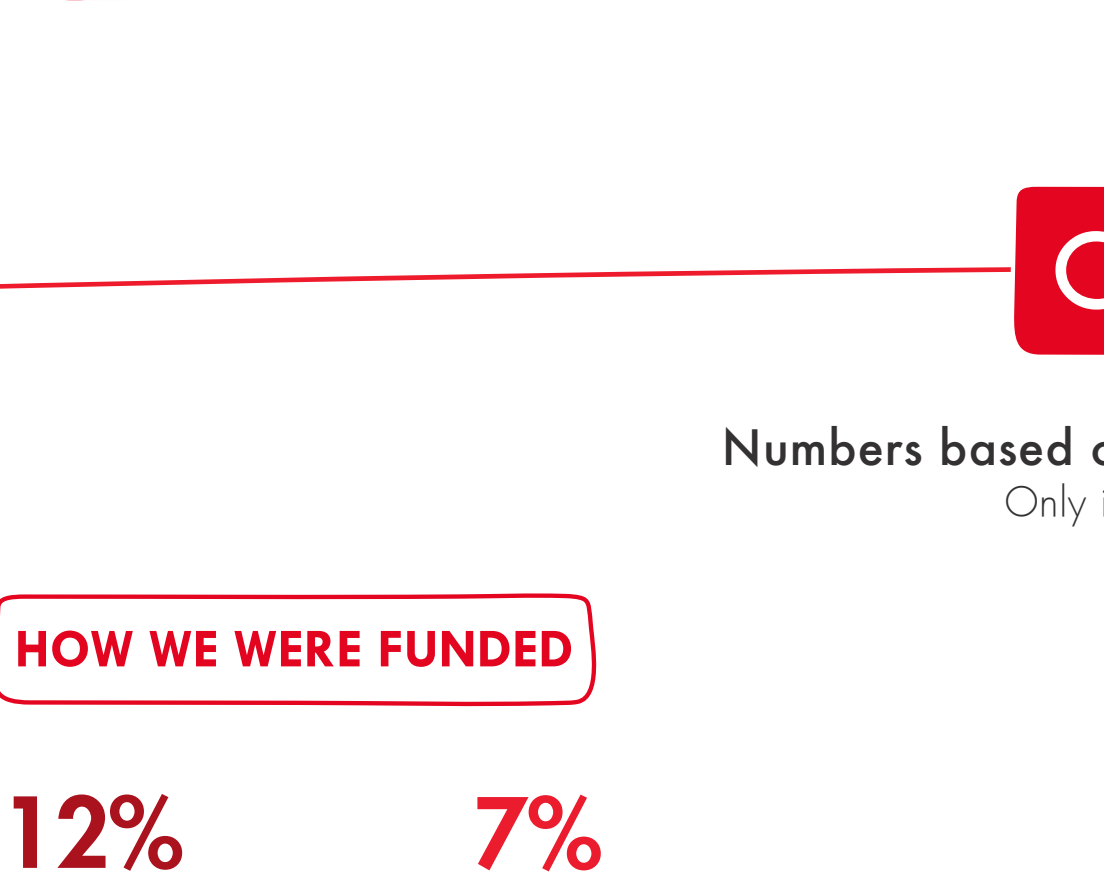

16K hours of cycling
846 participated in the rope course activity

183K PEOPLE ENJOYED THE DOMAINE DE TAANAYEL'S SERVICES

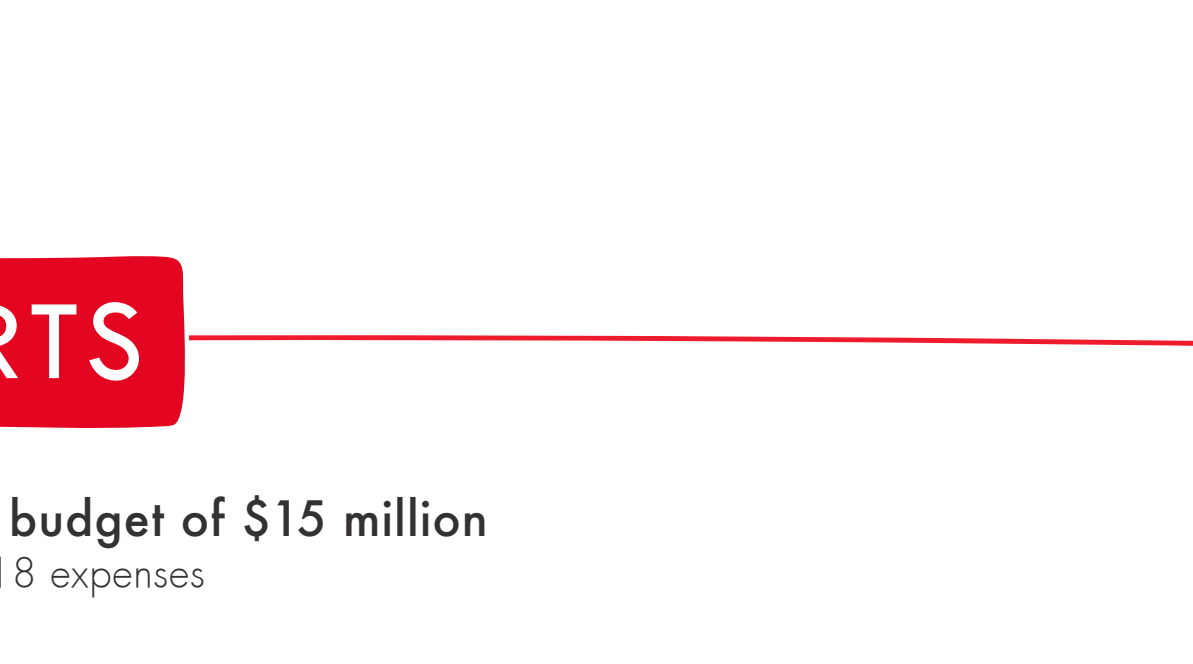
CHARTS

Numbers based on a total budget of $15 million
Only includes 2018 expenses

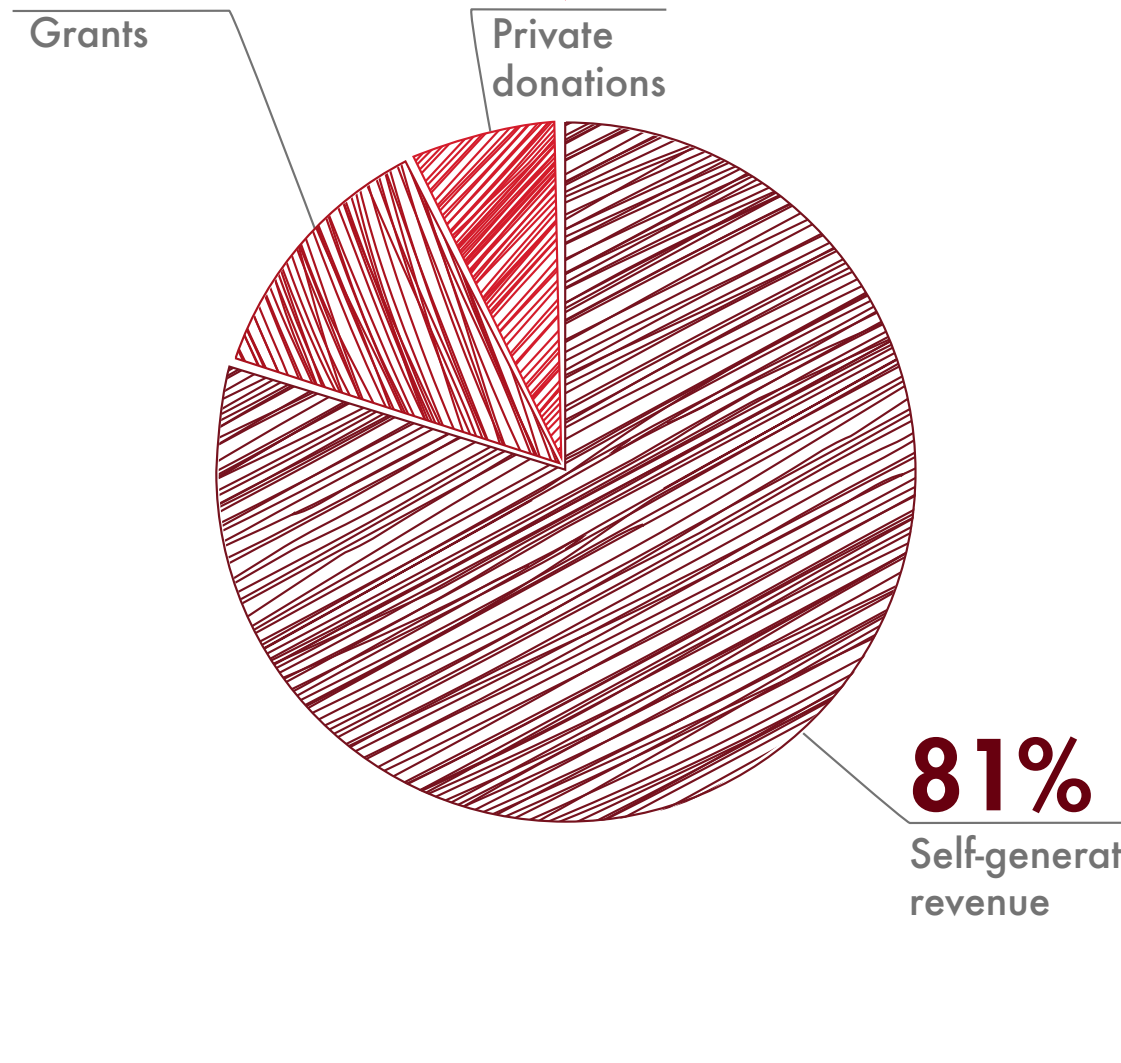
HOW WE WERE FUNDED



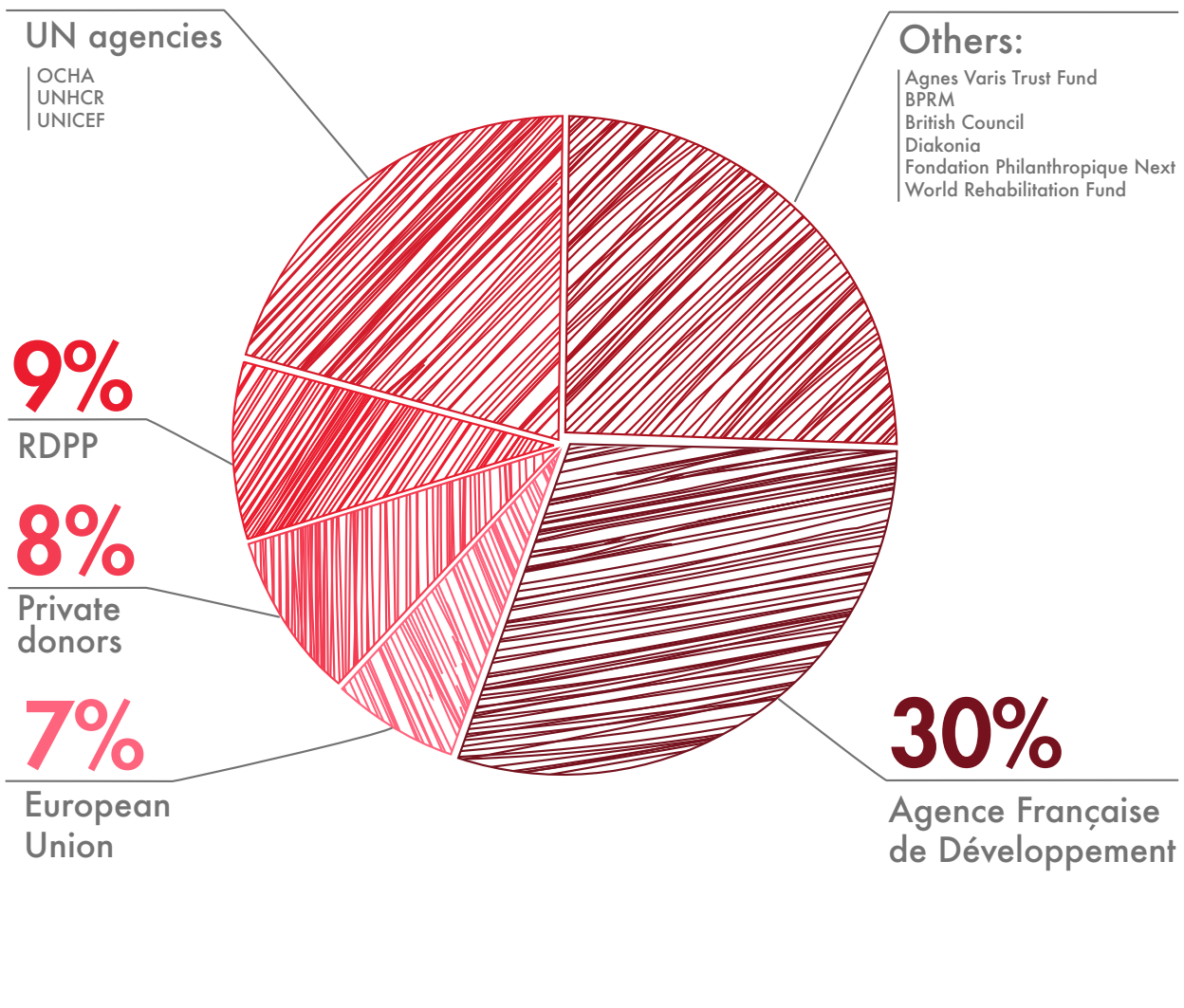
WHAT WERE THE SOURCES OF OUR GRANTS



WHICH FIELDS WE OPERATED IN



WHERE WE OPERATED



PROJECTS

Donor | Partner | Project title | Total budget

MOBILITY AND HEALTH

Fondation Philanthropique Next | Providing social and medical services to Syrian refugees and host communities | 300.000$
[2016-2018] Improved living conditions of vulnerable host and refugee communities in the regions of Akkar, the Bekaa and Beirut/Mount Lebanon through the provision of medical and social services as well as employment opportunities.

UNHCR | Caritas Lebanon | On-the-job training and provision of services and technical devices for refugees with disabilities in Beirut and Mount Lebanon, phase II | 20.000$
[2017-2018] Enhanced the situation and living conditions of some of the most vulnerable refugees with disabilities through on-the-job training, and the provision of technical aid devices.

UNHCR | Caritas Lebanon | Enhancing the situation and living conditions of refugees with disabilities | 19.985$
[2018] Provided on-the-job training, services and technical devices for refugees with disabilities in Beirut and Mount Lebanon.

USAID | AlHussein Society | Enhancement of physiotherapy programs through networking in conflict affected countries (Jordan, Iraq, West Bank, Gaza, and Lebanon) | 18.210$
[2017-2018] Conducted a wheelchair advocacy campaign to increase the awareness of the community to quality wheelchair distribution.

Xunta de Galicia | AIDA | Improving living conditions of vulnerable refugees and host communities with special needs | 81.916$
[2017-2018] Distributed basic emergency aid to vulnerable Syrian refugees and host communities with special needs, in the regions of Akkar, Bekaa, and Mount Lebanon.

RESPONSIBLE TOURISM AND CULTURAL HERITAGE

British Council | Search for common grounds | Tourathing | 41.619 GBP
[2017-2019] Bridges geographic and sectarian divisions through the promotion of a shared Lebanese cultural heritage among youth in both rural and urban areas; builds skills in recording and sharing historical information, as well as reaching across dividing lines to protect cultural heritage and contribute to healing fractures in the Lebanese society.

British Council | Dome houses from Syria: protection of an endangered cultural heritage | 84.616 GBP
[2018-2019] Protects and revives the Syrian architectural heritage of domed mud-brick houses, by providing training to refugee and host communities, constructing a pilot dome house at arcenciel's Taanayel center, drafting a manual on this endangered 5,000-year-old building technique of war-torn Syria.

USAID | DAI Global, LLC | Increasing competitiveness of arcenciel rural tourism facilities | 127.615$
[2016-2018] Fostered rural tourism in the Bekaa region through innovative ecotourism activities to encourage healthy and sustainable behaviors and respect for the environment among the Lebanese society.

USAID | Hospitality services | Cultural promotion of the Bekaa and promotion of the ecolodge | 7.000$
[2017-2018] Promoted ecotourism in the Bekaa, including promotion of the Ecolodge.

USAID | Hospitality services | Enhancing the marketing strategy for Agnes Varis center's products | 5.500$
[2017-2018] Developed and improved branding and marketing of rural tourism destinations, products, and services in the Bekaa region.

SOCIAL ACTION

AFD | Social protection for 9 vulnerable municipalities | 1.009.360€
[2016-2018] Strengthened 9 municipalities and developed a social protection system for 10,000 Lebanese and refugees living in the regions of Akkar, the Bekaa and Beirut; responded to the communities' special needs with medical and paramedical care, technical aid, psychosocial activities and professional trainings.

AFD | Social protection for 8 vulnerable municipalities | 1.547.500€
[2018-2020] Strengthens the capacity of 8 Lebanese municipalities with high concentrations of refugees; puts in place a social protection system based on available local resources as well as the identification, monitoring and referral of beneficiaries to social, health and youth services promoting the development and dignity of all.

Agnes Varis | Creation of the Agnes Varis Center for women training center | 80.000$
[2017-2018] Strengthened the socio-economic role of women in the Bekaa rural region with high touristic potential by creating the Agnes Varis Center for Women training centre and providing them with vocational trainings and job opportunities.

BPRM | Near East Foundation | Reducing vulnerability of Syrian refugees and Lebanese in Lebanon phase II | 78.072$
[2017-2018] Reduced vulnerability among Syrian refugees and Lebanese by expanding access to economic and social resources in a manner that is sensitive to livelihood competition and conflict triggers; targets communities that are part of the most vulnerable cadasters in Lebanon: Qabb Elias, Saadnayel and Taanayel (Bekaa governorate).

Canton de Genève | Ushagram | Agricultural and artisan training for Syrian refugee women | 59.000$
[2018-2019] Promotes economic resilience and autonomy of Syrian refugee families in Al Qaa through agricultural and artisan training for Syrian refugee women.

Comunidad de Madrid | AIDA | Provision of health supplies and services to those with special needs | 50.723$
[2018] Satisfied the health needs of the refugee and hosting communities, focusing on people with special needs in the regions of Akkar, Bekaa and Beirut.

OCHA | Helpage | Promotion of access to services for persons with specific needs in Akkar district, Lebanon | 65.177$
[2018-2019] Promotes protection and access to services for displaced Syrian and Lebanese older men and women, as well as adults with physical disabilities living in Akkar district, North Lebanon.

RDPP | International Alert | Justice and livelihood opportunities for all people: enhancing access to protection and employment for the most vulnerable communities in Lebanon | 202.819$
[2017-2018] Supported the resilience of vulnerable Syrian refugees and Lebanese in Central Bekaa, North Bekaa and Akkar to mitigate the negative impact of displacement from Syria, through improving their access to protection and livelihoods.

CORE-FUNDING

Diakonia | arcenciel core-funding | 325.444$
[2016-2020] Supports arcenciel's 2016-2020 development through core fund for the period between January 1st, 2016 and December 31st, 2020.

Association Philippe Jabre | arcenciel core-funding
[2001-to date] Supports arcenciel's activities as well as contributes to education and health by covering scholar and hospitalisation fees. APJ has been supporting arcenciel with recurrent annual funding since 2001.

SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE AND ENVIRONMENT

Agnes Varis | aec USA | Production of biogas and organic fertilizer | 50.475$
[2018-2019] Simulates anaerobic fermentation on a small-scale pilot to produce biogas, a digestate that could be tested as an organic fertilizer and collects data on the biogas production process.

Agnes Varis Trust | aec USA | Urban gardening at arcenciel | 20.531$
[2018-2019] Creates and cultivates an urban gardening rooftop project at arcenciel's Jisr el Bacha center.

Coopération Italienne | INTERSOS | Raising awareness of national resource management | 140.415€
[2018-2020] Contributes to the improvement of the quality of life, hygiene conditions, and the management of the environment in the Union of Tyre through implementation of a municipal integrated waste management system with a new sorting and recycling unit in Ain Baal and by raising community awareness of the area's 15,000 inhabitants.

European Union | ACF | Improving food security and nutritional capacities of vulnerable populations and enhancing small scale agricultural producers assets in Baalbeck-Hermel, Lebanon | 478.520€
[2016-2018] Increased the availability, accessibility and consumption of nutritious foods and boosted the economic status of households and farmers in Hermel, Fekha, Ras Baalbek and El-Qaa.

European Union | ACF | Protection of coastal zones and maritime resources | 1.497.855$
[2018-2020] Contributes to the protection of coastal zones and maritime resources from environmental degradation by confronting and managing land-based sources of pollution.

European Union | Oxfam Italy | Raising the voice of Lebanese CSOs towards inclusive and sustainable development in agriculture and environment in North Lebanon | 68.352€
[2016-2018] Promoted sustainable development in Northern Lebanon by uniting different civil society groups and encouraging the creation of civic platforms, aims to empower these groups to enhance local networks and identify common ground.

Private foundation | Optimisation and development of waste sorting technology | 215.300$
[2018-2019] Optimises the waste sorting station at the arcenciel Taanayel Center and develops an app which improves collection and sorting of waste at the center.

Private foundation | Infectious healthcare waste management in Saida | 1.200.000$
[2018-2019] Provides for a new hospital waste machine in Saida in order to maintain and expand arcenciel's Infectious Health Care Waste (IHCW) management in the region.

UNDP | Renewable energy systems for social services institutions | 300.000$
[2017-2018] Employed hybrid technology, including solar panels, for energy generation at the Domaine of Taanayel to increase the center's self-sufficiency in energy consumption.

UNHCR | INTERSOS | Improved solid waste management in Bekaa informal settlements | 38.072$
[2017-2018] Improved solid waste management on a household level in informal settlements in the Bekaa, by separating and collecting waste such as recyclables and organics for compost.

UNICEF | Strengthening the supply chain of UNICEF's vaccination campaign through waste management | 135.076$
[2018] Expanded arcenciel's hospital waste processing to respond to UNICEF's Accelerated Immunization Activities in collaboration with MoPH in order to ensure that the campaign's entire value chain is properly handled from the vaccination point to the produced waste treatment.

YOUTH SUPPORT

Caritas Liban | Youth activities | 80.000$
[2016-2018] Provided physical education practices, including circus sessions, upcycling sessions, and art therapy, adapted to the needs of 100 beneficiaries in 4 schools.

Caritas Liban | Youth activities | 43.863$
[2018] Provided opportunities for recreation, rehabilitation and physical education through circus arts, physical education sessions, upcycling and art therapy to both local and migrant youths in urban and rural schools and shelters.

CMA-CGM | LEM | AMEL | La culture au coeur de l'humanitaire | 15.000$
[2017-2018] Provided training and education for a circus show with Syrian refugees in Khiam, Lebanon.

IPSOS | Equipment and heating system installation for arcenciel's specialized classes | 14.000€
[2017-2018] Equipped arcenciel's indoor and outdoor facilities with more educational and skills' development equipment for its specialized classes, and install effective heating systems in the identified facilities, to provide the children with a real safe space.

OCHA | FPS | Education programs and accessibility for children with disabilities | 187.070$
[2017-2018] Supported the national movement to enable children with special needs to have equal access to education, while ensuring that they are surrounded by capable public school staff and a safe, inclusive environment; targets 25 public schools in the Bekaa region to improve their capacity to include children with disabilities in their educational programs.

Private foundation | Education and psychosocial activities for youth of Halba, Akkar and Beirut/Mount Lebanon | 183.290$
[2018-2019] Provides soft skills/psychosocial activities for marginalized youth in the areas of Akkar and Beirut/Mt-Lebanon, aiming to improve social cohesion between host and refugee communities; also improving the infrastructure at the arcenciel center in Halba to host refugee and local youth communities.

UK Embassy in Beirut | Al Fanar | Strengthen the development of cirquenciel school by replicating the model across Lebanon - souk.lb | 38.000$
[2017-2018] Provided capacity building of cirquenciel team in order to replicate the current school model in other areas/region in Lebanon. The project aimed to reach out to and empower vulnerable youth as well as strengthen the economic model in order to be sustainable on the long term.

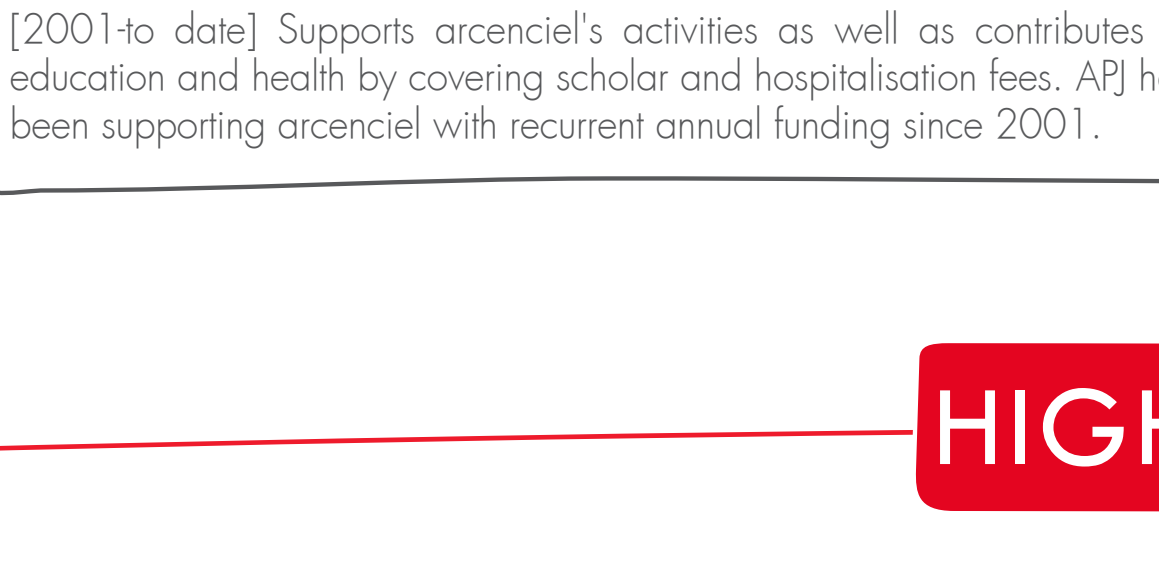
UNICEF | Specialized services for refugee children with disabilities in Bekaa and Akkar | 298.366$
[2017-2018] Provided education, protection and health services for children with moderate and severe disabilities in the Akkar and Bekaa regions of Lebanon; enrolls 100 Syrian refugee children with disabilities in its specialized classes in Taanayel, and provided therapy to the children in Taanayel and Halba.

UNICEF | Education, child protection and health and social inclusion services | 285.567$
[2018-2019] Provides education, protection and health services for children with moderate and severe disabilities in the Akkar and Bekaa regions of Lebanon; enrolls 110 Syrian refugee children with disabilities in its specialized classes in Taanayel, and provides therapy to the children in Taanayel and Halba.

*The above-mentioned amounts express the entire budget allocated to our projects.

HIGHLIGHTS

SHAPING NEW VOLUNTEERS: SUMMER AWARENESS PROGRAM



Beirut - Bekaa: arcenciel's summer awareness programme unites young volunteers from all over the world who share a common goal: engaging in social, humanitarian and environmental action. Our culturally packed educational programme is designed to open participants' eyes to the inner workings of a social enterprise, while giving them the opportunity to offer their support to local communities. The programme is tailored to guide, support and train the young volunteers as they discover what it takes to actively aid and create an impact. video

15 STUDENTS ENROLLED | 21 ACTIVITIES IMPLEMENTED

URBAN GARDENING REDEFINED

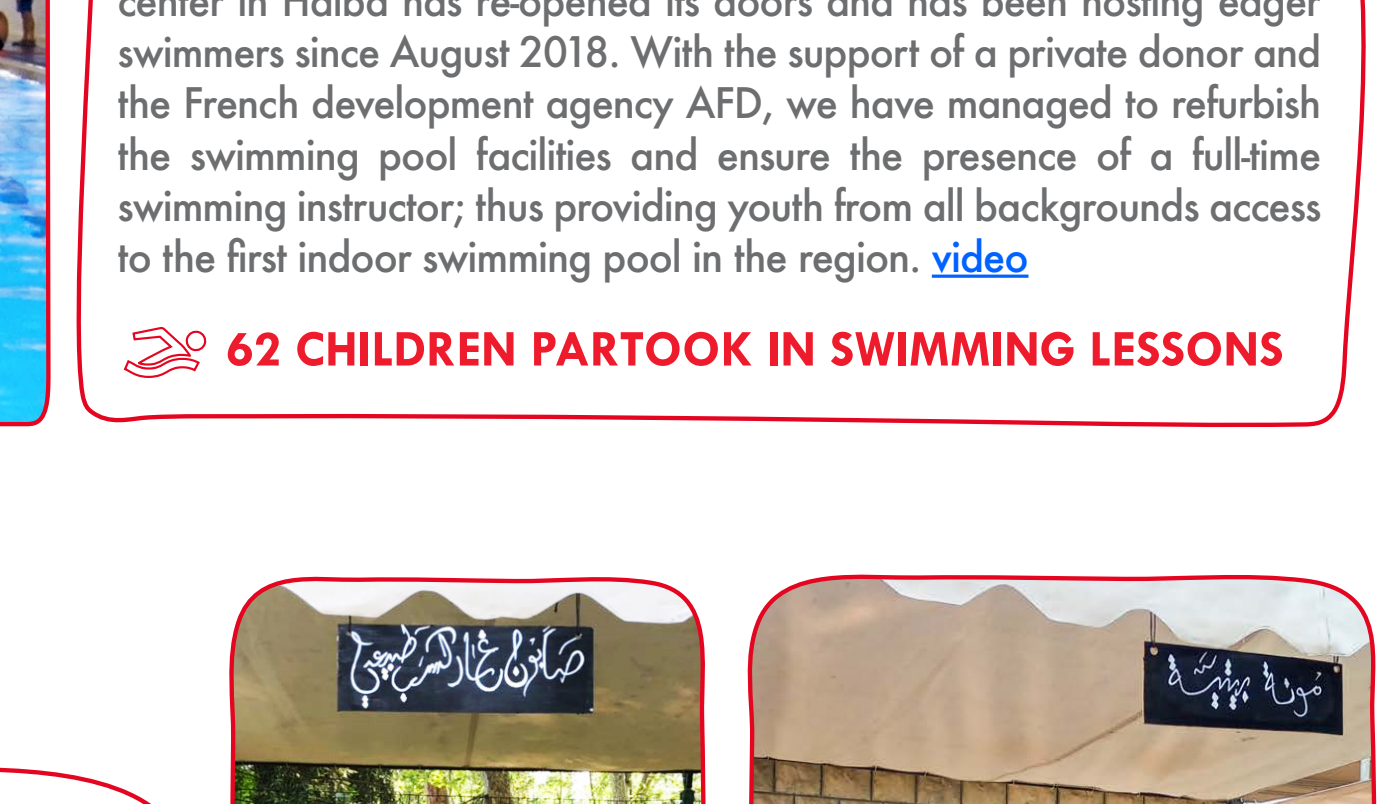
Jisr el Bacha centre: Space is perhaps the city's scarcest resource, making it expensive, inaccessible and made of concrete. Lebanon's cities are rapidly losing their green landscapes and blue skies. In order to address this phenomenon, and in partnership with MAD architecture, dozens of vertical structures capable of exponentially yielding more produce than traditional agriculture.

CAPACITY 5 TONS OF FRUIT & VEGETABLES

RECONSTRUCTING THE REGION'S HERITAGE

Taanayel centre: Featuring domes iconic of Aleppo, a traditional mud brick house adorns the entrance of the Khan el Maksoud. The contruction was initiated during the summer of 2018 and is part of a project funded by the British Council's Cultural Heritage Fund. Aiming to promote and preserve the architectural heritage of the region, the project allowed for the recollection, recording and documentation of the traditional technique, which will be encompassed into a construction manual available online to all. video

100 PEOPLE TRAINED | 3K BRICKS USED



SWIMMING POOL AT HALBA CENTER

Halba centre: After a nine-year interruption, and due to the Syrian crisis and humanitarian interventions, the swimming pool at arcenciel's center in Halba has re-opened its doors and has been hosting eager swimmers since August 2018. With the support of a private donor and the French development agency AFD, we have managed to refurbish the swimming pool facilities and ensure the presence of a full-time swimming instructor; thus providing youth from all backgrounds access to the first indoor swimming pool in the region. video

62 CHILDREN PARTOOK IN SWIMMING LESSONS

KNOW YOUR FARMER: BEIT EL MOUZAREH

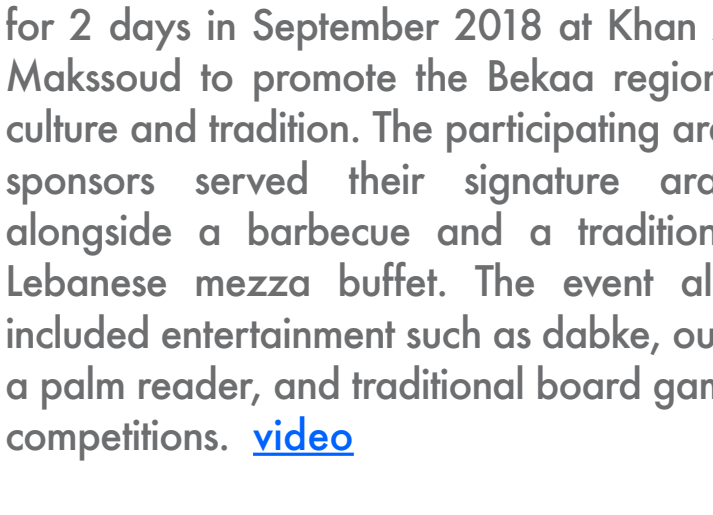
Domaine de Taanayel: With intensive agriculture on the rise, our environment, biodiversity and public health are threatened. Beit El Mouzareh (BEM) offers responsible farmers a platform to sell, valorise and market their products. In 2018, new farmers and producers joined the BEM family and participated in seasonal farmers' markets. In addition to the platform it offers, BEM provides farmer access to state-of-the-art equipment to transform their fresh produce into local artisanal products. video

25 NEW FARMERS SELLING THEIR PRODUCTS | 400 KG APPLE CHIPS PRODUCED

REVIVING OUR HERITAGE: CULTURE PROGRAMME

The culture programme took part in numerous local and international conferences, round tables, seminars and architectural workshops such as the Workshop of stone, earth and wood in Taanayel, the First international workshop on earthen agriculture, the World Heritage city of Yazd: Conservation problems and challenges. The programme shared its expertise in planning events like « Alimentation méditerranéenne : analyses historiques et questionnement muséologique » at the MUCEM. The programme also showcased its work in photography exhibitions: Galerie Platform ('Vierges en fêtes, vierges en larmes') and at University Saint Joseph (Comment consolider le provisoire – Les camps syriens du Liban), Biennale d'architecture, Venise.

EVENTS



Festival de l'Arak

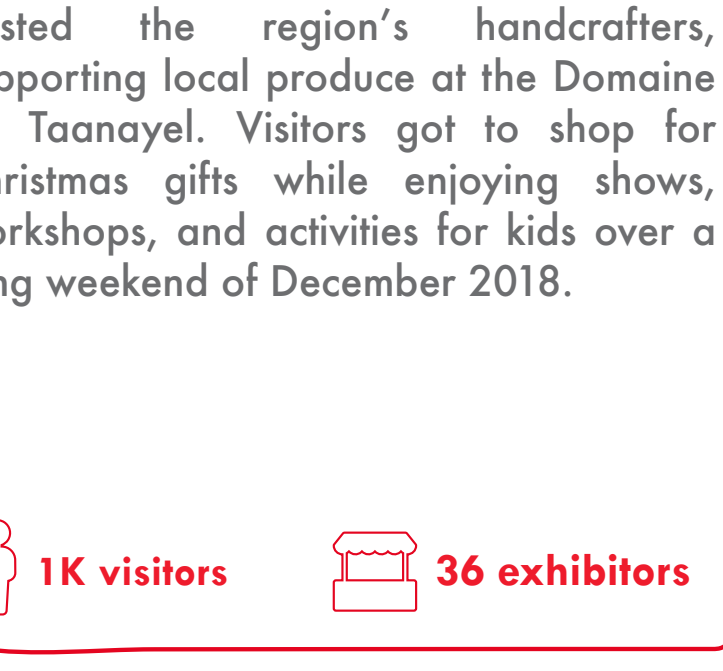
The 3rd edition of the Arak Festival was held for 2 days in September 2018 at Khan Al Makssoud to promote the Bekaa region's culture and tradition. The participating arak sponsors served their signature arak, alongside a barbecue and a traditional Lebanese mezza buffet. The event also included entertainment such as dabke, oud, a palm reader, and traditional board game competitions. video

1K visitors | 16 exhibitors

La Brocante des Artistes

The 4th edition of La Brocante des Artistes took place for 3 days in October 2018 at Villa Asseily. It included a silent auction during which artists presented the vintage furniture they had upcycled from the Brocante in Damour. This year, the artists were also given an area where they could display their own art for sale. This was all complemented by a backdrop of live graffiti and bands to entertain the public. video

5K visitors | 40 artists

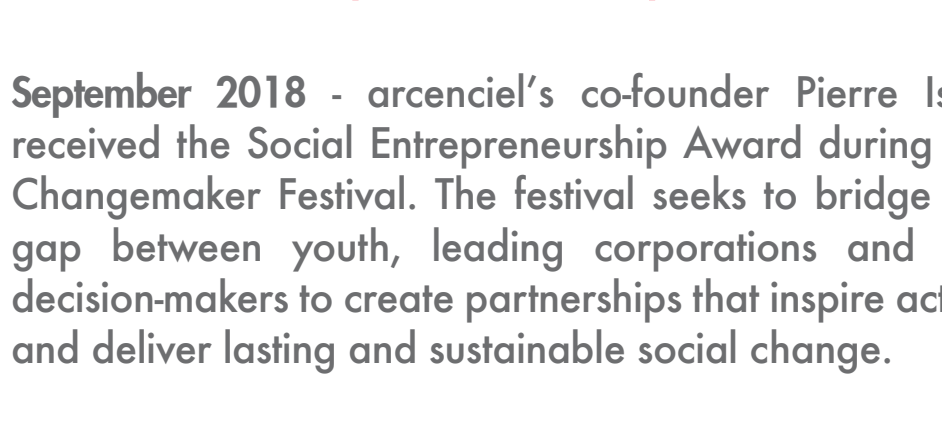


Tout Juste Avant Noël

During 3 days in December 2018,
The 4th edition of Tout Juste Avant Noël hosted the region's handcrafters, supporting local produce at the Domaine de Taanayel. Visitors got to shop for Christmas gifts while enjoying shows, workshops, and activities for kids over a long weekend of December 2018.

1K visitors | 36 exhibitors

AWARDS



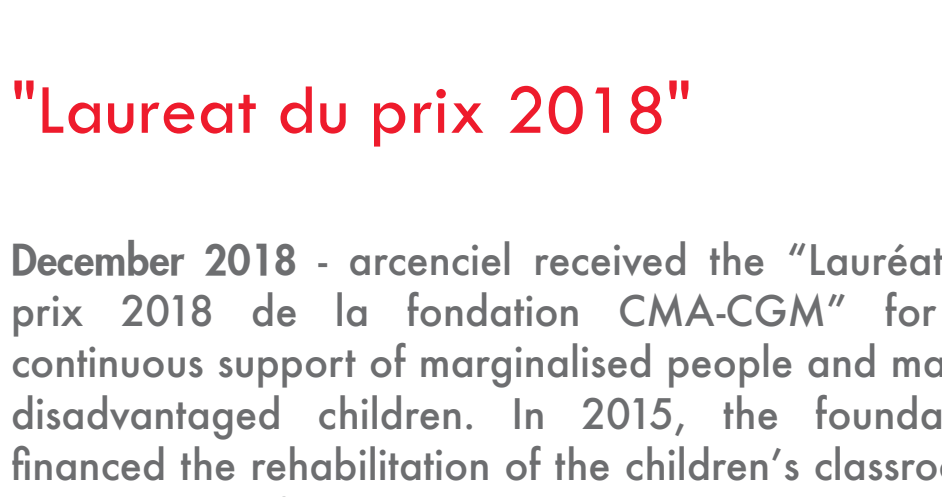
Social Entrepreneurship Award

September 2018 - arcenciel's co-founder Pierre Issa, received the Social Entrepreneurship Award during the Changemaker Festival. The festival seeks to bridge the gap between youth, leading corporations and top decision-makers to create partnerships that inspire action and deliver lasting and sustainable social change.

Ford Motor Company
Conservation and Environmental Grants

Ford Motor Company Conservation & Environmental Grant

December 2018 - arcenciel received Ford Motor Company's Conservation & Environmental Grant for the third time, for its bacterial inoculum capable of greatly enhancing and hastening the compost production process. The innovation will play an important role in reducing overall CO2 emission and organic waste, while providing farmers with affordable and high-quality compost. The award also supports the optimisation of the inoculum and all its beneficial properties.



"Laureat du prix 2018"

December 2018 - arcenciel received the "Lauréat du prix 2018 de la fondation CMA-CGM" for its continuous support of marginalised people and mainly disadvantaged children. In 2015, the foundation financed the rehabilitation of the children's classrooms at the centre of Taanayel.

"Prix des droits de l'Homme"

December 2018 - arcenciel was awarded the "Prix des droits de l'homme" (Human rights award) by The Institute of Political Science (ISP) at Saint-Joseph University of Beirut (USJ), on the occasion of the 70th anniversary of the Declaration of human rights.

NGOs WE EMPOWERED

AUTISM AWARENESS ASSOCIATION | ayadina | ClimbAID | embrace | semeurs d'avenir

By sharing knowledge, providing training and offering tailored services.

arcenciel was granted the ISO 9001:2015 certification for the management of projects, as well as ISO 9001:2015 certification for the Treatment of Hazardous Waste.
The certifications are key components of arcenciel's mission to uphold the highest levels of organisational standards to better serve our local communities and environment.

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