



# SEED FOUNDATION Annual Brief 2023

#### MISSION

To protect, empower, and support the recovery of survivors of violence and others at risk

### VISION

A prosperous Kurdistan with equal opportunity and protection of rights for all

# VALUES

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**Integrity:** Committed to doing the right thing and being accountable

tted to **Year People-Focused:** Belief ing and **Hellow** in equality and invested in people

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**Impact:** Delivering quality, by combining international expertise and local knowhow to achieve results



Teamwork:

Collaboration, because together we can achieve more

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# OBJECTIVES

#### SERVICE DELIVERY



SEED promotes the empowerment and recovery of survivors of violence and at-risk individuals, through transformational, comprehensive care; including case management, mental health services, psychosocial support, legal services, cash assistance, anti-human trafficking services and shelter.

#### POLICY AND ADVOCACY



SEED works to achieve sustainable structural and social change by engaging diverse stakeholders through research and analysis, advocacy, awareness-raising, technical assistance, and practical tools and recommendations, that aim to strengthen policies and laws that will protect and serve survivors of violence and those at-risk.

#### TRAINING AND EDUCATION



Commitment: Striving for

We're here for the long

change.

sustainable

SEED strengthens the capacity of first responders and service providers working on GBV, Trafficking in Persons (TIP), Protection, and Mental Health and Psychosocial Support (MHPSS) through our unique blended learning approach, which fosters classroom learning, with a key component of hands-on capacity building through on-the-job coaching.

OPERATIONAL EXCELLENCE



SEED ensures operational excellence by working to consistently strengthen SEED's organizational capacity, management, and approaches, and by fostering a collaborative and supportive working environment.



# SERVICE DELIVERY

SEED delivered survivor-centered, trauma-informed support to our clients through comprehensive services.





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# **TRAINING & EDUCATION**

SEED strengthened the capacity of service providers and government actors to support and protect survivors of violence and those at-risk, through education, training, and capacity building programs.



# POLICY & ADVOCACY

SEED advocated for institutional and social change by engaging diverse stakeholders through advocacy, awareness-raising, policy development, and technical assistance to strengthen protection and services for vulnerable people.









In 2023, SEED Girls, an empowerment program for adolescent girls, expanded its reach to new locations. including schools. camps. and community settings in Erbil, Duhok, and Sulaimani governorates. Targeting IDPs, refugees, and host community members, SEED Girls programming was delivered both online and in-person with the aim of inspiring and supporting participants to cultivate supportive networks with their peers, prioritize education, enhance critical thinking skills, and foster belief in their potential to effect positive change in their lives, communities, and beyond. Participants' mothers also attended some daughters with their and deepened their relationships together, while learning valuable information.

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# GIRLS AND WOMEN COMPLETED SEED GIRLS 2023

One incident that happened to me was when someone threatened me by message. I didn't know how to report [it], but after this program now I know how to collect evidence or take screenshots and report to an NGO or other government emergency line for such incidents. - Participant

I was facing difficulties understanding people and I was always in trouble but I learned from one of the sessions how to solve problems as this was affecting my life a lot. - Participant

I'm delighted that my daughter attended these sessions and gained valuable skills, particularly learning more about online violence and how to protect herself. I've been concerned about her safety, especially with the rise of issues related to online violence. We've already dealt with this issue with my sister, so I'm determined to prevent it from happening to my daughter. - Mother of Participant





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