



Dear Donor,

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We sincerely thank you for your donation to our Earthquake Relief Fund.

As Füsün Sayek Association for the Development of Health and Education, we have been working on the field since the first day of the devastating earthquakes. You can follow our current activities on our social media accounts and website. (*instagram* [@fusunsayeketkinlikleri](#) *twitter* [@fusunsayekorg](#) *facebook* [@fusunsayek](#))

Thank you again for your support and contribution and we wish you good health and safety,
Prof. Dr. İskender Sayek
Founder & Chair
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Our Recent Activities

Disaster Scholarship / Füsün Sayek Scholarship Fund

• As Füsün Sayek Health and Education Development Association, we are providing 80 scholarships to higher education students whose families or themselves reside in the disaster area and who are affected by the earthquake. The scholarship fund was established to support students with limited financial means, preferably students studying in medical faculties. The total number of scholarship recipients now stands at **106 students**.

Water Treatment Plants

• We are building two Water Treatment Plants, one in Gözcüler Container City in Arsuz district of Hatay and one in the garden of Aşağıokçular Muhtar Ahmet Yiğitoğlu Secondary School in Defne district of Hatay, each of which will meet **the daily water needs of at least 200 families**. The project is realized with the support of Turkish Philanthropy Funds.

Arsuz School Donations

- On the occasion of the 100th anniversary of our Republic and October 29th Republic Day, books on Nutuk, Atatürk and the Republic were presented to the students of Uluçınar Primary School, Çetillik Primary School and Arpaçiftlik Primary School.
- In coordination with Uluçınar Primary School Directorate, bags, education sets and one-year stationery lists of Kindergarten students, one-year stationery lists of 1st grade students and English Story Book Sets of 2nd grade students were provided.
- We provided 4 desktop computers and 4 air conditioner units to Uluçınar Primary School, which was destroyed after the earthquake and has recently moved to a newly constructed prefabricated building.
- A photocopier machine was donated to Arpaçiftlik Primary School in line with their needs.
- School uniforms were provided to students in need at Çetillik Primary School. Our sponsorship efforts continue for the construction of a garden shading system.



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Arsuz Gözcüler and Expo Container City Sports Fields

- We sponsored two volleyball courts to be built in the Container Cities in the Gözcüler Neighborhood of Arsuz and in the Expo Area Container City.

Weaving Lives - Heritage Textiles Workshops for Women

- We are building textile workshops in the Uluçınar neighbourhood of Arsuz, where a total of 40 women will be trained for 9 months in weaving the heritage textiles of Hatay and sericulture. The project is co-funded by Support Foundation for Civil Society (Sivil Toplum için Destek Vakfi) and Turkey Mozaik Foundation.

Arsuz Culture & Community Center

- We are working on projects that will provide long-term support to our earthquake-affected community, especially women and children. We have established a community center for children, women and families in Arsuz with a program of cultural and educational activities such as workshops, classes, events, counseling, expert seminars. The center is in the Uluçınar Neighborhood and includes a Children's Container, a Women's Workshop, a Classroom, an open space where cultural activities take place and a Library. The project is realized with a grant from Turkish Philanthropy Funds.

Disability Support

- 120 adult wheelchairs, 10 children's wheelchairs, 30 pairs of canadian crutches, 30 walkers, purchased through donations made to our association, were delivered to the World Federation without Barriers (Engelsiz Dünya Federasyonu, Arsuz). We continue to work in line with the needs of people with disabilities.

Earthquake Student Support Fund

- There were over 1650 applications for the Student Earthquake Support, which was granted to higher education students in the disaster zone and who are affected by the earthquake. With the contributions of many of our donors, we increased the Earthquake Support from 250 students to 500 students and now to a total of 616 students.

Trauma Education & Emergency Pedagogy

- We organized a Teacher Empowerment Training Program for teachers working in schools in 38 neighborhoods of Arsuz, Hatay. The program took place online in 4 modules including Trauma Education, Communication with Students after the Earthquake, Self-Care on March 9-10-11, 2023.
- We collaborated to organize an Emergency Pedagogy activity week for the children in the Arsuz Gözcüler Container City between 3 - 7 July 2023, with Friends of Education Art Association - Waldorf Initiative Istanbul; the umbrella organization in Turkey carrying out Waldorf Pedagogy studies with its international education partners since 2009.

Children's Activities

- Art Workshops We continue to organize art workshops for pre-school children with volunteer teachers and child development experts in the children's play container in Arsuz Old Village.



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- We organized the Arsuz Children's Festival in cooperation with Arsuz Municipality and Şişli Municipality on April 23, 2023 National Sovereignty and Children's Day. The Festival program included a movie screening, Aylaklar concert and various craft workshops such as painting, kite making and stone painting.

Shelter & Food & Hygiene & Supplies

- We distributed 2250 food parcels, 190 tents, 360 heaters, 200 wood stoves; purchased through donations made to our association. We have coordinated, sorted and distributed different needs such as tents, sleeping bags, hygiene materials, clothes, dry food, ready-to-eat food, water, heaters, portable toilets, generators donated by individuals and institutions.
- Women's Market Project: We distributed 3000 hygiene kits to women in Arsuz rural areas and tent cities, Serinyol, Defne and Samandağ.
- Village Laundry Project: We are building 6 laundries at tent cities and rural areas of Arsuz, with the support of Arçelik and in collaboration with Arsuz Municipality.
- We distributed 500 food parcels that we purchased with the grant support of Kahramanmaraş Earthquake Small Support Fund, which was implemented by the Support Foundation for Civil Society (Sivil Toplum için Destek Vakfı) and Mozaik Foundation as part of the 3rd and final cohort of the Small Grants Program, given to 11 NGO's active in the field.

Field Kitchens

- We have provided a total of 2000 hot meals a day at the Arsuz Field Kitchen from February 2023 to June 2023, which we established in cooperation with Şişli Municipality in Arsuz Old Village Center.
- With the support of Iskenderun Chamber of Shipping and Antalya Chamber of Shipping, 1000 hot meals were sent to the Madenli region every day from the kitchen ship established in Hado Madenli Port during the week following the earthquake.
- We have provided Field Kitchens in Samandağ and Defne with dry goods and food staples.

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