

Iraqi Children to experience childhood and Education

Concept Note

Dear philanthropist,

Thank you for considering our project. We hope that by reading the brief concept note, you will build a more realistic expectation about this project.

Background and Project description:

Mosul city was controlled by a group that had radicalized ideologies, and they have spread this ideology throw-out the community.

the new generation 5-10 years old children have lived under that rule, and received an education that planted radicalized ideologies in their minds and to keep it short, this is an example:

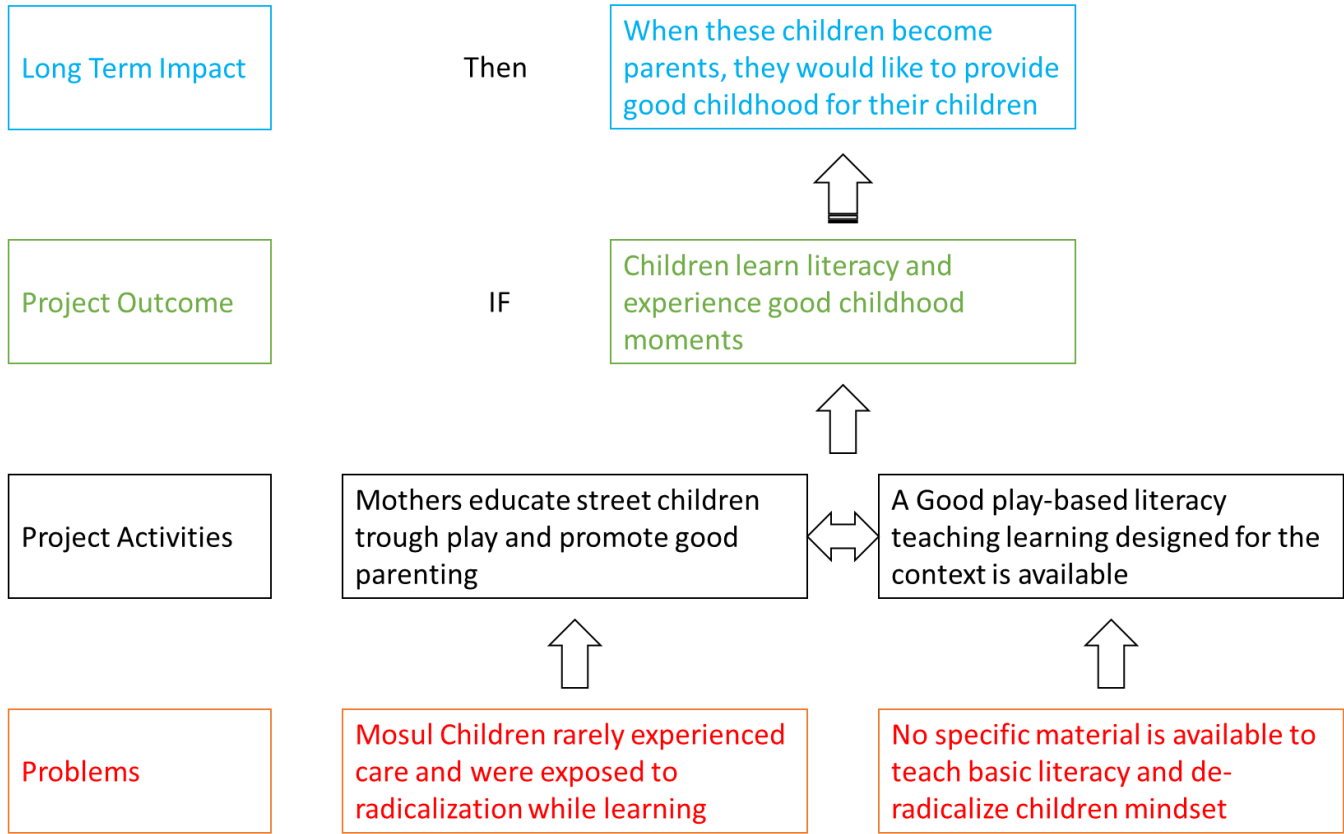
the Children in the classrooms of Mosul during ISIS rule were introduced to the Alphabet in this way:

Letter G: God, Gun

Letter K: Kill

This has a horrible impact on the children and this project will address this issue by piloting a model that can help this children to have a healthier mindset, meanwhile a wave of positive emotions will be given to the street children by providing them with some mothering care and play based learning material and training

Project Theory of Change



Not having experienced care and being exposed to radicalization can lead today's street children to become Parents that have no clue of what is care and unconditional love, and that would lead to create another generation who would be more inclined to raise another generation of children with bad childhood.

Therefore the project will create a specific play based educational tool and deliver it with local trained mothers to teach children literacy and provide them with the experience of good childhood, and we hope that would lead to provide better childhood for the generation that today's street children will raise.

Project Activities

#	Activity	Activity description
1	Children learn literacy through and experience positive childhood moments	
1.1	Specific play based educational material is created for teaching children basic literacy and positive perspective	a specialized expert for creating educational games will be contracted to provide a full package of creating the game that gives the most value and positive mental model for Mosul Children, this includes, recruiting a gamification expert, and thematic experts, in addition to visit to Mosul and work with the children to create a fist DIY prototype of the game, then testing it twice times while improving it, and the majority of the kids will play with the final version
1.1.a	Provide healthy meal to the street children	The Meal will be the healthiest option from the existing products in the market which are affordable to these children. as this children have a say in the food they buy, we have observed that they can have better choices than what they do currently and with this meal we will provide this children with the knowledge to have more affordable but richer in nutrition option
1.1.b	provide secure environment for the children while playing the game	1 unarmed security personnel with a minivan will be available to observe and secure the locations during the play of the children and all the events of the project
1.2	Mothers teach street children through play and promoting care and compassion	20 Trained local mothers will play the educational board game with 80 the street children for half day in their houses along with their families, and provide care and support during this period, manage the expectations of children and offer additional support for after the project.
1.2a	30 local Mothers are trained and motivated to teach basic literacy and demonstrate mothering for street children	Mothers mentor and project expert to learn and provide technical support to mothers, project orientation, selection of mothers, ongoing coaching, coordinating with relevant stakeholders, sharing learnings
1.2b	Transportation of Mothers to children location	During the training days there will be need to have short transportations for the mothers, in addition to transportation of mothers to training location and transportation of experts during their visits total estimate 150 short trips
1.3	Promotion of Good parenting example	5 minutes video in Arabic with English subtitles to demonstrate what activities the project delivered, the reaction of the children and the recruited mothers, and their recommendation to the community on affordable ways to resolve the issues of street children education

Project Timeline: duration 9 months

Act#	Activity	1st Month	2nd Month	3rd Month	4th Month	5th Month	6th Month	7th Month	8th Month	9th Month
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Thank you.

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