

Supporting Gaza Medical Students

Over 300 health care workers have been killed in the devastation in Gaza since the beginning of the bombardment. We know that lives lost cannot be replaced, but we also do realize the growing need for additional health care workers to return to Gaza once a permanent ceasefire is called. It has come to our attention that one university alone in Egypt (Mansoura) has 104 recent graduates and/or soon to be graduates in January 2024. All had the intent to return home to Gaza to complete their internships. With no way in and only a few functioning hospitals remaining, this dream these aspiring medical students had is no longer viable. The only option is for students to remain in Egypt to complete their internships there, and now figure out a way to pay for these unexpected expenses.

Our original Call to Action was for the upcoming graduates of January 2024 but we found out there was another group of graduates in October 2023! Imagine the need!!! The Call to Action is now for all students that qualify for the internship.

Cohort A students who are currently engaged in final exams will complete 6 years of schooling and graduate in January 2024 and are required to complete one year of an internship beginning in March of 2024. Cohort B, who are part of a new system (change in curriculum and structure), have completed 5 extensive years of studies in October 2023 and are awaiting the opportunity to begin their mandatory 2 years of internship also in March of 2024. All of the students originally had planned to return to Gaza for their internships in 2024 and this is where we need your help!

There are also 6 graduate students at Mansoura University who need support.



Aspiring physicians set to graduate in January 2024. Your support would ensure they become full fledged General Practitioners once they complete their internships in March of 2025 and 2026.

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To complete an internship year in Egypt, the costs per student are as follows:

- Internship Fees = \$1,200
- Room and board and transportation = \$230/month for 13 months = \$3,000)

Total costs = \$4,200

Here is where we are with our efforts to support these students. Please join us:

Here is where we are with our efforts to support the medical students. We can't do it without your help!

Cohort A (40 students) will be completing their studies January 11 and begin internships March 2024.

- FULLY COVERED: 25 students have been matched with sponsors, but 15 students still need support.
- STILL NEEDS TO BE COVERED: The internship fees for 40 students.

Cohort B (62 students) completed five years of studies and will need two years of an internship.

- The current ask is to cover a minimum of at least one year of internship fees and one year of living expenses (with the anticipation to raise funds again during the last quarter of 2024 for expenses in 2025).
- Each student will need \$3000 living expenses per year and will need \$1200 for the internship fees (FULLY COVERED).

Payments for living expenses are to be sent directly to receiving students in two installments:

- \$1,500 no later than January 15, 2024
- \$1,500 no later than June 15, 2024.

Your commitment would ensure that no student is forgotten.



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