

SYRIAN NGO ALLIANCE
تحالف المنظمات السورية غير الحكومية

NEWSLETTER

MARCH & APRIL - 2026

A coalition rooted in communities, leading
impact to build the Syria we envision



BACKGROUND:

Syrian NGOs were established in response to the humanitarian crisis that erupted in Syria after 2011, with the aim of addressing the growing humanitarian needs of affected populations within the country and in neighboring states. As the crisis evolved, several of these organizations recognized the need for a unified coordination framework to consolidate efforts and agree on joint advocacy messages related to humanitarian and development issues.

The Syrian NGO Alliance was launched in April 2014 in Gaziantep, Türkiye, as a coordination and representative platform for Syrian civil society NGOs. With the onset of the transitional phase after December 2024 and the changing national context, the Alliance adapted its role to align with new priorities related to recovery, strengthening the resilience of local communities, and contributing to reconstruction. The Alliance commenced its operations from the capital, Damascus, following the acquisition of the necessary legal registrations for its member NGOs to operate within Syria.

HOW ARE WE?

The Syrian NGO Alliance is an independent national network comprising Syrian civil society NGOs working in the humanitarian and development sectors, committed to international humanitarian standards and the principles of transparency, accountability, and good governance.

Building on field experience accumulated since 2011, the Alliance serves as a coordination umbrella for its members, enhancing collective action and joint advocacy to ensure that the voices of affected communities are heard at both national and international levels. The Alliance also plays an active role in supporting the coordination of humanitarian responses and recovery efforts, as well as contributing to dialogue on humanitarian and development policies in Syria.

OUR VISION

A community-rooted alliance leading impact to build the Syria we aspire to.

OUR MISSION

A national alliance that brings together Syrian civil society organizations to coordinate humanitarian and development efforts, support recovery, promote community participation, and advance evidence-based advocacy, in order to protect Syrians' rights, strengthen their capacities, and contribute to rebuilding the modern Syrian state.

OUR VALUES

Trust. Solidarity. Effectiveness. Participation. Independence.

OUR MEMBERS



KEY HIGHLIGHTS: MARCH & APRIL 2026

This newsletter includes: March & April 2026

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Member-Led Activities

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Humanitarian Sectors

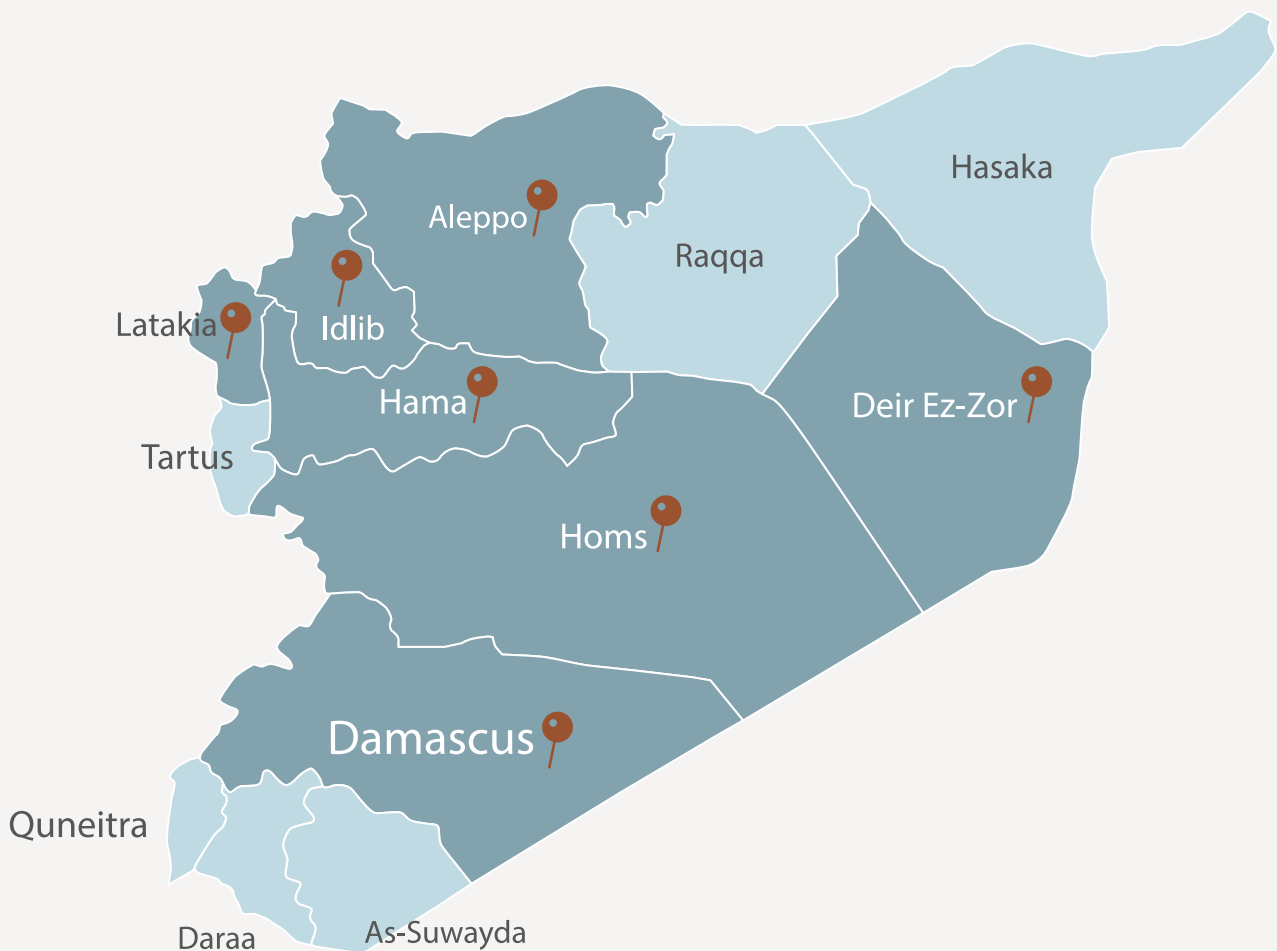
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Governorates Covered

NEWSLETTER OVERVIEW: MARCH & APRIL 2026

This month's bulletin includes 15 activities implemented by 15 organizations across 7 humanitarian sectors, with activities spanning Food Security and Livelihoods, Health, Protection, Shelter, Education, and WASH. Highlighted initiatives include targeted cash assistance, agricultural support, protection services for displaced families, and community development programs in areas including Abshiri Horan, Bab Al-Hawa camp, and Al-Safira city. The bulletin also features three advocacy and communications outputs: a statement issued by SNA on the humanitarian situation in the Syrian Jazira region, a Ramadan greeting published across SNA's communication channels, and a video documenting a workshop held in collaboration with the Local Leadership Enhancement Lab on strengthening localisation in the post-conflict context.

GEOGRAPHIC SCOPE: MARCH & APRIL 2026



MEMBERS' ACTIVITIES: MARCH 2026



Action for Humanity (AFH)

Education

Supported by the Manahel Programme and in coordination with the Ministry of Education, Action For Humanity provided 584 whiteboards...

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Al-Sham Humanitarian Foundation (AHF)

Emergency response

The Sham Humanitarian Foundation continues to implement its vocational training project in Idlib Governorate, aiming to empower and...

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ATAA Humanitarian Relief Association (ATAA)

Food Security & Livelihoods

Ramadan Food Basket Distribution Our field teams continue distributing Ramadan food baskets to families in the Khirbet al-Joz camps in rural...

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BINAA Organization for Development

Recovery & Development

We believe at BINAA for Development that true reconstruction is built on empowering people and strengthening their role in...

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Ghiras Al-Nahda

Food Security & Livelihoods

This iftar was different not just because we gathered around one table, but because we shared meaningful moments with incredible individuals at...

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Hand in Hand For Aid And Development (HiHFAD)

Health

CEO and Founder Faddy Sahloul, alongside Chief Operations Manager Dr. Ahmad Al-Akra, conducted a strategic field visit to key healthcare facilities...

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MEMBERS' ACTIVITIES: MARCH 2026






Humanitarian Relief Association (IYD)

Protection

In Aleppo... where childhood needs mending The IYD Humanitarian Relief team implemented psychosocial support (PSS) activities as...

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Ihsan Relief and Development - IhsanRD

Food Security & Livelihoods

Data is the foundation of sustainable development With the support of #IRC, a climate monitoring station in Al-Bab city is helping ...

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MedGlobal Organization

Health

What does rebuilding healthcare in Syria look like? It looks like student in a classroom, learning about new technology and new...

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Orange Organization

Recovery & Development

Over the past ten years... Orange has not been merely an organization implementing projects, but a partner walking alongside communities in...

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Rahma Worldwide

Education

In rural Damascus, after 14 years of war that deprived children of their most basic rights, a pivotal phase in the restoration of Basima School begins today...

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Shafak Organization

Health

In the presence of Mr. Musab Al-Ali, Minister of Health; Mr. Mohammad Abdulrahman, Governor of Idlib; Mr. Samer Al-Arrabi, Director of...

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MEMBERS' ACTIVITIES: MARCH 2026



Sustainable Development & Innovation Organization (SDI)

WASH

The Sustainable Development & Innovation Organization (SDI) continues implementing Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH) activities as part of the...

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Syrian American Medical Society - SAMS

Health

Joy turned into a race against time | SAMS #ForMama26
When baby Joud was born with a rare, life-threatening occipital encephalocele, the team...

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Syria Relief and Development (SRD)

Health

The B'zaah Health Center, operated by Syria Relief and Development (SRD), provides free healthcare services to residents of B'zaah city in...

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Takaful Al Sham - TAS

Recovery & Development - WASH

With the support of Save the Children, Takaful Al Sham installed a solar energy system at the Fourth Station in the city of Daraya, marking...

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Action for Humanity (AFH)

WASH

Following the recent wildfires in Lattakia governorate, which caused significant damage to infrastructure and essential services, Action...

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Al-Sham Humanitarian Foundation (AHF)

Recovery & Development

The Sham Humanitarian Foundation held a small and medium-sized grants exhibition in the towns of Ihsim and Al-Bara, aiming to support...

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BINAA Organization for Development

Health

The medical teams at BINAA for Development provide healthcare services to mothers and pregnant women. These services include regular prenatal...

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Ghiras Al-Nahda

Recovery & Development - Education

The journey toward exams isn't just about studying — it's also about believing in yourself. As part of the #Pen_And_Hope campaign, we shared...

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Hand in Hand For Aid And Development (HiHFAD)

Health

IRC Delegation Visits HiHFAD Projects in Homs. Hand in Hand for Aid and Development welcomed a delegation from the...

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Humanitarian Relief Association (IYD)

Food Security & Livelihoods

Following the completion of the project, the IYD team handed over the rehabilitated pumping station in the Rasem al-About area to the Aleppo Water...

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MEMBERS' ACTIVITIES: APRIL 2026







Ihsan Relief and Development - IhsanRD

WASH

More than 7,000 beneficiaries one goal: clean water for every home.
Completion of works at Al-Tamanah station, funded...

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International Humanitarian Relief - IHR

Recovery & Development

IHR organized the "Voices for Syria's Future" conference in Damascus, uniting officials, academics, and civil society leaders after months of...

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MedGlobal Organization

Health

"This is what Syria is recovering from."
MedGlobal Executive Director Joseph Belliveau shows you the destruction Syria is just...

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Orange Organization

Recovery & Development

As part of the humanitarian and development efforts aimed at supporting affected communities and enhancing early recovery in northwest Syria, a project for...

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Shafak Organization

Protection

Shafak Organization implemented a specialized training program in the city of Aleppo titled "Art for Well-Being", which was conducted over...

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Sustainable Development & Innovation Organization (SDI)

Shelter / NFI

Within the final stages of the house restoration project in Saraqib and Maardebseh, the working teams at SDI continue their intensive efforts...

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Syrian American Medical Society - SAMS

Health

As part of its ongoing commitment to strengthening healthcare services in Syria, SAMS, in collaboration with the Directorates of Health...

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Takaful Al Sham - TAS

Recovery & Development

As a part of Tamkeen 3 project implemented by Takaful Al Sham, supported by Aid Fund for Syria (AFS), the "Windows" initiative was born as a new space...

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ADVOCACY UPDATES: MARCH 2026

➤ SNA ADVOCACY ACTIVITIES

On March 2026 ,18, the Syrian NGO Alliance (SNA) held an extensive virtual technical meeting with its partners from the Danish Refugee Council (DRC) and the DEMAC initiative, with the participation of the consultancy team from Salem Group.

The meeting focused on laying the foundation for the joint project "Bridging Voices," which aims to foster trust and build communication channels among key actors in the Syrian context, including local organizations, diaspora organizations, and organizations returning to operate within the country. During the session, the Alliance emphasized the importance of creating a safe space for independent humanitarian dialogue, stressing the need to align project plans with the actual needs of the current Syrian context.

Furthermore, the partners agreed to initiate the Desk Review phase and stakeholder mapping as pivot.

On March 2026 ,26, the Syrian NGO Alliance (SNA), alongside its partners from DRC and DEMAC, participated in a strategic meeting organized by the H2H Network, with the involvement of several international organizations under the current funding cycle. During the meeting, the Alliance delivered a detailed presentation highlighting the progress made in implementing the "Bridging Voices" project activities, focusing on the methodology for enhancing coordination between local, international, and Syrian diaspora organizations.

The discussion centered on fostering "synergy and coherence" among various humanitarian interventions to ensure maximum effectiveness in responding to the Syrian crisis. The meeting also highlighted the Alliance's role in developing advocacy and communication tools aimed at showcasing the added value of Syrian civil society to international donors. Throughout the presentation, the Alliance emphasized the importance of creating a "shared narrative" that documents the real impact of independent humanitarian work on the lives of Syrians. Furthermore, SNA reaffirmed its commitment to the established timelines for final reporting and lessons learned, contributing to securing sustainable support and evolving response mechanisms for the future.

➤ SNA ADVOCACY PRODUCT 

1. Launch of the SNA Monthly Newsletter for February. [For More](#)
2. Issuance of an official letter to the Ministry of Social Affairs and Labor regarding "Empowering Syrian Organizations as Direct Partners."
3. Drafting a strategic position paper on "The Centrality of Local Actors across the Humanitarian–Development–Peacebuilding Nexus."
4. Issuing and publishing a congratulatory statement on the anniversary of the Syrian Revolution (March 18), reaffirming the ongoing humanitarian and social role of national organizations. [For More](#)
5. Preparing and publishing Eid al-Fitr greetings and circulating them across the SNA's social media platforms. [For More](#)

ADVOCACY UPDATES: APRIL 2026

➤ SNA ADVOCACY ACTIVITIES

On April 9 and 11, the Syrian NGO Alliance (SNA) participated in a specialized workshop following an invitation from the Ministry of Social Affairs and Labor in Damascus, dedicated to discussing and developing the "NGO Law in the Syrian Arab Republic." During the working groups, SNA's contribution focused on providing technical insights into the mechanisms for recognizing the legal personality of organizations, and defining their fields of work and geographic scope. SNA also actively participated in discussions regarding NGO funding (local and international) and financial disclosure rules, in addition to reviewing the "public benefit" criteria and associated tax privileges. The participation concluded with presenting proposals on legal and financial oversight mechanisms, ensuring the enhancement of transparency and supporting the role of civil society as an active partner in development and humanitarian response.

On April 22, the first consultative session of the "Bridging Voices" (B-Voices) project was launched in Damascus, attended by 24 local community organizations/associations, with technical facilitation by the consulting team "Salem Group." The session focused on establishing the general context of the coordination system in Syria and the transition from the "Whole of Syria" model to a unified model, along with an in-depth analysis of governance structures, decision-making rules, and accountability. Activities included practical exercises to map the Inter-Agency Standing Committee (IASC) coordination system and understand the roles of NGOs within the Humanitarian Country Team (HCT). Participants also discussed barriers to inclusive participation, localization commitments, and power dynamics. The session concluded with a practical simulation of collective influence and advocacy methods, resulting in preliminary outcomes that reflect the vision of local organizations.

On April 23, the first "Peer-to-Peer" experience exchange session of the "Bridging Voices" project was launched in Damascus, fully facilitated by the SNA team, with broad participation from member organizations and local community representatives. In its first pillar, the session focused on "Collective Problem-Solving Circles," where participants reviewed field challenges in the coordination process and exchanged practical approaches based on their real-world experiences, leading to a shared understanding and actionable recommendations to enhance coordination. In the second pillar, "Trust and Cooperation Lab," areas for joint action were identified, and mechanisms to strengthen links between organizations were discussed, focusing on the trust levels required to ensure effective cooperation. The session concluded with consolidating the learned insights and developing initial ideas for future follow-up steps. The SNA coordinator facilitated this workshop.

On April 26, the second consultative session of the "Bridging Voices" project was launched in Aleppo, attended by 25 local community organizations/associations. The session applied an interactive methodology that began with assessing participants' baseline knowledge regarding coordination platforms, followed by a presentation and collective analysis of key lessons in governance and transparency. The session paid special attention to identifying inclusion gaps and exploring mechanisms to enhance NGO influence in technical groups and alliance building. Focused discussions contributed to consolidating learning through the application of realistic coordination scenarios, concluding with the identification of lessons learned and upcoming training needs, serving the project's goals of creating a shared narrative and highlighting the added value of independent Syrian humanitarian work.

On April 27, the second edition of the "Peer-to-Peer" experience exchange session of the "Bridging Voices" project was held in Aleppo, facilitated by Mr. Hani Babali, Programs Manager at Takaful Al-Sham Organization. The session included an interactive technical agenda that started with exploring coordination challenges from the perspective of field practitioners within "Collective Problem-Solving Circles," leading to deriving solutions based on local expertise. Additionally, the "Trust and Cooperation Lab" during the session sought to transform current challenges into opportunities for inter-organizational action, and to explore mechanisms for strengthening local networks across Aleppo organizations. The session concluded with a set of practical cooperation outputs aimed at directing the momentum generated by the "Bridging Voices" project toward tangible results that serve civil society in the region. The workshop was facilitated by an SNA member.

On April 30-29, the Syrian NGO Alliance (SNA) participated in the conference "Towards a Syrian Model for Localization and Locally-Led Systems," organized by the Syrian Localization Lab in cooperation with SNA and the Syrian Women-Led Organizations Platform. The first day of the conference focused on drafting a general framework and clear criteria for localization within the context of "post-conflict Syria," where SNA contributed to discussions that led to adopting a unified definition of localization, and reviewing the experiences of donors, international organizations, and national organizations regarding the sustainability of impact and funding. On the second day, the agenda shifted from concepts to implementation, presenting the "Passporting" model and its design logic based on previous consultations. SNA also participated in sessions dedicated to supporting local initiatives and emerging teams, and discussed mechanisms for applying localization principles to sensitive issues such as displacement, return, and reintegration. The conference concluded by laying the foundation blocks for the "Localization Strategy" in Syria, ensuring the enhancement of the leading role of local civil society in steering humanitarian and developmental response.

➤ SNA ADVOCACY PRODUCT 

1. Proposal Submission: Postponement of social security registration compliance for humanitarian organizations in Syria, addressed by SNA to the Ministry of Social Affairs and Labor.

2. Media Coverage: A documentary post of the "Bridging Voices" project activities and sessions in Damascus and Aleppo, published via SNA social media platforms. [For More](#) 

3. Joint Letter: To the Emergency Relief Coordinator on Syria's humanitarian situation and current priorities

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Food Security and Funding Requirements Report - WFP Syria Country Brief

WFP - Reliefweb

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Launch of the 2026 Humanitarian Needs and Response Plan (HNRP)

Unicef - Unicef

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Syrian Arab Republic: 2026 Humanitarian Needs and Response Plan

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UNHCR Syria: Flash Update #2 - Middle East Situation

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A stronger start for children with CERF support as families return home in Syria



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