

Project Snapshot:

AL-ROWWAD THEATER

Location: Aida Camp, Palestine

Website: alrowwad.virtualactivism.net

Partner: Ashoka, Innovators for the Public

Partner Website: ashoka.org

Summary of project:

Many children in the refugee camps of Palestine are exposed to violence and turn to it as a means of self-expression. The Al-Rowwad Theatre is a program created by Ashoka Fellow Abdelfattah Abusrour to offer children an alternative means of self-expression through activities like sports, arts, and theatre. Through these activities they are able to teach the children acceptance of others and non-violent communication. Also, the Al-Rowwad Theatre works with parents and community members to teach them about non-violent resistance.

Project Budget: \$30,000

100% of funds will help support theater workshops and Al-Rowwad's mobile theater where the student theater group can travel and perform their plays.

" Do your little bit of good where you are; its those little bits of good put together that overwhelm the world. " Desmond Tutu



Palestine Info:

Population: 2,461,267
(compared to USA's 310M)

46% of the population live below the poverty line
(CIA World Factbook 2007)

70% of the Aida Camp population is unemployed.
(Al-Rowwad website)

66% of the people in Aida Camp are under 18 years old.
(Al-Rowwad website)

