

Call for Expression of Interest

Emergency WASH Response to the Affected Population in the West Bank

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1 **Timeline**

Posted	Apr 8, 2026
Clarification Request Deadline	Apr 20, 2026
Application Deadline	May 7, 2026
Notification of Results	May 25, 2026
Start Date	Jul 15, 2026
End Date	Jul 15, 2027

2 **Locations**

- A Palestine
 - a Hebron
 - b Ramallah
 - c Jericho and Al Aghwar
 - d Jerusalem
 - e Hebron
 - f Hebron
 - g Jenin
 - h Nablus
 - i Jenin
 - j Qalqilya
 - k Jenin
 - l Salfit
 - m Salfit
 - n Nablus
 - o Nablus
 - p Ramallah
 - q Hebron

3 **Sector(s) and area(s) of specialization**

- A WASH and Environment
 - a Basic sanitation
 - b Hygiene
 - c WASH in emergencies
 - d Water

4 **Issuing Agency**

UNICEF

5 **Project Background**

The West Bank is facing an unprecedented escalation in violence, contributing to a deepening and protracted humanitarian crisis. Since October 2023, increased military incursions, intensified movement restrictions, widespread closures, and a sharp rise in demolitions and settler violence have severely impacted Palestinian communities, particularly in Area C and vulnerable parts of Area B and East Jerusalem. 2023 marked the most extensive military operations in the West Bank since the Second Intifada, with 505 Palestinians killed — the highest annual toll recorded by United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs since it began casualty documentation in 2005. Fatalities have continued to rise, including a significant number of children. Settler-related violence and military operations have intensified in scale and frequency, further exacerbating insecurity and humanitarian needs. This situation culminated to over 40,000 people getting displaced from Jenin, Tulkarem and Nur sham refugee camps in early 2025. Demolitions have reached unprecedented levels. Since October 2023, thousands of Palestinian-owned structures have been destroyed across the West Bank, including hundreds of WASH-related facilities. In Area C alone, communities face severe access restrictions and repeated destruction of essential civilian infrastructure. At least 38 communities have been forcibly displaced, while many others remain at immediate risk of forcible transfer due to escalating coercive measures and violence. Large-scale military incursions into refugee camps, particularly in Jenin, Tulkarem, and Tubas, have caused extensive damage to water networks, sanitation systems, and other critical infrastructure. Continued closures and movement restrictions between governorates are preventing access to basic services, markets, and livelihoods, further limiting communities' ability to meet their essential water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH) needs. As a result, vulnerable communities across Area C and high-risk locations, including Hebron, Bethlehem, Jericho, Nablus, Tubas, Ramallah, Jenin, Tulkarm, Salfit, and Jerusalem, face urgent and, in many cases, life-saving WASH needs. Ensuring safe and sustained access to adequate water, sanitation, and hygiene services remains critical to protecting public health, dignity, and resilience amid the ongoing crisis. Settler violence risk is likely to spread widely to all areas (A,B,C) with the recent Israel intentions to change what has been acceptable for long as governance rules in West Bank.

6 **Expected Results**

In line with WASH Cluster response priorities and UNICEF's Core Commitments for Children in Humanitarian Action (CCCs), the following priority needs have been identified as regular WASH interventions for people affected by violence:

- Restoration and rehabilitation of critical WASH infrastructure, including water supply networks, sanitation systems, and stormwater drainage to mitigate flooding risks.
- Provision of safe and sufficient water through emergency water trucking, Water storage tanks, temporary supply systems, and support to operational facilities, with a focus on IDPs and high-risk communities.
- Installation, rehabilitation, and operation of emergency sanitation facilities, complemented by desludging services where public capacity is insufficient.
- Use of vouchers and/or distribution of hygiene kits, cleaning materials, water containers, and dignity items, prioritizing women, girls, and displaced households facing market access constraints.
- Community-based hygiene promotion and risk communication, including vector control, infection prevention and control (IPC), and Menstrual Hygiene awareness, to reduce disease transmission and strengthen community resilience.
- Improve the WASH facilities and hygiene at institutions such as Schools and Health Care Facilities (HCFs).
- Support affected communities to manage their waste at household level.

Monitoring access to vital emergency WASH services for people affected by violence Detailed Outputs and activities found in the attached concept note.

7 **Indicative Budget**

3000000.00000

8 **Other Information**

This agreement will be a contingency emergency grant and will only be activated as per the funding availability. Even after activation the full SPD budget might not be fully utilized based on the need and priority.

9 Selection Criteria

Name	Description	Weight
Clarity of activities and expected results	Clear description of the design and approach, innovation, strategy, alignment and linkages to other initiatives, and expected results and intended impact.	20
Sector expertise and experience	The require specific skills, sector specialists, knowledge and human resources.	20
Project management	Ability to deliver project objectives, accountability mechanisms and sound financial management, considering the audit results of the previous UNICEF funded/ funded/ another humanitarian projects, past performance and the external audit of partners' financial statements and adopting to banking system. Partners that have three consecutive qualified audit opinions for UNICEF funded projects may not be considered.	15
Local experience and presence	Sound proportion of administrative and personnel costs in relation to project deliverables.	15
Cost effectiveness	Sound proportion of administrative and personnel costs in relation to project deliverables.	10
Contribution of resource	Evidenced and documented contribution of resources to the project in cash or in kind (e.g. human resources, suppliers and/or equipment) by the partner that are presently available (or potentially mobilized by the partner) in order to supplement UNICEF resources. Short narrative description on contribution source	10
Experience working with UN	Global and/or local partnership included knowledge of polices, practices and programmes, including an understanding of and ability to work within UNICEF's funding limitations and associated inherent risks.	10

10 Attachments

Description	URL
The attached concept note provides background and explanation on the reques	Download the document here

11 Concept Note Template

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