

# 2024 APLA Key Milestones

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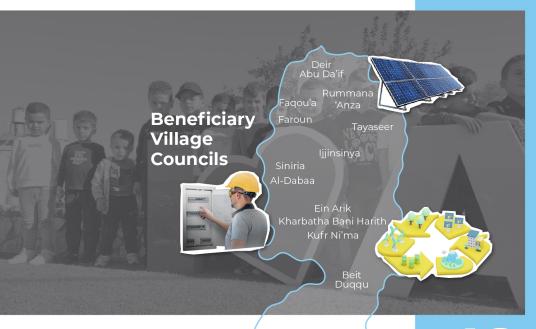




#### **Promoting Local Development:**

Completion of 13 Vital Projects in the so-called Area 'C'





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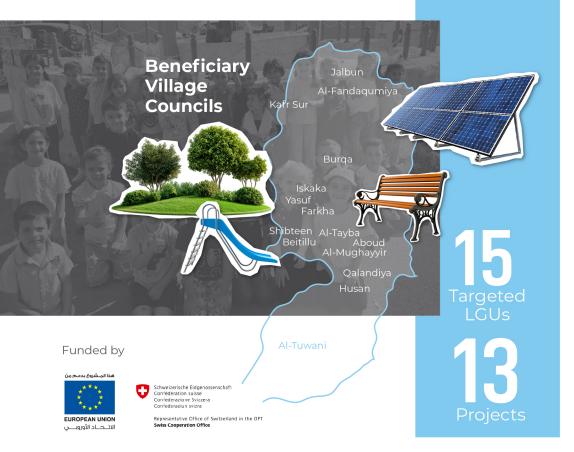
Representative Office of Switzerland in the OPT Swiss Cooperation Office

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Projects

#### Launch of Phase Two of

Subgrant Projects in the so-called Area 'C'





# A New Initiative to Strengthen LGUs:

Empowering Communities Through LED Grants

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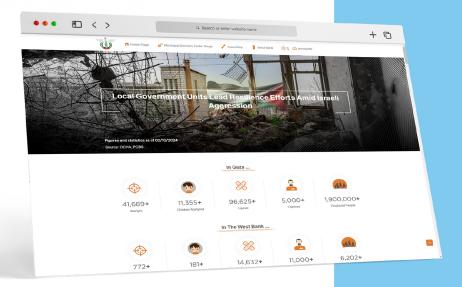
**36,000**Grant Value

per LGU

#### Launching E-Magazine:

Local Government Units in the Face of the Aggression







Statistic and figures



Municipal services under siege



Consequences of the war on Gaza municipalities



West Bank municipality efforts

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# On-the-job training programme launched to

promote financial and administrative sustainability at village councils

The programme aims to provide direct practical training within VCs, where experts specializing in finance and management provide professional guidance and practical instructions to employees.





#### **Launching the Mayors Forum**

#### Vision:

Establishing a strategic platform for consultations, exchanging experiences and ideas, and shaping innovative visions aimed at enhancing the role and efficiency of the local governance sector.

### The forum's activities began with a series of dialogue sessions:

Title:

"Assessing the Current Situation and Developing a Future Vision for the Local Governance Sector in Palestine."

Locations: Five major cities

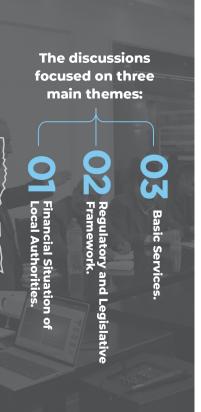
**Participants** 

142 108
LGUS

across various governorates of the West Bank, including 80 Mayors.



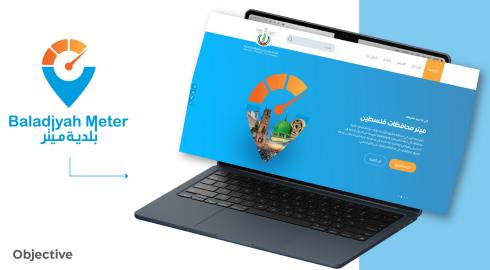




### Launching the pilot phase of the

"Municipality Meter" platform to enhance transparency and accountability





The platform aims to enhance transparency and accountability by providing accurate and accessible information about the activities of LGUs. This enables citizens to monitor local performance and actively participate in achieving sustainable development.

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Beneficiary LGUs

# Launching the SDGs Localization Task Force





#### Objective

To integrate the 2030 Agenda into local development plans and enhance the efficiency of services. The task force members will act as ambassadors for SDG localization in their communities by raising awareness, supporting project implementation, coordinating efforts to achieve sustainable development, and being trained as trainers to transfer knowledge and build the capacities of LGUs, ensuring the sustainability of developmental efforts.

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Members

# Advocacy Efforts in Legislative and Regulatory Reforms





Successful delegation of 39 LGUs to collect property tax.



Initiation of operations in LGUs courts.





Facilitations for budget approval requirements tied to debt rescheduling.



Preparation of a research paper on LGUs revenues and expenditures.

# APLA Presents a Comprehensive Vision for Advancing

Local Governance and Strengthening Decentralization



# Financial Independence Strengthening revenues and ensuring regular financial transfers.

# Financial Management Improving collection mechanisms and promoting financial transparency.

# Legislative Reforms Updating laws and regulations to support local governance.

# Government Collaboration Enhancing coordination and partnership with ministries to ensure effective integration.

For the full proposal, visit our website WWW.apla.ps

## Strategic Partnership Between the Government and APLA



#### to Guarantee Service Sustainability

In response to the advocacy efforts led by APLA, a strategic workshop was held with the government, resulting in several key commitments, including:



Regular monthly transfers of 15 million ILS to LGUs. Coordination between APLA and the Net Lending Unit to address outstanding financial issues. Allocation of professional tax revenues to support LGUs. Increased flexibility in public procurement procedures for self-funded projects.



Review and improvement of government financial transfer mechanisms.



Continuation of delegating property tax collection authority to LGUs.



Strengthening collaboration with the police force to facilitate law enforcement and remove violations.

# Launching a Radio Program Dedicated to LGUs' Affairs

#### In Partnership With

American University Radio

#### **Objective:**

Providing a media platform to highlight the role of LGUs in community development.

#### **Broadcast Schedule:**

Every Sunday at 2:00 PM on 97.1 MHz.





