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The Jordanian National Forum is a women's grassroots-based organization that plays an important role in the democratic and political empowerment of women.

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About JNFW



JNFW Higher council Meeting presided by Deputy of Her Highness Princess Basma Princess Basma, Ihsan Barakat

About

The Jordanian National Forum for Women (JNFW) was founded in 1995 as a non-governmental national grassroots organization chaired by HRH Princess Basma Bint Talal. JNFW is registered with the Ministry of Political Development and Parliamentary Affairs and has 12 branches with many women members

representing diverse educational, economic, social and cultural backgrounds. JNFW aims to promote, empower Jordanian women, and enhances their active participation in democratic, political, partisan life, as well as national and local councils at all legislative, administrative, and organizational levels.

“Dignity, justice, and equality are each a birthright of every woman.”

Her Royal Highness Princess
Basma bint Talal



Our mission

JNFW’s mission is to empower and advance the status of Jordanian women in the political domain through awareness raising, training, and creating a nurturing enabling environment that adopts a participatory democratic approach rooted in the principles of justice and equal opportunities. This ensures that women have an active role and meaningful participation and are fully integrated in political, civic, and public life.



Princess Basma Bint Talal



STRATEGY

- 1. Empowering women’s political participation and leadership through training, capacity building, and stronger representation in decision-making.
- 2. Strengthening the Forum’s institutional performance through skilled staff, training, knowledge management, and effective evaluation systems.
- 3. Building strategic partnerships and stronger networks to support the Forum’s sustainability, outreach, and member engagement.



in cooperation with the Jordanian National Committee for Women’s Affairs, the Tawazon Program, and The Hashemite University, a dialogue seminar on digital violence, under the patronage of His Excellency the President of the University, Dr. Khaled AlHayari.

Programs Implemented by JNFW



8+
 Projects & initiatives



+1K
 Direct Beneficiaries



+2K
 Indirect Beneficiaries



Multiple
 Events Attended

Program / Project	Partner / Implementer / Donor	Governorate / Beneficiaries
 Feminist Research Fellowship for Policy Impact	 German Agency for Development and Cooperation (GIZ)	 All governorates / 24 direct participants; 150 indirect participants in discussion sessions
 “Sawt” Project to Activate the Role of Women and Youth in Political Participation	 Rutgers (Netherlands) in partnership with the Jordanian Women's Solidarity Institute	 All governorates / 100 election observers; 24 trainees in advocacy; 500+ reached through community-awareness on digital violence; 12000+ reached thru advocacy campaigns
 Towards Inclusive and Comprehensive Political Participation	 Ministry of Social Development / Associations Support Fund	 All governorates / 500+ direct beneficiaries; 25 participants across 23 sessions
 “Coffee Talks and Elections” Dialogue Sessions for Youth	 USAID / TAWAZON, Mercy Corps	 5 governorates: Amman, Balqa, Zarqa, Karak, and Irbid / 120 direct beneficiaries
 Community Consultations to Promote Positive Social Behavior	 USAID / TAWAZON, Mercy Corps	 Amman, Madaba, Karak, Tafila, and Aqaba / 250 young women and men
 Sustainable Solutions Project implemented by the Tafila branch	 Al-Hayat Center (Rased) and the Norwegian Embassy	 Tafila / 15 women
 International Republican Institute Project	 International Republican Institute (IRI)	 Balqa
 Support from the Ministry of Finance / General Budget Department	 Ministry of Finance / General Budget Department	 Secretariat
 Ignite - Mentoring and English Language for Girls success Project	 René Moawad Foundation, International Rescue Committee (IRC), The French Development Agency (AFD)	 9 governorates: Irbid, Mafraq, Zarqa, Balqa, Madaba, Karak, Tafilah, Ma'an, and Aqaba / 112 (girl) beneficiaries; 24 mentors



Feminist Research Fellowship for Policy Impact



Towards Inclusive and Comprehensive Political Participation in balqaa



Coffee Talks and Elections” Dialogue Sessions for Youth in al Karak



JNFW participation in Al-Hayat Job fair organized by Al-Hayat Center / Rased and ActionAid in Sahab

Participation in programs with partners and stakeholders

JNFW took part in a wide range of coordination meetings and activities with partner institutions, including:

- Participation in the steering committee meeting for the comprehensive review of the Beijing +30 Platform for Action, organized by the Jordanian National Commission for Women in May 2024.
- Participation of H.E. Ihsan Barakat as a speaker in the closing dialogue session of the Women's Political Participation Program in May, sharing her experience as an inspiring woman leader.
- Participation of Secretary-General Ruba Matarneh in moderating two dialogue sessions on women's participation in elections, concluding training programs for female candidates in Balqa and Ajloun in May 2024.
- Participation of the Secretary-General and Aqaba coordinator Ms. Tamara Al-Fakhri in a dialogue session on the political modernization system in Aqaba.
- Participation of H.E. Ihsan Barakat as keynote speaker in the UN Women event "We, the Women – A Dialogue Across Generations," with contributions from the Secretary-General.
- Coordination meetings with Tadamon for the "Sawt" project to strengthen youth and women's political participation and align election observation efforts in July.



JNFW Participation in the steering committee meeting for the comprehensive review of the Beijing +30 Platform for Action



Participation of Secretary-General Ruba Matarneh in moderating dialogue session on women's participation in elections, concluding training programs for female candidates in Ajloun



Participation of H.E. Ihsan Barakat as a speaker in the closing dialogue session of the Women's Political Participation Program

- Participation of Dr. Kawthar Shabatat (Tafila branch) in the closing conference of the "Sustainable Solutions for Community Cohesion" project in July 2024.
- Participation in the Silver Jubilee celebration marking His Majesty King Abdullah II's assumption of constitutional powers on 10 June 2024.
- Participation in the closing event of the Forum of Federations Canada program on empowering women for leadership roles, highlighting achievements of female candidates and success stories in June 2024.
- Participation in the job fair organized by Al-Hayat Center / Rased and ActionAid in Sahab on 24 June 2024.
- Registration as a local election observer with the Independent Election Commission, formation of an alliance with Tadamon Women, training of 100 young women and men, and preparation of a joint observation report.



Participation of Dr. Kawthar Shabatat (Tafila branch) in the closing conference of the "Sustainable Solutions for Community Cohesion" project



"Towards Inclusive and Comprehensive Political Participation" project, in Rosefeh

- Implementation of 18 awareness sessions on legislative amendments related to political participation, including the Political Parties Law and Election Law, during July–August 2024 across all governorates.
- Participation in the launch of the reference framework for women's empowerment in elections and political parties on 27 July.
- Implementation of a training program for prospective female candidates on media engagement and campaign management in June 2024.
- Under the "Towards Inclusive and Comprehensive Political Participation" project, 23 awareness sessions were conducted nationwide between mid-August and early September, alongside election monitoring training for 24 participants.



JNFW participation in the selection panel Youth Conference with SIGI, 2024



Participation of JNFW board members in IEC event launching a framework for women's empowerment in elections and political parties

- A consultative meeting on challenges of women's participation in parliamentary elections was held under the national awareness program "Our Responsibility is Shared," reaching 1,381 beneficiaries across 51 districts, in addition to 80 sessions delivered by influencers. Participation in a meeting with the Arab Women Organization election observation mission on 8 September 2024.
- Participation of Zarqa and Balqa branches in initiatives to combat digital violence in September 2024.
- Participation in the launch of the Arab Women's Parliamentary Charter on 21 October 2024 and in evaluation meetings and workshops related to election observation and national awareness programs in October and November 2024.
- Organization of an open meeting in Ajloun with 40 women to strengthen engagement, attract members, and promote local initiatives on 17 November 2024.
- A dialogue session was held to present public opinion poll results on women's political participation.
- Participation in the Sawt Policy Dialogue Conference on political participation and reducing political violence in December 2024.
- Implementation of training programs under the "She Leads" and Sawt projects to strengthen advocacy and lobbying skills, followed by three regional advocacy campaigns.
- Participation in 16 Days of Activism events, including dialogue sessions on digital violence and community engagement activities.
- Launch of four podcast episodes on "Hun Al-Hikaya" and implementation of the Feminist Research Fellowship Program with 24 participants from all governorates.
- Participation in a Women, Peace and Security event hosted by Tadamon in December 2024.



Participation in the meeting of the Board of Trustees of the National Committee for Women Affairs 2024, chaired by Her Highness Princess Basma



Coordination meetings with Tadamon for the "Sawt" project to strengthen youth and women's political participation and align election observation efforts



JNFW holds an introductory and networking meeting with women members in Ajloun

The Forum also joined a number of coalitions and networks, as follows:

- JONAF – the Jordanian National Alliance led by ARDD, uniting 53 NGOs to advance shared priorities and the Women, Peace and Security agenda.
- JONAP II with the Jordanian National Commission for Women to activate the national action plan for UNSCR 1325.
- The Shama Network to combat violence against women.
- The Jordan Civil Forum for Cooperation and Development led by Al-Hayat Center / Rased.



JNFW wins the 3rd place in JONAP CSOs coalition elections.

Agreements and Memorandums of Understanding:

- Memorandum of Understanding with the Jordan Environment Society.
- Memorandum of Understanding with a center (title incomplete in the source document).



JNFW participates in the launch of IEC , JNCW, and UN Women supported project “Our Shared Responsibility” an awareness Raising Program on women’s participation in elections and political parties.

Media and Visibility

Outlets

- Jordan Radio
- Jordan Tv
- Al Mamlaka
- Radio Farah Al-Nas
- Arab Woman Today (Podcast)

Topics

- Women’s political participation
- Elections and voter registration
- Public and political leadership experiences
- National events and civic engagement (Independence / Silver Jubilee)
- Recognition and national honors
- Online violence and digital safety

JNFW Activities Across Governorates



aligned with the jnfw's core objectives-reaching
thousands of women and men in local communities.

TOPICS

 Women's Political Participation

 Elections & Political Parties

 Women's Rights & Legal Awareness

 Leadership & Civic Engagement

 Digital Violence & Online Safety

**THOUSANDS REACHED**
WOMEN AND MEN ACROSS LOCAL COMMUNITIES

PARTNERS

 IEC

 NDI

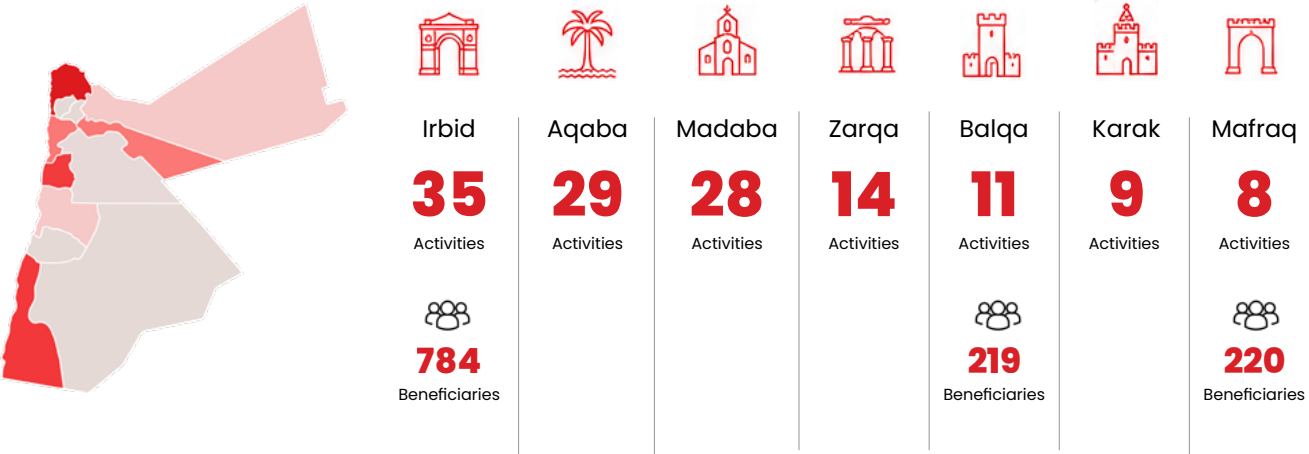
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 Local Municipalities

 Women's & Charity Associations

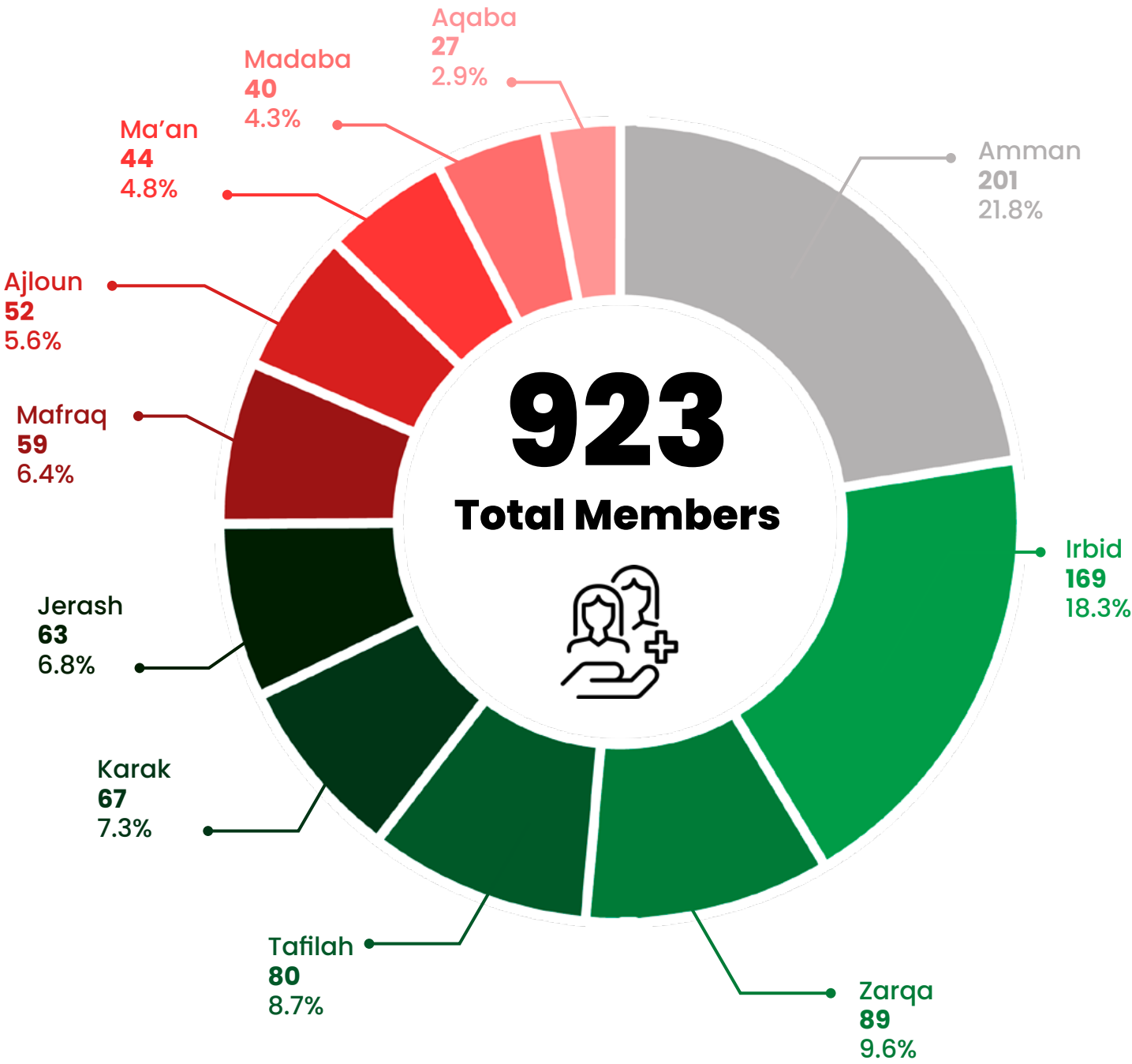
 Youth & Community Organizations

Governorates Overview



JNFW Membership Distribution Across Governorates

Total Members Across All Governorates



Amman and Irbid together represent **nearly 40%** of total JNFW membership.



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