

JNFW

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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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JNFW higher council boards meeting in Amman

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.



JNFW complementary elections in Ajloun



In line with its strategy, JNFW releases a policy paper titled “Transitioning from Quota of Representation to Quota of Impact”



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.

Programs Implemented by JNFW

**7+**
Projects & initiatives

**+2K**
Direct Beneficiaries

**9**
Governorates Covered

**+260K JOD**
Total Funding Secured

Program / Project	Partner / Implementer / Donor	Governorate / Beneficiaries
 "SAWTII" Project to activate the role of women and youth in political participation	 Rutgers Foundation, in partnership with the Jordanian Women's Solidarity Institute	 All governorates
 Ignite Girls / René Moawad Project	 René Moawad / IRC / AFD	 9 governorates
 "She Leads" Project	 ARDD	 Capital
 Ministry of Finance / General Budget Department support	 Ministry of Finance	 Secretariat
 Project 1: "Threads of Change: Harmony in Practice and Action"	 Women's Peace and Humanitarian Fund (WPHF)	 Northern governorates / Ma'an
 Project 2: "Empowering Women's Leadership from Within"	 Women's Peace and Humanitarian Fund (WPHF)	 All governorates
 Strengthening Institutional Capacities (Tamasok II)	 ARK / UK Government	 All governorates

Key Updates and Programs

- Eight Forum members were appointed to governorate councils and municipalities in July 2025.
- The Forum won the elections for the committee representing civil society organizations in support of the implementation of UNSCR 1325, which consists of five members. The Forum received 20 votes out of 32 organizations, with 12 organizations competing, and the Forum—represented by the Secretary-General—won the chairmanship of the committee.
- The Secretariat implemented the activities of the projects listed above, which included the following programs:

01 Sawt 2 Project

02 IGNITE Project

03 "She Leads" Project



Youth and Technology conference, SAWET project to promote Youth Political Participation, Dead Sea



Signing Ceremony with head of RMF Sheikh Nabil Moawad to support JNFW Girls Success Program



Participants at "She Leads" project to promote girls leadership skills in collaboration with ARDD.



Welcoming IGNITE director Emily Jaccard, RMF projects director Carin Ellia, Regional Grants Manager Tahani Sharouri

1. Sawt 2 Project

Supported by the Jordanian Women’s Solidarity Institute. Ten in-person outreach activities reached 164 participants.

Activity Name Capacity building for youth on policy paper drafting Participants 20	Description Capacity building for youth on policy writing for local elections
Activity Name Youth conference on local administration Participants 70	Description One-day decentralization conference with expert speakers
Activity Name Policy dialogue within the “Eye on Women” Coalition program Participants 25	Description Policy dialogues on the Local Administration Law across governorates
Activity Name Consultative meetings with women MPs and young decision-makers Participants 25	Description Dialogue sessions with newly elected women and youth MPs
Activity Name Capacity building for prospective candidates Participants 24	Description Candidate training on campaign management and planning
Activity Name Advocacy and awareness campaigns Participants 10,000+	Description Online advocacy and awareness campaign

2. IGNITE Project:

Mentorship and English as a Path to Girls’ Success”

- The first phase focused on the mentorship program.
- A mentorship program was conducted for 27 mentors across 9 governorates and sectors.
- The mentorship program for girls aged 16–19 was announced online, and approximately 350 applications were received. Applications were screened and the girls were selected according to the criteria. Training was scheduled to begin at the end of December / beginning of January.
- A tender was announced to select a specialized English-language center to train 108 girls in 9 governorates, with 32 hours of instruction for each girl. Amideast was selected to implement the program.



images from Ignite Project

3. “She Leads” Project



ARDD
Funded the Project



Aim
training in leadership skills and in designing and planning advocacy campaigns.

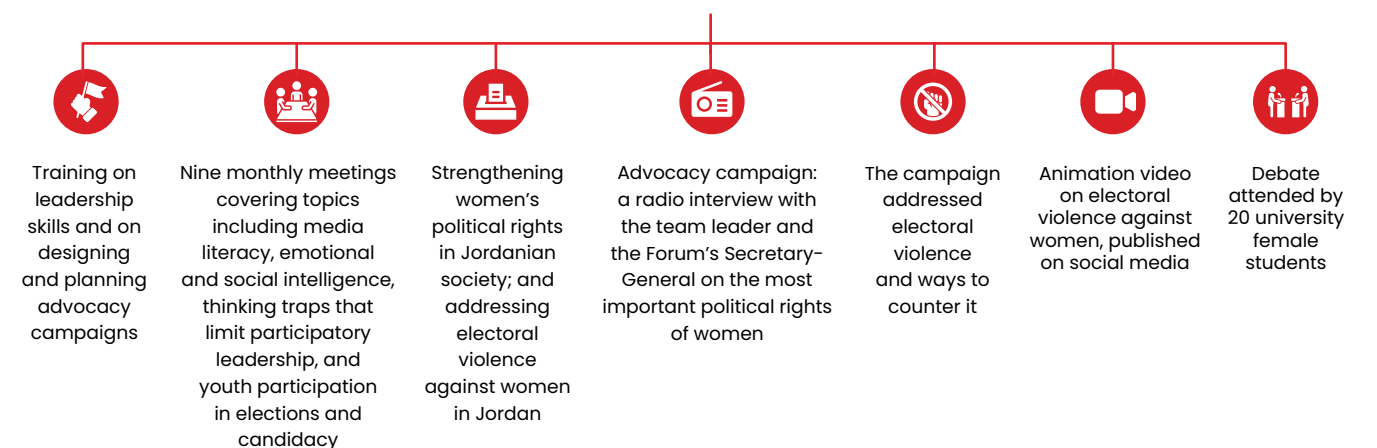


18–24
Target audience age



20
Female beneficiaries

7 Activities





Jordan's Independence day celebrations @ the Royal Court



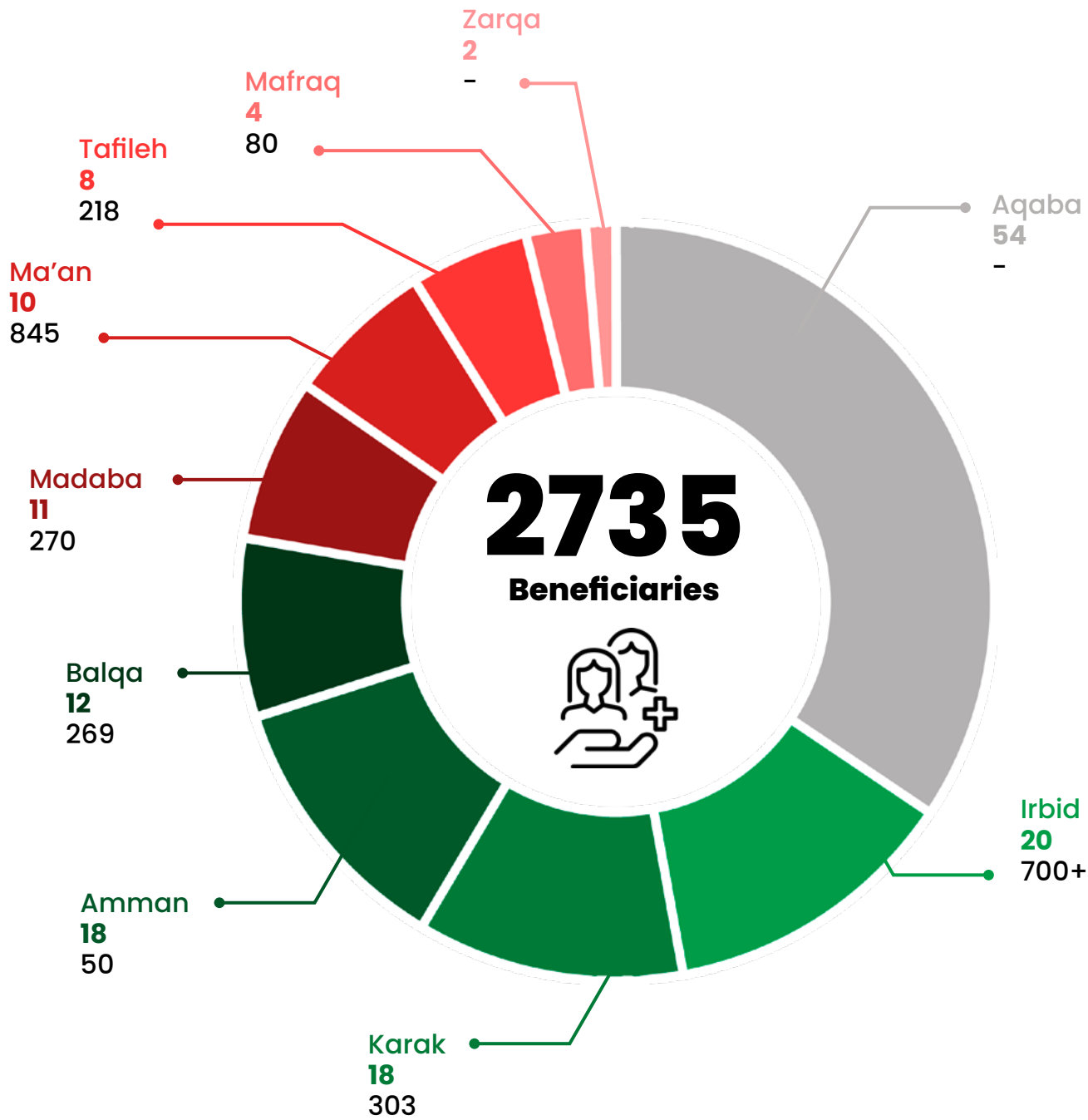
JNFW launches a policy paper on the low percentage of Women with disabilities participation in the job market. Senator Asia Yagji was a keynote speaker at the event in zarqa



Closing and graduation of the Feminist Research Project supported by GIZ under the patronage of HRH Princess Basma Bint Talal

Activities by Governorate Branches

May–October 2025



Ma'an and Irbid together represent **nearly 50%** of total beneficiaries.

Key Participation in Conferences and Programs

- Four members completed a 10-day BRIDGE Training of Trainers program with the League of Arab States and partners
- The Secretary-General joined the advisory council of the Women's Studies Center at the University of Jordan
- A partnership with the Women's Studies Center included hosting a trainee and holding a closing ceremony honoring partners
- Complementary elections were held in Amman, Jerash, and Ajloun, with winners elected or appointed by acclamation
- Members participated in a Sustainable Leadership Conference
- The Secretary-General and Higher Council joined a discussion on the Local Administration Law
- A partnership was signed with the JoWomenics under the Safe Arrival project, alongside a campaign video
- Members joined a five-day training on political violence with UN Women support
- Members participated in launching a project on enhancing digital capacity for women leaders
- The Forum took part in meetings on implementing UN Resolution 1325 on Women, Peace and Security



JONAP II CSOs Coalition elections



Meeting discusses progress on UN SCR 1325 under the patronage of H.E. Wafa Bni Mustafa, Minister of MOSD

- The Forum participated in the 15-year anniversary of the Equal Pay Coalition
- A charity dinner marked 30 years of the Forum's establishment
- The Forum joined a national discussion on women's empowerment and consultation outcomes
- The Secretary-General participated in a seminar on women's development hosted by the Chinese Embassy
- The Forum contributed to consultations on implementing UN Resolution 2250 on Youth, Peace and Security
- The Forum joined consultations on classifying associations within the National Social Protection Strategy
- Activities were carried out across several governorates during the 16 Days campaign



JNFW participated in a conference on digitization and the role of CSOs.



As part of Feminist Research Fellowship project, JNFW releases a policy paper on low percentage of women's work in Tourism and hosts a discussion with stakeholders in Beit Khairat Souf in Jarash



Membership in Coalitions and Networks

- Member of JONAF, a national alliance of 53 NGOs led by ARDD
- Member of JONAP CSOs coalition to promote UNSCR 1325 led by JNCW
- Holds membership and chairmanship in the civil society committee for Resolution 1325
- Active member of the Sham'a Network to combat violence against women
- Member of the Jordanian Forum for Cooperation and Development

Agreements and Memorandums of Understanding

- MoU with the Jordan Environment Society
- Agreement with JoWomenics under the Safe Arrival project
- JNFW has established a large number of MOUs and strategic partnerships with local and international organizations. JNFW also sits on the board of JNCW and the UJ Women's Studies Center Consultative Committee, in addition to being part of a wide range of networks and coalitions such as the 1325 Coalition for CSOs under JNCW, JOCIF Coalition, JONAF, Arrived Safely, Ignite Community of Practice, and many more.

Media and Visibility

Program/Outlet

Jordan Television

Jordan Radio

Roya TV

Radio al Balad

Sowt Podcast

Topics

Public engagement efforts and the Forum's programs

The 16 Days Campaign to Combat Violence Against Women

On leadership, inspiring women, and the 16 Days Campaign

On JNFW activities and achievements



In celebration of IWD, JNFW hosts Mulhemat, an event to celebrate inspirational Women's leaders across different sectors



JNFW Reps participate in 2025 Independence day celebration @ Al Husainiyah Palace



JNFW members attend a meeting organized by JNCW and UN Women to discuss decentralization law



JNFW 30th anniversary celebration with board members



JNFW reps participation in a seminar on digital violence



JNFW members participate in a UN supported training on countering political violence against women



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Alkhamael street
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