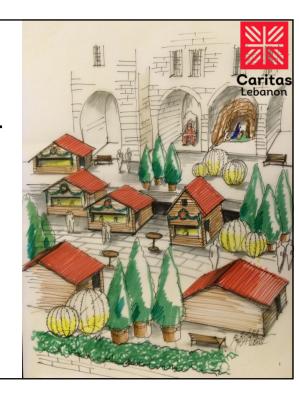
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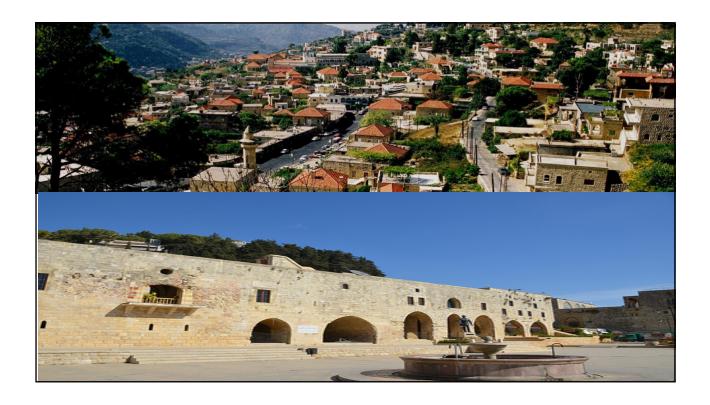


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Caritas Lebanon in Brief



- Caritas Lebanon (CL) is an organization founded in 1972 in Lebanon, and officially authorized in 1976.
- Caritas Lebanon intervenes in areas including:
- Health: 35.000 Beneficiaries
- Development: 155.500 direct and indirect Beneficiaries
- Education: 300 children with special needs
- Support for migrants and refugees: 18 community centers and 4 shelters
- 700 Youth: 23.000 children
- social services and humanitarian assistance: 36 offices



Christmas village project

Objectives:

- Rural development
- Women and youth empowerment
- Promoting Deir el kamar local products

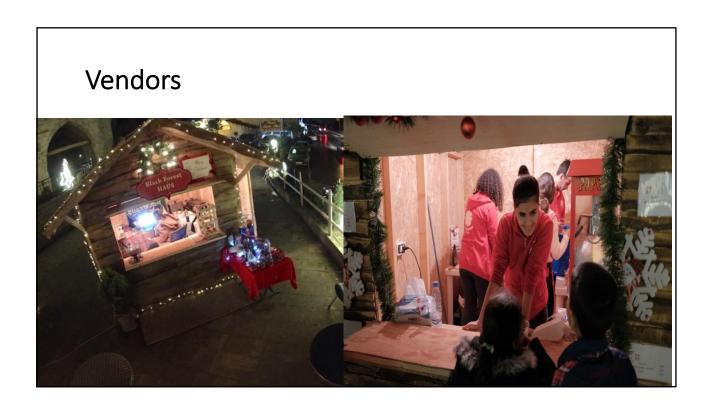
Two components:

- Infrastructure
- Soft activities









Christmas village not a Christmas market!!







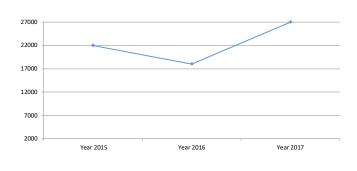




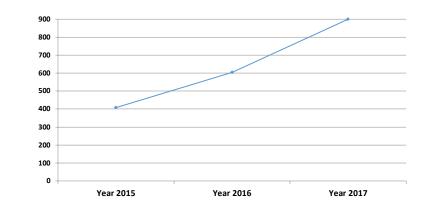


Expected results

- Activating the economic cycle: hotels, shopowners....
- The profits were higher compared to other Christmas markets and the people's presence was stronger.



• Strong cohesion among the local community



Unexpected results

- An Archeology specialized architect commented that "the village square gained back its function, i.e. to be the meeting and commercial heart of the town!".
- Families are going back to Deir el Kamar to celebrate Christmas.
- Boosting the competitive advantage of the village





