

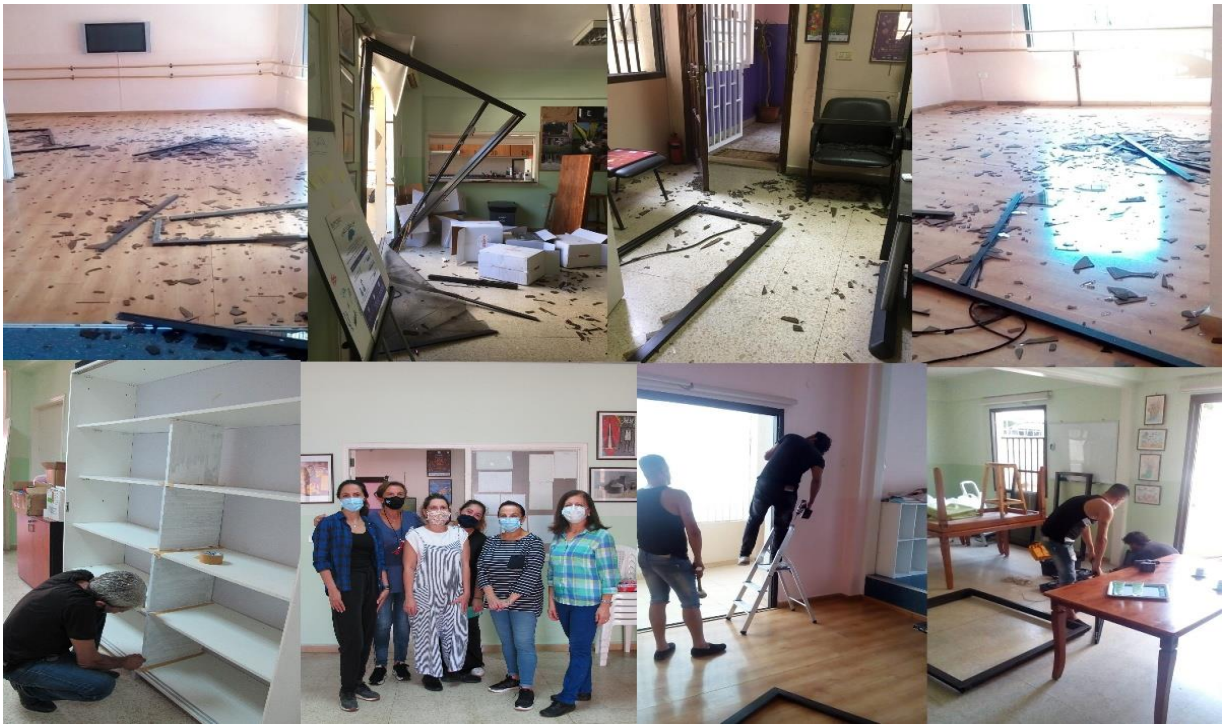
## Ayadina Association August 2020 Newsletter

The month of August 2020 has been a very difficult month for us, along with the rest of the Lebanese people all over the world. The repercussions of the explosion continue to weigh heavy on all of us.

As Ayadina team, we extend our condolences again to everyone who lost a loved one in the deadly explosion of August 4. We wish speedy recovery for everyone who got injured. During such difficult times, we pick up the pieces, sweep the broken glass, wipe away the tears, and get back to work... because it is at times like these that we, as humanitarian workers, need to put in the biggest effort.

Here are some pictures of the damage that happened at our office, and some pictures of the renovation we did afterwards.

We wish to take this opportunity to thank everyone who contributed to support the renovation of our office. Without your generous donations, we wouldn't have been able to fix everything up so quickly and to get back to work.



## Ongoing Soup Kitchen Project

48 hours after the explosion, our premises were cleaned up, we managed to resume our Soup Kitchen activities.

Luckily enough, we received a lot of donations of food in the month of August, in support of our Soup Kitchen Project. We are also seeking to renovate our kitchen in order to be able to better serve our seniors.

We were also super excited to be wearing our new Ayadina masks! During our work, we never forget to maintain all hygiene measures in order to protect our seniors. In compliance with eco-friendly recommendations, we also encourage them to bring their own reusable Tupperware, in order not to throw away a lot of the plastic containers.



## Parenting Workshop with Himaya

Following the Beirut explosion, our parents and students need psychosocial intervention more than ever. Therefore, Himaya Association resumed their sessions with the parents immediately the week following the sad event. However, in light of the imposed lock down, the sessions were held over the phone and not face to face. The below picture was taken prior to the explosion and the lock down.

Further to that, we are currently working on launching a psycho-social support project with Himaya but for young children. We will keep you posted about this project in future newsletters.



## Donation Opportunities

In light of the ongoing financial crisis in Lebanon, we wish to remind our dear friends that Ayadina is always in need of your donations. A mere 50USD can keep a family fed for a whole month. Without your support, we will not be able to resume our activities. More than ever, our students and parents need art therapy and psycho-social intervention in their lives. We would not be able to fulfill our mission without your generous support. We sincerely believe in Ayadina's role in helping these children heal.



Below is a link where you can donate:

Just Help: <https://www.just-help.org/c/ayadina>

You can also visit our website in order to make a direct donation to our bank account in Lebanon:

<https://www.ayadinaassociation.org/support-ayadina/>

For further information about how to support Ayadina's Soup Kitchen Project or the Arts Education Program, please do not hesitate to contact us either via email ([info@ayadinaassociation.org](mailto:info@ayadinaassociation.org)) or on the phone (+9611266611).

## Our Social Media Platforms

Have you followed us on social media yet? If not, we invite you to do so!

Here are the links below:

