

Grand Bargain in 2018:
Annual Self Report – Narrative Summary

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Question 1: Reflecting on the information you have provided in the Excel spreadsheet, please highlight the 2 or 3 key outcomes or results relating to the Grand Bargain that your institution achieved in 2018?

The first one is the strengthening for the local networks (e.g. SNA) and increasing their participation to be regionally and globally recognized. This was done through the collaboration with other local NGOs in the Country as well as in the region.

Establish new unit in Syria Relief to develop the capacities of local CBOs in the three levels (Organizational, operational and technical). This has increased the support for the localization as those local CBOs have now stronger systems that allow them to have direct partnership with INGOs then with donors.

Question 2: Please explain how the outcomes/results will lead to long-term institutional changes in policy and/or practice.

Working on the 2 aspects mentioned in the previous question (which is the local networks and the local NGOs), this will help Syria Relief to advocate strongly for the implementation of the localization and strengthening the local Civil Society. Thus it will help to change the way the agreements and policies are done now to encourage donors and INGOs to invest more in the local organizations/networks

Question 3: How has your institution contributed to the advancement of gender equality and women's empowerment¹ in humanitarian settings through its implementation of the Grand Bargain? What results/outcomes have been achieved in this regard? (please outline specific initiatives or changes in practice and their outcomes/results). Please refer to the Guidelines for definitions of Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment, which are included in this self-report template package.

Even though Syria Relief has modified its policies and procedures to ensure equality between male and female so that encouraging more to have gender balance in the management of the NGO still there is so much to do to ensure the working environment is friendly for all ages and genders. For the responses, females are now more so that we can hear more from the female's representatives for each community that is supported by Syria Relief. There are new types of projects that empower women in their communities and allow their voices to be heard louder and stronger (such as livelihood, vocational training, protection, etc)

Question 4: How has the humanitarian-development nexus been strategically mainstreamed in your institutional implementation of the Grand Bargain commitments? Please explain how your institution has linked commitments 10.1 - 10.5 with other commitments from other workstreams.

At first Syria Relief was only responding to emergencies without planning for the next eras. Then with taking into consideration the nexus, Syria Relief has

¹ Refer to the IASC definitions of gender equality and women empowerment, available [here](#).

redesigned and shaped its strategical programmatic goals to link between the emergency responses with the development and early recovery. Syria Relief is still responding to emergencies but with planning for how it is upgraded to the next level. This is done for each sector that Syria Relief is working in.