In addition to the immediate response after the blast, UNDP is introducing an urban recovery plan which reflects the vision and aspirations of the residents of Karantina. With a neighborhood diagnosis, a recovery vision, and action plans to realize the vision, the plan focuses on interventions at different levels, ranging from community engagement, rehabilitation of public facilities and services, to the transformation of public spaces.

Owned by the local community of Karantina, it can serve as the strategic foundation for all stakeholders, partners and UN agencies to achieve sustainable recovery and transformation. By the end of 2022, the urban recovery plan is expected to be fully implemented in Karantina, with the prospect of becoming a key tool for a coordinated multi-stakeholder response and collaboration across blast-affected areas in Beirut.

**WHAT WE HAVE DONE**

**TRACK 1:**
Support immediate priority needs in Karantina.

**TRACK 2:**
Support the development and implementation of Karantina's Urban Recovery Plan and expand the approach to other blast-affected neighborhoods.

**OUR APPROACH TO URBAN RECOVERY**

- **Area-based:** Based on an integrated approach that takes into consideration the multi sectoral needs of the affected population.
- **Evidence-based:** Based on and informed by our "Leave no One Behind" report, our innovative data management, and partnership with the American University of Beirut's Urban Lab.
- **Aligned with Lebanon's Reform, Recovery, and Reconstruction Framework (3RF),** in particular Track 1 "people-centered recovery".
- **Inclusive:** Based on the strong role and active participation of the community, with focus on women and the most vulnerable populations.
KEY ACHIEVEMENTS TO DATE

Through its corporate crisis response mechanism, UNDP initiated immediate support to Karantina, to achieve the following results:

**SHELTER**
- **36 households**, of which 6 were women-led, with a total of 165 residents including persons with disabilities, were supported through shelter rehabilitation and reconstruction.

**SMALL BUSINESSES**
- **64 shops**, of which 7 were women-led, were rehabilitated and equipped; 83 shops received cash assistance. In total, 231 people (83 shop owners and 148 employees) directly benefited from these interventions, out of which 16% were women. The number of indirect beneficiaries from these interventions totals 1155.

**PSYCHO-SOCIAL SUPPORT**
- **99 affected persons** received psycho-social support and trauma healing through art and theatre.

**WASTE AND RUBBLE REMOVAL**
- **14,000 m² of rubble collected from Karantina area**; chemical testing of the rubble and awareness raising on asbestos conducted; roadmap for effective waste management and environmentally sound approaches prepared.

**ACCESS TO HEALTH SERVICES**
- **1800 persons with disabilities** in Karantina and other regions will benefit from the medical devices and tools provided to the new point of service at the Beirut Public Hospital. A rehabilitation center for PWDs was also established within the hospital to provide physiotherapy and early intervention services.

**LEGAL AID**
- Over **350 blast survivors** provided with free legal assistance.

**SOLAR AND ELECTRIC SYSTEMS**

An average of **1673 people from 354 households** benefited from the installation of **489 solar** and **1547 electric water heating systems**.

TOTAL NUMBER OF BENEFICIARIES TO DATE:

Out of Karantina's **3,000 residents**

- **2048 people**
- **466 households**

PERSPECTIVES AND ADDITIONAL FUNDING REQUIREMENTS

**TRACK 1: ADDITIONAL SUPPORT TO ADDRESS IMMEDIATE PRIORITY NEEDS IN KARANTINA:**

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**PSYCHO-SOCIAL SUPPORT**
- Support to individuals and families for trauma healing sessions
  - **USD 150,000**

**HOUSEHOLD REFURBISHMENT**
- Replacement of damaged or lost furniture and appliances
  - **USD 250,000**

Total funding required: **USD 2 million**
The urban recovery plan that is being developed with the American University of Beirut will help 1) strengthen broad-based communication and collaboration between Karantina residents and all partners and stakeholders, and 2) increase the impact, complementarity and sustainability of all recovery interventions.

Lessons learned and good practices from UNDP’s immediate support, and the rollout of the urban recovery framework in Karantina, provide the basis for replicating and tailoring this approach to other blast-affected neighborhoods. Programming modalities and financial requirements for interventions beyond Karantina will be established upon confirmation of their scale and scope in consultations with other UN entities and partners.

**TRACK 2, Component 1:**
Quick-win projects focused on creating a network of community spaces for a safer, more inclusive, and more attractive urban environment and to enhance the economic activity of local businesses and industries.

**Funding requirement:**
USD 1,200,000

**TRACK 2, Component 2:**
Implementation of the Urban Recovery Plan across different levels, including the rehabilitation of public facilities and services, policies, urban mobility plan, environmental projects and others.

**Funding requirement:**
USD 10,000,000 (To be validated following the finalization of the community action plans)