

Rita Farhat

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BIO

Results-driven project manager professional with expertise in designing and managing high-impact programs across social, business development, and humanitarian aid. Skilled in project implementation, stakeholder engagement, funding strategy, and organizational leadership, ensuring sustainable, community-driven initiatives. Experienced in coordinating national and local projects, securing funding, leading large-scale events, and enhancing client-centered care. Adept at fostering partnerships with governments, NGOs, and donors to drive change and lasting social impact.

- EDUCATION

Notre Dame University of Louaize, Lebanon **Bachelor of Business Administration** in Healthcare Management | 2017

- COMPETENCIES

Proven strong experience across sectors in the following areas:

- Program Design & Implementation
- Community & Stakeholder Engagement
- Funding & Financial Oversight
- Organizational Leadership & Strategy
- Project Implementation & Oversight
- Process Optimization & Compliance
- Community & Stakeholder Relations

- Training & Capacity Building
- Monitoring, Evaluation & Reporting
- Client-Centered Approach & Satisfaction
- Interdepartmental Coordination & Compliance
- Event Planning & Management
- Emergency & Humanitarian Services Coordination
- Recruitment & Team Coordination

- EXPERIENCE

Al Midan NGO Programs Coordinator

May 2024 – Present

- Designed and secured funding for over 20 projects exceeding \$100K across multiple sectors.
- Developed and submitted funding proposals for major donors, including the EU, UNHCR, UNICEF, IRC, AFD, UNDP, USAID, UNWFP, IOM, and ILO.
- Led projects in education, protection, health, social stability, and youth empowerment, ensuring strategic alignment with operations, finance, and administration.
- Built strong relationships with authorities, donors, and partner agencies to enhance collaboration
- Managed comprehensive project coordination, leading the development of strategic partnerships and initiatives that enhanced the NGO's impact and reach.
- Restructured policies, led a team of staff, and optimized effective project execution flow.
- Developed and implemented M&E frameworks, conducted evaluations, and improved effectiveness.

International Orthodox Christian Charities Project Coordinator

October 2023 - March 2024

- Led a \$540K UNICEF-funded national health project with MOPH, ensuring impact and alignment.
- Oversaw a national team of 150 workers all over Lebanon and coordinated these efforts with 40 PHCCs
- Managed project execution, ensuring timely, budget-compliant delivery.
- Strengthened relationships with authorities, donors, and partners while advocating for communities.
- Coordinated budget planning, ensured financial compliance, and contributed to donor reports.
- Enhanced internal processes, led teams, and coordinated with project managers for goal alignment.
- Developed M&E frameworks, tracked progress, and documented program effectiveness.

- EXPERIENCE (cont.)

Al Midan NGO

Project Coordinator | March 2022 - October 2023

- Managed health, livelihood, and social stability projects, ensuring timely, budget-compliant execution.
- Tracked budgets, managed projections, and maintained financial and operational documentation.
- Engaged with authorities and stakeholders to ensure smooth execution and representation.
- Provided technical and managerial support, ensuring clear objectives and teamwork.
- Coordinated procurement, staffing, and financial planning, contributing to donor reports.
- Conducted M&E activities, tracked outcomes, and documented lessons learned for improvement.

Field Supervisor | November 2019 - March 2022

- Led project planning, execution, and partner coordination for health services delivery in 9 PHCCs across 7 areas/municipalities with a team of 30 staff.
- Trained staff and local beneficiaries on access to health health, hygiene, treatments, and well-being.
- Engaged local entities, community leaders and authorities to expand outreach and project success.
- Conducted field visits, monitoring, data collection, reporting and cross-sectoral referrals using RIMS.

Ehdeniyat International Festival (Seasonal)

Operations Manager

May 2015 - June 2022

- Led 9 seasonal festival events from setup to teardown, aligning with the Director's goals.
- Oversaw staff recruitment, training, and compensation for financial oversight and operations.
- Managed budgets, local transportation, and venue logistics for seamless execution.
- Coordinated with performers, exhibitors, stakeholders, and partners for event success.
- Supported media, VIP guests, and performer relations to maximize visibility.

Keserwan Medical Center, AUBMC Affiliated

Customer Relations Management Coordinator | June 2015 – November 2019

- Led the Executive Patient Program, coordinating across departments including nursing, medical/surgery and administration to ensure a high quality care-centered approach and patient satisfaction.
- Conducted daily rounds, identified issues, documented complaints, and addressed grievances.
- Managed monthly reports, interdepartmental issues, and compliance with regulations and accreditation standards.
- Hosted events, symposiums, and campaigns to promote healthcare awareness and professional development.

Patient Relations Officer | June 2014 - June 2015

- Oversaw consultation and admission, and seamless entry and discharge for 700+ daily patients
- Managed patient bills, ensuring accuracy and compliance with financial protocols.
- Established contact with ambulatory services to facilitate timely patient transport and care.
- Ensured adherence to admission and discharge processes, and drafted KPI reports.

—— ENGAGEMENT

Lebanese Red Cross, Disaster Management Sector Volunteer Coordinator | April 2020 – October 2023 **Rotaract Club of Keserwan,** Member, Vice President | 2018 – 2020

April 2020 - October 2023

- SKILLS

- Communications proficiency in English, French and Arabic
- Versatility in Microsoft Office Suite, particularly Excel, SPSS, KOBO.
- Project Management Professional (PMP) Certification, Amideast | August 2021
- PIRLO 9001:2015, Certified in Accreditation Preparation Workshop | 2019