Education Support Programs: Super Girls

- Super Girls kicked off the summer with lots of lively outdoor activities. They were particularly excited by the field trip they took to a local grocery store, during which each girl was given a few dollars to purchase healthy snacks. They also worked on an art project where they imagined their dream homes, and then modeled them out of clay. Since so many participants have seen their homes destroyed, this project allows for the girls to restore their sense of agency while also developing spatial-thinking skills by working in 3-D.
- June was special thanks to an extended visit from a FAWCO member, Roxey Lau, who volunteered at CRP for the entire month. She lead tai-chi and dance classes for youth and adults and gave chair massages to staff and volunteers. All the Super Girls participants enjoyed working with her each week, and we loved seeing all their faces light up when she entered the room!

Technical Training for Women and Girls

- ICDL classes continued this month with nearly perfect participation rates. All of the participants of the last cohort also began to take the exams to obtain ICDL certification. In the past, we’ve typically only sent the most successful participants to sit for the exam due to high costs. This time, however, the whole class was prepared, and one student even finished with a perfect score.
- Coding courses also continued as planned, focusing on CSS. They look forward to creating their own websites next month.

Women’s Economic Empowerment Program

- The two beauty courses focused on hair cutting techniques and henna tattoos this month. In past sessions, less time was spent on hair cutting, but after conducting surveys with participants we learned that due to the difficult nature of the topic, at least 2-3 weeks should be dedicated solely to this skill. Participants report that they appreciate us incorporating their feedback into program adaptation.

Women’s Empowerment 101 and GBV Awareness and Advocacy

- This month, we wrapped up the seventh cohorts of both the GBV Awareness and Women’s Empowerment 101 trainings in Hashemi. The first group of the GBV training held at the Downtown Center also finished. With the final four groups of these activities during the HBD project starting in July, we also spent this month conducting an outreach campaign, including a refer-a-friend program and calling hundreds of community members participating in other programs or on program waitlists.

Leadership in Action

- June was a busy month for the Leadership in Action advocacy program. The first two weeks were spent training new community leader facilitators on the curriculum, and thanks to a successful recruitment effort, 20 participants attended the first training session on June 20th. Twice-weekly trainings will continue through the end of July, after which they will begin to plan their community advocacy projects.

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