REPORT
ON TERRORIST FINANCING ACTIVITIES IN THE OCCUPIED TERRITORIES OF THE REPUBLIC OF AZERBAIJAN THROUGH ABUSE OF NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS

Overview

The Republic of Armenia has been occupying for almost 30 years now one fifth of internationally recognized territories of Azerbaijan. On September 27, 2020 armed forces of Armenia launched a new act of aggression against Azerbaijan by attacking on its military positions and densely populated residential areas along the entire perimeter of the front line.

The armed forces of Azerbaijan were compelled to take counter measures, acting in its own soil and in full compliance with international humanitarian law, to defend its positions as well as ensure safety and security of civilians residing along the front line.

Having failed in the battlefield, armed forces of Armenia continued to target the civilian settlements of Azerbaijan. On 11 October 2020, few hours after the humanitarian truce entered into force, Armenia launched missile attack against Ganja – the second largest city of Azerbaijan which caused complete destruction of 3 residential buildings leaving 10 civilians killed more than 40 injured. On 17 October 2020 armed forces of Armenia launched another missile attack against Ganja with more gravity, casualties and destruction leaving 16 civilians, including 5 children killed, 52 injured.

Armenia has not hesitated to target the critical civilian infrastructure either by launching missile strikes against Mingachevir – the biggest water reservoir in the South Caucasus – that have been intercepted by Air Defence Forces of Azerbaijan.

In an attempt to compensate the material damage it has been inflicted in the battlefield, Armenia takes steps to mobilize Armenian Diaspora organizations operating under disguise as charity or non-governmental entities in other countries for providing financial means to reinforce its military capability.

The collected funds through above-referred donation campaigns, no doubt, will be used for improving the military strength of the illegal armed groups in the occupied territories of Azerbaijan, thus paving the way for their further terrorist attacks against Azerbaijani civilians. Social media messaging (samples are enclosed at the Annexes) among the Armenian community members in abroad attests to this fact.

This is not the first time that Armenian Diaspora organizations abuse their noble status as charity entities granted to them by their respective host countries, and provide funding for illicit purposes, including for purchasing weapons and ammunitions for the armed groups illegally deployed in the occupied territories of Azerbaijan.

Throughout the past almost 30 years Armenian Diaspora organizations have provided funds collected through donations of taxpayers of respective countries, for consolidating

the occupation of Azerbaijani territories and for developing the military strength of subordinate separatist regime established in the occupied territories of Azerbaijan. All financial transactions from Armenian Diaspora organizations to the separatist regime have been carried out without proper financial oversight and accountability mechanism, thus creating condition conducive to the financing of terrorism.

"We are our borders - All for Artsakh" donation campaign

The name "Artsakh" is used by Armenia to refer to the illegal puppet regime established in the occupied territories of the Republic of Azerbaijan. Any donation campaign with the word "Artsakh" in its title or content must be immediately ignored and prohibited, since it intends to violate the sovereignty and territorial integrity of the Republic of Azerbaijan.

"We are our borders – All for Artsakh" donation campaign launched by Hayastan-All Armenian Foundation, therefore, is considered to be illegal and contributes to the financing of terrorism in the occupied territories of Azerbaijan.

As of 20.10.2020 under the above-referred campaign Armenian Diaspora organizations have been able to raise more than 130 million USD.

Following Armenian Diaspora organizations contribute to the campaign:

Armenia Fund (Annex 1)

Armenia Fund currently is the biggest fund used for donations to the separatist regime established in the occupied territories of Azerbaijan. It has several affiliate branches in 16 countries (United States, Canada, Brazil, Argentina, Great Britain, France, Netherlands, Germany, Switzerland, Austria, Sweden, Greece, Cyprus, Lebanon, Syria and Australia).

Some of its current partners in fundraising activities are followings:

- Hayastan Foundation Canada Inc., Canada
- Hayastan Foundation Toronto Inc., Canada
- Fundación Armenia, Argentina
- Fondo Nacional Armenia, Argentina
- Vereniging Armeniëfonds Nederland, the Netherlands
- Fonds Arménien de France, France
- Comite Brasileiro para a Reconstrução da Armênia, Brazil
- Comité Suisse du Fonds Arménie / Armenien Fonds Schweizer Ausschuss,
 Switzerland
- Armenian Community, Belgium
- Armenien Fonds Hayastan Deutschland, Germany

- Hayastan All Armenian Fund Australian, Australia
- Österreich-Komiteezur Unterstützung der Armenien-Fonds der Republik Armenien,
 Austria
- Hayastan All Armenian Charitable Trust Great Britain, United Kingdom
- Χαγιασταν ΠαναρμενικήΟργανωση Αλληλεγγύη Panarmenian organization of solidarity, Greece
- Hayastan All-Armenian Fund Sweden
- Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation, Portugal

One Armenia Fund (Annex 2)

One Armenia Fund is based both in the USA (Santa Monica, CA) and Armenia (Yerevan). Current fundraising efforts have been mobilized to support the illegal armed groups operating in the occupied territories of Azerbaijan. As of October 20, 2020 the Fund has raised 2,7 million USD for the mentioned purpose.

Armenian General Benevolent Union – AGBU (Annex 3)

The Fund is based in the USA (New York, NY) and currently runs the campaign - #Aid4Artsakh for providing financial support to the illegal armed groups involved in organizing terrorist attacks against Azerbaijani civilians. As of October 20, 2020 the Fund has raised 10,4 million USD for that purpose.

Armenian Canadian Medical Association of Ontario – ACMAO (Annex 4)

The ACMAO is based in Ontario, Canada. Despite being a medical association, the membership is only expanded to those professionals or students that have Armenian origin and shares the views and values of Armenian heritage.

It currently runs fundraising campaign – "Donate to Artsakh" accompanied by highly politicized anti-Azerbaijani rhetoric.

Fund for Armenian Relief – FAR (Annex 5)

Fund has offices both in the USA (New York, NY) and Armenia (Yerevan). Motto of the Fund is "FAR stands with Armenia and Artsakh".

Armenian Relief Society – ARS (Annex 6)

Organization is based in the USA (Massachusetts, MA) and provides regular financial assistance to the illegal regime in the occupied territories of the Republic of Azerbaijan.

Tufenkian Foundation (Annex 7)

Foundation is located in Armenia (Yerevan) and in the occupied territories of Azerbaijan (Khankendi). Foundation has been directly involved in the illegal settlement and economic development efforts in the occupied territories. There is an option to fund the projects in the occupied territories of Azerbaijan through the donation link on the official website of the Foundation. Most of the latest donations have been marked as "for army" or "for army needs".

Armenian Youth Federation of Western United States (Annex 8)

One of the founders of the AYF is famous Nazi general Garegin Nzdeh who is considered as hero in Armenia. The Federation recently announced "With our Soldiers" campaign to support illegal armed groups in the occupied territories of Azerbaijan and so far has raised 150.000 USD.

Abuse of AmazonSmile platform

Armenian Diaspora organizations do not shy away from abusing global charity initiatives for their own malicious purposes. AmazonSmile platform designed for socio-oriented charity donations are also being misused by Armenian Diaspora organizations to raise funds for supporting terrorism. Armenian community members call on potential donors through social media (**Annex 9**) to choose Armenia Fund as a charity foundation at AmazonSmile with a view to directing the collected amount to "We are our borders – All for Artsakh" donation campaign.

Abuse of bank and payment network services for collection and transfer of the illicit funds – Annex 10

The services of following banks and payment networks are being misused to collect and transfer the funds raised through so-called donation campaigns in support of terrorist activities in the occupied territories of Azerbaijan:

> Banks

- Chase Bank (for donations in USD)
- Deutsche Bank (for donations in EURO)
- HSBC Bank (for donations in GBP)
- Republican Bank Armenia (for donations in Russian Ruble and Armenian Dram)

Payment networks

- Mastercard
- VISA

Commitments of UN Member States in preventing and countering abuse of nonprofit organizations for terrorist financing purposes

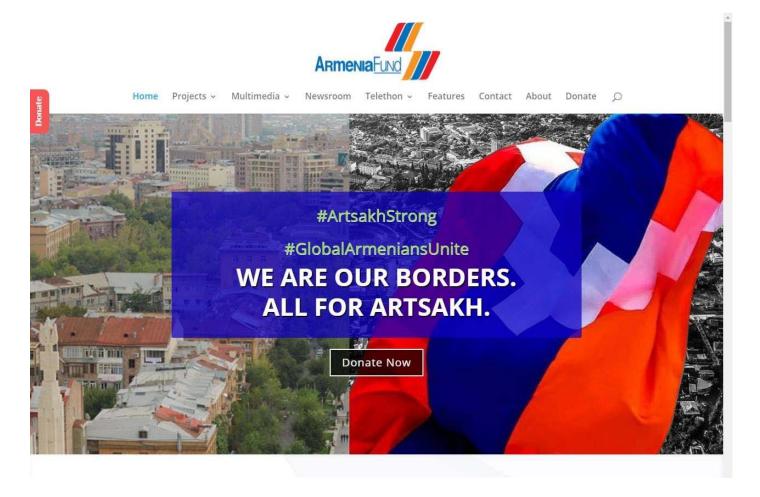
Under the relevant provisions of the International Convention for the Suppression of Financing of Terrorism (1999), as well as the UN Security Council resolutions 1373 (2001), 2178 (2014), 2195 (2014) and 2347 (2017), the activities described above undertaken by non-profit organizations are considered as financing of terrorism and states must take effective counter-measures for preventing such activities.

The misuse of non-profit organizations for the purpose of financing of terrorism has been recognized by the Financial Action Task Force (FATF) of the OECD as a crucial weak point in the global struggle to stop such funding at its source. Recommendation 8 of the FATF reads as follows:

"Countries should review the adequacy of laws and regulations that relate to non-profit organisations which the country has identified as being vulnerable to terrorist financing abuse. Countries should apply focused and proportionate measures, in line with the risk-based approach, to such non-profit organisations to protect them from terrorist financing abuse, including: (a) by terrorist organisations posing as legitimate entities; (b) by exploiting legitimate entities as conduits for terrorist financing, including for the purpose of escaping asset-freezing measures; and (c) by concealing or obscuring the clandestine diversion of funds intended for legitimate purposes to terrorist organisations."

In view of the above-mentioned circumstances the Republic of Azerbaijan urges the UN Member States to take all necessary steps required for not allowing their territories to be used for supporting or financing terrorist activities against the sovereignty and territorial integrity of the Republic of Azerbaijan and its civilian population.

Application of due diligence procedures in relation to the above-referred organizations, as well as tracing the transaction routes and beneficiaries of the collected funds would be among the effective measures in that regard.



We Are Our Borders; All For Artsakh #ArtsakhStrong



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Media

Founded in 1992, the Hayastan All-Armenian fund is a unique organization working to create a panarmenian network to support Armenia and Armenians around the world to implement projects ensuring the proportional and sustainable development of Armenia and Artsakh. Since its inception in 1992, the Hayastan All-Armenian Fund has implemented over 1,300 major projects in Armenia and Artsakh in infrastructure, healthcare, social welfare, arts and sports. The work of the Fund is implemented with the active participation and support of its 21 affiliates and partner organizations in

Our Vision is to build a global Armenian network to continuously support Armenia, Armenians and the world with innovative ideas and projects by creating real opportunities for development.

Our Mission is to create an All Armenian network with a sole purpose of ensuring the proportional and sustainable development of Armenia, Artsakh as well as worldwide Armenian communities, based on common identity.

Enhance HAAF's approach and tools in order to change the public's perception of the Fund from that of a "road builder" to that of an all-encompassing supporter of sustainable development.

Institutionalize the Fund's heritage by creating mechanisms that will ensure the continuous expansion of the organization's network, enhance the program portfolio and ensure an effective and transparent decision making

Review and create a tangible and functioning mechanisms to provide support through the Fund by allowing flexible roles i.e. beneficiary, donor, supporter, etc.



Who we are

What we do

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How we work

What can you do

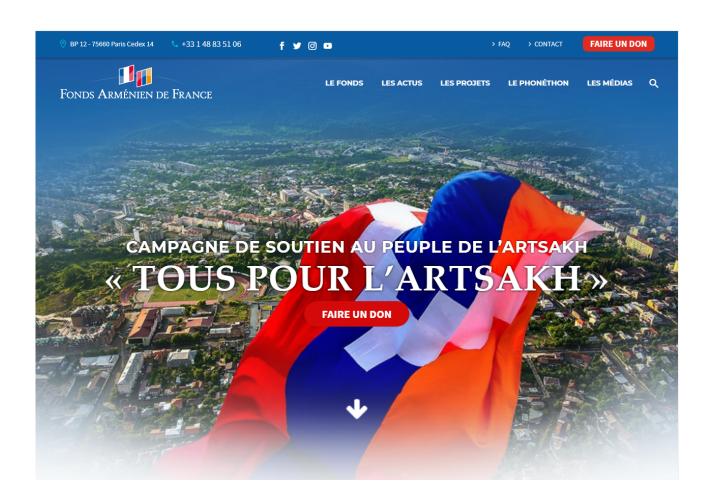
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Website donors

Partners	
\$ 32 791 527	Armenia Fund, Inc.
CAD 110 000	Hayastan Foundation Canada Inc.
€ 700 000	Vereniging Armeniëfonds Nederland
€ 2 816 188	Fonds Arménien de France
\$ 185 000	Comite Brasileiro para a Reconstrução da Armênia
\$ 281 700	Comité Suisse du Fonds Arménie / Armenien Fonds Schweizer
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€ 400 000	Armenian Community, Belgium
\$ 435 900	Fundación Armenia, Argentina
\$ 500 000	Hayastan Foundation Toronto Inc.
€ 1 019 000	Armenien Fonds Hayastan – Deutschland
\$ 210 000	Hayastan All Armenian Fund Australian
€ 150 000	Osterreich-Komitee zur Unterstützung der Armenien-Fonds der Repub
Armenien	
\$ 360 000	Hayastan All Armenian Charitable Trust GB
€ 200 000	Χαγιασταν Παναρμενική Οργανωση Αλληλεγγύη- Panarmenian
organization of	solidarity
€ 23 000	Hayastan All-Armenian Fund - Sweden









16 October 2020 Armenian Communities

100,000 USD Donation to Hayastan All Armenian Fund for Humanitarian Support

The Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation is making a 100,000 USD contribution to the Hayastan All Armenian Fund for humanitarian relief earmarked for the Armenians of Nagorno-Karabakh (Artsakh).

















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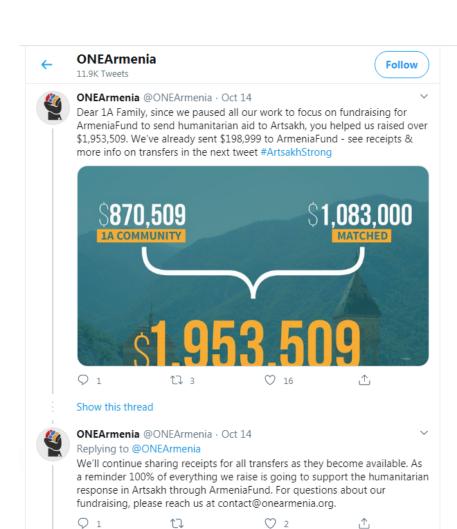
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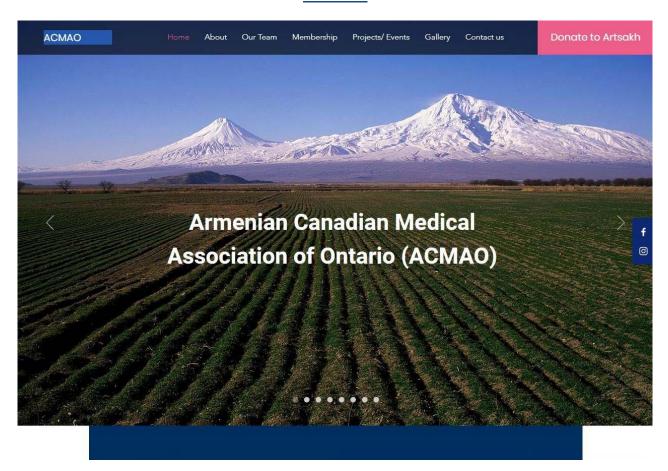
ONEArmenia is a global community of changemakers aiming to raise the standard of living in Armenia. We collaborate with grassroots organizations to implement innovative projects that accelerate job creation in agriculture, tech, tourism, and made in Armenia products.

\$ 2,716,698 raised through 6,559 contributions from 50 countries worldwide









ACMAO

About Our Team Membership

Projects/ Events

Donate to Artsakh

They Shall Not Perish: Medical Aid to Artsakh and Armenia



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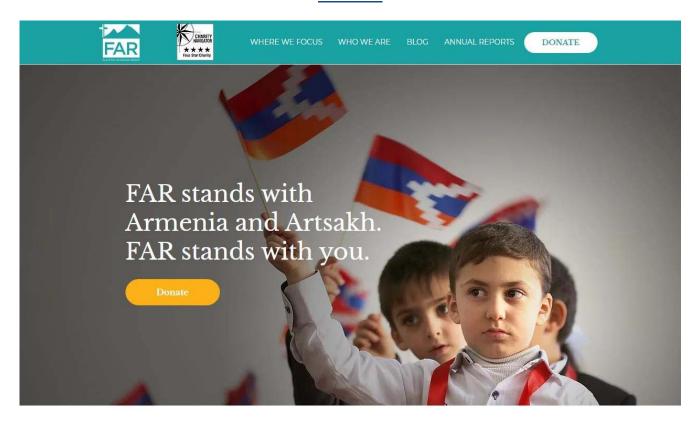
Please support the people of Artsakh by the provision of lifesaving medical aid as they defend their right to peace, security and self-governance.

Donate Now

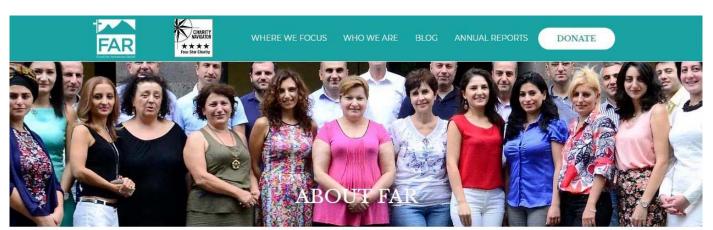
What are we fundraising for?

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Artsakh is a small republic of nearly 150, 000 Armenians who have spent the last 3 decades establishing a democratic republic independent of Azerbaijan's dictatorship. If Azerbaijan, an oil rich nation of nearly 10 million conquers this region these 150,000 civilians will be at risk of ethnic



Featured Projects



What We Do

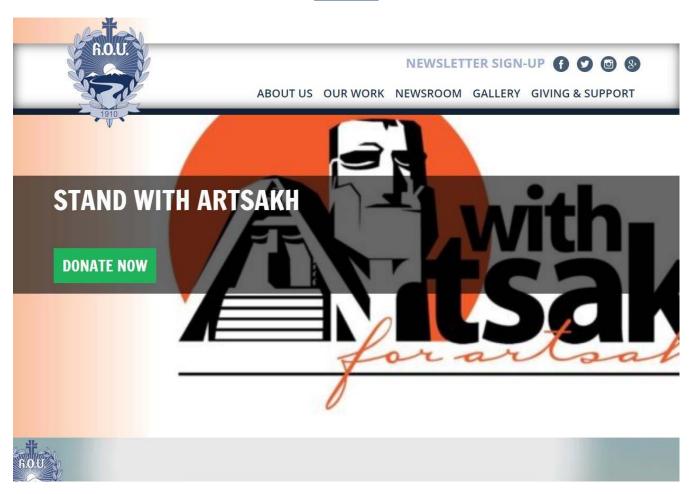
FAR is dedicated to honoring the past, empowering the present, and ensuring the future for people in Armenia, Artsakh and Javakhk. FAR gives hope, guidance, opportunity and empowerment to those in need.

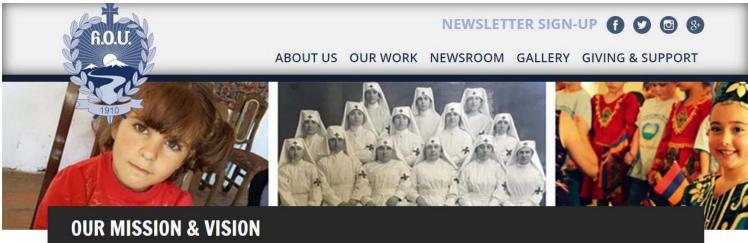
Our work is mainly focused through our five chief program areas of education, child protection, economic development, healthcare and social services.

Through our projects in these areas, FAR implements lifechanging support, some of which translates into providing refuge and help to children who have suffered abuse and abandonment; empowering youth to excel in school and access higher education; and transforming healthcare professionals into medical ambassadors in their communities.

And so much more.





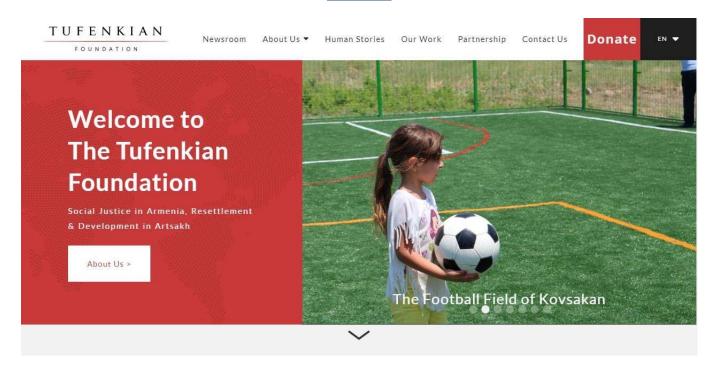


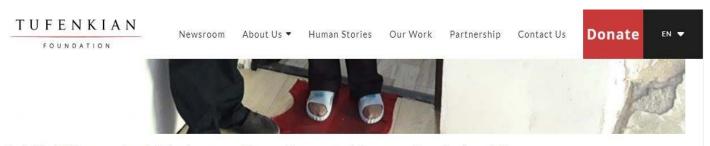
Armenian Relief Society (ARS) is an independent, non-governmental and non-sectarian organization which serves the humanitarian needs of the Armenian people and seeks to preserve the cultural identity of the Armenian nation. It mobilizes communities to advance the goals of all sectors of humanity. For nearly, 110 years, it has pioneered solutions to address the challenges that impact our society.

Through its vast network of hundreds of thousands of dedicated volunteers and members, 220 chapters that operate in over 27 regions, the ARS has had the privilege to be on the front lines of leading our communities towards our collective goals. It plays an active role in providing resources and opportunities to the masses and through its exemplary rank, it pushes its members to serve their nation with total dedication offering the Armenian people and non-Armenians their time, energy, and talents in pursuit of their sacred mission.

The most important character trait of the ARS is its ability to unify general humanitarian aims with commitment to national service. It has always been receptive to the calls of the growing changes and diversity in the vital needs of society, remaining alert and steadfast with its mighty volunteer army.

As an international, humanitarian, Non-Governmental Organization (NGO), the ARS also advocates for human rights, social justice, self-determination, and civil society in the halls of the international arena as a member of the <u>United Nations</u>.



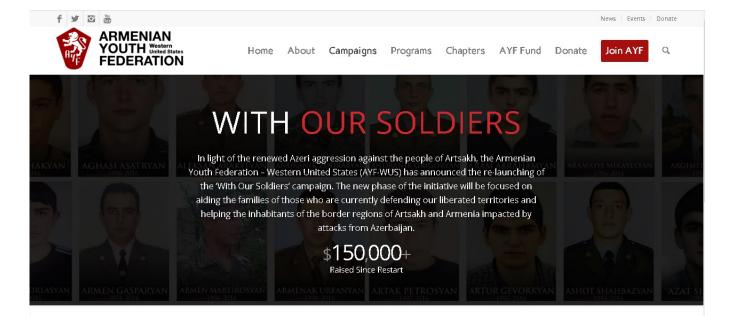


16th Wounded Veteran Receives a Home in Artsakh

July 31, Stepanakert, Artsakh - Today, the Tufenkian Foundation delivered the keys to a new home to the 16th beneficiary of the "Housing for Wounded Soldiers" program. Tsolak Gabrielyan, a 47-year old veteran who was wounded during the Artsakh Liberation War and again during various military operations on the frontlines, celebrated the delivery of his new home in Shushi, Artsakh, that was originally purchased by the Tufenkian Foundation and renovated with funds from his family.

Subsequent to the war, Tsolak underwent several surgeries as well as a rare type of cancer due to which he had his vocal cords removed. He has two sons, both of whom are currently serving in the Artsakh Defense Army.





ABOUT WITH OUR SOLDIERS

The With Our Soldiers (WOS) program, first initiated by the AYF-WUS in 2012, provided medical services and assistance to more than 80 veterans of the Artsakh Liberation Movement. The campaign was restarted in the aftermath of the Four Day War of April 2016 with the aim of providing assistance to the families of the fallen soldiers. WOS has raised over \$150,000 in the last year since its restart, and has distributed the funds to over 120 families. For updates, to learn more about the WOS campaign, or to make a donation today, visit withoursoldiers.com.



Founding

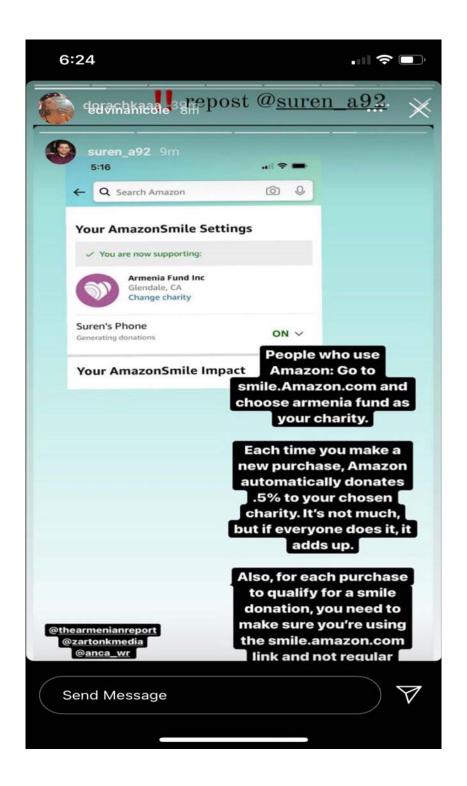
On January 14, 1933, the Armenian Youth Federation was born.

It was on that day in Boston, MA, that the ARF Central Committee of America decided to unify existing youth groups scattered across the country and build the groundwork for a national Armenian youth organization.

The legendary Armenian hero, General Karekin Njteh, was soon invited to the US to serve as a fieldworker to mobilize the communities around the idea of a consolidated youth movement. He toured the country from city to city, town to town, encouraging the masses to join the ranks of the soon to be established AYF. With his magnetic oratory and inspirational presence, hundreds of youth flocked to hear his appeals and apply to become part of the first generation of the AYF.

In June 1934, the AYF held its first Convention, which took place at the famous Hairenik Hall in Boston. General Njteh served as the honorary chairman of the Convention, where 40 chapters throughout the country were represented with a total of about 60 voting delegates. This gathering democratically set the initial name, anthem, programs, and aims of the organization. They also elected the first AYF Central Executive body, composed of five members: Arthur Giragosian, K. Merton Bozoian, Hamparsoum Gelanian, John Der Hovanessian, and Hagop Hagopian.





Bank account details for transfers in various currencies to Armenia Fund under the "We are our Borders – All for Artsakh campaign"

For transfers in EURO

Armenien-Fonds Hayastan-Fondse.V. IBAN#: DE96 1007 0848 0483 3810 00 Bank Name: Deutsche Bank PGK Berlin

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For transfers in RUB

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For transfers in USD

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Correspondent Bank:

JPM Chase Bank N.A., New York SWIFT code: CHASUS33XXX

For transfers in GBP

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Correspondent bank:

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