

Lebanese Family Appeal
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“There is more happiness in giving than in receiving” (Acts 20:35)

Under the patronage of His Excellency Bishop Antoine-Charbel Tarabay, the Maronite Eparchy of Australia and its parishes and supporting organisations, in collaboration with Caritas Lebanon, have launched the “Lebanese Family Appeal”. A monthly contribution of \$50 for twelve months or a once-off \$600 payment can provide basic food necessities for a small family in Lebanon for one year.

The impact of the August explosion in the Port of Beirut has and will continue to exacerbate the grim economic and food security situation in Lebanon. Prior to the explosion, the country had already been going through the worst economic crisis in its history, whilst having to deal with the effects of the COVID-19 outbreak, leaving more families vulnerable and unable to meet their daily needs. This amount of \$50 per month will help a small family provide necessities.

We aim to sponsor 500 families unable to meet their daily needs, profiles of whom have been provided by Caritas Lebanon.

You may choose to select a specific family profile or contribute to a family randomly selected based on its urgent need, so as to help ease the pain of a year that we will never be forgotten.

Contributions can be made via the designated envelopes and forms, available through the Maronite Parishes and our website www.maronite.org.au.

For enquiries, you may contact the Maronite Chancery on 02 8831 0000 or via email to bpoffice@maronite.org.au .

We thank you for your generosity and wish you God’s abundant blessings.