

## What We Do

We "cartoonize communities" and use art as a bridge to provide learning opportunities, forming cultural and language preservation in displaced communities.

For refugees, education is a luxury. There is a huge need for education materials that are readily available, contextualized, and catered to a self-taught approach.



## About Us

A woman-owned organization, we are a diverse team of artists, educators, and content creators dedicated to providing culturally sensitive learning materials for displaced communities.

Featured Community: Afghan

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Cultural expectations and years of conflict deprived equal access to education for girls in Afghanistan.

It's no secret that Afghan girls are being turned away from schools by the Taliban, unable to find alternative learning opportunities. Without opportunity to attend school, girls are vulnerable to **gender-based violence, child marriage, and human trafficking.**

Whether in a resettlement context, a transit country, or in Afghanistan, it is important for Afghan girls to be educated about female-sensitive topics, healthy lifestyle habits, and engage in community-based activities with their peers.

Education, even in the form of a simple picture book, can serve as a coping mechanism to aid in the trauma-healing process and build critical thinking skills.

Our goal is to equip Afghan girls with a resilient, community-driven informal education program that encourages alternative methods of learning when school isn't an option.



## Project: *For the Girls*

"I thought only boys can do exercise. I didn't know the importance of exercise. From today, I would like to exercise and share with my friends and family members."

~ Participant of Girls' Program, Bangladesh

For the Girls is a program designed to prompt important conversations with displaced adolescent girls regarding women's health, physical activity, and community-based work throughout all phases of a woman's life.

### Our Focus



#### Vocabulary

Providing a female-specific resource in their native tongue to aid in language preservation for those resettling in new countries.



#### Mental Health

Tailoring the topics to encourage healthy lifestyle changes and conversations that can aid in the trauma-healing process.



#### Physical Health

Introducing basic nutrition and healthy habits, including bodyweight exercises, throughout all stages of life.

We create a program with universal topics for girls, but present it in a highly contextualized manner for each community.

#### Proof of Concept:

For the Girls | Rohingya Version



Our first Girls' Program was launched in the Rohingya refugee camp in Bangladesh in 2021. Discussions about female health are considered taboo in the Rohingya community. Over 200+ girls have participated.

"They liked that they could learn about girls around the world. They thought foreign girls don't have periods. They are happy to know that a period is normal."

~ Rohingya teacher, Bangladesh

"We think every girl should get this training and this book in our community."

~ Rohingya student, Bangladesh

"I didn't study before and this is the first for me learning so many new things. I feel powerful getting this training."

~ Rohingya student, Bangladesh



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