

Blessed is Kuwait

On the occasion of the Seventh Kuwait Forum for Orphans, I was honored to give the speech on behalf of the donors, and I couldn't find anything more sincere than these words: Blessed is Kuwait. And how could it not be blessed when its Emir is a Humanitarian Leader, its people are generous and benevolent, and its institutions sponsor philanthropy? Ten years have passed since Al-Othman family partnered with Bayt Zakat to carry out the charitable initiatives, both in Kuwait and across the globe, which were laid out in my father's will, may God have mercy on him. Bayt Zakat implements these projects through a network of local and international charitable organizations using a precise mechanism of recommendations from the embassies of the State of Kuwait as well as the approval and oversight of both of the Ministries of Foreign Affairs and Social Affairs. This process of funding international charitable projects utilizes a global system of tracking each donation in order to protect the well-intentioned donor if it turns out that the donation found its way in the hands of extremist groups. And from my personal experience as a donor with the Bayt Zakat, I have received protection and assurance. For instance, one of our projects was in a country which was suddenly rife with turmoil, so Bayt Zakat simply returned the entire amount to the charity fund without any trouble. When the state provides an official institution to distribute and supervise donations, why should anyone take twisted routes and expose themselves to legal problems? And I truly advise the donors to be careful and make sure that your donations are in safe hands. We are now in the Holy Month of Ramadan and we have Bayt Zakat, so I think the path is obvious!