

## **Youth land rights**

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## Introduction

- Palestinian youth are considered the backbone of the Palestinian people, as they represent 38% of the total Palestinian population, particularly those aged between 15 and 29 years. In the Palestinian National Coalition, we work on empowering Palestinian youth and improving their economic and social conditions through all possible means, utilizing various economic programs and others. One of the most important programs focuses on how to empower them on their land and utilize it in different economic ways.
- Palestinian youth face significant challenges, especially regarding land, as
  they deal with the confiscation of land by the Israeli occupation, as well
  as the confiscation of underground water springs, which are the only
  source of water for use in these areas. Although we have alternative
  methods for collecting water, these are prevented by the occupation.
  Consequently, Palestinian youth are working with all their strength to
  activate all programs to preserve Palestinian land.

## **NLC ROLES TWARDS YOUTH**

- Enhancing the YOUTH'S role in promoting land good governance and serving as a link between government and youth, and promoting accountability, transparency, and responsiveness of government administrations to the youth land right.
- Using economic empowerment programs as a tool to support to access to the lands.
- Enhancing vulnerable population specially women, youth and farmers' food security by acquis land ownership, access and control of land for livelihood
- Better documentation for human rights violations and using this documentation as a lobbying and advocacy too.

Since the establishment of the National Land Coalition in Palestine, which consists of five Palestinian institutions - ACAD, PARC, PFU, AAA, and SHARAKA this coalition is considered one of the newest national coalitions focused on land, its use, and optimal exploitation. To this end, the coalition has initiated work on its strategies, particularly how to empower youth and women to access their land using advanced and modern methods within the framework of economic development programs. These programs ultimately focus on the importance of comprehensive land governance and optimal land utilization, not only to achieve and believe in the principles and goals of economic development but also to protect these lands. The goal is for the individual to become the center of the land, mitigating any future risks to it.



## **THANK YOU!**

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