

# Healing Children of Conflict

## About Our Work

### Who We Are

Healing Children of Conflict (HCC) is dedicated to healing children harmed in military conflicts overseas in which the U.S. was or is involved. Our model is the national organization No More Victims. By taking responsibility for healing children with traumatic injuries from war arsenal we seek to spread healing and reconciliation between one community, the war zone, to another—Grand Rapids and West Michigan.

A completely volunteer-based organization, HCC is a diverse collaboration of individuals and several organizations including the Arab American Association of West Michigan, Grand Rapids Institute for Information Democracy, Calvin College History Department, Calvin College Middle East Club, and Open Hand Studios.



### Who We Serve

Our primary task is to heal children so severely wounded that treatment at home is next to impossible, focusing on children from Gaza, Iraq, and Afghanistan that would not otherwise have access to medical care. Salee Allawe, one young girl HCC supports, lost both legs in a 2006 US airstrike in Huswa, Iraq. Sayed Abdullah, from Farwah in Afghanistan, survived an aerial bombardment but suffered severe head trauma and extensive burns.

However, while traumatic, the experiences of these children—and their families—are also stories of resilience, courage, and hope. Step by step, their treatment and recovery reaffirm our shared human dignity. By joining together to help Salee, Sayed, and other children, we strengthen our own community while also creating new networks for social justice.

### Find Out More

Please visit our website [www.healingchildrenofconflict.org](http://www.healingchildrenofconflict.org), to learn more about Healing Children of Conflict, the stories of children we serve, how to volunteer, and how to support our work with a donation.

Please also get in touch if you're interested in inviting an HCC member to give a dynamic presentation for your group.

### Support HCC Today

Our work depends directly on your generous support: our simple purpose is people helping people. The Arab American Association of West Michigan (AAAWM), a Michigan nonprofit organization, is HCC's fiscal agent. Donations should be made to the AAWM, and will be used exclusively to meet HCC's mission of providing life-changing medical care to children—which helps heal us all.

Healing Children of Conflict is a volunteer-based group in Grand Rapids (MI) that heals families and communities by facilitating medical treatment for children seriously wounded in conflicts involving the United States, and thereby educates others about the root causes of those conflicts to prevent their recurrence.

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