





# "ONE CHILD, ONE TEACHER, ONE BOOK AND ONE PEN CAN CHANGE THE WORLD.59

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# About The Daughters for Life Foundation



Founded in 2010, the Daughters for Life Foundation (DFL) is a registered Canadian charity dedicated to providing access to high-quality education to girls and women facing socio-economic adversity and hardship in the Middle East. DFL, along with the help of our partners across the world, have been investing in and empowering women for over a decade. We work tirelessly to continue supporting the dreams of women across the Middle East in pursuing higher education and brighter futures. DFL provides scholarships, financial awards and fellowships to women in the Middle East regardless of their ethnicity, nationality, or religious affiliation.

While DFL's scholarship program helps women pursue post-secondary education globally, the financial awards we deliver support students attending universities in the Middle East. Our fellowship program provides women from universities in the Middle East with the opportunity to participate in academic activities conducted by educational institutions around the world. Our recipients are chosen based on their academic achievements and their commitment to improving the lives of women in the Middle East.

Since its inception, DFL has helped 408 girls realize their potential and pursue their dreams. Since the end of 2021, we have awarded 61 scholarships for women to study at international universities. In addition, over 341 financial awards and 6 fellowships have been granted to support meritorious students to continue their education in the Middle East. Our goal is to invest in the potential of women from the Middle East to take on leadership roles in the future. We want to support their dreams of becoming skilled professionals in any field they choose to pursue.



#### HOW WE REACH OUR GOALS

We inspire women to challenge themselves as leaders and ambassadors for change. We demonstrate leadership in advocating for the empowerment of women through rigorous admission practices, good governance, innovative funding and professional growth opportunities. We develop and nurture collaborations and partnerships with educational institutions, businesses and community organizations to fulfill our objectives.



EDUCATION IS A HUMAN RIGHT THAT SHOULD BE ACCESSIBLE TO EVERY WOMAN ACROSS THE MIDDLE EAST, REGARDLESS OF FAITH, NATIONALITY OR ETHNICITY.



EDUCATED YOUNG WOMEN OF THE MIDDLE EAST ACTING AS LEADERS AND AGENTS FOR PEACEFUL SOCIAL CHANGE IN THEIR COMMUNITIES.



WE STRIVE TO ADVANCE, INVEST, AND PROMOTE HIGHER EDUCATION FOR YOUNG WOMEN LIVING IN THE MIDDLE EAST.

# A Message From

## Our Founder



2021 Marks our 11th year at Daughters for Life and I couldn't be more proud of how far we have come. Since inception, we've supported more than 400 women through our programs and partnered with universities across 8 countries. In 2021, we partnered with our 24th university, opening doors for young women to study in Europe. Thanks to our generous donors, partners and volunteers who continue to support our scholars by empowering them through education.

Reflecting on COVID-19 and the struggles faced globally, I pondered if we could live in a world with a pandemic of justice, equality and freedom? I believe giving girls access to schooling will have a lasting impact on them, their community and country as a whole. Quality education helps spread knowledge, awareness, resilience, tolerance, kindness and forgiveness. All of which are needed to make positive changes in the world, especially at a time where hatred, fear mongering and divisiveness is rampant.

What the world needs now is intellectual women who are on a mission to heal from societal and systemic barriers. Those who can lead us into a brighter, more positive future by promoting equality and equity through their newly found expertise. Education can help to eradicate poverty and encourages inclusiveness. With your ongoing dedication, I thank you again for supporting Daughters for Life in its journey to better the lives of girls and women in the Middle East.

Sincerely,

Dr. Izzeldin Abuelaish Founder and President



#### 2021 Scholarship and

# Fellowship Winners

2021 was a year of new partnerships and experiences for DFL and its scholars. For the first time in its history, DFL established a partnership with the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. Two brilliant scholars were able to secure spots for graduate-level study in 2021 at the university after the scholarship selection cycle.



Farah Qadi was one of DFL's two scholars who joined the foundation in 2021. She began her studies at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem pursuing a masters degree in Nonprofit Leadership and Management in the non-profit sector. She has an undergraduate degree in English Literature with a double-minor Translation and Business Administration Birzeit University in Palestine, speaking to the broad scope of her interests and skills. She overcame immense adversity throughout her academic career including grappling with mental illness and a lack of support from those in her inner circle who doubted her immense potential.

Thankfully, Farah did not let any of these hardships stop her, going forward to becoming a high-achieving student acknowledged on Birzeit University's Honors List and becoming one of DFL's first-ever scholars enrolled at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

## 2021 Scholarship and

# Fellowship Winners



The second 2021 scholar who joined the DFL family was Ni'mati Dmeiry, a resident of Jerusalem who is also pursuing her masters at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem as of September 2021. Ni'mati exemplified academic throughout excellence her undergraduate studies Birzeit at University. Studying German with a minor in Business Administration, Like Farah, she also made Birzeit University's Honors List throughout her degree, allowing her tuition to be waived in recognition of her incredible efforts as a dedicated student. Remarkably, she also secured an internship position at the German Parliament.

Her goal is to eventually manage a German-speaking or German-based NGO. Her strong-held value of holding an open mind and maintaining respect for all faiths, nationalities and those from all walks of life paired with her academic and professional experience is certain to set her up for success to achieve her dreams.

## 2021 Scholarship and

# Fellowship Winners



Although the Daughters For Foundation is most well-known for its renowned scholarship program, it also offers an incredible fellowship program, offering prospective fellows the chance attain real-world а hands-on experience in their programs of study. These unique experiences are made possible through DFL's partnerships with medical centres, hospitals and institutions similar that provide mentorship, guidance and irreplaceable to fellows who experience alongside medical professionals busy at work in the field.

In 2021, DFL happily welcomed its newest fellow: the brilliant Dr. Saja Anabusi, who began her fellowship on the 1st of July 2021 at both Mount Sinai Hospital's maternal-fetal unit and the University of Toronto's Temerty Faculty of Medicine. Hailing from a small Arab town in Palestine, Dr. Anabusi successfully completed her BSc in Medical Sciences, attaining a degree in medicine as a certified doctor at Technion University in Israel. As a community leader, she also continuously makes it her goal to give back and support her local community. Prior to attaining her fellowship, she also held a residency position, led and executed multiple projects relating to maternal-fetal medicine and strives to serve her patients with the highest level of care and compassion possible. She was the ideal candidate, embodying the spirit of the fellowship program which has the goal of equipping women with the ability to learn and adapt from working in realistic medical environments. Due to an acute lack of OB-GYN physicians in Palestine, Dr. Anabusi intends to make a great impact by serving her community and by being a pillar of support for high-risk pregnancy patients.

# 2021 Scholars



**Esraa Naguib**Nutrition and Dietetics,
Brescia University
2022



Passant Metwally
Honours Computer
Engineering, York University
2022



**Yousra Benradi**Business Administration,
Brock University
2022



Sara Saad Electrical Engineering, McMaster University 2023



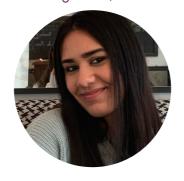
Farah Qadi
Hebrew University of
Jerusalem, masters' in
Nonprofit Leadership and
Management, 2022



Ni'mati Dmeiry
Hebrew University of
Jerusalem, masters' in
Nonprofit Leadership
and Management 2022



Saja Saymeh
Global Studies and
Management,
Wilfred Laurier University
2023



Rasha Aljbour Almajali Commerce and Human Resources, York University 2023



**Liyan Alkawafhah** International Relations, University of Calgary 2023



**Dania Mahadin**Engineering, York University
2024

## 2021 Alumni





#### Maria Shehata, New College of Florida, May 2021

- As of May 2021, Maria Shehata graduated from her Computer Science program at the New College of Florida. Throughout her duration as a DFL scholar, Maria has always done her best to challenge herself, making the most of her undergraduate studies and inspiring all those around her to strive to be as ambitious, hard-working and dedicated as she has been. Although she began her journey as a Chemistry major, Maria made the decision to switch to Computer Science, courageously taking on a field that she did not have prior experience with. Despite the novelty of the subject matter, she took to the program very well through her determination and passion to learn. Eventually, she got the opportunity to take up a teaching assistant position in her Python coding class, highlighting her incredible ability to adapt and grow in a new and engaging academic environment. She also led events and workshops for her fellow classmates. She aims to further her studies to pursue a PhD in the near future!
- Maria's gratitude for the opportunity to become a DFL scholar runs very deep and she expressed her sincere thanks to the foundation and its team and for pursuing its incredible mission that transformed her life, providing her with the chance to go forward and make an impact in her community as a highly-skilled and knowledgeable community leader in the making.

## 2021 Alumni





#### Eva Gorgy Shenoda, York University, 2021

- In June 2021, Eva Gorgy celebrated her graduation from York University's Specialized Honours Biology program. She earned her undergraduate degree after four years of diligent work and deepening her interest in the areas of health and medicine. In particular, Eva worked incredibly hard to maintain a high standard of academic achievement, even receiving formal recognition from York University when she was awarded the institution's Continuing Student Award. Since her graduation, she has accepted an offer to complete her masters' studies at the University of Calgary. Her line of study is gastrointestinal sciences with a specialization in immunology.
- In Eva's own words, the positive effect that DFL's scholarship has had on her life is immeasurable. Access to a world-class education in her field has equipped her with the background knowledge and skills to go forward in the study of medicine with the confidence that she can overcome what lies ahead on her path. She expressed thanks to the whole DFL team for the chance to experience a wide variety of cultures, and viewpoints and will take all she learns as a DFL scholar forward on her journey into a bright future.

## 2021 Alumni





#### <u>Ayaat Labbad, Ryerson University, Biology, May 2021</u>

- Ayaat was DFL's third graduating scholar in 2021, wrapping up her studies in Biology at Ryerson University. Her four years at Ryerson were very vibrant, filled with a variety of activities that kept Ayaat engaged and excited about her field of study. Specifically, at a unique point in her final year of study, Ayaat was able to take up a volunteer interpreter position with RULS (Ryerson University's Lifeline Syria) organization and also joined a pre-med group of peers who aim to enter into medical school. The RULS program was designed by Ryerson University to resettle Syrian refugees and to provide experiential learning and applied research opportunities for students. As a scholar from Syria, Ayaat took part as a meaningful step towards giving back to her community, something she hopes to continue after her studies as well. She also joined the university's Pre-Med Group, which is a network composed of students who are on the medical school track.
- She expressed her heartfelt thanks to DFL for the opportunity of becoming a scholar and being propelled towards her dreams as a result of receiving a post-secondary education at a renowned institution. Her words to any other fellow student were to persevere and never give up in the face of adversity!

# Scholars' Highlights



#### Rasha Aljbour Almajali, York University, 2023

In 2021, Rasha was in the midst of her second year at York University, studying Human Resource Management as part of York University's Bachelors of Commerce program. She spent her year meaningfully despite the continued grip of the COVID-19 pandemic. Although many things remained remote, she still participated enthusiastically in her extracurricular activities. These include being a member of the MESA (Middle Eastern Students' Association) club which hosts events for students and raises funds to donate to organizations in acute need such as IRC (International Rescue Committee) Yemen.





#### Liyan Alkawafhah, University of Calgary, 2023

Liyan finished her second year studying International Relations at the University of Calgary in 2021. The year was one of discipline and diligence for Liyan who made it onto the university's distinguished Dean's list after achieving a GPA of 3.88 which was successfully maintained throughout the year. In addition to her academic triumphs, she kept busy even outside of the classroom. Liyan accepted an opportunity to work with Syrian refugees over the summer of 2021, supporting them remotely due to pandemic restrictions. She also actively planned for the future, looking ahead to brighter days while considering steps for a safe future return of the University of Calgary's Model UN Team in an inperson capacity which she was a part of. She also took steps to establish a Daughters For Life Club at her campus, aiming for an early 2022 launch.

# Scholars' Highlights





#### Sara Saad, McMaster University, 2023

2021 marked Sara's third year at McMaster University. As an Electrical Engineering major with a minor in mathematics, she is a problem-solver by definition and has been thriving in her studies throughout the year. Her earlier initiative to build her professional experience by serving as a lab assistant opened doors for her, exposing her to potential employers as someone who would truly be an asset wherever she goes. This led to her accepting a co-op signal integrity engineer position at Advanced Microcontrollers Devices. The placement began on May 3rd, 2021 and was set to cover a 12-month period, providing her with a foot in the door of the technology industry.

#### Dania Mahadin, Jordan, York University, 2024

Dania began her studies in Engineering at York University in 2020. She had the unique experience of beginning her journey in postsecondary education during the height of the COVID-19 pandemic which created an unexpected set of challenges which she overcame. In 2021, she completed her first year of study and was able to travel to Canada to have the full university experience as an on-campus resident of York University, arriving in Toronto for the first time. During the year, she had many academic accomplishments, maintaining a stellar GPA while also participating in the UN Hackathon, which was an event that encouraged participants to find innovative solutions for global SDGs (sustainable development goals).



#### **Academic Partners**



Daughters for Life (DFL) would like to express its utmost gratitude to its academic partners who have remained committed to its cause. Your support has given hundreds of young daughters from the Middle East the chance to complete their education without financial constraints or to pursue academic degrees in various fields. DFL will continue to champion women's empowerment through education by providing brighter futures for women in the Middle East. We know that with your support, we will be successful in this mission.

2021 marked DFL's growth to more regions across the globe, including Belgium, Europe, forming a new partnership with the University of Antwerp, Belgium, to provide a unique opportunity for eligible candidates from the Middle East to study a Bachelor's or Master's program to fully develop their potential, become vectors of knowledge, promoters of projects and actors of dialogue in their community and their region. The scholarships are offered with the support of external organizations; Cusanus and Zonta.

#### Our Affiliates in 2021

















## Founder's 2021

#### **Achievements**



Despite the difficulties the world is facing because of the Covid-19 pandemic, Dr. Abuelaish's achievements have been exceptional, exceeding any expectations and more. He's been productive in so many ways. Academically through teaching, in research publications as well as professionally and creatively in speaking and media engagements around the globe.

Teaching the course Directed Field Experience: Health, Peace and Women's Health in Palestine and Israel amongst many more courses. Dr. Abulealish established the Global Institute for the study of Socioendemic Diseases, Hatred, Health, and Peace. A Chair was created under his name for the Institute which is located at Antwerp University and in Partnership with two Belgian Universities including ULB and VUB.

Amongst other academic achievements, student supervision, nominations and appointments, Dr. Abuelaish has published five pieces including How to become a good ancestor. He finished filming a documentary based on his book. It's a Canadian/French Production supported by CBC. It starts screening this spring, keep an eye out!



Keynote Speech at The Family Physicians Diploma ceremony, The Azrieli Faculty of Medicine, Bar Ilan University, August 2021.

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In March of 2021, DFL's President and Founder, Dr. Abuelaish was awarded an honorary degree from the University of Antwerp for general merit in recognition of his contributions to the empowerment of girls and young women through education. Thanks to DFL, these scholars are able to become agents of change for the enhancement of life throughout the Middle East.

On April 14, 2021, Dr. Abuelaish, was a guest speaker at the virtual 16th Annual Senior College Symposium "Roots of Violence" where he presented a talk on "Deconstructing Hatred as a Contagious Disease, A Public Emergency Threat, and a Detriment of Health". With data-driven information, Dr. Abuelaish gave insight on ways to move away from the negative impacts of hatred. Education is one of the ways to make a positive change in society which is why the support of DFL is so worthwhile.

In October, Dr. Abuelaish was the recipient of the Robert Geisendörfer Prize for radio and television productions.

Through 2021, he gave 15 keynote speeches at different international Institutions in Canada, Germany, Belgium, the USA, Israel, and Palestine. In November, Dr. Abuelaish was a keynote speaker on Women's Education at a Conference in City Hall, Brussels. Always advocating, always pushing forward women's right to education. This is what DFI is about.



Presentation of the medal to Radio Award winners Izzeldin Abuelaish and Claudia Johanna Leist, right: Dr. Thomas Dörken Kucharz, program director of the Robert Geisendörfer Prize.

## **New Chapter in**

## **Europe**









In the effort to broaden the reach of DFL's mission of expanding educational access and the equality and empowerment of women, the foundation took a huge step in bringing its lifechanging programs to an even wider set of deserving women last year.

On November 26th, 2021, the Daughters for Life Foundation: (DFLE) was Europe officially established after months planning. Under the guidance and support of the DFL Canada team and its board of directors, the European branch was established to serve as the first foreign chapter of the foundation and is based in Brussels. The official announcement of the European chapter outlined a huge goal achieved by DFL as branching out was a long-term hope for the foundation.

DFLE scholars, much like their North Middle East-based American and counterparts, will have opportunity attend to distinguished institutions throughout Europe. Already off to a strong start following the announcement last fall. it was also announced that the first partnership was already forged with the University of Antwerp in Belgium. The first DFLE scholar will be enrolled starting from the Fall 2022 term.

This would not have been possible without the incredible board of directors overseeing the activities of the DFLE chapter. They are a collective of professionals who have a broad pool of talents stretching across many fields that include but are not exclusive to: women's rights advocacy, education, medicine, law, governance and public affairs, humanitarian issues, digitalization among many more. They make up the team who will work to facilitate new partnerships, pathways and connections throughout Europe to provide more opportunities for students. As the board has been settling in, they've been supported every step of the way by the staff based at the Toronto headquarters, ensuring a smooth start to what is an exciting time for the foundation.











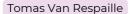
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Mr Jean-Marc Delizée

This expansion is credited to Dr. Abuelaish's initial hope to honour his daughters and his niece who were lost in a tragic attack in 2009. In the face of hate, he chose to rise above and choose peace, and honour their memory by carrying their passion for education forward, ensuring that many young women would have the opportunity to study freely.

## Mentorship

#### Program





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 In the summer of 2021, DFL's Scholars proposed the revival and restructuring of the mentorship program initiative ahead of the 2022 scholarship program cycle. This stemmed from the scholars' own generosity and desire to support incoming scholarship applicants and prospective scholars in navigating the application process and was proposed initially by DFL scholar Esraa Naguib.

Primarily, it focused on giving one-on-one support, connecting a scholar with a single applicant whom they would mentor. Whether on the application process itself, providing insight on programs of study, professional development or otherwise, the scholars were eager to lend a helping hand and to share their wealth of knowledge with those hoping to receive the same once-in-a-lifetime opportunity they were able to get. Both the DFL team and its volunteers provided support on this project throughout.

Secondary aspects of the program were related to delegation of organizational and logistics roles between volunteers, and Scholars, and creating a resource database via Google Drive for all DFL applicants to access containing resources for their reference.

## Alumni Group



The Daughters For Life Alumni group is an initiative focused on uplifting, supporting and creating an encouraging network of DFL's graduating alumni. The idea was in the works for several years but the first steps of formal development were taken at the start of 2021, spearheaded by one of DFL's board members, Lorna J. Edmonds, along with board member Darina Landa and Jacklin Ibrahim, the director of programs and operations at the foundation. Together they fleshed out the long and short-term goals of the project. Waed Hassan is the leading DFL alumna of this initiative.



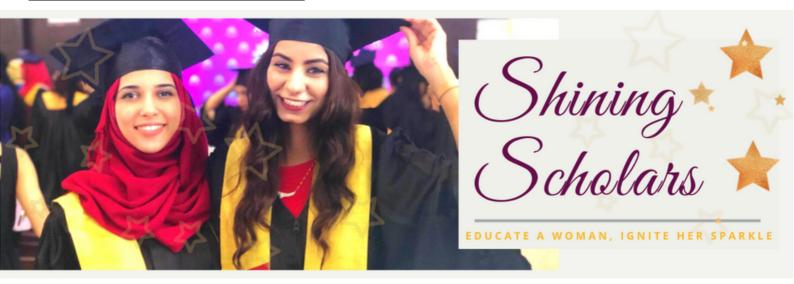
Firstly, the group serves as a hub of support for the alumni who share a bond of being DFL graduates, providing each other with a strong support system both professionally and interpersonally. Alumni always have a pool of contacts who understand their unique experience as a fellow scholars, who can provide social and mental support throughout their many endeavours, and who can be professional networking contacts as well. Secondly, the project allows for the creation of a channel of communication between DFL and the graduates of the scholarship program, providing the foundation with updates on their progress after their studies, providing support to alumni where possible and generally remaining in contact.

To facilitate these goals, it was hoped that the group could hold regular meetings on a monthly basis to bring everyone up-to-date on each other's growth and progress and that the group could branch out to hold exciting events such as webinars, talks and discussions, featuring special guest speakers to enrich the experience for the alumni group members.

## 2021 Fundraising

## Campaign





On a global scale, the COVID-19 pandemic has affected every aspect of daily life. It has especially exacerbated the challenges that many women face while completing their education, adding to the many obstacles on their paths. Although we came across challenges such as the suspension of our annual event and difficulties with funding, we did not lose sight of our mission to support women and uplift them, especially in the hardest of times.

With this in mind, during the summer of 2021, we launched a successful digital fundraising campaign called "Shining Scholars: Educate a Woman, Ignite her Spark." The focus was twofold: to highlight our DFL scholars' excellence while bolstering further support for women's education and had the fundraising goal of \$50,000. The campaign was to take the place of our beloved annual Gala event where guests, supporters, our shining scholars and many other partners gather to celebrate and underline the mission of DFL.

Although we could not gather due to the ongoing pandemic, we were amazed by the overwhelming support our fundraising campaign received. Thanks to the generosity of our many donors, the Shining Scholars campaign was able to raise \$25,400 which has gone towards the funding of undergraduate and graduate-level education of women from all over the Middle East.

## 2021 Canada Summer

## **Jobs Interns**

The Canada Summer Jobs (CSJ) program is an initiative established by the federal government with the goal of providing young Canadians with paid work experiences in their transition into the professional workforce during their studies by providing wage subsidies to a variety of organizations with less than 50 permanent employees seeking to hire for the summer season.

The Daughters for Life Foundation would like to extend its sincere gratitude to the MP Ya'ara Saks for her continued support and for her initial recommendation to the federal government on DFL's behalf. Through this effort, DFL was able to receive CSJ grants, allowing the foundation to hire three interns for the very first time in 2021. Nelia served as a marketing intern, Venuya was our fundraising intern and Hodan was our scholarship intern.



Nelia Fadavi, Marketing Coordinator



Venuya Selvanathan, Fundraising Coordinator



Hodan Garbiye, Education Programs/Scholarship Coordinator

#### A Look Back at

## **Your Support**



**1,850+** DONORS TO DATE

**400+** PROGRAM RECIPIENTS OVER 10 YEARS

1,896 APPLICANTS SINCE 2011 FROM 8 COUNTRIES

341 TOTAL BURSARIES AWARDED

61 TOTAL SCHOLARS

6 FELLOWSHIPS AWARDED

24 PARTNER UNIVERSITIES IN 6 COUNTRIES

12,381 HOURS OF VOLUNTEER SERVICE YEARLY

## **Financial Facts**

#### Jan to Dec 2021



2021 Summary	CAD Dollars
Revenue	309,649
Expenditures	181,801
Surplus/deficit	127,848

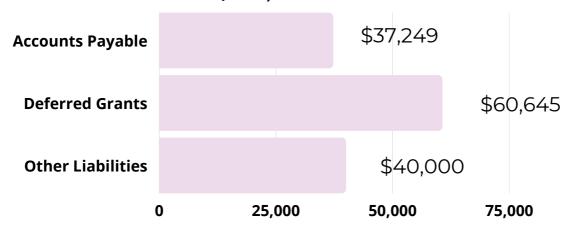
~\$750,000
IN-KIND DONATIONS: 13
SCHOLARSHIPS AND 1
FELLOWSHIP

DFL generated positive net income thanks to the generosity of our donors, supporters, and through operational streamlining by the management team

#### **TOTAL ASSETS: \$383,046**



#### **TOTAL LIABILITIES: \$137,894**



#### **UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS: \$245,152**

## **Donors Supported Us**

#### in 2021

We would like to extend our gratitude to all of our donors for their immense kindness! Your support has been crucial to us in helping to realize the dreams of so many young girls and women.

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#### **Directors**





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Darryl is the President of Part Time CFO Services LLP

DARRYL GOODALL Board Director & Treasurer

## The DFL Team



#### JACKLIN IBRAHIM DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS AND PROGRAMS



Jacklin plays an integral role in the success of DFL as the Director of Operations and Programs. Utilizing her extensive experience in communications, public relations, and project management, she runs the daily operations and strategic initiatives. Jacklin is a team leader who supports and ensures the fruition of DFL's programming, communications, and marketing activities. She can be reached by email: communications@daughtersforlife.com or by phone: (416) 630-0246.

#### **OUR VOLUNTEERS**

None of this would be possible without the endless hours from our exceptional volunteers!

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