

# Gaza Is Already Unliveable: Help the Freedom Flotilla Sail Against the Inhuman Blockade of Gaza

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*In 2020, the [Freedom Flotilla Coalition will sail again](#) to break the illegal and inhuman blockade of Gaza. During this mission we will be focusing on children and youth struggling to survive in the wreckage of Gaza, their beloved home. Canada Boat to Gaza is reaching out to children and youth organizations, and to individuals like you, to help support our work and to bring an end to the suffering in Gaza.*

Eight years ago in 2012, the UN declared that Gaza would be uninhabitable by 2020. Over the years, the international community has watched that prediction become truth. Palestinians in Gaza live among bombed out hospitals, schools, and homes. There are water, food and electricity shortages throughout the beleaguered strip making basic survival a serious challenge. The desperate economic situation in Gaza also means that children have to think and act as older than they are, with too many of them [working to help support their families](#).

The most vulnerable of the innocent are children and youth, many of whom have been deliberately targeted by Israeli snipers since the beginning of the Great March of Return, when Palestinians demand their right to return to their homeland from which Israel expelled them. Israeli snipers have murdered at least 256 Palestinians in these peaceful protests, and more than 29,000 have been maimed for life, [many of them children and youth](#). Please watch and share this award-winning short video about one of them, [Dreams in the Crosshairs](#), created by one of our Palestinian partner organizations in Gaza, [We Are Not Numbers](#), with funding from the Freedom Flotilla Coalition.

The world expresses outrage and yet the slaughter and deliberate destruction of Gaza continues with impunity. In November 2019, after a three day Israeli offensive on Gaza, Palestinian Health Minister, **Dr. Mai al-Kaila**, reported that one-third of the Palestinians killed by Israeli missiles and shells were [women and children](#).

It seems clear that Israel is systematic targeting Gaza's future, its children and youth. Imagine if this was happening in your hometown. Imagine if it was your child who was permanently maimed for peacefully protesting human rights violations. Would the world still be silent? Would you want others to speak up against these attacks?

Will you help us sail this year? *Together we can help end the blockade! Read and share our last message ([Why we Sail, and Sail and Sail Again](#)) on the Canadian Boat to Gaza website.*

*Many of you will be hearing this week about the "Steal of the Century" proposed by the US President. We remind everyone that without justice, there can be no peace, and so we*

encourage you to read, share and amplify Palestinian responses in your communities and around the world, including this [“Appeal of the Century”](#) from *We Are Not Numbers*.

A critical way to help our campaign is to contribute financially. There are different ways you can make a donation. [Click here to donate](#). We ask you to consider a monthly donation. We are pleased to accept e-transfers from Canadian bank accounts (Interac) or online using a major credit card or PayPal account. You can also donate by cheque or money order and mailing to Canadian Boat to Gaza, PO Box 1950, London Stn. B, London, Ontario N6A 5J4, CANADA. In other countries, please consider donating through one of our Freedom Flotilla coalition partner campaigns : <https://jfp.freedomflotilla.org/donate>

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- share our messages with your family, friends and/or work colleagues and encourage them to join our mailing list;
- send an endorsement message from your association, union, congregation or political party;
- organize and attend events to raise funds and awareness for our campaign;
- join a [Freedom Flotilla](#) campaign near you and encourage others to do so;
- follow us on the web, Facebook, Twitter (see below) and share our posts widely.

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### **Together, we can help end the blockade!**

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*Featured image: Members of the crew of the Marianne, which was seized by Israeli forces in international waters early on 29 June as it headed toward Gaza. (Freedom Flotilla III)*

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