IDRB Djibouti assists local communities in addressing needs in the areas of animal health, public health, education, and small business development. We employ international staff and local staff, utilize volunteers, and carry out projects in partnership with the Djiboutian government.

Current Project

Animal Health

IDRB Djibouti provides livestock health services to rural pastoralistst in Northern Djibouti in order to prevent herd die-off that would threaten the livelihood of Djiboutian people. We partner with the Ministry of Agriculture, employ local veterinary technicians, utilize international volunteers, and provide medicine and supplies. IDRB Djibouti has overseen the treatment of 155,000+ livestock animals.



Previous Projects

Sportfishing/Tourism

In the Gulf of Tadjourah (Northern Djibouti), IDRB Djibouti provides training and equipment to local fishermen in order to foster the sportfishing industry. This project enhances the livelihood of the fishermen and prompts growth in Djibouti's tourism industry. We give instruction in marketing, customer service, governmental and conservation policies; provide basic supplies and digital marketing materials; and host industry professionals who teach sportfishing strategies.



Prosopsis Management

Prosopsis is an invasive plant across Djibouti which negatively affects local communities. IDRB Djibouti hired and equipped local teams to eradicate prosopsis plants, control future growth, and create and sell charcoal from the wood.



Emergency Food Distribution

During the Covid-19 pandemic, IDRB Djibouti partnered with government officials and local staff to identify families in dire need. 87 families received food packages which included bulk quantities of rice, flour, pasta, tomato paste, sugar, oil, and dates from local food sellers.



Medical Aid

Refugees outside Djibouti's refugee camps are especially vulnerable as they do not have access to the governmental healthcare system. IDRB Djibouti assisted these refugees by providing transportation to medical facilities, assisting with hospital bills and pharmacy fees, and providing eyeglasses.



English Class

IDRB Djibouti partnered with Ecole Emanuel, a local school operated by another non-governmental organization, to teach English classes to the Arabic-speaking population in Djibouti.

Mobile Library

This project sought to improve primary school students' reading skills by providing library resources and programs to rural schools. In partnership with the Tadjourah District Department of Education, other non-governmental organizations, local IDRB staff, international volunteers, and school educators, IDRB Djibouti's mobile library made monthly visits to primary schools in Northern Djibouti for 10 years.



Dental/Vision Clinics

IDRB Djibouti assisted in addressing public health needs by conducting dental and vision clinics in Northern Djibouti for 5 years. International and local staff organized the clinics and hosted qualified volunteers who provided dental care (extractions and restorative care) to 300-500 people annually. In the last 3 years of the project, 1,000 pairs of eyeglasses were distributed annually.

