TEAR GAS KILLS CROPS

Community Hydroponic Garden Damaged

Military Tear Gas Kills 1000 Plants

At 7 PM, 18 January 2022, our partners the Lajee Center were attacked by the Israeli military. Nearly 150 canisters of tear gas (see picture, left) were shot in & around their center in the UN-run Aida refugee camp. Several canisters broke through the plastic walls & ceiling of the Community Hydroponic Garden, killing 1000 plants. Tomato, parsley, mint, lettuce, strawberry, & onion plants were destroyed & the soil/water contaminated. Other tear gas canisters damaged the nearby Zahrat Al-Yasmeen Kindergarten.

120 Families Without Fresh Produce

The tear gas attack killed the plants in the Community Hydroponic Garden (see picture, right). It will require 1 week to air out the garden, change the soil and water & replant. This means that over 800 people will be without fresh produce from the garden for at least 1 month.

Hydroponics & Aida Camp

- Uses 70% less water
- Uses less soil
- Good for dense urban areas
- Serves women & young people
- Community garden & micro-units

1for3 & Food

- 1000 people impacted by gardener training
- 5000 seedlings planted
- 20 harvests completed of specific crops
- 120 H4P patients trained as gardeners
- 4 micro-hydroponic gardens manufactured
- 60 micro-hydroponic garden users trained
- 5 harvests achieved by micro-hydroponic gardens

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