

17.2.5. Cooperation with NGOs

Alexandria University strengthens wide collaboration with NGOs, community organizations, and development partners to support Sustainable Development, expand community services, and enhance social impact through joint projects, awareness campaigns, medical and veterinary convoys, literacy programs, and local interventions.

Through partnerships with national and regional NGOs, research institutions, and local authorities, the University integrates shared resources, multi-sector activities, field engagement, and community-based initiatives to address priority areas such as health, education, addiction prevention, literacy, agriculture, and rural development.

This cooperative framework supports vulnerable groups, improves community outcomes, strengthens local capacity, and advances inclusive policies aligned with SDGs, ensuring broader participation, continuous support, and sustainable results.

1- Agro-Food Industries Alliance Project

The presence of sectoral alliances in the world is one of the most important ways to increase national income and develop small and medium industries. From this standpoint, the Agro-Food Industries Alliance was formed, which consists of 16 partners (universities, research institutions, industry representatives, small and medium-sized companies, NGOs and local authorities).

Alliance Partners:

Universities: Alexandria University, Damanhour University, Kafr El Sheikh University, Suez Canal University, Ain-Shams University, Arab Academy for Science, Technology and Maritime Transport

Community organizations: Lake Investors Association, The Egyptian Foundation for Bio-Agriculture, Regional Federation of NGOs

Research or industrial centers: Agriculture Research Center, National Research Center, IMC Company: Saqr Company, Isis company, IT&M Company.

Anti-Addiction Fund for treatment : cooperation with NGOs in 10th Abis district

The Community Service and Environmental Development Affairs Sector at the Faculty of Science, Alexandria University, with the participation of the Anti-Addiction Fund, the Al-Hayat Center for Addiction Treatment (NGO), and IBRO, organized an awareness campaign in the 10th Abis district to shed light on the dangers of addiction and its negative physical and psychological effects. They raise awareness of the dangers of addiction, encourage children to understand the parts of the brain, identify the region's needs for services and development, and identify the obstacles facing the region such as the lack of competencies in the health unit to operate and deal with the devices, and the density of the number of students in schools. The region, the lack of interest in the quality of education, the lack of adherence to precautionary measures, and the region's need for special medical convoys for chronic diseases such as treatment of blood pressure and diabetes.

Alexandria University Medical convoys in collaboration with NGOs in different districts in Alexandria



Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, Alexandria University, organizes 9 Veterinary Convoys to Serve Abis Villages. The Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, in coordination with the Directorate of Veterinary Medicine in Alexandria, organized nine veterinary medical convoys to serve the people of Abis villages in Alexandria Governorate, for a period of two weeks, from the 5th until the 15th of July 2023. The students of the final year of the faculty participated in these convoys for practical training. The total number of cases that were detected and treated amounted to 2716 cases, which included 666 cases of different animals and 2050 cases representing poultry and birds.



2. The literacy: Alexandria Without Illiteracy:

- Alexandria University is keen to provide all forms of support to confront the problem of illiteracy and eliminate it, believing in the necessary role of Alexandria University in community participation. Alexandria University President stressing the university's keenness to play its role in community service within the framework of the university's social and national responsibility, in line with implementing the state's plan to achieve the goals of sustainable development until 2030, including addressing the dangers of illiteracy. He indicated that **the University established Alexandria University Centre for the Eradication of Illiteracy to implement an integrated strategy to support this national project at the university level.**
- Alexandria University signs a cooperation **protocol with the General Authority for Adult Education (NGO) to eradicate illiteracy in Alexandria.** In this context, the issue of eradicating illiteracy and adult education is one of the most important development strategies to which the Egyptian state attaches special importance, indicating that the university will implement the protocol through its human cadres (faculty members and students) to eradicate the illiteracy of university workers, villages, and neighborhoods. And the governorate centers under the supervision of specialized professors at the university and participants in the project, pointing out that **Alexandria University, in cooperation with the Alexandria Governorate Authority, and the general authority of Adult education will train university youth participating in the**

project on methods and methods of adult education through its colleges. In addition, the university is holding training courses to raise the efficiency of workers in the field of literacy.

- 1,000 literacy classes have been opened in the governorates of Alexandria, Matrouh, Beheira, and Kafr El-Sheikh, with a capacity of 8,000 students, to begin work directly with NGOs in different regions of Egypt. The university will prepare lists of the names of those working in literacy classes as teachers, and award students with certificates of appreciation for each student who participated in the students' success. Alexandria University students were able to eradicate the illiteracy of 1,059 students within three months, stressing that eliminating illiteracy is a goal.
- Under the slogan "**A Decent Life**" and in cooperation between **NGOs**, the "You Are Life" initiative was launched by Alexandria University in the ancient city of Burj Al Arab. The initiative included raising awareness of the **danger of addiction** to the individual and society, **medical convoys** (various specialties), **craft workshops**, **spot exams** (literacy eradication), **awareness raising for women**, **activities for children** and a **theatre**, in addition to providing **counseling services**, **psychological** and **family support**, and **diagnosing behavioral** and **psychological problems**. This comes in cooperation between the concerned authorities: (the Anti-Addiction Fund, the Ministry of Health and Population, the Ministry of Youth and Sports, the Ministry of Culture, the University of Alexandria, the National Council for Women, and the General Authority for the Eradication of Illiteracy and Adult Education), other specialized institutions, and civil society organizations.

