



**St John**



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**Our Work**

# St John – A worldwide reach

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The modern Order of St John started providing First Aid in 1877 in England. Only five years later the Order opened a hospital in Jerusalem for the provision of eye care.

Today, over 140 years later, the Order of St John is still providing its services in more than 35 countries as a working Order of Chivalry and a modern organisation delivering first aid, health care and support services around the world. HM The King is our Sovereign Head, and our members, staff, and volunteers come from all faiths and none.

If you want to learn more about the work of your national St John organisation, please visit its individual website. You find an overview of all worldwide St John Establishments and their contact details on [www.stjohninternational.org](http://www.stjohninternational.org)

# In the Service of Humanity

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Each Year, St John organisations train more than 2 million people in first aid and other healthcare activities. Worldwide, we treat over 1.2 million and reach more than 2.5 million beneficiaries with our services. We are linking local communities to national health services.



## Our Services

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### First Aid Training

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charitable first aid training in schools, church and community groups; commercial first aid training to businesses as a social enterprise

### Emergency Ambulance Services

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emergency healthcare, ambulance transport services



### Healthcare and Community Health

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first aid at events, disaster preparedness, safe motherhood and child health, primary healthcare, health services, home based care



St John provides services to many people who will never see the inside of a modern hospital

## Our Services

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### St John of Jerusalem Eye Hospital

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the only charitable provider of expert eye care in the West Bank, Gaza and East Jerusalem, treating patients regardless of ethnicity, religion or ability to pay



### Community Services

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non-medical services like social and emotional care, therapy dogs, elderly transport services

### Youth Programmes

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Cadet and Badger groups for children between six and 17 years old





## Worldwide Impact

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St John Organisations promote physical, mental and spiritual health and resilience in more than 35 countries, mostly in the Commonwealth. The Order delivers its charitable activities through local St John (Ambulance) organisations and the St John of Jerusalem Eye Hospital in Jerusalem.

## Community Volunteers

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At our core of our work are the 200,000 St John volunteers who give their own time, effort, and expertise to help others. They come from the local communities they are working in, and improve the lives of their own family, friends and neighbours through our services, while strengthening community resilience.

Our volunteers are wearing the eight-pointed cross on their uniforms, proud to be part of our worldwide charitable movement.



## Youth

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St John empowers future generations to achieve their full potential. Our various worldwide youth programmes prepare children for community services. Children and adolescents learn essential first aid and home nursing skills, but also develop leadership abilities; today's young volunteers are tomorrow's doctors, first aid trainers, paramedics and life savers.







## Inter-Faith

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The Order of St John is a Christian Order, found on Christian principles, and what we do is motivated by Christian ideals. However, our services are open to everyone, and our members and volunteers come from all faiths and no faith. Christian clerics look after the welfare of St John staff and volunteers, as do Imams and Buddhist monks in some of the countries where we operate.

## St John Support Model for Associations

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While some of our St John organisations have been grown into large national Charities over the last decades, some smaller St John organisations are still in their beginnings, or they work on a small scale in their home markets. The International Secretariat of the Order – called St John International – is the supporting body for these smaller St John organisations. We are providing support services, based on individual assessments of the current activities and needs of the respective organisation.

Our aim is to establish the smaller St John Associations as successful and sustainable organisations. They will then generate income through first aid training and services, while ultimately helping the most vulnerable people in local communities with charitable projects.



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St John International is assisting with a wide range of capacities, for example annual business planning, grant and project management, fundraising and income generation, as well as activities to strengthen local governance. At the same time, we secure funds from international donors, which are used for local projects, such as the successful Mother and Baby project in Malawi, Uganda, Zambia and Zimbabwe. In addition, we provide advice, support and an infrastructure for admission and promotion of local people into our most venerable Order.

Whenever we cannot arrange the necessary support ourselves, we connect the smaller St John Association with one of the larger national St John Priories, which is assisting on behalf of the International Secretariat.



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