KHORI AVA - Three Case Studies

Case Study 1: A Blind Family's Journey to Independence

Background Profile

A visually impaired family in Duhok city lived on the second floor of a rental apartment, facing extraordinary daily challenges. Both parents and their children navigate their world without sight, requiring them to climb stairs 5-6 times daily just to meet basic needs.

Their financial situation was dire. The family's only income was a modest monthly salary of $200 USD, while their rent alone consumed $150 USD monthly. This left merely $50 for all other necessities - food, medicine, and transportation costs.

This family exemplified parental love through heartbreaking sacrifice. They previously owned their own apartment but were forced to sell it to fund eye surgery for both of their children. The daily reality meant choosing between basic necessities, living with constant financial stress, and managing visual impairment challenges without adequate support systems.

Khori Ava's Comprehensive Solution

Through our program, the community responded with overwhelming support:

Immediate Financial Relief: 1,000,000 Iraqi dinars in direct assistance.
Food Security: Sustained food and nutrition packages
Permanent Housing Solution: Purchased of a new home for them, eliminating rent burden
forever

Transformative Impact

Khori Ava's intervention didn't just provide temporary relief and aid- it restored hope and independence. The family now owns their home, eliminating the financial burden of rent and providing stability for their children's future.

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Case Study 2: From Disability to Dignity - A Father's Hope Restored

Background Profile

A 52-year-old father who lost both legs faced seemingly impossible circumstances. Unable to work due to his disability, he struggled to provide for his three children - two sons and one daughter - while managing crushing medical expenses and mounting debt.

Living in substandard rental housing for 200,000 dinars monthly, the family's financial crisis affected every aspect of life. The children's education suffered as basic school supplies became unaffordable luxuries. His daughter, who has special needs, dreams of becoming an English teacher one day despite her family's overwhelming challenges.

Generational Impact of Poverty

The family had been renters their entire lives, representing a cycle of economic instability spanning decades. At 52, the father had never experienced homeownership, and his disability made traditional employment impossible.

The daughter's educational aspirations seemed increasingly distant as practical needs took precedence.

Comprehensive Life Transformation

Khori Ava's intervention provided:
Financial Stability: 1,000,000 Iraqi dinars in direct support
Food Security: Comprehensive food and nutrition assistance
Permanent Housing: Their first family-owned home after 50+ years of renting

Breaking Barriers

Their daughter is now focusing on her education without worrying about housing security. The father, for the first time in his adult life, experienced the dignity of homeownership. "I own my first house now after 50 years because of Khori Ava, my kids are safer today" he shared during our follow-up interview.

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Case Study 3: A Mother's Courage - Raising Special Needs Children Alone

Background Profile

A 37-year-old widowed mother faced the unimaginable challenge of single-handedly raising four children aged 4, 8, 10, and 14 - two of whom have autism. Her husband died of brain cancer after a two-year battle that depleted their savings and left the family in crushing debt.

With no income and unable to work due to her children's young ages and special needs requirements, she depended entirely on neighbors' charity. The family couldn't afford basic utilities, and her eldest daughter had dropped out of school to help at home.

Compounding Challenges

- **Financial:** Zero income with mounting debts including unpaid utilities
- **Medical:** Two children requiring specialized autism support and care
- **Educational:** Eldest daughter's education interrupted by family crisis
- **Social:** Complete isolation with no extended family support system
- **Housing:** Living in inadequate rental accommodation

Two years after her husband's death, this mother had become both father and mother to her children while managing complex special needs requirements alone. Her situation represented a mix of grief, poverty, disability, and gender-based economic vulnerability.

Comprehensive Family Restoration

Khori Ava provided complete life stabilization:

Economic Security: 1,000,000 Iraqi dinars removing immediate financial pressure
Food Security: Ongoing nutritional support for the family
Permanent Stability: A new home for the family, owned by them!

Restoring Hope and Future

Khori Ava's intervention enabled the eldest daughter to return to school, provided stability for the special needs children, and gave the mother space to breathe and plan for the future. "My children can now dream again, I can sleep well knowing I have a roof and my kids will be safe" she said, representing the profound psychological impact of housing security.

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