



# PILGRIMAGE TO TATEV MONASTERY

## PROJECT SUMMARY



The Pilgrimage to Tatev Monastery initiative aims to unite Armenians and friends of Armenia around a spiritual and cultural journey. The event will focus on the idea of reviving Tatev as a spiritual, scientific, cultural, and social center, and on uniting around spiritual-national values. It is being implemented with the blessing of the Armenian Apostolic Church and in cooperation with several Armenian charitable organizations.

### **The pilgrimage program includes:**

- Joint Prayer at the Church of Saints Peter and Paul — praying for the return of Armenian prisoners.
- Baptism Ceremony of Artsakh children born during the blockade of Artsakh.
- Exhibition "The Golden Chain of Patrons: Guardians of Tatev Through the Centuries"
- Spiritual Talks and Unity Ceremony Gathering around the Tree of Life for reflection and blessing.
- Community Development Presentations Introduction of initiatives aimed at strengthening the Tatev community.
- Cultural program (musical performances, dance performances, master classes)
- Harissa preparation and traditional hospitality
- Local produce and crafts fair

## PROGRAM OBJECTIVE

- Establishing the tradition of pilgrimage and reaffirming Tatev Monastery's role as a center of spiritual and cultural interaction
- Drawing public attention to the issue of Armenian prisoners and urgently calling for their release
- Implementing regional development programs
- Supporting families displaced from Artsakh and ensuring spiritual unity
- Ensuring continuity and encouraging Armenian philanthropy traditions



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## BENEFICIARIES

### DIRECT BENEFICIARIES

- ✓ Pilgrimage participants (more than 1,000 people)
- ✓ Residents of the Tatev community, including families forcibly displaced from Artsakh residing in Tatev community
- ✓ Local producers and artisans
- ✓ Representatives of partner organizations

### INDIRECT BENEFICIARIES

- ✓ Population of Syunik province
- ✓ Armenian cultural heritage preservation initiatives
- ✓ Regional tourism infrastructure

## BUDGET

The total budget for the event, including expenses for organizing the pilgrimage, as well as landscaping and maintenance of the "Tree of Life" garden throughout the following year

IN TOTAL: \$ 80 000

### MAIN INFORMATION

Partners	Wings of Tatev Ropeway “Tatev Revival” Foundation
Location	Syuniq region, Tatev, Halidzor
Implementation period	May 31, 2025

### SUSTAINABILITY

- Annual nature of the pilgrimage, which was established in 2024 and will continue in subsequent years
- Unity around spiritual values
- Presentation and implementation of long-term programs aimed at developing the Tatev community
- Encouraging patronage traditions and ensuring continuity
- Long-term cooperation between the Armenian Apostolic Church and reputable charitable organizations
- Involvement of local communities and contribution to sustainable socio-economic development