

# Directory of Existing Services for **Child Protection** in Algeria



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**STATES PARTIES UNDERTAKE TO ENSURE THE CHILD SUCH PROTECTION AND CARE AS IS NECESSARY FOR HIS OR HER WELL-BEING, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE RIGHTS AND DUTIES OF HIS OR HER PARENTS, LEGAL GUARDIANS, OR OTHER INDIVIDUALS LEGALLY RESPONSIBLE FOR HIM OR HER, AND, TO THIS END, SHALL TAKE ALL APPROPRIATE LEGISLATIVE AND ADMINISTRATIVE MEASURES.**

**CONVENTION ON THE RIGHTS OF THE CHILD,  
ARTICLE 3 PARAGRAPH 2**

## CONTEXT

The Convention on the Rights of the Child, along with the two Optional Protocols addressing the sale of children and pornography, as well as the one dealing with the involvement of children in armed conflicts, and the African Charter on the Rights and Welfare of the Child, have been ratified by Algeria.

For several decades, Algeria has been committed to aligning its national legislation with the international conventions it has signed, to protect children. The country is home to 9,101,700 children, distributed across the following age groups:

**Structures<sup>1</sup> and populations are based on population projections established for this purpose.**

Age group	Male	Female	Total
00 year	454,276	429,937	884,213
01-04 years	1,964,036	1,867,804	3,831,840
05-09 years	2,577,848	2,435,592	5,013,440
10-14 years	2,226,491	2,106,250	4,332,751
15-19 years	1,767,360	1,667,939	3,435,299

In 2008, the Parliament adopted an Education Law prohibiting corporal punishment, psychological abuse, and all forms of bullying in schools. Between 2008 and 2015, a National Action Plan for Children guided government action, leading to the adoption, in 2014, of an amendment to the Penal Code that increased penalties for perpetrators of violence against children. In 2015, a Child Protection Law<sup>2</sup> was introduced, establishing several new rights for children and enhanced protection mechanisms, including the creation of The National Organ for the Protection and Promotion of Children. This dynamic was further strengthened by the 2016 constitutional revision, which enshrined significant rights for enhanced child protection: the criminalization of child labor, the suppression of violence against children, and the obligation for parents to ensure their children's education. The 2020 Constitution reaffirmed the principle of the best interests of the child (Article 71 of the Constitution).

**The best interests of the child:** While it is true that this principle can serve as a highly useful tool for evaluating laws or public policies, its understanding and scope must be clearly defined to ensure its application by magistrates and child welfare professionals in all decisions concerning children.

1. Table No. 6: ONS – Distribution of the population by age and gender (as of 07/01/2023).

2. Law No. 15-12 of 28 Ramadan 1436 corresponding to July 15, 2015, relating to the protection of the child.

## HARMONIZATION OF NATIONAL LEGISLATION WITH THE CONVENTION ON THE RIGHTS OF THE CHILD

### THE PRINCIPLES OF THE CONVENTION ON THE RIGHTS OF THE CHILD

The Convention on the Rights of the Child is built on four key principles: non-discrimination, the best interests of the child, the right to survival and development, and respect for the child's opinion. The drafters of the Child Protection Law articulated these principles to facilitate their understanding and application in child protection, specifically addressing two scenarios: children in moral danger and juvenile offenders.

#### PRINCIPLES IN THE LAW

These principles are embedded in the provisions of the law. Non-discrimination is defined in Article 3, although belief is not explicitly mentioned as a form of exclusion. The best interests of the child are addressed in Article 7. Survival and development are covered in Article 4: "The family is the natural environment for the child's development," and "The State provides the necessary material support to guarantee the child's right to protection." Child protection against any form of harm is addressed in Article 6. The right to expression (Article 8) and the special protection of children (Articles 9 and 10) complete the defined principles.

### DEFINITION OF THE CHILD

#### AGE CONSIDERED

In our legal framework, particularly the Civil Code, **"a child is any person who has not yet reached the age of 19."** Once they turn 19, the child will exercise their civil rights (Article 40 of the Civil Code). Before this age, the child is legally incapacitated, meaning their parents are responsible for their actions. The **"Legal Representative of the Child"** (Article 2) can be: their guardian, executor, caregiver, curator, or the person who has custody. According to Article 2 of the Child Protection Law, a child is defined as any person who has not yet reached the age of 18.

The age marking the end of childhood, as stipulated by the Convention on the Rights of the Child, is 18 years. Therefore, it is necessary to harmonize Article 40 of the Civil Code, which sets civil majority at 19, with the international text and the Child Protection Law. This will align civil capacity with the age defined by the Convention on the Rights of the Child, the Child Protection Law, and the Penal Code, which establishes the age of criminal majority at 18.

#### WHAT DOES THE LAW SAY ABOUT THE CHILD ?

**Algiersian legislation, as specified in the Child Protection Law<sup>3</sup>, uses the terms "child" and "minor" interchangeably, depending on the context. It clarifies to the reader that a minor is someone under parental authority who requires permission to undertake any activity, while a child is viewed as an individual connected to their family and familial and social environment.**

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3. Article 3 of the 2015 Child Protection Law.

Under the Child Protection Law, “Child <sup>4</sup>” refers to any person who has not reached the age of eighteen (18). The term “minor” has the same meaning.

This category includes those eligible for protection:

- ▶ Children who are victims of armed conflicts or any other situations of unrest and insecurity;
- ▶ Refugee children.

**“Juvenile Offender”**: A child who commits an incriminated act, provided their age is not less than ten (10) years. The age considered is that on the day the offense was committed.

**“Refugee Child”**: A child who has been forced to flee their country by crossing international borders and seeking asylum or any other form of international protection.

## **SITUATIONS OF DANGER**

Article 2 categorizes children in danger as: **“Child in danger”**: a child whose health, morality, education, or safety is at risk or likely to be at risk, whose living conditions or behavior may expose them to potential danger or jeopardize their future, or whose environment threatens their physical, psychological, or educational well-being.

**The following are considered situations that expose a child to danger:**

- ▶ The loss of the child’s parents, leaving them without family support;
- ▶ The child’s exposure to abandonment and vagrancy;
- ▶ Deprivation of their right to education;
- ▶ Begging with the child or exposing the child to begging;
- ▶ Parents or guardians failing to manage the child’s behaviors that harm their physical, psychological, or educational well-being;
- ▶ Notable and ongoing neglect in education and care;
- ▶ Mistreatment of the child, including exposure to torture, harm to physical integrity, sequestration, deprivation of food, or any act of brutality likely to affect the child’s emotional and psychological balance;
- ▶ When the child is the victim of an offense committed by their legal representative;
- ▶ When the child is the victim of an offense committed by another person, if the child’s best interests require protection;
- ▶ Sexual exploitation of the child in all its forms, including pornography, debauchery, and involvement in sexual exhibitions;
- ▶ Economic exploitation of the child, such as employment or work that hinders their education or harms their health and physical and/or moral well-being;
- ▶ A child who is a victim of armed conflicts or any other cases of unrest and insecurity;
- ▶ Refugee children.

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4. The Child Protection Law, in all its articles using the words «Child» and «Minor,» targets both girls and boys.

**The delinquent child:** a child who commits an incriminated act and whose age cannot be less than ten (10) years.

The age to be considered is that on the day the offense was committed.

**The refugee child:** a child who has been forced to flee their country by crossing international borders and seeking asylum or any other form of international protection.

## WHO PROTECTS THE CHILD

### 1. THE LAW ENSURING NON-DISCRIMINATION AND EQUALITY

Every child enjoys, without any discrimination based on color, gender, language, opinion, disability, or any other form of discrimination, all the rights provided by the Convention on the Rights of the Child, other international conventions ratified in this regard, and national legislation. These include rights to life, a name, nationality, family, health protection, equality, education, learning, culture, leisure, and respect for privacy.<sup>5</sup>

**Protection of Children with Disabilities :** In addition to the rights provided by law, children with disabilities have the right to protection, care, education, and rehabilitation that support their autonomy and effective participation in economic, social, and cultural life.

**Gifted children** benefit from special state protection to develop their talents and abilities.

### 2. THE LAW PUNISHING SEXUAL VIOLENCE, CHILD ABDUCTION, RAPE, ABUSE, AND CYBERBULLYING<sup>6</sup>

### 3. THE FAMILY

The family is the natural environment for a child's development (Article 4, Child Protection Law).

A child may not be separated from their family unless it is in their best interests. Such separation can only occur by judicial decision, in accordance with the provisions of the law.

### 4. THE PARENTS

#### **THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROTECTING THE CHILD LIES WITH THE PARENTS.**

Providing the living conditions necessary for the child's development is also the parents' responsibility, within the limits of their financial means and capacity.<sup>7</sup>

### 5. THE STATE

**The State provides the necessary material support to guarantee the child's right to protection and care.**

**The State ensures that children without families have the right to substitute**

5. Article 3 of the 2015 Child Protection Law.

6. Penal Code of 1966 amended on 04/31/2024..

7. Article 6 of the 2015 Child Protection Law.

protection.

The State guarantees the protection of children against all forms of harm, neglect, violence, mistreatment, exploitation, or any physical, moral, or sexual abuse. To this end, it takes all appropriate measures to protect them, provides the necessary conditions for their development, safety, and the protection of their lives, and ensures comprehensive and safe education in a healthy and clean environment. It also safeguards their rights in emergencies, disasters, wars, and armed conflicts (Article 6).

The State ensures that information intended for children, through any means, does not harm their physical and mental well-being.

**6. LOCAL COMMUNITIES : LOCAL COMMUNITIES MAY CONTRIBUTE TO CHILD WELFARE ASSISTANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LEGISLATION IN FORCE.**

**CONTACTS OF CENTRAL STATE INSTITUTIONS FOR CHILD PROTECTION**

**MINISTRY OF SOLIDARITY:** Toll-free number 1527 (DASS)

**MINISTRY OF INTERIOR:** Toll-free number 1100 for the call center, Nechki platform

**POLICE SERVICES:** Toll-free number 1548 and 104 for vulnerable individuals

**NATIONAL GENDARMERIE:** Toll-free number 1055

Option to file a complaint online, electronically: <https://ppgn.mdn.dz>

**MINISTRY OF JUSTICE:** Toll-free number 1078

**Electronic Prosecutor's Office:** [www.mjustice.dz](http://www.mjustice.dz)

Address: 8, Place Bir Hakem, El Biar 16003, Algiers

Phone: 023.38.35.37 / 023.38.35.42 / 023.38.36.66 / 023.38.36.67

Fax: 023.38.35.50 / 023.38.36.01 / 023.38.36.35

Email: [contact@mjustice.dz](mailto:contact@mjustice.dz)

## **SOCIAL PROTECTION MECHANISMS**

### **THE NATIONAL ORGAN FOR THE PROTECTION AND PROMOTION OF CHILDREN**

The National Organ for the Protection and Promotion of Children, established under the Prime Minister, along with mediation, are two legal mechanisms introduced by law<sup>8</sup> to protect children in moral and physical danger, as well as juvenile offenders.

### **REFERRAL TO THE NATIONAL DELEGATE FOR CHILD PROTECTION**

The National Delegate for Child Protection can be contacted by any child, their legal representative, or any natural or legal person, regarding reports of violations of children's rights.<sup>9</sup>

- The National Delegate for Child Protection forwards the reports to the relevant open environment service for investigation and appropriate action.
- Reports that may constitute criminal offenses are forwarded to the Minister of Justice, who refers them to the competent public prosecutor to initiate legal proceedings if necessary.<sup>10</sup>

### **THE NATIONAL ORGAN FOR THE PROTECTION AND PROMOTION OF CHILDREN - ONPPE - ENSURES LEGAL LISTENING AND FOLLOW-UP**

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### **OPEN ENVIRONMENT OBSERVATION SERVICES (SOMO)**

The open environment observation service is a Wilaya-based service that monitors the situation of children in danger and assists their families.

If necessary, social workers from the observation service immediately go to the location of the child.

They verify the existence of a dangerous situation by conducting appropriate social investigations.

Following an investigation, the child is either kept within their family<sup>11</sup>—the law prioritizes keeping the child in the family—or removed with their consent and that of the legal representative, under the supervision of the juvenile judge. A child aged at least thirteen (13) years must be involved in decisions affecting them.

8. 2015 Child Protection Law.

9. Article 15 of the CPE (Child Protection Law).

10. Article 16 of the CPE (Child Protection Law).

11. Article 25 – Open-environment services must allow the child to remain with their family while implementing one of the following conventional measures:

1. Compelling the family to take the necessary agreed-upon measures to remove the child from danger within the time frame set by the open-environment service.
2. Providing necessary assistance to the family in coordination with institutions responsible for social protection.
3. Referring the matter to the wali, the president of the competent municipal assembly, or any social institution to ensure the child's social care.
4. Taking necessary precautions to prevent the child from coming into contact with any person who may pose a threat.

## JUVENILE JUDGE

The juvenile judge<sup>12</sup> may order various measures, including investigations, assessments, and decisions regarding the provisional placement of a child in danger.

The juvenile judge may, by order, take one of the following measures:

- Keep the child in their family;
- Place the child with their father or mother who does not have custody rights, unless deprived of them by a judgment;
- Place the child with a close relative;
- Place the child with a trustworthy person or family.

The juvenile judge may, in all cases, instruct open environment services to monitor and observe the child and provide them with protection through necessary support for their education, training, and care. These services must submit periodic reports on the child's situation.

- The juvenile judge may order the placement of the child in:
  - A specialized center for the protection of children in danger;
  - A service responsible for child welfare.<sup>13</sup>

## JUDICIAL PROTECTION OF JUVENILE OFFENDERS

### MANDATORY ASSIGNMENT OF A LAWYER

Article 67 of the Child Protection Law introduces a notable improvement: the child is mandatorily assisted by a lawyer at all stages of prosecution, investigation, and trial. The juvenile judge appoints a lawyer *ex officio*, and minors involved in the case are entitled to legal aid<sup>14</sup> as a matter of right. Judicial protection is implemented through the work of the juvenile judge, who is responsible for ruling on requests submitted either by the child, their legal representative, the SOMO, the wali, the president of the APC, or the public prosecutor. The juvenile judge may also act on their own initiative.

The juvenile judge will then issue a provisional placement decision.

### MEDIATION

A legal mechanism aimed at reaching an agreement between the juvenile offender (applicant) and their legal representative on one side, and the victim or their legal successors on the other. Its purpose is to terminate proceedings, compensate the victim for the harm caused, mitigate the effects of the offense, and contribute to the child's reintegration.

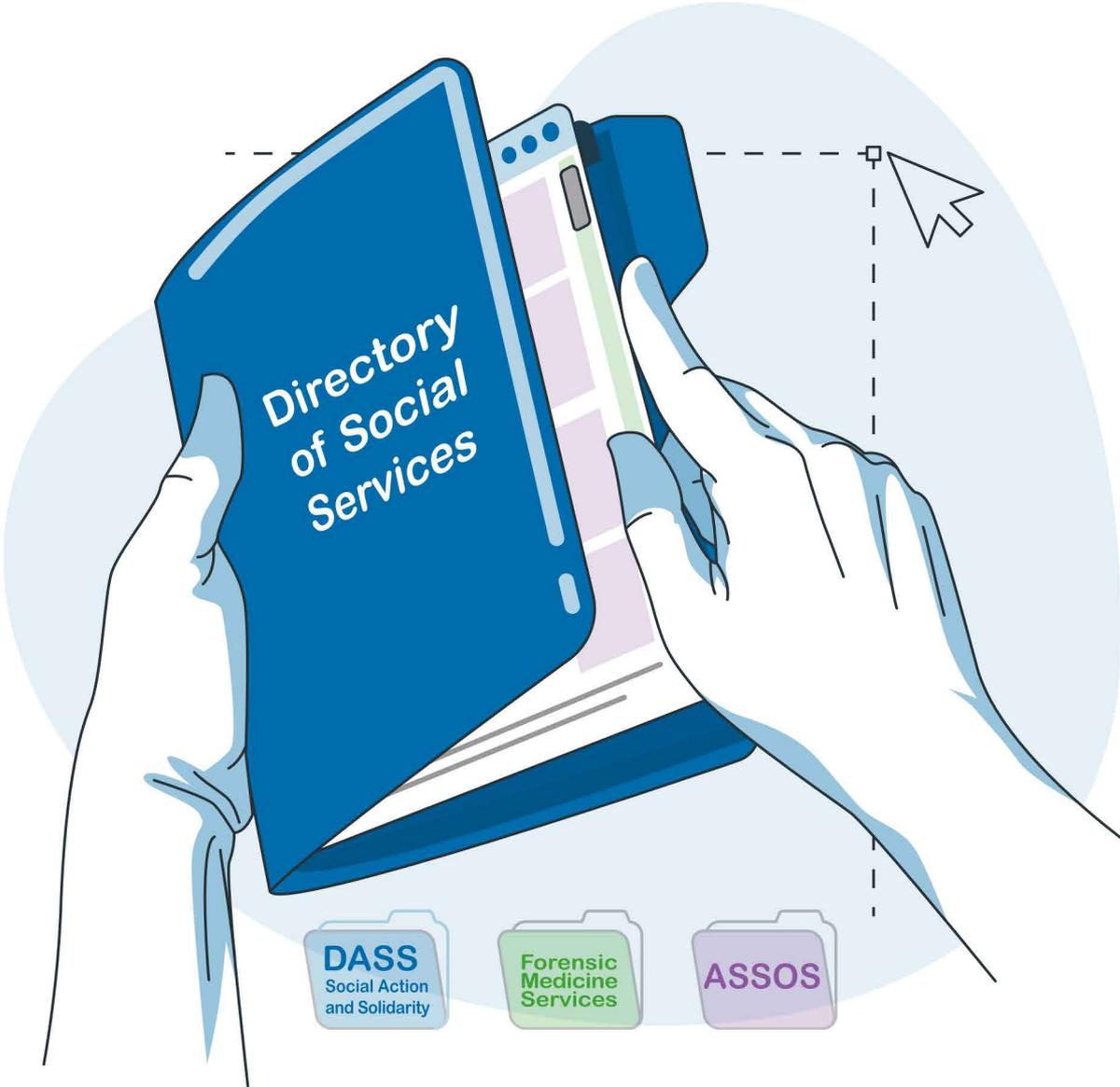
Regarding mediation, it may be initiated at the request of the child who committed the offense or misdemeanor, their legal representative, or their lawyer, or *ex officio* by the prosecutor before public proceedings are initiated. The mediation report includes compensation for the victim, and if it is not executed, criminal proceedings are initiated against the child. Mediation is excluded in cases of crimes.

It is worth noting the innovations of mediation and the protection of children who are victims of certain offenses, such as sexual assault. Audiovisual recording of the child's testimony may be conducted, and it is also important to involve the media, with the legal representative's consent, in cases of abduction to gather information.

12. Article 447 of the Code of Criminal Procedure stipulates that every court includes a juvenile section, and the judges serving in it are selected for their expertise and interest in minors for a period of three years (Article 449 of the Code of Criminal Procedure).

13. Article 41 of the 2015 Child Protection Law.

14. Law No. 09-12 of February 27, 2009, relating to legal assistance, Article 28, Paragraph 3.



# Directory of Social Services

## The DASS

### THE WILAYA DIRECTORATES OF SOCIAL ACTION AND SOLIDARITY

The Wilaya Directorate of Social Action and Solidarity is responsible for developing and implementing all measures aimed at managing activities related to state social action and national solidarity, as well as ensuring their monitoring and control.

**In this capacity, she is responsible, particularly, under the state's social action:**

- Developing and implementing programs,
- Providing aid and assistance to people in need, particularly women in difficulty,
- Ensuring the implementation of social emergency and post-emergency measures for socially vulnerable categories,
- Implementing, in collaboration with relevant sectors, programs and measures of aid and support for underprivileged families,
- Developing and updating the social map of the Wilaya,
- Ensuring the availability of necessary resources and structures for the care of children without families, both public and private, as well as their monitoring, control, and efforts for their social and family reintegration.

**276 proximity cells have been established nationwide to address the concerns of women and families, particularly in remote areas.**

### FAMILY AND CHILDHOOD

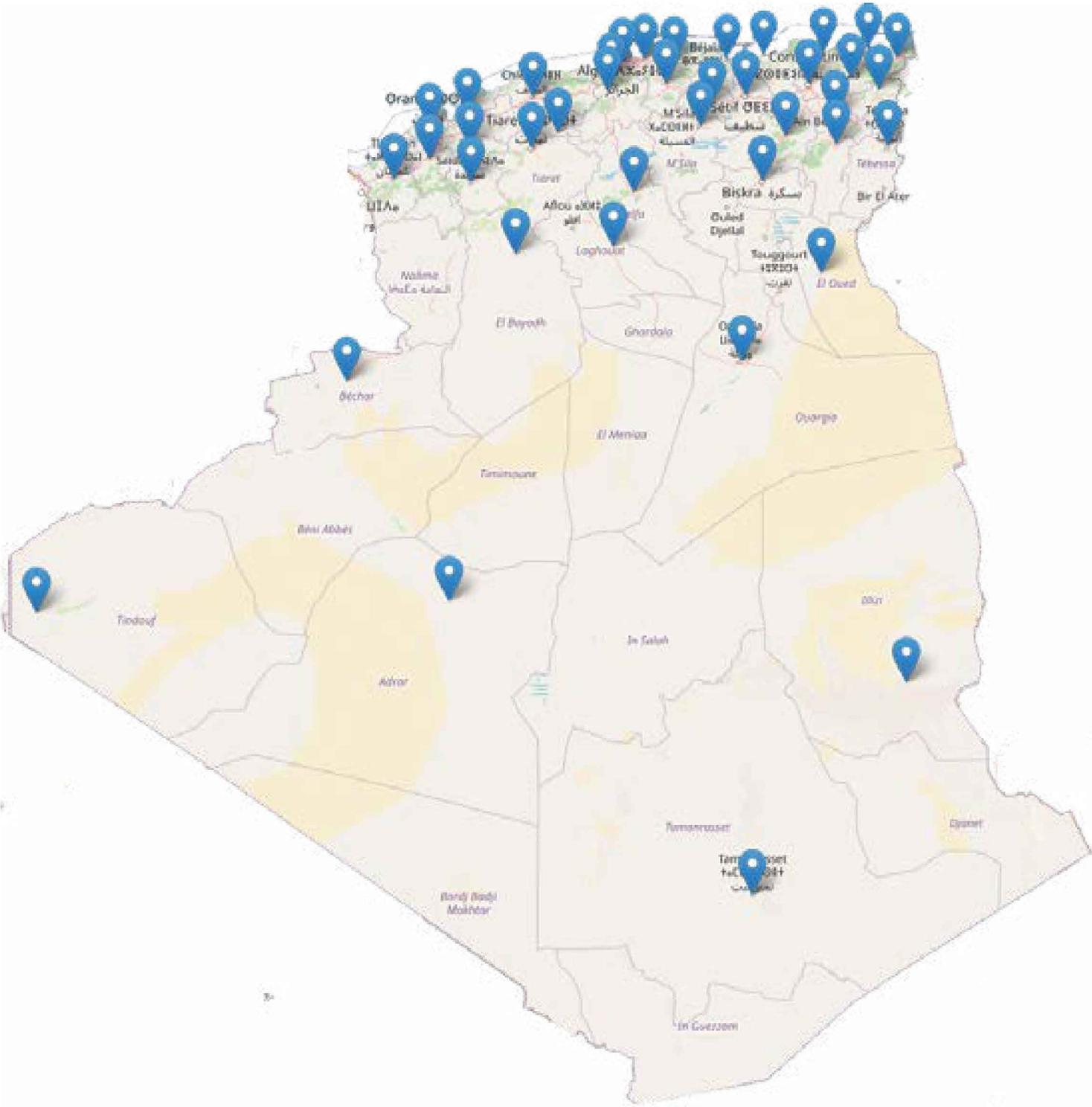
This office for children deprived of a family handles the review of KAFALA requests, which are submitted to the competent commission for approval, following a social investigation, as part of the KAFALA framework.

### PROTECTION AND MONITORING OF MINORS

The competent educational team is responsible for monitoring minors and adolescents who are offenders and/or in moral danger, with the goal of their social integration. Their responsibilities include:

- a. Conducting social investigations, as instructed by juvenile judges;
- b. Monitoring minors under supervised liberty;
- c. Participating in study days and awareness campaigns on drug addiction prevention, school dropout, and other juvenile delinquency issues.

# GEOLOCATION MAP OF DASS IN ALGERIA



**THE DASS ACROSS THE NATIONAL TERRITORY  
THAT CAN BE CONTACTED FOR THE CARE  
AND PROTECTION OF CHILDREN**

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### ACTIVITIES OF THE FORENSIC MEDICINE SERVICE:

#### HEALTH ACTIVITIES:

##### Consultation unit (8,000 to 10,000 consultations annually);

- Victim of intentional assault and battery;
- Victim of unintentional assault and battery;
- Women victims of intentional violence;
- Children victims of physical and sexual abuse;
- Elderly victims of mistreatment;
- Victim of sexual violence;
- Medical assessment for injuries from workplace and sports accidents;
- Specific forensic medical activity;
- Certificate of fitness for driving;
- Paternity testing;
- Certificate of fitness for marriage;
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**Psychological support, active listening, and legal assistance provided by associations.**



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**Objectives: Psychosocial assistance to children and women in distress**

**Activities: Psychological consultations with children and their families.**

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**Objectives:** Psychological support, training, research, psychological and social care

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The specific objective of the L.P.S.J.E is to safeguard the mental and physical health of young people and children.

**In addition to parents, the State, the ONPPE<sup>1</sup>, the SOMO, the DASS, and associations working to protect children, UNICEF remains the UN body that often guides and oversees protection programs alongside the Algerian State. This is how UNICEF Algeria has committed to enhancing and improve child protection programming aimed at:**

1. The National Organ for the Protection and Promotion of Children

- **Support decision-makers in strengthening the legal and regulatory framework for children by:**
  - ▶ Developing a new National Action Plan for children. This plan is currently being developed by the child protection body.
  - ▶ Improving the care of young children in early childhood care facilities under the Ministry of National Solidarity.
- **Improving child protection services by enhancing the capacities and practices of social sector professionals;**
  - ▶ Raising awareness among officials of the Ministry of National Solidarity and The National Organ for the Protection and Promotion of Children about child protection and promoting experience-sharing initiatives.
  - ▶ Training professionals in case management and referral processes.
- **Strengthening the protection system for children who are victims of abuse, neglect, discrimination, violence, and exploitation;**
  - ▶ Supporting a strengthened coordination mechanism for children subject to judicial placement.
  - ▶ Supporting family-based or institutional care with enhanced respect for the best interests of the child.
- **Strengthening the capacity of institutional and non-institutional actors to report on the situation of children:**
  - ▶ Support for research and analysis on the situation of children in Algeria.
  - ▶ Strengthening the capacities of protection actors in the production of evidence on childhood.
- **Informing and raising public awareness about the forms of violence faced by children, particularly those encountered through internet use.**
  - ▶ Raising awareness of children's rights through the celebration of key events and the facilitation of thematic meetings with children and adolescents.
  - ▶ Promoting children's rights through various communication tools, including social media.

## RESSOURCES

### Legal and regulatory references and its optional protocols

- ▶ Convention on the Rights of the Child (1989)
- ▶ Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography
- ▶ Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the involvement of children in armed conflict
- ▶ Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child establishing a communications procedure (not ratified by Algeria)

Today, despite legislative and regulatory measures, continued efforts are needed to achieve effective realization of the child's right to protection and to fill gaps such as:

- The effectiveness and quality of care for the most vulnerable children needs to be strengthened.
- The weakness of a national system for collecting and managing data on the situation of children, particularly the most vulnerable, and the lack of significant information on the typology and extent of the problems encountered and emerging experienced by children;
- The insufficiency of intersectoral collaboration between stakeholders involved in child protection;
- The lack of integration of a culture of children's rights by professionals, parents and the population in general.

## **SOLUTION**

The Convention on the Rights of the Child enshrines the right of the child to be protected, particularly in its Articles 19, 32, 34, 36, 38, and 39. It has also been reinforced by the adoption of three Optional Protocols: one on the sale of children, child prostitution, and child pornography, a second on the involvement of children in armed conflict, and a third establishing an individual complaint procedure.

Thus, in the perspective of strengthening a protective environment for all children in Algeria, UNICEF provides support to various partners, including the Ministry of National Solidarity, Family, and Women's Affairs, as well as the National Body for the Protection and Promotion of Children.

UNICEF Algeria acts at different levels to curb the spread of violence against children, the abuse they may face, and their exploitation. It also works to strengthen the legal and regulatory framework for child protection, improve protection services, and foster beneficial changes in practices for children through targeted awareness and communication campaigns.

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