

# Gaza: Launching the “Women’s Boat to Gaza” Campaign

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*Messina, Sicily, ITALY – The Freedom Flotilla Coalition (FFC) has chosen March 8th, which marks International Women’s Day (IWD), to announce the launch of their Women’s Boat to Gaza (WBG) project. [1]*

The Women’s Boat to Gaza will set sail mid-September of this year and plans to dock at a number of Mediterranean ports along its route and arrive Gaza on October the 1st.

The FFC’s fourth mission (FF4) will be sailed by an all women crew and will carry aboard, notable women from all over the world in order to highlight the undeniable contributions which have been made by Palestinian women to the resistance movement. Palestinian women have been central to the struggle in Gaza, the West Bank, inside the Green Line and in the diaspora.

“One of our goals is to highlight this struggle and the devastating effects it has had on women, often left alone, sifting through rubble to take care of their families when their husbands are imprisoned or murdered” said Wendy Goldsmith, of the Canadian Boat to Gaza campaign. “On International Women’s Day, and on every day, we stand with these brave and resilient women, and will send the Women’s Boat to Gaza to let them know they are not alone and to end the illegal blockade of Gaza.”

WBG is endorsed by renowned women’s organizations from all over the world, among them: The Women’s Affairs Center (Gaza), The Coalition of Women for Peace (Israel), Forum de Politica Feminista (Spain), Women’s Front (Norway), Coordinadora de Solidaridad Palestina (Mexico), CODEPINK Women for Peace (US) and Fédération des femmes du Québec (Canada).

*The FFC is also pleased to announce the launch of the WBG website.*

*Please visit: [www.womensboattogaza.org](http://www.womensboattogaza.org) for more details and to follow the progress of WBG / FF4.*

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## Notes:

Freedom Flotilla Coalition campaigns participating in the WBG are:

- Canadian Boat to Gaza
- Freedom Flotilla Italy
- International Committee for Breaking the Siege of Gaza
- IHH – Turkey
- Palestine Solidarity Alliance-South Africa
- Rumbo a Gaza-Spain
- Ship to Gaza Norway
- Ship to Gaza Sweden

Other WBG international partners:

- Kia Ora Gaza – New Zealand
- Miles of Smiles
- US Boat to Gaza

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