

## 2021 IMPACT BRIEF

Effective, efficient, relevant, timely and high-quality humanitarian assistance around the world



We've reached

**3.55** **MILLION PEOPLE**  
with humanitarian assistance.



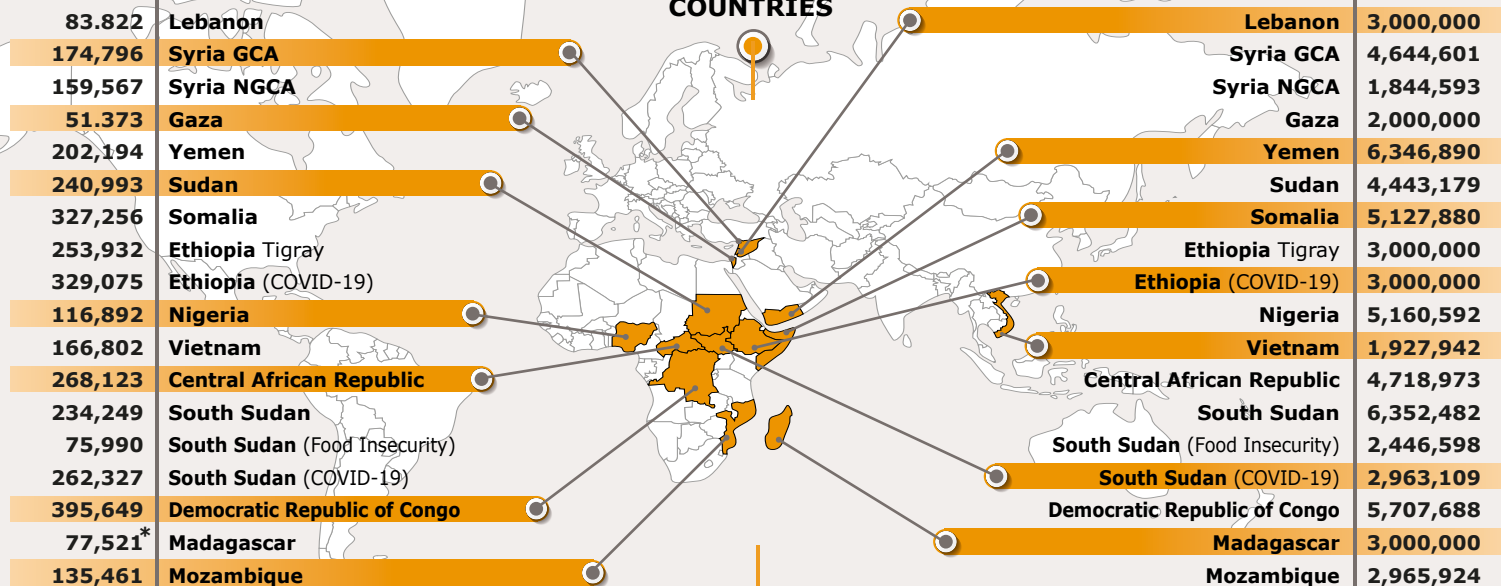
We've invested

**75.6** **MILLION EUROS**  
in joint responses to acute and protracted humanitarian crises.



WE'VE IMPLEMENTED  
18 JOINT RESPONSES IN

**14**  
COUNTRIES

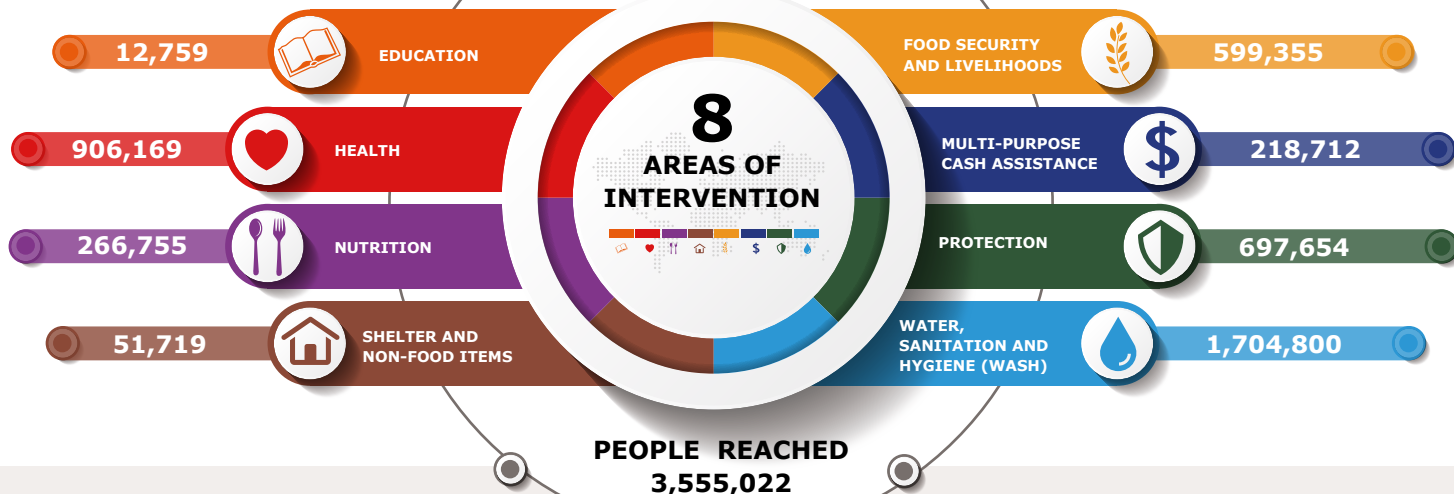


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WE'VE OFFERED  
SUPPORT IN

**8**  
AREAS OF  
INTERVENTION

PEOPLE REACHED  
3,555,022



The DRA  
**INNOVATION  
FUND**  
invested in

**22**

PROJECTS  
(18 INNOVATIONS)

**4**  
THEMES:

- Smarts Use of Data
- Cash Programming
- Safety & Protection
- (Renewable) Energy

In 2021, the Dutch Relief  
Alliance consisted of

**14** **NON-GOVERNMENTAL  
ORGANISATIONS:**

CARE Nederland, Cordaid, Dorcas, Help a Child, Oxfam Novib, Plan International Nederland, Save the Children, SOS Children's Villages, Stichting Vluchteling, Tearfund Netherlands, Terre des Hommes, War Child, World Vision, ZOA

We cooperated with

**138**  
**LOCAL PARTNER  
ORGANISATIONS**



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## FOREWORD



At the beginning of 2021, millions of people around the world were living in life-threatening circumstances due to conflict, climate change and extreme poverty. The COVID-19 pandemic still affected many communities, creating more tension, less access, and less opportunities for people to change their vulnerable situation. Over the past few years, the Dutch Relief Alliance and its partners have offered support to communities in the most fragile countries, especially those countries who have been affected by conflict and instability already for so many years like Syria, Yemen, South Sudan and many others.

We have seen a continuation of conflict and violence, which resulted in devastating conditions and high numbers of people fleeing the conflict. Mozambique, Gaza and Burkina Faso have been hit by armed groups and bombings. And of course, the outburst of violence in Tigray added up to the many crises Ethiopia is already dealing with. For the Tigray crises the Ministry of Foreign Affairs granted an additional three million euro of funding. Our acute crisis mechanism enabled us to typically respond within 72 hours. The Dutch Relief Alliance again showed itself to be a valuable collaboration between Dutch humanitarian NGOs and local partners. It has established a robust apparatus to respond to protracted and acute crises, assisting people promptly and effectively. Furthermore, our innovation projects provided a test-bed environment for innovative humanitarian solutions.

2021 has also been the year in which we worked on a new and ambitious strategy, and a prolonged partnership with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs for the coming five years. Accountability towards local communities, localisation and equitable partnerships, with the aim of increasing the impact and quality of our humanitarian programming will be our priorities. We will take a step further as an Alliance, investing in a more visible role within the humanitarian system, sharing our knowledge and practice, and advocating for more quantity and quality of funding for humanitarian response.

This Impact Brief contains an overview of our accomplishments in 2021. Finally, we are extremely grateful to the Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs for their continued support and partnership.



**Petra Righetti**

Chair Dutch Relief Alliance 2021



**Geert Jan van Dijk**

Chair Dutch Relief Alliance 2022



## OUR STRATEGIC PILLARS



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### COLLABORATION

The DRA members are committed to jointly implementing humanitarian assistance, thereby making a greater impact than when operating independently. Together, we respond to major crises in a timely and effective manner.

### INNOVATION

Since needs and circumstances are constantly changing, the DRA stimulates and invests in innovation. Through the DRA Innovation Fund, we facilitate the development and implementation of innovative approaches and activities, in order to ensure the continuous improvement of humanitarian aid and its impact on crisis-affected people.

### LOCALISATION

Localisation enhances the impact of interventions. That is why, whenever possible, local partners are involved in all stages of our joint responses, from design to evaluation. Over the past few years, funds flowing directly to local partners rose to approximately 25 per cent of the budget. Moreover, the DRA has been increasingly focusing on capacity strengthening of local partners. We also ensure that local voices are amplified at international fora.

### ACCOUNTABILITY

For its interventions, the DRA strives for maximum accountability to crisis-affected people, governments, civil society organisations and Dutch taxpayers. Affected people are involved in all phases of our joint responses.

## NIGERIA

## Protracted Crisis



*‘YIPDI and Tdh have done what no other organisation have done for me. Before the intervention I used to crawl and I have stepped on broken bottles, thorns under the scorching sun.’*

**Boy**

who has provided with a tricycle as part of the response

**OUR INTERVENTIONS AND THEIR IMPACT**

In 2021, we offered multisectoral assistance in Borno state in north-eastern Nigeria. We focused on internally displaced persons, host communities, and returnees. We paid special attention to vulnerable groups, such as female- and child-headed households, malnourished children, the elderly, and people with disabilities. Through our response, we addressed immediate needs by distributing cash, treating common childhood illnesses and providing reproductive healthcare. Moreover, people's resilience was enhanced through income-generating activities and Village Savings and Loans Associations. The construction of latrines and boreholes along with hygiene promotion led to increased access to water, sanitation and hygiene facilities, as well as improved hygiene practices and environmental cleanliness. Through our efforts, we helped to reduce the incidence of waterborne diseases such as cholera. We also provided Mental Health and Psychosocial Support for women and children, and integrated COVID-19 prevention activities into our work.

**THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WE PLANNED TO REACH AND THE NUMBER WE ACTUALLY REACHED IN 2021:**

	Planned	Reached
Food security and Livelihood	14,415	16,907
Multi-purpose cash assistance	10,105	10,844
Water, Sanitation and Hygiene	57,650	72,419
Health (incl. MHPSS)	2,285	4,371
Protection	31,363	34,412
<b>Total number (without double counting)</b>	<b>90,882</b>	<b>116,892</b>



**Budget:** 5,160,952 EUR

**Lead:** Save the Children

**Participating organisations:**

Save the Children, Tearfund, ICCO, ZOA, Terre des Hommes

**Local organisations:**

Christian Rural and Urban Development Association of Nigeria (CRUDAN), Emergence of Ekklesiyar Yan'uwa a Nigeria (EYN), Gender Equality, Peace and Development Centre (GEPADC), Jireh Doo Foundation (JDF), Justice Development, Peace and Health Programme (JDPH), Youth Integrated For Positive Development Initiative (YIPDI), Sahej Gender Development Initiative (SAHEI)

**Programme period:**

1 January 2021 – 31 December 2021



## SUDAN

## Protracted Crisis

*'The Joint Response is an unique programme in Sudan, mainly because of the equal partnership that was created between INGO's and NGO's. This foundation gives the programme life and strength and sets an example for the country.'*



**Eiman Ibrahim,**  
(Country Coordinator Sudan,  
Plan International)








### OUR INTERVENTIONS AND THEIR IMPACT

Sudan faced economic hardship, conflict, displacement and climate shocks in 2021. Humanitarian needs have grown significantly. Millions of people are in need, requiring assistance for their physical and mental well-being, as well as life-sustaining support to meet minimum living standards. The conflict in neighboring Ethiopia caused more than 50,000 refugees from Tigray to seek refuge in the eastern provinces in Sudan.

In Sudan, where we are active in North Darfur, South Kordofan, Khartoum and Gedaref, we focused on women and girls, and adopted a multi-sectoral approach in WASH, Health, FSL and Protection to mitigate protection risks. For example, at risk children and youth benefit from Multi-Purpose Cash, and GBV survivors can access specialized health services and are included in the FSL programmes. Gender sensitive WASH infrastructure is constructed at schools. We supported women's economic empowerment in crisis situations with a special focus on IDP women, and ensures conflict prevention and peace building are at the heart of the response. The 2021 contingency budget was allocated to Tigray refugee response, White Nile flood response and Tunaydbah Camp Storm Response, enabling us to respond to emerging needs.

### THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WE PLANNED TO REACH AND THE NUMBER WE ACTUALLY REACHED IN 2021:

	Planned	Reached
 Food security and Livelihood	55,769	65,419
 Multi-purpose cash assistance	5,449	6,300
 Water, Sanitation and Hygiene	1,002	122,083
 Health (incl. MHPSS)	64,059	34,798
 Protection	21,600	12,393
<b>Total number (without double counting)</b>	<b>258,077</b>	<b>240,993</b>

**Budget:** 4,443,179 EUR

**Lead:** Plan International

#### Participating organisations:

Plan International (lead), World Vision, ICCO/Cordaid, Norwegian Church Aid (NCA), ERRADA, Darfur Development and Reconstruction Agency (DDRA), Sustainable Action Group (SAG), SOS Sahel, CAFA, Vet-Care, NIDA and ASSIST

#### Programme period:

1 jan – 31 dec 2021



## SOMALIA

## Protracted Crisis



## OUR INTERVENTIONS AND THEIR IMPACT

In 2021, we supported 327,256 people across Somalia with life-saving and life-sustaining humanitarian assistance. Needs of the most vulnerable people affected by conflict and climatic shocks, such as drought and floods, were addressed. We focused on increasing immediate availability of and access to food as well as short term livelihood support, such as agricultural inputs or grants for small businesses. We also supported delivery of essential life-saving nutrition and health services. The construction of latrines and water sources along with hygiene promotion led to improved access to water, sanitation and hygiene facilities, as well as improved hygiene practices among the targeted communities. Lastly, we strengthened community protection structures by training and engaging them to conduct awareness raising to address protection risks, such as gender based violence and child rights abuses.

## THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WE PLANNED TO REACH AND THE NUMBER WE ACTUALLY REACHED IN 2021

	Planned	Reached
Food security and Livelihood	14,520	17,960
Nutrition	47,359	99,066
Multi-purpose cash assistance	10,692	15,308
Water, Sanitation and Hygiene	104,588	160,603
Health (incl. MHPSS)	137,099	215,200
Protection	44,826	37,703
<b>Total number (without double counting)</b>	<b>205,828</b>	<b>327,256</b>

**Budget:** 5,127,880 EUR

**Lead:** Oxfam Novib

**Participating organisations:**

Help a Child, Oxfam Novib, SOS Children's Villages, World Vision

**Local organisations:**

Candlelight, Horn of Africa Voluntary Youth Committee (HAVOYOCO), KAALO Aid and Development (KAALO), Taakulo Somali Community (TASCO)

**Programme period:**

1 January – 31 December 2021





## MOZAMBIQUE (CABO DELGADO RESPONSE)

Acute Crisis

*'The Joint Response demonstrated how impactful it can be when different organisations come together and complement each other when responding to humanitarian crisis.'*



**Jose Mangué,**

Mozambique Joint

Response Country Coordinator



### OUR INTERVENTIONS AND THEIR IMPACT

In Cabo Delgado, food insecurity has been on the rise as conflict and repeated displacement, compounded by climatic shocks, have disrupted communities' agricultural activities and livelihoods. As such, target communities were provided with resources to protect and start re-building livelihood assets and were enabled to meet their basic food needs through the distribution of food and agricultural kits. Activities focused on providing protection assistance, including the improvement and accessibility of available services to GBV survivors, and GBV prevention. Protection and GBV services focused on supporting GBV case management, strengthening referral pathways and providing psychosocial support to IDPs. Hygiene kits, shelter family kits and kitchen sets were distributed to vulnerable individuals and households. Most of the distributed items and kits complemented the other JR intervention sectors as vulnerable and traumatized individuals, including children and survivors of GBV, are in particular need of basic services in the areas of protection, mental health and psychosocial support, education, health, food security, water, hygiene and sanitation. WASH activities focused on communities having regular access to soap to meet hygienic needs and having access to dignified, safe, clean and functional excreta disposal facilities. Also, it ensured their access to sufficient and safe water for domestic use coupled with hygiene awareness raising activities.

### THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WE PLANNED TO REACH AND THE NUMBER WE ACTUALLY REACHED IN 2021

	Planned	Reached
Food security and Livelihood	43,135	43,832
Shelter and non-food items	4,500	6,476
Water, Sanitation and Hygiene	57,935	41,347
Protection	24,050	28,970
<b>Total number (without double counting)</b>	<b>101,185</b>	<b>135,461</b>



**Budget:** 3,000,000 EUR      **Spend:** 2,965,924 EUR  
**Lead:** Plan International

**Participating organisations:**  
 CARE, SOS, Tearfund, Coraid, and Oxfam

**Local organisations:**  
 Caritas, AMA and ADEL CD.

**Programmeme period:**  
 14 May 2021 - 13 December 2021

## VIETNAM

## Acute Crisis



*'The agencies involved in this JR were more invested in the rehabilitation and recovery work than ever before. This helped build community ownership, avoid unnecessary complaints, and set an example that we could do relief work in a more participatory and therefore more effective way.'*

Head of Quang Nam Red Cross.

## OUR INTERVENTIONS AND THEIR IMPACT

Floods and a typhoon devastated parts of central Vietnam in October and November 2020. Our assistance, starting in November 2020 and continuing until May 2021, aimed at providing immediate relief to those affected by the flooding. At the same time, we supported recovery efforts during the early days of the response. For example, we supported those in need with their livelihoods through the provision of household kits and food items, technical training, cash-for-work activities, and cash grants for agricultural production. The response also focused on the reconstruction of houses, basic repair of infrastructure, and the establishment of water containers and water treatment solutions, helping to provide lasting solutions in those communities. We provided hygiene kits and raised awareness on sanitation and hygiene, particularly after the COVID-19 outbreak. Finally, we organised psychosocial support activities for affected children in child friendly spaces, allowing the most vulnerable groups to pick up pieces of their lives. Gender and protection was mainstreamed in all initiatives.

## THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WE PLANNED TO REACH AND THE NUMBER WE ACTUALLY REACHED IN 2021

	Planned	Reached
Food security and Livelihood	24,525	45,827
Multi-purpose cash assistance	16,371	24,738
Shelter and non-food items	1,858	2,873
Water, Sanitation and Hygiene	77,662	102,530
Protection	20,400	30,022
<b>Total number (without double counting)</b>	<b>116,324</b>	<b>166,802</b>



**Budget:** 1,927,942 EUR  
**Lead:** Plan International

**Participating organisations:**  
 CARE, Oxfam, Plan International, Worldvision

**Local organisations:**  
 Centre for Community Development (HCCD), Centre for Indigenous Knowledge Research and Development (CIRD), Commune People's Committees (CPC), Department of Ethnic Minority Affairs (DEMA), Institute for Water resources Economics and Management (IWEM), Quang Nam Red Cross (QNRC), Provincial Department of Education Quang Binh, Provincial Department of Agriculture and Rural Development Quang Binh, Provincial Department of Agriculture and Rural Development Quang Tri, Provincial Department of Education Quang Tri, Vietnam Women's Union (VWU)

**Programme period:**  
 5 November 2020 – 4 May 2021



## SYRIA (GOVERNMENT CONTROLLED AREAS RESPONSE)

Protracted Crisis



### OUR INTERVENTIONS AND THEIR IMPACT

Ten years since the advent of the Syrian conflict, the country continues to be ravaged by conflict and nearly 13.4 million people remain in need. The enormity of the need in Syria is a consequence of a culmination of intersecting dynamics: protracted conflict, Covid-19, economic malaise in Lebanon, and ongoing international sanctions. In 2021 we reached out to the most vulnerable groups, such as the elderly, people living with disabilities, female-headed households, and the many families who had depleted their coping mechanisms. Our work included ensuring access to safe drinking water, providing access to primary health care as well as COVID-19 responses. Food and cash for families were made available, while we contributed substantially to protecting women and children in the areas where we were able to work.

### THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WE PLANNED TO REACH AND THE NUMBER WE ACTUALLY REACHED IN 2021:

	Planned	Reached
🌾 Food security and Livelihood	36,860	55,507
💰 Multi-purpose cash assistance	2,900	3,252
💧 Water, Sanitation and Hygiene	83,965	104,355
❤️ Health (incl. MHPSS)	70,385	66,034
🛡️ Protection	8,955	11,798
<b>Total number (without double counting)</b>	<b>159,740</b>	<b>173,796</b>

**Budget:** 4,644,601 EUR

**Lead:** ZOA

#### Participating organisations:

Cordaid, Dorcas, Oxfam, Terre des Hommes and ZOA

#### Local organisations:

Al Ihssan Association, Armenian Protestant Church, Armenian Catholic Church, Catholic Church, St. Ephrem Patriarchal Development Committee, GOPA-DERD, Greek Catholic Church, Greek Orthodox Church, Latin Church, Maronite Church, Orthodox Youth Movement, Presbyterian Church, Syrian Arab Red Crescent (SARC), Syrian Commission of Family and Population Affairs (SCFP)

#### Programmeme period:

1 January 2021 – 31 December 2021



## SOUTH SUDAN

## Protracted Crisis



## OUR INTERVENTIONS AND THEIR IMPACT

In 2021 in South Sudan, the DRA partners continued to support the most vulnerable households affected by the years of conflict, displacement, recurring flooding, and adverse effects of the COVID-19 pandemic. We helped to strengthen livelihoods for vulnerable people through the distribution of cash, agricultural seeds and tools, and by providing training on agriculture practices and Income Generating Activities (IGA). By supporting women and children with MHPSS activities, we helped them to strengthen their resilience, coping mechanism and wellbeing. We did this alongside efforts to raise awareness and provide training on protection and the prevention of Gender Based Violence. We installed and rehabilitated boreholes and latrines, distributed soap, promoted positive hygiene practices, and provided treatment of severe and moderate acute malnutrition at the nutrition centres, helping to rebuild key infrastructure that will enable lasting impact in our intervention areas.

## THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WE PLANNED TO REACH AND THE NUMBER WE ACTUALLY REACHED IN 2021

	Planned	Reached
Food security and Livelihood	102,370	105,242
Nutrition	18,624	25,596
Multi-purpose cash assistance	11,100	15,096
Water, Sanitation and Hygiene	67,900	108,096
Protection	79,272	88,491
<b>Total number (without double counting)</b>	<b>200,487</b>	<b>234,249</b>

**Budget:** 6,352,482 EUR

**Lead:** Save the Children

**Participating organisations:**

Help a Child, Plan Nederland, War Child Holland, CARE International Nederland, Dorcas Aid International, Tearfund, Save the Children

**Local organisations:**

ACROSS, Centre for Emergency and Development Support (CEDS), Community Empowerment Foundation (CEF), Humanitarian Development Consortium (HDC), Mary Help Association (MHA), Smile Again Africa Development Organisation (SAADO), Universal Intervention and Development Organisation (UNIDOR), Widows and Orphans Charitable Organisation (WOCO), Women Development Group (WDG)

**Programme period:**

1 January 2021 – 31 December 2021





## SYRIA (NON-GOVERNMENT CONTROLLED AREAS)

Protracted Crisis

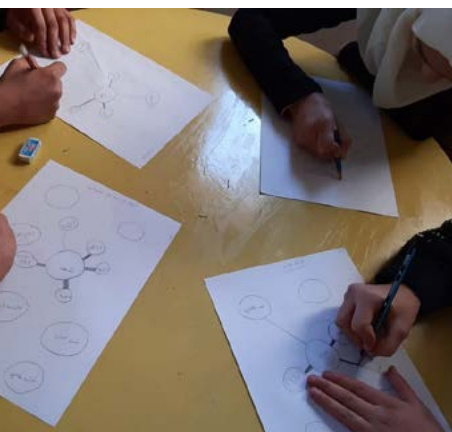


### OUR INTERVENTIONS AND THEIR IMPACT

Building on the Response in 2020, the Syria Joint Response in Non-Government Controlled Areas (SJRN-GCA) operated in North-West Syria (NWS), providing health and nutrition, WASH, and protection and education services, in addition to a protection component in North-East Syria (NES). Through this response, we supported mainstreaming protection elements throughout the response by reviewing policies, conducting trainings, creating a consortium level referral mechanism, and providing support tackling the Gender aspect via a consultant, in addition to providing guidance for education activities, and support in the WASH and Health sectors.

### THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WE PLANNED TO REACH AND THE NUMBER WE ACTUALLY REACHED IN 2021

	Planned	Reached
Nutrition	13,047	20,660
Water, Sanitation and Hygiene	80,500	82,823
Health (incl. MHPSS)	61,031	61,095
Education	2,500	4,551
Protection	7,427	13,456
<b>Total number</b> (without double counting)	<b>164,505</b>	<b>182,525</b>



**Budget:** 1,844,593 EUR  
**Lead:** War Child Holland

**Participating organisations:**  
IRC (technical support in Health & Nutrition sectors)

**Local organisations:**  
4 local Syrian partners in NWS, & another 2 local Syrian partners in NES

**Programme period:**  
1 January – 31 December 2021

## CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC

### Protracted Crisis

*'The crisis in our region has seriously affected the supply of drinking water. We work together with several NGOs. This response is crucial to improve access to water to prevent water-related diseases.'*



**Berthe Fenegaï,**  
(regional director of the Ministry of  
Energy and Water Development)



### OUR INTERVENTIONS AND THEIR IMPACT

The DRA Joint Response finished its 7th and final year of implementation in 4 prefectures of the Central African Republic at a time when humanitarian needs in the country continue to grow. The Response provided essential aid to those in need, particularly after increased insecurity in the country after the elections in December 2020. Renewed violence, security pressures and the resulting displacement and disruption of basic services meant that communities needed access to health services, protection and sanitary and hygiene infrastructure. The DRA partners helped to meet these needs, providing safe water and hygiene kits, and opening access to psychosocial support facilities. Additionally, the partners enabled thousands of people in the CAR to access resources to restore livelihoods – including access to seed, farming tools, and training and education on farming and livestock techniques.

### THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WE PLANNED TO REACH AND THE NUMBER WE ACTUALLY REACHED IN 2021

	Planned	Reached
Food security and Livelihood	23,210	29,087
Multi-purpose cash assistance	2,142	2,296
Water, Sanitation and Hygiene	49,150	84,080
Health (incl. MHPSS)	36,763	11,571
Protection	72,733	141,089
<b>Total number (without double counting)</b>	<b>180,750</b>	<b>268,123</b>



**Budget:** 4,718,973 EUR  
**Lead:** Cordaid

#### Participating organisations:

ICCO, Plan International, SOS Kinderdorpen, Stichting Vluchteling

#### Local organisations:

AFPE, Levier Plus, Vision et Développement, CRADEC, Caritas Bozoum, Network of Mediators (NoM), AFEB, OPID, CPDE, Caritas Bocaranga, UDAPE, Caritas Bangassou

#### Programmeme period:

1 January 2021 – 31 December 2021



## DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO

Protracted Crisis



### OUR INTERVENTIONS AND THEIR IMPACT

In 2021, we continued our response to provide people in need in North and South Kivu, in Eastern DRC, with immediate aid. This region has been marked by violent conflict, natural disaster, poverty and protection risks, with the additional pressure of COVID-19 leaving millions of people in the area in requiring urgent support. This response focused on providing multi-sectoral support to vulnerable people, including children, displaced people, and host communities. Through awareness raising at schools, the installation of latrines and water points, and rehabilitation of sanitary infrastructure, we contributed to better hygiene, improved access to water and reduced the spread of disease in these regions. We worked together with local partners to provide protection to children and their families, combating SGBV, exploitation and abuse, and reunifying children with their parents. At the same time, we targeted schools to create positive environments for children to learn and reintegrate into their communities.



### THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WE PLANNED TO REACH AND THE NUMBER WE ACTUALLY REACHED IN 2021

	Planned	Reached
Food security and Livelihood	17,400	22,668
Multi-purpose cash assistance	6,300	6,328
Water, Sanitation and Hygiene	330,372	343,278
Education	7,480	8,208
Protection	197,711	224,473
<b>Total number</b> (without double counting)	<b>401,434</b>	<b>395,649</b>

**Budget:** 5,737,688 EUR

**Lead:** World Vision

**Participating organisations:**

Red een Kind, CARE, Tearfund, War Child, Stichting Vluchteling

**Local organisations:**

ADED, AJEDI-KA, Health Channel Congo, CODEVAH, ECC, UFP, CFAD, Mavuno, KUA, FEPSI

**Programmeme period:**

1 January – 31 December 2021



## YEMEN

## Protracted Crisis



## OUR INTERVENTIONS AND THEIR IMPACT

The ongoing conflict in Yemen renders has caused one of the most severe humanitarian crises worldwide. Compounding factors like the COVID-19 pandemic, economic malaise and the blockage of ports have pushed millions more Yemenis into situations of urgent need. In 2021, we concentrated on providing healthcare and access to water, sanitation and good hygienic practices across several parts of the country. By distributing hygiene kits and water filters to vulnerable households and IDPs, combined with awareness raising campaigns, we are helping to prevent the spread of cholera and COVID-19. We trained female-headed households to manufacture soap, increasing hygienic practices and meeting demand from nearby schools and communities. Unrestricted cash installments and food vouchers helped vulnerable households meet immediate food needs. We established mobile health teams to reach communities without the means to access health facilities.

## THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WE PLANNED TO REACH AND THE NUMBER WE ACTUALLY REACHED IN 2021

	Planned	Reached
🌾 Food security and Livelihood	250	250
💰 Multi-purpose cash assistance	28,623	33,740
💧 Water, Sanitation and Hygiene	100,722	107,440
❤️ Health (incl. MHPSS)	45,300	77,569
<b>Total number (without double counting)</b>	<b>174,645</b>	<b>202,194</b>



**Budget:** 6,346,890 EUR

**Lead:** CARE

**Participating organisations:**

Save the Children, Stichting Vluchteling, Cordaid, Oxfam Novib, ZOA

**Local organisations:**

Yamaan Foundation, Alnibras Association, Sustainable Development Foundation (SDF), Bee Keeping Assembly, Handicap Assembly, CHR, ADF

**Programmeme period:**

1 January 2021 – 31 December 2021



## ETHIOPIA TIGRAY

Acute Crisis



### OUR INTERVENTIONS AND THEIR IMPACT

The conflict in the Tigray region caused growing insecurity and displacement in Ethiopia. In rural areas, many people fled their homes, while livelihoods and basic infrastructure have been destroyed. In 2021, we provided vulnerable households with food items and nutrition, meeting the immediate needs of hundreds of thousands of people. With local partners we provided materials to rebuild and repair houses and shelters, like corrugated iron sheets, handtools and nails. We raised awareness on child protection, psychosocial wellbeing and preventing SGBV. Children suffering from acute malnutrition received treatment, and community health facilities and sanitary infrastructure were restored. We handed out unrestricted cash to families in need to help them meet their basic needs.



### THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WE PLANNED TO REACH AND THE NUMBER WE ACTUALLY REACHED IN 2021

	Planned	Reached
Food security and Livelihood	20,600	58,764
Nutrition	97,074	116,422
Multi-purpose cash assistance	24,857	47,922
Water, Sanitation and Hygiene	48,515	107,950
Health (incl. MHPSS)	45,300	77,569
Protection	30,118	29,631
<b>Total number (without double counting)</b>	<b>212,254</b>	<b>253,932</b>

**Budget:** 3,000,000 EUR

**Lead:** Cordaid

#### Participating organisations:

ZOA, SOS, Stichting Vluchteling, Tearfund, Save the Children

#### Local organisations:

#### Programmeme period:

3 February 2021 – 2 October 2021

## GAZA

## Acute Crisis







*'We supported 300 farmers through the cash transfer programme to rehabilitate their greenhouses.'*

**Samar Al Moghani,**  
Save the Children

### OUR INTERVENTIONS AND THEIR IMPACT

Violence erupting in May 2021 between Israeli armed forces and Palestinians caused casualties and severe damage to buildings and infrastructure in the Gaza Strip. Thousands of people, including many women and children, were left traumatised and without access to water, healthcare, and livelihoods. The Dutch Relief Alliance provided e-vouchers to households to meet basic food needs. We provided mental health care to children and parents to reduce the impact of the crisis on their lives. We enabled families to cope with their circumstances by providing unrestricted cash assistance, and repaired and restored water and sanitary infrastructure in several areas. Women and children, the most vulnerable groups in this crisis, were the primary recipients of our aid.

### THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WE PLANNED TO REACH AND THE NUMBER WE ACTUALLY REACHED IN 2021

	Planned	Reached
 Food security and Livelihood	3,920	7,171
 Multi-purpose cash assistance	1,860	1,593
 Water, Sanitation and Hygiene	12,700	39,463
 Protection	4,755	6,139
<b>Total number (without double counting)</b>	<b>20,242</b>	<b>51,373</b>



**Budget:** 2,000,000 EUR  
**Lead:** Save the Children

**Participating organisations:**  
Oxfam Novib, Terre des Hommes, War Child

**Local organisations:**  
Gaza Community Mental Health Programme (GCMHP), Community Training and Crisis Management Centre (CTCCM), Culture and Free Thought Association (CFTA), Al Ataa Association, Red Crescent Society, Women Programme Center, Nuseirat Rehabilitation Centre, Immar, Al Mawassi, Benevolent Friend of Child Association, Beit Lahia Development Association (BLDA), Beit AlMustaqbal Association, Altwasol Forum Society, Atfaluna Society for Deaf Children, El Amal Rehabilitation Society, Bayader Society for Environment and Development (BAYDER), Coastal Municipality Water Utility (CMWU)

**Programmeme period:**  
25 June 2021 – 24 December 2021



## LEBANON

Acute Crisis

*'Today, a year after the blast, we have rebuilt a lot of damaged buildings. Yet the crisis is even bigger. Different but bigger.'*








**Samer Al Jamal,**  
(Emergency Response  
Coordinator in Beirut)



### OUR INTERVENTIONS AND THEIR IMPACT

After the catastrophic explosion in the port of Beirut in August 2020 that injured thousands and destroyed the homes and businesses of hundreds of thousands of Lebanese, the Dutch Relief Alliance has been providing vital aid to those in need. With the Syrian conflict, COVID-19, and economic collapse compounding the crisis, DRA has worked to provide food, restore homes and businesses, and restore access to clean drinking water and hygiene services. By supporting efforts to re-establish core functions of society, we are helping to get lives back on track: handing out meals, repairing shelters and providing cash for rent, and strengthening resilience and coping mechanisms for trauma and everyday stress.

### THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WE PLANNED TO REACH AND THE NUMBER WE ACTUALLY REACHED IN 2021

	Planned	Reached
 Food security and Livelihood	12,395	22,484
 Multi-purpose cash assistance	4,569	2,962
 Shelter and non-food items	7,000	9,002
 Water, Sanitation and Hygiene	19,240	27,077
 Protection	8,275	22,297
<b>Total number (without double counting)</b>	<b>44,380</b>	<b>83,822</b>



**Budget:** 3,000,000 EUR  
**Lead:** Dorcas

#### Participating organisations:

CARE, Cordaid, Save the Children, Stichting Vluchteling, World Vision

#### Local organisations:

ABAAD – Resource Center for Gender Equality, Caritas Lebanon, Dar Al Amal (DAA), Migration Services and Development (MSD), Servir Agir Donner Aimer (SADA)

#### Programme period:

9 August 2020 – 8 April 2021



## SOUTH SUDAN (FOOD INSECURITY)



Acute Crisis



### OUR INTERVENTIONS AND THEIR IMPACT

Climate change, flooding and conflict in South Sudan have led to severe disruptions of livelihoods, livestock farming and agriculture. Crop productivity is low and resources are stretched due to influxes of people displaced by conflict. As a result, millions of South Sudanese are affected by food insecurity and lacked nutrition, particularly children and women-led households. In 2021, we provided seeds, farming tools and fishing kits to restore and protect livelihoods. We rebuilt water points and boreholes, reducing the need for women and children to walk long distances to fetch water. By providing education on good hygienic practices, we contributed to reducing the spread of infectious diseases in communities in South Sudan.

### THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WE PLANNED TO REACH AND THE NUMBER WE ACTUALLY REACHED IN 2021

	Planned	Reached
 Food security and Livelihood	59,730	71,621
 Water, Sanitation and Hygiene	7,500	9,138
<b>Total number (without double counting)</b>	<b>62,670</b>	<b>75,990</b>

**Budget:** 2,446,598 EUR  
**Lead:** Save the Children

**Participating organisations:**  
Cordaid, Dorcas, ZOA, Tearfund

**Local organisations:**  
CRADA, PCO, MHA, WDG, CEDS

**Programme period:**  
14 April 2021 – 14 October 2021





## SOUTH SUDAN (COVID-19)


Acute Crisis



### OUR INTERVENTIONS AND THEIR IMPACT

The outbreak of COVID-19 in South Sudan came against an already dire backdrop of conflict, food insecurity, climate change, natural disaster, and mass displacement. COVID-19 served to exacerbate many of the existent issues, further increasing the needs of people across the country. We continued our COVID-19 response from 2020, incorporating a multi-sectoral to both provide for those adversely affected by COVID-19 and to help prevent further spreading of infections. In South Sudan, we distributed seeds and tools to vulnerable households, helped set up and maintain hand washing facilities in congested public places, and raised awareness about avoidance strategies for COVID-19 through radio broadcasts, public announcements and door-to-door campaigns. We also strengthened local health facilities by providing PPE and training community health workers on preventing the transmission of COVID-19.

### THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WE PLANNED TO REACH AND THE NUMBER WE ACTUALLY REACHED IN 2021

	Planned	Reached
 COVID-19	197,470	262,327
<b>Total number</b> (without double counting)	<b>197,470</b>	<b>262,327</b>



**Budget:** 2,963,109 EUR  
**Lead:** Save the Children

**Participating organisations:**  
CARE, Cordaid, Help a Child, Tearfund, World Vision

**Local organisations:**  
UNIDOR, JYAN, CASS, ACROSS, CEDS, CEF, HFO, TOCH

**Programme period:**  
5 September 2020 – 4 June 2021

## ETHIOPIA (COVID-19)

Acute Crisis



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### Read more:

<https://sos-kinderdorpen.foleon.com/doc/dra-covid-joint-response-ethiopia/welkom/>

### OUR INTERVENTIONS AND THEIR IMPACT

The COVID-19 pandemic hit Ethiopia hard. Political unrest and insecurity due to the conflict in Tigray, combined with drought, locust plagues and flooding resulted in mass displacement and overcrowding in informal settlements, where COVID-19 spread rapidly. Women and girls, internally displaced people, and vulnerable households were the primary recipients of DRA aid. We provided PPE to prevent the spread of COVID-19, strengthened health facilities and established mobile medical teams. By raising awareness and sharing information, we helped stem the spread of COVID-19. We provided water trucking and filters, sanitation materials, and helped struggling households purchase food items through vouchers. Cash assistance helped households avoid negative coping mechanisms by enabling them to meet basic needs.



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### THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WE PLANNED TO REACH AND THE NUMBER WE ACTUALLY REACHED IN 2021

	Planned	Reached
🌾 Food security and Livelihood	12,550	12,921
💰 Multi-purpose cash assistance	28,950	27,118
💧 Water, Sanitation and Hygiene	129,795	182,593
❤️ Health (incl. MHPSS)	191,735	194,594
<b>Total number (without double counting)</b>	<b>275,935</b>	<b>329,075</b>

**Budget:** 3,000,000 EUR  
**Lead:** SOS Kinderdorpen

**Participating organisations:**  
Cordaid, Tearfund, Stichting Vluchteling, CARE

**Local organisations:**  
OWDA, MCMDO, EKHCD, FHE, MCDP

**Programme period:**  
8 September 2020 – 6 June 2021



## MADAGASCAR






Acute Crisis



### OUR INTERVENTIONS AND THEIR IMPACT

In December 2021, we initiated our response to those affected by extreme drought in Southern Madagascar. After four consecutive years of minimal rain, coupled with sandstorms and insect plagues, more than 1.1 million people need food assistance. Agriculture and livestock farming are suffering as a result of drought. Vulnerable children are dropping out of school to work as a result of the crisis. Over the course of 2022, we will provide communities and households in need with food and nutrition, distribute multi-purpose cash, and help to create access to water and sanitary infrastructure.

### THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WE PLANNED TO REACH

	Planned
 Food security and Livelihood	23,695
 Nutrition	5,011
 Multi-purpose cash assistance	21,215
 Water, Sanitation and Hygiene	27,600
 Protection	12,000
<b>Total number</b> (without double counting)	<b>77,521</b>



**Budget:** 3,000,000 EUR

**Lead:** ZOA

**Participating organisations:**

Tearfund, Terre des Hommes, SOS, Save the Children

**Local organisations:**

SAF, ALT, FAFAFI

**Programme period:**

22 December 2021 – 21 June 2022



**Innovation is an important strategic pillar of the Dutch Relief Alliance (DRA). Through the DRA Innovation Fund (2018-2021), the alliance strived to stimulate innovation and continuous learning by implementing a broad range of solutions. The project partnerships with DRA partners as well as other parties such as universities and the private and public sector contributed to the success of the projects.**

#### **BACKGROUND**

With the establishment of the DRA Innovation Fund, funded by the Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the DRA was able to invest in innovations during the four-year strategic period with an average of € 3m per year. The DIF aimed to bridge the gap between innovations and the actual implementation in the field. A total of four DIF Calls for Proposals have taken place (one Call a year) resulting in a total of 22 grants/projects (18 innovations) with a total of 12 million EUR allocated. This overview highlights the DIF projects implemented in 2021. The funded innovation projects can be categorized into four themes:





## I. SMART USE OF DATA

### SENSOR DATA FOR SUSTAINABLE WATER SERVICES IN HUMANITARIAN CONTEXTS – DIF 4

The key objective of the project was to address the frequent breakdown of the hand pumps in the humanitarian context of South Sudan. There are a variety of underlying factors which contribute to this non-functionality, but the ultimate impact is that households revert to fetching their water from unsafe sources when their local hand pump borehole (HPB) breaks down.

The project intended to increase the proportion of the time that HPBs are providing a valued water supply service (the 'uptime') by introducing satellite-linked and cellular phone-linked sensors on handpumps to enhance information flows to those actors who are in a position to respond to either imminent or actual pump breakdowns. The second component of the project focused on research and learning in identifying the design of operational and maintenance models which can most effectively make use of the streamed functionality data. The research studies explored different service and management models and their financing, together with prerequisites that need to be in place for upscaling, such as spare parts supply, and cost recovery.

**Participating organisations:**

Tearfund (LEAD), CEDS & RCA

**Thematic area**

Smart use of data

**Budget**

EUR 661,359

**Project period**

1 April 2021 – 31 March 2022

### DIOPTRA – DIF 4

Due to the big gap between humanitarian needs and available funding it is crucial that funding is directed towards interventions that have the biggest impact on the most people per euro spent. Whilst there is no shortage of motivation to find cost-efficient ways to deliver assistance, a critical gap exists: methods used to estimate value for money (VfM) are not consistent across organisations or programmes, producing results that cannot be meaningfully compared to inform action.

With DIF 1 funding, the Dioptra tool (previously named Systematic Cost Analysis (SCAN) tool) was developed to conduct cost-efficiency analysis quickly, rigorously, and consistently based on the Grand Bargain's methodology. It is an intuitive web-based tool that walks programme staff through the process of a cost analysis, compares results to available benchmarks, and provides evidence-based suggestions on how to improve the reach and impact of that programme. It automatically uses available data from organisations' finance systems, reducing the time to conduct an analysis from several days to a few hours. It is designed to be interoperable with any organisation's finance system while ensuring full data security and control. With DIF 4 funding, Dioptra continued its journey to scale and has been successfully piloted in more than 12 countries, including the Nigeria Joint Response.

**Participating organisations:**

Stichting Vluchteling (LEAD), Save the Children, International Rescue Committee

**Thematic area**

Smart use of data

**Budget**

EUR 224,048

**Project period**

1 July 2021 – 31 March 2022



## 2. CASH PROGRAMMEMING



### BUILDING RESILIENT, ADAPTIVE, AND DISASTER READY COMMUNITIES (B-READY & B-READY II) - DIF I AND 4

B-READY aimed to ensure vulnerable families were prepared for disasters by early access to forecast information and financial resources such as monetary aid, insurance, and credit. The project combined innovations on disaster preparedness to increase community resilience:

1. Early warning system through parametric forecasting and risk modelling technology;
2. Financial technologies to enable pre-disaster cash transfer programmeling to save lives, increase preparedness, and mitigate disaster risks;
3. Alignment of systems, policy, and financing for better disaster response.

With B-READY, the proof-of-concept of anticipatory cash transfer had been successfully tested in the Philippines: there was now a need to move from pilot to scale. B-READY II successfully contributed to saving lives, reducing economic losses and alleviating suffering by institutionalizing digital forecast-based pre-emptive cash transfer to people exposed to natural disasters. Guidelines, standard operating procedures, a Global Communications Plan and B-READY Brand & Communication Toolkit were developed. Socialization activities were implemented to increase awareness among key stakeholders. The project targeted people exposed to natural disasters, local and national government, local financial institutions and CSOs, and sought to influence the wider humanitarian sector to adopt the concept to better save lives & reduce economic losses in the event of natural disasters.

#### Participating organisations B-READY:

Oxfam Novib (LEAD), Plan International, Global Parametrics, People's Disaster Risk Reduction Network (PDRRN) Inc., Paymaya Philippines, CLIMBS Insurance Cooperative, Municipality of Salcedo, Oxfam Philippines, VISA Worldwide.

#### Thematic area

Cash Programmeling

#### Budget

EUR 610,464

#### Project period

1 January 2019- 31 March 2021

#### Participating organisations B-READY II:

Oxfam Novib (LEAD), Plan International, Global Parametrics

#### Thematic area

Cash Programmeling

#### Budget

EUR 800,000

#### Project period

1 April 2021 – 31 March 2022







## I2I – UPSKILLING & UPSCALING – DIF 4

For humanitarian organisations, insufficient knowledge, skills and tools are key barriers to increase quality and scale of cash programming, whereby better Cash Information Management (Cash IM) and improved systems and tools can address this gap. In cash programming, challenges to people affected include being assisted in a dignified way, reducing complexity and duration of registration, and receiving clear communication on their inclusion, start and stop of the programme.

I2I Upskilling & Upscaling addresses these challenges through:

1. a cash programme design wizard;
2. the I2I platform, consisting of a person affected app for self-registration, an aid worker app for validation and a humanitarian organisation portal to monitor and manage cash programmes.

These products are innovative by focusing on simplicity, contextualization and open source. Moreover, project activities included further development of I2I products (deepening), introducing I2I solutions to more countries and new partners (broadening), and generating the necessary knowledge, tools, business model and validation of I2I solutions (embedding).

### Participating organisations:

Dorcas (LEAD), The Netherlands Red Cross – 510, Tearfund Netherlands, Cordaid, Help a Child, ZOA,

### Thematic area

Cash Programming

### Budget

EUR 816,410

### Project period

1 April 2021 - 31 March 2022

### 3. SAFETY & PROTECTION



#### ENGAGING FAITH LEADERS AND COMMUNITIES (EFLC): ADDRESSING HARMFUL SOCIAL NORMS IN HUMANITARIAN SETTINGS THROUGH A FAITH AND COMMUNITY APPROACH – DIF 2

EFLC was designed to prevent sexual and gender-based violence (SGBV) in humanitarian settings where violence against women is a pervasive protection concern. EFLC is an adapted form of the Transforming Masculinities approach, developed by Tearfund. It targets social and gender norms as the root causes of SGBV through a faith-based, transformational, and community-driven model. The pilot adapted the approach for implementation in 15 communities in East DRC and are affected by humanitarian crisis where social cohesion has been under pressure and with people on the move.

Local faith leaders, community leaders and influential community members were trained and actively involved in implementing the approach. Community Actions Groups were set up in each community, leading on awareness raising and advocacy, hosting community dialogues on gender norms and protection concerns and referring survivors to protection support services. They used podcasts to collect stories of change to monitor and adjust the response accordingly as a bottom-up accountability and learning practice.

##### Participating organisations:

Tearfund Netherlands (LEAD), Help a Child, BEATIL, EyeOpenerWorks, Heal Africa, independent researcher.

##### Thematic area

Safety & Protection

##### Budget

EUR 746,441

##### Project period

20 October 2019 – 19 June 2021

#### SEAMLESS MHPSS CROSS BORDER CARE – DIF 2

Seamless MHPSS (Mental Health and Psychosocial Support) Cross Border Care focused on co-creating innovative solutions to increase access and create continuum of MHPSS services for Syrian displaced children, youth, and families along migration routes. The project attempted to address issues that prevent scale, quality and access to MHPSS Cross Border Care and particularly deal with lack of service continuity and synchronization of conditions due to difficulty in accessing efficient treatments. The innovation potentially reaches a large proportion of a highly vulnerable, rapidly growing population passing through multiple geographies and healthcare/social service systems.

##### Participating organisations:

Save the Children (LEAD), DSIL, The MHPSS Collaborative, MHPSS.net, Upinion.

##### Thematic area

Safety & Protection

##### Budget

EUR 199,448

##### Project period

1 November 2019 – 30 April 2021



## COMMUNITIES IN THE DRIVER'S SEAT – DIF 2

Building on evidence that community-owned and -driven approaches bring about improved outcomes, this project tested the feasibility of one bottom-up approach to child protection with two applications: community driven child protection (Seeds) and stigma reduction (STRETCH). These applications were initially planned to be tested in two contexts, allowing for cross-learning, comparison, and alignment. Seeds was piloted in Colombia, with urban communities in Bogota, while STRETCH intended to be piloted in Uganda in refugee/host settings. Instead, a stakeholder assessment was organized with stigma reduction practitioners and researchers from various low- and middle-income country contexts and stigma backgrounds to get feedback on the approach.

### Participating organisations:

War Child (LEAD) Save the Children, The Nomad Coach, Ten Have Change Management (THCM), TPO Uganda, Vandejong, ELVA.

### Thematic area

Safety & Protection

### Budget

EUR 800,000

### Project period

1 November 2019 – 31 December 2021



## TACKLING BARRIERS TO CASH AND VOUCHER ASSISTANCE (CVA) FOR UNACCOMPANIED ADOLESCENTS – DIF 2

This pilot project aimed to tackle the barriers to cash and voucher assistance (CVA) for unaccompanied adolescents by designing with adolescents. Considering that in general adolescents are a large, overlooked group in humanitarian settings and in Ethiopia alone, adolescent refugees constitute almost 19% of the total population in camps, innovative programme models to meet the needs of unaccompanied and separated adolescents are of primary importance. The project aimed to increase understanding of how to implement safe, ethical CVA programmes for unaccompanied and separated adolescents in Sheder Camp, Ethiopia, and share learnings with the global community.

### Participating organisations:

Stichting Vluchteling/IRC, Youth Development Labs (YLabs).

### Thematic area

Safety & Protection

### Budget

EUR 599,840

### Project period

1 December 2019 – 30 September 2021



## BUILD YOUR OWN BUDDY (BOB) – DIF 2

The aim of the Build your Own Buddy (BoB) innovation is to support children aged 5 to 7 years and their caregivers to deal with stress related to conflict and other harsh circumstances. The project piloted in South Sudan entailed a Mental Health and Psychosocial Support (MHPSS) group programme with elements of Cognitive Behavioural Therapy (CBT) and Emotion Focused Therapy (EFT). It offers physical and mental strategies to recognize emotions and stress levels, communicate about stress levels and bring stress levels down. During several sessions, children hear the story about Bob, the hare, who experiences all kinds of adventures and feelings through a colorful storybook. The volcano in the story is a metaphor for how children can feel. Through several exercises, children learn about different coping strategies and also get help from their buddies. Parallel to the sessions with the children, parents/caretakers learn, with the use of psycho-education, about their own stress and behaviour and about how to help their children deal with stress.

### Participating organisations:

Help a Child (LEAD), ARQ, TNO.

### Thematic area

Safety & Protection

### Budget

EUR 798,091

### Project period

1 December 2019 – 30 November 2021



### SPORT FOR PEACE – DIF 3

Sport for Peace aimed to strengthen social cohesion among and between refugee and host community youth in Adjumani, Uganda through sport and peacebuilding activities. Youth were at the forefront of this project, with special attention to out-of-school youth, former child soldiers and extremist youth, who after being transformed will play a key role as peace champions in fostering a culture of tolerance and peace.

Through established community clubs, Right to Play (RTP) strengthened the capacity of these clubs in non-violent approaches to conflict resolution through a 30-week Sport for Peace curriculum. The Center for Conflict Resolution (CECORE) has trained and supported a group of 60 youth in peacebuilding and conflict transformation. The training and engagements transformed the youth into Peace Champions able to initiate youth-led community awareness activities, like community dialogues, sport tournaments and theatre plays, to improve the perception of host and refugee communities towards non-violent responses to conflict and youth participation.

#### Participating organisations:

Center for Conflict Resolution (CECORE) & Right to Play (RTP) (RTP took over lead role towards end of implementation)

**Thematic area**  
Safety & Protection

**Budget**  
EUR 150,000

**Project period**  
1 January 2021 – 31 December 2021

### YOUTH LIVELIHOODS AND CONFLICT TRANSFORMATION – DIF 3

One problem in Uganda is land fragmentation, which causes inefficiencies in food production. Additionally, youth unemployment in Uganda is high and peaceful coexistence between refugees and host communities is not self-evident. This project sought to address these challenges by including the youth of the districts Adjumani and Obongi in the conflict transformation processes through income-generating activities (IGAs). It focused on offering IGAs to 2,000 young people to improve livelihoods and to promote peaceful co-existence within and between refugee and host communities. The youth participants learned to run a business and to get access to the market by managing block farming land. As conflicts over land are not uncommon, the youth also receive training on conflict resolution and the Ugandan legal system. This innovation consists of a triple nexus approach in which short-term humanitarian needs are met while looking at durable solutions in which refugees and the host community can work together in harmony.

#### Participating organisations:

Community Empowerment for Rural Development – CEFORD (LEAD), ICCO Cooperation, HEKS/EPER, COSMESS Uganda.

**Thematic area**  
Safety & Protection

**Budget**  
EUR 150,000

**Project period**  
1 January 2021 – 31 December 2021





## TEAM UP: READY? GO! – DIF 4

Sub-Saharan Africa is the world's most active conflict region. War and armed conflicts have caused millions to flee their homes and seek refuge in other countries. Around 2.5 million people, of which the majority are children, run the risk of developing psychological issues. TeamUp is an evidence-based intervention specially developed to provide psychosocial care to children between the ages of 6 and 18. Developed jointly by War Child Holland, Save the Children Netherlands and UNICEF Netherlands, TeamUp involves children in group activities centered on play, movement and body consciousness.

With DRA support, partners piloted TeamUp in South Sudan to scale the intervention in Sub-Saharan African countries, focusing on ensuring quality, boosting measurability and strengthening adaptability to new contexts. The grant was used to test scaling tools, including a certification system for facilitators and (master) trainers, standardized MEAL processes to support data collection and learning, and an adaptable TeamUp branding kit. The results and learnings from the project have made it possible for TeamUp to scale in the international network of participating organisations.

### Participating organisations:

Save the Children Netherlands (LEAD), War Child Holland, Help a Child, SOS Children's Villages

### Thematic area

Safety & Protection

### Budget

EUR 802,738

### Project period

1 April 2021 – 31 March 2022



## EMPOWERED 2 PROTECT – GETTING SET 2 SCALE – DIF 4

Building on the DRC pilot, E2P Getting Set 2 Scale is an innovative sexual and gender-based violence (SGBV) prevention package, implemented in DRC and Burundi, that combines two elements:

1. Community dialogue sessions: a participatory community-based approach aimed at addressing the root causes of SGBV at the community level (e.g. gender inequality, harmful norms and abuse of power);
2. Invi bracelet: a non-violent, scent-based, self-defense tool. This tool can help its wearer to escape a (potential) SGBV attack.

The project addressed the following challenges to scaling: lack of knowledge on market potential and customer & user preference ; need for additional, robust evidence on the effectiveness and impact of E2P; and need for a 75% cost reduction for the Invi-bracelet, as well as the establishment of a replacement system for used bracelets.

### Participating organisations:

Help a Child (LEAD), Help a Child Burundi/SAD, Help a Child DRC/CODEVAH, Invi.

### Thematic area

Safety & Protection

### Budget

EUR 642,725

### Project period

1 May 2021 – 31 March 2022

## 4. (RENEWABLE) ENERGY



### CLEAN ENERGY KIOSKS IN REFUGEE SETTLEMENTS – DIF 3

93% of the population in refugee-hosting districts in Uganda rely on wood for cooking. The burden especially rests on women and girls who spend 12-24 hours a week collecting firewood. The project provided a solution to easily access clean energy products for vulnerable households and targets women. Seven kiosks (3 in Yumbe by Raising Gabdho Foundation and 4 in Kiryadongo by ENventure) were established and stocked, enabling 1000 vulnerable women to access and purchase quality alternative energy products and (after-sale) services. These kiosks are operated, stocked and managed by the energy cooperatives/networks of Village Savings and Loan Associations (VSLA)s. Members of these cooperatives were trained to run energy kiosks which will become localized distributors of clean energy products in refugee settlements.

Energy needs assessment and VSLA mapping ensured that the kiosks were designed to meet the energy needs of end-users in terms of location and products stocked. Purchases were driven via the distribution of digital commodity vouchers by Save the Children, driving reinvestment in the operation of the kiosks during the project implementation.

#### Participating organisations:

Save the Children (LEAD), New Energy Nexus/ENventure, Raising Gabdho Foundation Ltd.

**Thematic area**  
(Renewable) Energy

**Budget**  
EUR 500,000

**Project period**  
1 January 2021 – 31 December 2021

### PROSPERS – DIF 3

To improve the accessibility of quality and affordable clean energy solutions to refugees (particularly women) in the Kyangwali refugee settlement, two complementary components with an integrated gender approach were implemented in the PROSPERS project:

- African Clean Energy (ACE) made their improved cookstove & clean energy system, the ACE One, affordable to refugees in Kyangwali by selling it on a User Referral Bonus (URB) model whereby participating refugee and host community members were able to reduce the monthly instalments on which they purchase the product by recommending it to a friend.
- The Kabarole Research Centre (KRC) applied their knowledge of clean, biomass briquette production onto local farming cooperatives/VSLAs to empower them to set up their own briquetting businesses. Each business was provided with the tools to produce affordable briquettes for sale amongst the target population.
- CARE ensured gender integration in both components by providing tailored gender trainings to project participants, implementing partners and other stakeholders.

The target group consisted of 700 households, of which 490 (70%) refugee households. Out of these, 10 cooperatives of around 30 refugees and host community members each, were targeted, with at least 60 % being women.

#### Participating organisations:

CARE Nederland (LEAD), CARE Uganda, African Clean Energy (ACE), KRC (Kabarole Research Center).

**Thematic area**  
(Renewable) Energy

**Budget**  
EUR 485,374

**Project period**  
1 January 2021 – 31 March 2022





## WASTE TO CLEAN ENERGY – DIF 3

This project intended to reduce the distance to clean energy for refugee populations by providing access to biogas for cooking and lighting, compost and irrigation water which would be used in raising tree seedlings that will be transplanted to grow trees for timber, fruit trees and woodlots to restore nature.

Activities included:

1. Build a biodigester to treat fecal sludge and generate biogas;
2. Collect fecal sludge from toilets and pit latrines to produce biogas, compost and irrigation water;
3. Equip youth and women from the refugee and host communities with technical and business skills to set-up, operate and manage enterprises resulting from the biodigester.

### Participating organisations:

Cordaid (LEAD), Muni University, Caritas Arua Diocese, SEMILLA, SkillEd and Wageningen University and Research

**Thematic area**  
(Renewable) Energy

**Budget**  
EUR 499,998

**Project period**  
1 January 2021 – 31 December 2021

## CLOUDGREEN – DIF 3

Uganda provides a unique context for refugees, as the country encouraged them to work and to be entrepreneurs. To optimize this opportunity, cloudGreen's (cG) innovative platform supports female entrepreneurial refugees and locals to run their businesses successfully and sustainably. The platform addresses the demand for affordable and productive assets for settlements and urban women-led businesses; startup risks; lack of incentives to transition to clean energy; and limited market access (to emerging digital markets). Local cG hubs in Kampala and Kiryandongo provide partnering mechanisms and tools to improve access to clean energy for refugees and hosts.

Women get solar dryers to dry their food and e-bikes to transport their food to the markets in sustainable ways. Moreover, women use the e-platform (ordering/payment platforms) of cG to sell their food. Also, financial services were available and training was provided on financial inclusion and financial literacy, aimed at helping women cultivate a savings culture and create credit scores for their businesses. Through the e-platform, female refugees in Kiryandongo and Kampala are connected with cloudGreen's ready markets in Kampala. The inclusion of female entrepreneurs from both the refugee community and the host community expectedly led to social connectedness.

### Participating organisations:

ThinkIT (LEAD), Fynixwave, Sparky Drier.

**Thematic area**  
(Renewable) Energy

**Budget**  
EUR 150,000

**Project period**  
1 February 2021 – 31 December 2021



# DUTCH RELIEF ALLIANCE

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