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Abbreviations

AAC	Area Advisory Council
ACRW	The African Charter on the Rights and Welfare of the Child
ASAL	Arid and Semi-Arid Lands
BMZ	Federal Ministry of Economic Cooperation and Development (Germany)
CBT	Community Based Trainers
CDO	Community Development Officer
CHA	Community Health Assistant
CHV	Community Health Volunteer
C4C	Charter for Change
CHMT	Community Health Management Team
CHEWs	Community Health Extension Workers
CMDRR	Community Managed Disaster Risk Reduction
CPiE	Child Protection in Emergencies
CO	Country Office
CP	Child Protection
CVS	Child Verification System
CWPC	Community Welfare and Protection Committee
DAC	Day of the African Child
DCS	Department of Children's Services
ECD	Early Childhood Development

EPP	Emergency Preparation and Planning
FGM	Female Genital Mutilation
FY22	Fiscal Year 2022
GBV	Gender-based Violence
HiNi	High Impact Nutritional Interventions
IEC	Information, Education and Communication
IYC	Infants and Young Children
JFA	Joining Forces Alliance
KHPT	Kenya Humanitarian Partnership Team
NCPD	National Council of People with Disabilities
LP	Local Partner
MOH	Ministry of Health
OFSP	Orange Fleshed Sweet Potatoes
OVC	Orphans and Vulnerable Children
PLW	Pregnant and Lactating Women
SBCC	Social Behaviour Change Communication
SDGs	Sustainable Development Goals
SLP	Sustainable Livelihood Program
UNCRC	The United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child
USAID	United States Agency for International Development
BHA	Bureau of Humanitarian Assistance
VSLA	Voluntary Savings and Loans Associations
WASH	Water, Sanitation and Hygiene



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Our Vision

A world where every child realizes their rights and achieves their potential.

Our Mission

HELP children to have the capacity to improve their lives and opportunity to become young adults, parents and leaders who bring lasting and positive change in their communities.

PROMOTE societies whose individuals and institutions participate in valuing, protecting, and advancing the worth and rights of children.

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From the Country Director



Greetings. I am pleased to have another opportunity once again to share with you some of the achievements of ChildFund Ethiopia during the FY 22 (July 2021 to June 2022).

In June 2020 tensions started showing in the political front and in Nov 2020 a civil war erupted, pitting the Tigray Peoples Liberation Front (TPLF) against the Ethiopian National Defense Force (ENDF). The war continued throughout the reporting period July 2021 to June 2022 and the operations were conducted amid a heightened stance of security awareness.

This conflict did not allow the country to recover from the impact of the COVID -19 Pandemic and many businesses and small industries had to shut down or scale down operations and this negatively impacted on many families that relied on them for employment directly or indirectly.

The conflict affected production of food and cash crops, and this reduced the forex in the market and cost of food and basic essentials skyrocketed. There was hyperinflation, and this affected the market for materials we use in programs and many of the children and their families were rendered IDPs.

Being uprooted from their normal lives and with no resources. Schools and government facilities were converted to homes for thousands of displaced families. This meant that learning was disrupted in the affected communities.

ChildFund Ethiopia scaled up its emergency operations and met the needs of over 10,000 IDPs providing food, cash-based assistance and non-food items as well as psychosocial support.

In spite of the conflict and drought in the communities where ChildFund Ethiopia operates, I am pleased to report we achieved the targets we set for ourselves during the FY.

During this fiscal year we developed our Country Strategic Plan aligned to our Global Growing Connections Strategy and being the first year of our huge and audacious goal we reached 4.89M up from 2.7M children and their families with programs that impacted their lives meaningfully.

Throughout the year we maintained our excellent performance in sponsorship communications timeliness and in most of the operational areas we continued to deliver the regular programs with support from our local partners.

In some of the operational areas we reverted to emergency response to address the needs of the displaced populations. We want to appreciate the sponsors and Alliance members who continued their support throughout this year.

Our close working relationship with ChildFund Alliance members resulted in us surpassing the fundraising target of \$ 2.7M and we would like to appreciate the Alliance members who worked closely with us to achieve this excellent performance.

Some highlights of our programming working included the following; In life stage 1 (0 - 5 years), we reached 14,250 (7,027 girls and 7,223 boys) with quality education in pre-primary schools. In life stage 2 (6 to 14 years), 29,218 children (14,629 girls and 14,589 boys) were supported with scholastic materials, tutorial class sessions, cash transfer for house rent as well as transport, to pursue their education.

As the study conducted in FY22 revealed, 85% of the children improved in their academic performance. And in LS3, 250 youth (112 girls and 138 boys) received vocational, business or life skills training for work readiness.

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About ChildFund Ethiopia

ChildFund Ethiopia has been in existence since 1971. In FY22, ChildFund Ethiopia reached a total of 4.98 million children and youth as well as their families with interventions in Child Protection, Education, Food Security, WASH, Household Economic Strengthening, Early Childhood Development, Health and Nutrition, Disaster Risk Reduction, Advocacy, and Emergency Response.

Currently, we operate in 21 districts covering 70 communities. The office has established 13 local implementing partners across the country. It operates through the support from over 412 community-based volunteers and over 52,228 home-based caregivers.

ChildFund Ethiopia primarily supports development as well as emergency relief and disaster mitigation programs, focusing on children and their families. ChildFund has established relationships with international, national, and community-based organizations, as well as academia, private sector partners and central and district local governments.

ChildFund Ethiopia's program is part of the global alliance for children driven by children's inherent potential to thrive, free from abuse and exploitation. ChildFund Ethiopia focuses on working with children from birth to young adulthood (0-24 years), as well as with families, local organizations, and communities globally, to create the environment needed to allow children to thrive.



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Geographical Coverage

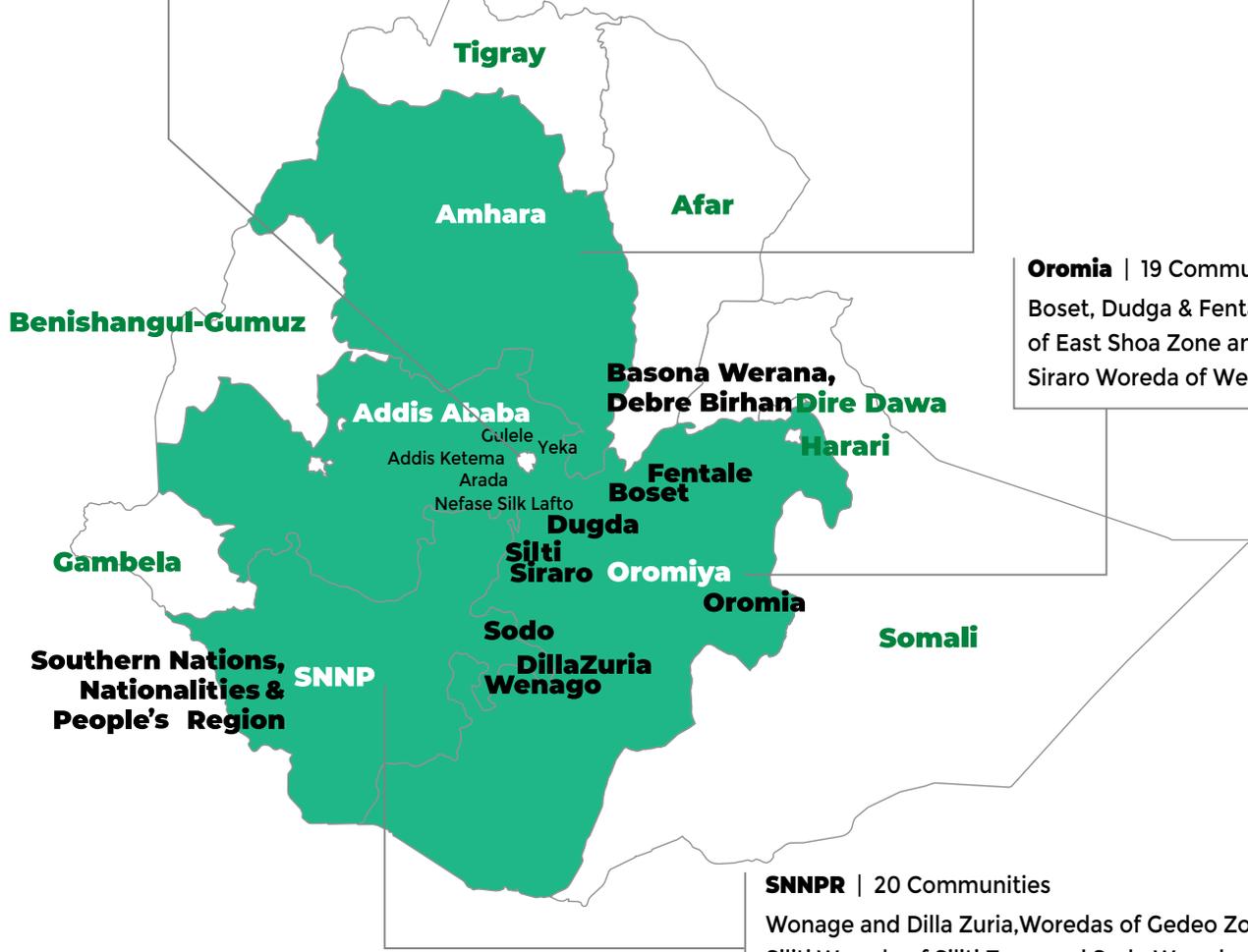
ChildFund Ethiopia works with 13 local implementing partner organizations in Amhara, Oromia, Southern Nations Nationalities Peoples' Region (SNNPR) and Addis Ababa. See the table on page 8 highlighting our geographic and community presence.

Addis Ababa | 12 Communities
 Addis KEtema, Arada, Gulele, Kolfe Keranio, Nefas Silk, Yeka Sub Cities

Amhara | 8 Communities
 Basona, Worana Woreda and Debrabirhan City of North-Shoa Zone

Oromia | 19 Communities
 Boset, Dugda & Fentale Woredas of East Shoa Zone and Siraro Woreda of West Arsi Zone

SNNPR | 20 Communities
 Wonage and Dilla Zuria, Woredas of Gedeo Zone, Siliti Woreda of Siliti Zone and Sodo Woreda of Gurage Zone



Region	Local Partners	Operational Areas: Name of woreda/kebele	Number of kebeles [communities]
ADDIS ABABA	Future Hope Integrated Development Organization	Arada Sub-city: Woreda 1, 2, 3, 4 5, and 10	6
	Love for Children and Family Development Charitable Organization	Nifas Silk Lafto: W 02 and Kolfe Keraneio: W 01	2
	Addis Integrated Development Organization	Addis ketema sub-city: W 06 & 07	2
	Sheger Child and Family Development Charitable Society	Gulele sub-city: Woreda 4, 5 & woreda 7	3
	EOC-CFAO Genete Eyesus Child and family Development Program Coordination Office	Yeka sub-city: W 01 & 02	2
AMHARA	TesfaBirhan Child and Family Development Organization	Sariya, Chiraro Debir, Addisge, Bakelo, Keyit, Abamotie, Gudoberet, Gudoberet Zuria and Bassodengora Kebeles of Bassona Worana and 01, 02, 06 & 08 Kebeles of Debre Berhan town	13
SNNPR	Silti-Aynage Child and Family Development Organization	Silti: Kibet, SenenaGerera, kotoBoloso, Woliya sadist, BozeSabola	5
	Sodo-Buee Child and Family Development Charitable Organization	Sodo: Anati, Adazer, Buee zuria, Buee, Firshi, Suten zuria, Sewatinagedam, Wachomoregi, and Wudegetnageferssa	9
	Reach the Need-Ethiopia	Dilla zuria: Golla, Michile sisota and Chichu; Wonago: Jemjemo, Balebukisa and Tumata chericha	6
OROMIA	Care for Children and Family Organization	Boset: Geri, Feto, Borchota, and Wolenchiti-01	4
	Dugda Children and Family Charitable Organization	Dugda: Hate Leman, Giraba Korke Adi, Tepo Choroke, Oda, Melka Dubisa, Bole, Meki-01, 02 & 03 Kebeles	8
	Future Generation Organization	Fentale: Metahara, Haro adi, Gola, Alge & Gelcha	5
	Siraro Child and Family Development Association	Siraro: Ropi 01, Ropi sinta, Boye awarkasa, Alemtena & Damine Leman	5
Total			70

Our Strategic Plan (2022 -2026)

During this year, we developed a new country strategic plan (2022 - 2026) to guide our programs and operations over the next 5 years.

The CSP development process involved engagements with various stakeholders and an analysis of our capacities, strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats (SWOT). This analysis inspired us to be ambitious given the available opportunities for growth that we can tap into.

We set our target to reach 7 million children and their families with various impactful programs, at an estimated cost of \$61 million in funding and operations by the year 2026.

Our CSP was launched on December 15, 2022, with lively discussions by esteemed partners and stakeholders, and accompanied with amazing performance by children and good media coverage.



7 million children and their family members

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Our Program Priorities



Child Protection



Education



Food Security



Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH)



Household Economic Strengthening



Early Childhood Development



Health and Nutrition



Disaster Risk Reduction



Advocacy



Emergency Response

ChildFund programs are implemented using a distinctive 3-part life stage programming approach.

This approach promotes children's optimal development at every age by tailoring interventions to their unique needs as they grow from infants to young adults.

The life stage approach is classified as follows:

LIFE STAGE

1

Healthy and Secure Infants (0 to 5 years)



LIFE STAGE

2

Educated and Confident Children (6 to 14 years)



LIFE STAGE

3

Skilled and Involved Youth (15 to 24 years)



Our Total Reach

In FY22, ChildFund Ethiopia reached a total of 4.98 million children and youth as well as their families with interventions in Child Protection, Education, Food Security, WASH, Household Economic Strengthening, Early Childhood

Development, Health and Nutrition, Disaster Risk Reduction, Advocacy, and Emergency Response. The table below shows that 39.25% of the target population reached were children and youths whilst 60.75% were adults.

	Reporting Category									
	SUBSIDY-FUNDED PROGRAMS		GRANTS/NSP		EMERGENCIES		MASS MEDIA		SOCIAL MEDIA	
Annual Reach by Age Category	Girls 0-5	26880	Girls 0-5	7027	Girls 0-5	3191	Girls 0-5	25352	Girls 0-5	276
	Boys 0-5	25964	Boys 0-5	7223	Boys 0-5	3396	Boys 0-5	26839	Boys 0-5	293
	Girls 6-14	67276	Girls 6-14	14629	Girls 6-14	4705	Girls 6-14	257989	Girls 6-14	1276
	Boys 6-14	55877	Boys 6-14	14589	Boys 6-14	4669	Boys 6-14	281494	Boys 6-14	1381
	Girls 15-24	69664	Girls 15-24	17028	Girls 15-24	9630	Girls 15-24	343493	Girls 15-24	5183
	Boys 15-24	68885	Boys 15-24	16129	Boys 15-24	10035	Boys 15-24	538545	Boys 15-24	10725
	Female adult	196138	Female adult	22871	Female adult	7489	Female adult	1218758	Female adult	22101
	Male adult	188788	Male adult	17350	Male adult	5904	Male adult	1262055	Male adult	28903
4.89M Total	0.70M Subsidy-funded		0.12M Grants/NSP		0.05M Emergencies		4.04M Mass media		0.07M social media	
	Children & Youth	314546		76625		35626		1473712		19134
	Adult	384926		40221		13393		2480813		51004



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Program Achievements

Key Achievements



Our ECD interventions contributed towards the attainment of a favourable student class ratio of **24:1** as opposed to the previous **50:1**.



93,195 children attended 117 schools that were supported meet quality standards for a child-friendly environment.



75,000 youth across the country were supported through trainings in entrepreneurship, financial management, motivation and life skills, and vocational skills.



4,430 youth were supported to pursue higher education in government and private universities.



1,610 youth were supported through vocational skills programs based on their interest and market assessment guidance. Upon completion of their courses, the youth were linked with potential employers.



ChildFund has improved the life of a target community through a livelihood program. This initiative contributed to the sustainable use of natural resources and improved food security and nutritional status of **558,433** families and **36,970** children.



Healthy and Secure Infants

Prevention and Treatment of Trachoma - A two-year project funded by ChildFund Korea on “Prevention and Treatment of Trachoma in Silti District SNNPR Ethiopia” with the aim of reduction in trachoma prevalence in Silti district.

This project improved access to health facilities and services through supporting Kuno Health Centre with Trachoma examination medical equipment. This included 18 ophthalmoscopes, 10 eye charts, 1,600 boxes of latex gloves, 530 sanitizers, 223 face masks and 10 mobilization material such as megaphones for community mobilization and screening of trachoma. 19 health workers were trained on trachoma Trachomatous Trichiasis (TT) and Trachomatous Inflammation – Follicular (TF) screening, prevention, and awareness to improve their skills to provide quality of service.

To improve access to safe WASH environments for students, ChildFund constructed separate toilet blocks for boys and girls in Shelawasho and Doboena Enseno primary schools. The project also renovated handwashing facilities in 9 primary schools namely Agode Lobrera, Dobo Bedeno, Dobo Sabola, Goflela, Shalew asho, Ajira, Doboena Enseno, Ashute Burako and Doboena Bati.

To improve community members knowledge and proper health practice monthly TT screening, ChildFund in working with health workers organized campaigns in 9 Kebeles at the community level and in 9 primary schools. A total of 24,384 (M. 10,120; F. 14,264) people were screened for TT and 383 (M, 84: F, 299) people underwent TT surgery and post operative follow ups. A total of 283 (M, 134: F, 149) TF cases were identified and treated for TF with the support of GTM (Girarbet Tehadiso Mahiber) Hospital.

IEC/ BCC material on trachoma prevention, hygiene and sanitation were also produced and distributed. These included billboards, brochures, posters, job aids and patient registration book were designed, produced, and distributed on trachoma prevention.

SUCCESS STORY

Feysel is 1 year, 5 months old. He lives in Doboena Enseno I with his four siblings and parents.

According to his parents, while growing up, Feysel, did not play much with his siblings, instead he would cry a lot, especially at night, due to the “disease in his eyes.” He suffered from Trachoma; a disease of the eye caused by infection with the bacterium *Chlamydia trachomatis*.

After ChildFund conducted an awareness raising campaign in the area, Feysel parents took him to a health center where he was treated . He was given an ointment to apply on his eyes.

“After the treatment, my son became healthy. Now he enjoys playing with his siblings and neighbors. He no longer cries like he used to,” Eshe, Feysel’s mother, said. “Thank you Ato Park Jung Yoon for your support that saved my child from being blind! Please save the remaining children living with Trachoma and let them enroll to school just like their healthy friends.” Eshe added.



Before TF Treatment



After TF Treatment

SUCCESS STORY

Three-year-old Abdi is one of the children from Dobo Sabola kebele who was treated for trachoma.

Before receiving treatment, his eyes were always red, teary and with discharge.

Since his parents, who are small scale farmers could not afford to take him to hospital, he had suffered from trachoma for a long time and struggled with poor vision.

Luckily, his mother attended a community awareness raising session on prevention and treatment of Trachoma.

“The information I received at Kuno Health Center encouraged me to take my child to health center for treatment. Thank you to all of you who helped to save my child’s eyes from blindness.” Abdi’s mother said.



Before TF Treatment



After TF Treatment



Growth and Economic Opportunities for Women (GrOW)

The (GrOW) project is implemented by ChildFund Ethiopia, and partners supported by the International Development Research Center (IDRC).

The objective of this action research project is to implement and assess whether subsidized and enhanced quality community-based childcare services can improve women's economic wellbeing and empowerment while promoting Early Childhood Development (ECD).

Furthermore, the project aims to generate evidence for revising Ethiopia's ECD policy by engaging various stakeholders and policy makers.

The project's major activities include establishment of childcare centers and capacity building support to parents/caregivers, childcare workers, and other stakeholders on ECD; activities to promote women economic empowerment, particularly focusing on mothers of children at childcare centers; Impact evaluation and qualitative research to generate evidence; and Advocacy interventions targeting policy makers at different levels of government.



2,000 children and 1,000 caregivers participated in the GrOW project aimed at improving women's economic wellbeing and empowerment while promoting ECD.

Come Play with Me

Come Play with Me is a multi-country program implemented by ChildFund in Brazil, Ethiopia, Honduras and Uganda supported by The LEGO Foundation since March 2022.

ChildFund is conducting a multi-country partnership with the LEGO Foundation to address the learning and socio-emotional needs of children aged 0-8 years old, and their caregivers, caused by the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic in Brazil, Ethiopia, Honduras, and Uganda.

In Ethiopia, the project focuses on providing parents/caregivers and their children with strategies around playful parenting through hybrid approaches (both in-person and virtually via broadcasting of radio spots). The activities include contextualization, development, and broadcast of culturally relevant radio spots in four local languages; production and distribution of Information Education Communication (IEC) materials; organization of in-person meetings for parents/caregivers, particularly parenting group listenership sessions; and support for the establishment of child friendly spaces at Internally Displaced People's (IDP) camps.

5,000 children and 2,000 caregivers were reached with key messages on parenting through radio in 4 local languages.





Health and Nutrition

Training caregivers to cook nutritious foods for children

ChildFund organized trainings for 50 caregivers with practical demonstration on how to prepare nutritious diets for children using locally available grains and other inputs.

During the training, the participants were engaged in the inputs collection, grinding meal, porridge cooking and feeding steps as well sensitization on sanitation and hygiene. The trainees expressed their commitment to practicing what they had learned to ensure the improved nutrition of their children.



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Water, Sanitation and Hygiene

ChildFund's water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH) interventions aim to improve health outcomes through provision of safe water supplies and improved sanitation facilities, while also promoting better hygiene practices in communities.

In Silti District, we installed hand washing facilities in 9 primary schools, and constructed 2 separate toilet blocks for boys and girls in 2 primary schools.

Basic Education

Improving access to quality education for children with disabilities

In Ethiopia, people with disabilities are often denied of their basic need, social, education and economic opportunities due to the prevalent societal attitudes. These stereotypes of the society towards disability and the social construct result in considering children with disabilities as a burden and not contributing members of society. These negative attitudes significantly affect and hinder children with disabilities in participating in the communal life and improving their future.

ChildFund Ethiopia and 2 local partners (FHIDO and ACFDO) supported 17 children with assistive devices including hearing aids, walking canes for the blind and wheelchairs. Previously, these children had difficulties in engaging in age-appropriate responsibilities. The children who were supported said “the support is crucial to improve our participation in the communal life and for the betterment of our future. We are grateful.”

“Before I got this wheelchair, it was difficult to greet my friends at school, because both my hands were on crutches. Now I am very happy because I can shake their hands,” said Mintesinot, a 16-year-old 8th grade student.

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Compared to the school I used to go to before, the library here is better because I have access to school books in braille. I want to be a lawyer when I grow up, “ says Kibnesh, 17, a student at a ChildFund-supported school in Addis Ababa. ChildFund provided braille slates, stylus and canes, and audio books for children who are visually impaired.

Edutainment for children

ChildFund and its local partner, FHIDO, organized an edutainment excursion for 50 children in Unity Park in Addis Ababa. This experiential learning provided children with an opportunity to actively play while studying new concepts. During the visit, children discovered palaces and great works of art which inspired their learning in line with their education curriculum. The children had great fun as they observed the royal collections, nature, wild animals, birds, and learned about historical events.



50 children participated in an edutainment excursion which provided them with an opportunity for experiential learning.



Aflatoun social and financial training

During the FY22, ChildFund working with its partners conducted a training on the Aflatoun model for school Aflatoun club leader, teachers and experts from woreda education offices. Aflatoun comprises of high-quality curricula on social and financial education for children of different age groups.

The training improved participants' understanding of the model and gave an opportunity for participants to exercise activities in the training manuals and share their practical experience and challenges encountered in program implementation at school level.

The training culminated in the development of action plans to improve Aflatoun activities in schools.

Promoting youth skilling and entrepreneurship

ChildFund Ethiopia's programs for youth focus on three aspects:



decent work i.e. youth employment and livelihoods;



youth sexual reproductive health i.e. adolescent health and healthy behavior promotion;



youth voices i.e. meaningful youth participation and youth agency.

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To promote the development of youth-owned livelihoods, youth were trained on different vocational skill trainings such as hair dressing, woodwork, photography, mobile maintenance, tailoring and embroidery.

To increase the opportunity for youth livelihood youth have been trained on different vocational skill trainings such as hair dressing, woodwork, photography, mobile maintenance, tailoring and embroidery. Such initiatives enabled program participants [youth] to be self-employed and be engaged in income generating activities.

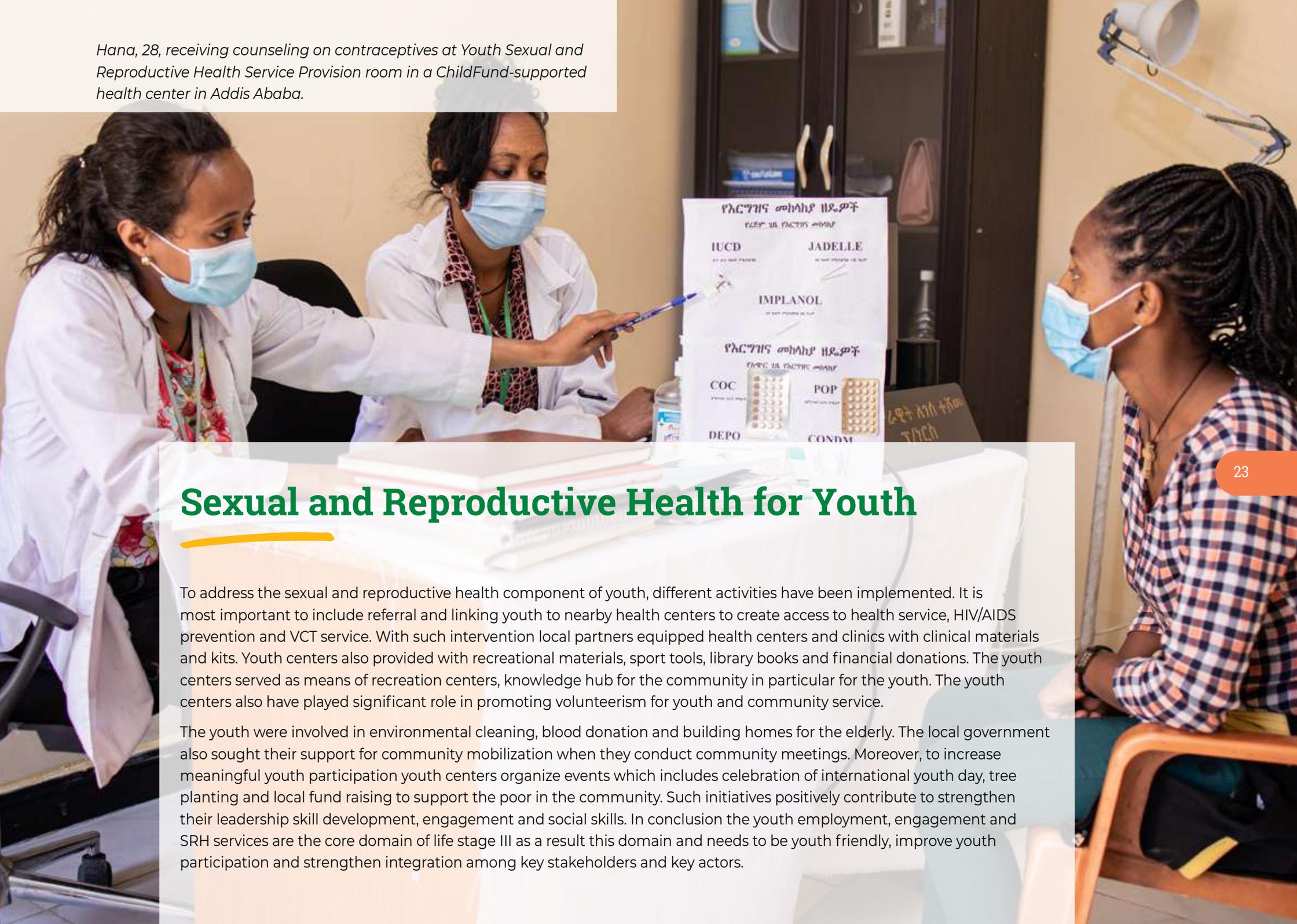
Youth were also supported through career counseling, linkage with career/ job opportunities, CV writing and sitting for interviews.



To enhance youth practical on-job experience, ChildFund facilitated linkages for apprenticeship opportunities with private business enterprises. For instance, our local partners in Tesfa Birhan, Sheger and Love for Children linked youth with local companies for internship and apprenticeship opportunities.

In order to boost youth employability, ChildFund and its local partners are actively collaborating with the private sector and TVETs to identify employment opportunities and train youth on the required skills that meets the demands of the job market.

Hana, 28, receiving counseling on contraceptives at Youth Sexual and Reproductive Health Service Provision room in a ChildFund-supported health center in Addis Ababa.



Sexual and Reproductive Health for Youth

To address the sexual and reproductive health component of youth, different activities have been implemented. It is most important to include referral and linking youth to nearby health centers to create access to health service, HIV/AIDS prevention and VCT service. With such intervention local partners equipped health centers and clinics with clinical materials and kits. Youth centers also provided with recreational materials, sport tools, library books and financial donations. The youth centers served as means of recreation centers, knowledge hub for the community in particular for the youth. The youth centers also have played significant role in promoting volunteerism for youth and community service.

The youth were involved in environmental cleaning, blood donation and building homes for the elderly. The local government also sought their support for community mobilization when they conduct community meetings. Moreover, to increase meaningful youth participation youth centers organize events which includes celebration of international youth day, tree planting and local fund raising to support the poor in the community. Such initiatives positively contribute to strengthen their leadership skill development, engagement and social skills. In conclusion the youth employment, engagement and SRH services are the core domain of life stage III as a result this domain and needs to be youth friendly, improve youth participation and strengthen integration among key stakeholders and key actors.



Child Protection and Advocacy

Rollout of the National Children's Policy Implementation Strategic Framework

After a series of engagements, ChildFund Ethiopia and the Ministry of Women, Children and Youth, reached a consensus to design the National Children's Policy Implementation Strategy. In collaboration with other institutions such as the Ministry of Health, Ministry of Education, Ministry of Labor and Social Affairs, and Ministry of Justice, the first draft of the policy was completed and submitted for review. Meaningful child and youth participation was a key aspect of the implementation strategy design process.

ChildFund Ethiopia organized trainings in two implementation areas, Sodo Buee Child and Family Development Charitable Organization and Addis Integrated Development Organization. During these trainings, 35 representative of 9 community-based child protection mechanisms (CBCPMs) and staff of the partner organizations were trained on how to contribute to and promote violence-free communities.



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Humanitarian Response

ChildFund responded to drought and conflict disasters in drought prone areas

In 2022, ChildFund Ethiopia in partnership with Siraro Child and Family Development Association responded to the drought and conflict disasters in Siraro Woreda. Over 12 million birr (USD 264,000) was invested in this emergency response program.

A total of 23,213 people, including children, were supported through food rations, education materials, seed support, and supplementary feeding for children under 5 years, and pregnant and lactating mothers.



23,213 people received general food rations, education materials, seed support, and supplementary feeding for children under 5 years, and pregnant and lactating mothers.



Providing cash transfers to conflict-affected families



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During this fiscal year, the country was plunged into conflict and a large number of people were displaced from their homes in Tigray and Amhara regions. As part of the overall Northern Amhara IDP crises support program, ChildFund Ethiopia, in collaboration with Tesfa Birhan CFDO obtained funds from the Emergency Action Fund (EAF), ChildFund Germany, Barnfonden, ChildFund Taiwan, ChildFund New Zealand, and the Local Partners also redirected subsidy funds assigned by ChildFund Ethiopia.

Through this intervention, ChildFund reached 2,086 IDP households located at Debre Birhan, reaching a total of 3,153 people including children and other family members through direct cash assistance. A total of \$100,572 was allocated to this emergency response.



2,086 Internally Displaced Households in Debre Birhan were supported through direct cash assistance.

Emergency Response Plan, IDP response at Debre Birhan

This was a six-month project implemented between February and August 2022, with funding (USD 63,146) from EDUCO. The project reached over 10,000 IDPs that are sheltered in different camps and within host communities of Debre Birhan town. The project's major milestones included:

- Temporary day care centers established for children in camps.
- Indoor and outdoor play materials were provided at the IDP camps.
- Provision of micronutrients (packed biscuits, packed milk).
- Training for 20 community Volunteers (4 in each location) provided on Psychological First Aid (PFA) and Psychosocial Support (PSS) techniques and methodologies and assigning them the locations to provide the services to the IDPs.
- Referral linkages, nutritious food support for children and pregnant and lactating mothers at IDP center (Famex), Provision of NFIs, Dignity Kits and Diaper support to Adolescents and Reproductive age women, Renovation of schools that were using for temporary IDP camps, and provision of school furniture that were destroyed by IDPs, awareness raising programs on Psychosocial intervention enhanced.
- Psychosocial support and life skill training provided for children and teachers.



Over 10,000 Internally Displaced Persons were who were sheltered in different camps and host communities were supported through ChildFund's emergency response program in Debre Birhan.

Building Resilient Livelihoods

In FY22, ChildFund Ethiopia, working with its local partners, implemented various projects to build resilient livelihoods, boost food security and strengthen environmental protection mechanisms.

Provision of agricultural inputs

ChildFund supported farmers with assorted agricultural inputs (improved maize seed, wheat, haricot beans, teff and fertilizer) to boost food security. This intervention led to increased vegetable production and consumption among households, as well as income generation as surplus produce was sold in local markets. This initiative also led to an increase and diversification of livelihoods and improved nutrition for children, and pregnant and lactating women.

Environmental Protection

ChildFund provided forest trees, fruit seeds, seedlings, for afforestation, and promoted the use of alternative energy saving stove and biogas as sources of clean energy sources to families.

In addition, families were supported to engage in income generating activities and received skills and knowledge on effective and sustainable natural resource management. ChildFund also implemented climate smart agriculture and management interventions.



Natural Resource Management

To mitigate the effects of climate change, ChildFund supported 60 women VSLA groups to engage in reforestation projects.

A total of 321,034 tree seedlings were raised in 15 nursery sites owned by the women groups. These seedlings were then planted along nursery sites, school compounds and in degraded communal lands. LP staffs, school environmental club member, teachers, and women, actively participated in the afforestation and reforestation campaigns by planting tree seedlings.



321,034 tree seedlings were grown by women VSLA groups for reforestation.

Plastic Waste Management

With funding from Dow Chemical, ChildFund implemented plastic waste management programs. These interventions focused on awareness creation campaigns on the harmful effects of plastic wastes; and waste collection campaigns conducted by women, school children and local administrations at market places and bus stations. Different messages on plastic waste management, plastic recycling, using plastic waste to earn income, how to minimize plastic waste, were conveyed during the awareness campaigns.



Economic Strengthening

Village savings and loans association (VSLA), community savings self-help group (CSSG) group model, SPM (small business selection, planning and management) and other individual IGA support areas are some of the models ChildFund uses to promote household economic strengthening and a savings culture among communities.

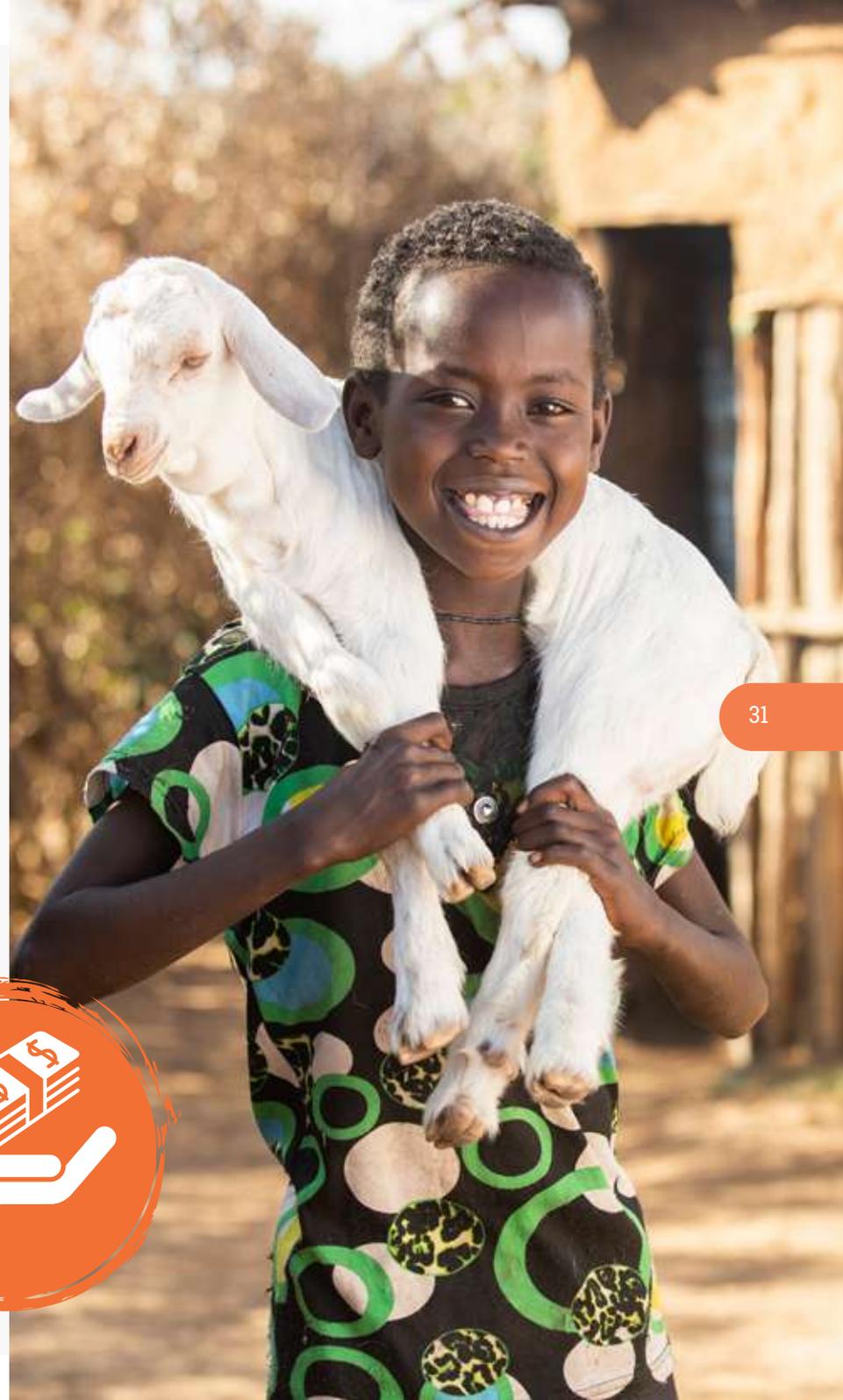
The VSLAs/CSSGs provided access to micro loans to its members, VSLA group members received Entrepreneurship training and developed their individual business ideas/plans. As a result, a culture of saving has emerged among the households. These community members were also trained on improved or diversified agricultural and/or livestock production methods.

About 1,200 women were organized in 60 VSLA groups through which they conducted weekly/by-weekly saving, took loans and engaged in income generating activities. Combined, all VSLA groups mobilized ETB 2,343,360 [\$ 42,606] from regular savings and distributed ETB 4,782,636 [\$ 86,957] as loans to members in in FY22. The total capital for all groups as of September 30, 2022 reached 2,996,056 ETB [\$ 54,473].

Reproductive Assets Transfer

In addition to individual start-up packages, ChildFund provided investments in form of seeds, seedlings, beehives, small ruminants to households. We also provided small-scale irrigation equipment to household to improve agricultural productivity, food security and increase income.

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Partnership and Performance Assessment

ChildFund Ethiopia, using the BSC strong partner results, conducted a rapid assessment to identify the capacity building needs of board members of its LPs. Good governance and Leadership were identified as priority areas for capacity building, and the Country Office provided selected trainings and experience sharing forums during this fiscal year.

The implementation of the Funding Model has created an environment in which Local Partners are taking more responsibility and accountability for achieving the programmatic targets. Their performance has improved month by month. The burn rate has also improved a lot compared to the previous year. Local Partners' responsiveness, timeliness in reporting and sense of accountability has also shown significant progress. The consideration of qualitative criteria in the measurement process has been noted by users in addition to the quantitative criteria.

Regional Consultative Meeting

During the FY, the partnership department organized an annual consultative review and reflection meeting from April 7-8 involving directors of the partner organizations and representatives of key government stakeholders from the 4 regions that ChildFund Ethiopia operates. The workshop involved a total of 48 participants from partners and stakeholders and 10 ChildFund staff.

The workshop focused on experience sharing and learning among partner organizations and government stakeholders.

This consultative review also sought to offer better insights for future engagement and working relationships. During the two-days workshop ChildFund presented and organizational update and the CSP overview, program model briefs while partner organizations shared their accomplishment and success stories.



Participation in the CSO week

ChildFund participated in the second Civil society organizations week and exhibition organized by Ethiopian Civil Society Organizations Council from June 2 - 4, 2022. The exhibition was well attended by senior government officials, multiple NGOs, and development sector representatives. The exhibition aimed to showcase the contribution of CSOs to the country. ChildFund Ethiopia used this forum to showcase its programs, impact contributing to community and national development.

Partnership Development

Along with the existing operational areas, ChildFund intends to broaden its geographical presence to Tigray, Afar and Somali regions to reach as many children and communities as possible. Hence the partnership department took the lead with the identification, selection, and development of partnerships with three local civil society organizations that are operating in the regions mentioned. The organizations are Friendship Support Association in Afar, Concern for Integrated Development in Somali and Education for Development Association in west Oromia.

Core partners trained on monitoring and evaluation and proposal development

ChildFund trained various trainings to strengthen the capacity of its core partner staff. The training was aligned to the findings of an organizational needs assessment involving partner organizations earlier.

The training was held for 5 consecutive days and focused on project proposal and M&E framework designing. A total of 49 participants from partner organizations and ChildFund Ethiopia attended the training.

Monitoring, Evaluation and Learning

In FY22, ChildFund Ethiopia's Monitoring and Evaluation team, jointly with Partnership Portfolio unit, conducted supportive supervision exercises with all its Local Partners.

The supervision exercises were aimed to promote learning and feedback system among ChildFund Ethiopia and partners in delivering quality program service to the target community members, children and families; create a platform to solve existing and anticipated problems together; ensure compliance of the local partner to government and ChildFund rules and regulations as per the agreements; track partners progress planned activities and budget Year To Date (since July 2021); build trust and strengthen partnership between ChildFund Ethiopia and partners; improve sense of responsibility and accountability over resources secured by partners so far; and inform management decisions at all levels (Executive board of partners and SMT for ChildFund Ethiopia).

In this fiscal year, the M&E database functioned as a planning, monitoring and reporting tool that was used to review the LPs' performance on monthly basis.

The MEL team also provided technical support and engaged donors in the development of survey protocols and evaluation tools for baseline surveys, rapid assessments, midterm and end line project evaluations. Targeted research including Randomized Trail control was coordinated; research data analyzed, report produced, documented and shared to all concerned bodies to inform program development and for management decision making. The capacity building training was also provided to CO and LPs staff on the concept, principles of "Conventional Research" as well as practical application of CommCare software for Child Verification System (CVS), child Self-Certification and M&E level 2 data collection with the help of mobile devices (tablets).



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Child Sponsorship

In FY22, ChildFund Ethiopia met performance standards in the areas of timeliness (100%), quality (90%), and sponsor inquiries (100%). 100% of children in the target group of 500 in each LP, who receive letters responded using the Magic Adventure Application which has made communication between children and their sponsors faster, spontaneous, fun and interactive.

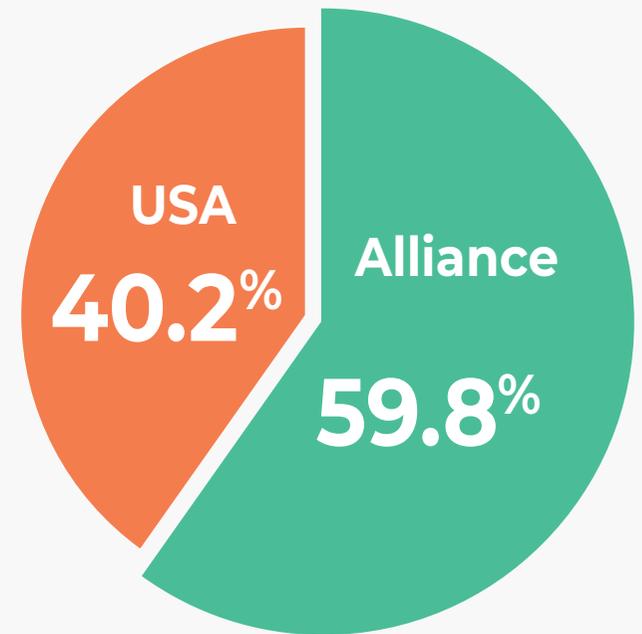


Number of children enrolled in ChildFund Ethiopia's sponsorship program in FY22.

Total number of sponsored children by ChildFund Alliance members

No.	Country	Sponsored children
1	USA	12525
2	Korea	4932
3	Australia	4512
4	Sweden	4266
5	Taiwan	1971
6	Germany	1431
7	France	879
8	Ireland	345
9	Denmark	156
10	NewZealand	136
	Total	31,153

Number of sponsored children (ChildFund International USA versus other ChildFund Alliance members)



Our child sponsorship program enables sponsors from all over the world to support children, their families and entire communities – helping children to grow up healthy, educated, skilled and safe.

Financials

ChildFund Ethiopia Statement of Expenditure by Funding Source For the year ended June 30, 2022.

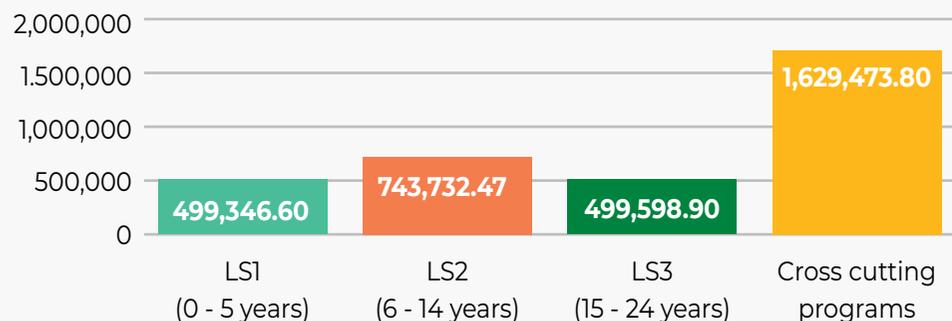
Funding Source	(USD)	%
Grants	1,896,556.19	23%
NSPs	375,370.48	5%
Subsidy & Designated funds for Children	4,759,415.90	58%
PEF	847,008.20	10%
Administration & General Expenses	364,971.17	4%
Total Expenditure	8,243,321.94	100%

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Program versus Administrations costs

Program Expenditure	7,386,840.79	89.61%
Admin Expenditure	856,481.15	10.39%
Total Expenditure	8,243,321.94	100.00%

Expenses (USD) by life stage & cross cutting programs



Non Sponsorship Funds (NSP) Management

One of the major tasks accomplished by the partnership department during the FY22 was the management and follow up of non-sponsorship projects. There were 5 NSPs funded by the ChildFund Alliance members and the IO for the financial year. These includes the construction of girl's latrine at Awarkasa school, provision of feminine hygiene products in 2 schools in Debrebrahan, provision of donkeys at Siraro, water line extension and other activities.

Grants Highlights

LOA achieved - The total YTD LOA achievement as of end of June 2022 was USD 2,869,367 approx.

Donors	Grant LOA raised in FY22 - USD
ChildFund Deutschland	1,272,765
The International Development Research Center - IDRC	483,166
ChildFund Korea	84,909
CAF America	15,000
EDUCO	63,146
The LEGO Foundation	620,589
Barnfonden	329,792
Total	2,869,367

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Lessons Learned

It is important to support and closely work with youth forums because they give young people the chance to discuss relevant issues, engage with decision makers and contribute to improving the lives of their communities.

Aside from drinking water to survive, people have many other uses for water. When waters run dry, people can't get enough to drink, wash, or grow crops, and economic decline may occur at household level. In addition, inadequate sanitation—a problem for many people in the area—can lead to deadly diarrheal diseases, including cholera and typhoid fever, and other water-borne illnesses.

Therefore, the need to create a robust water supply network and to better integrate climate change considerations into water planning is paramount in drought prone areas.

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Constraints and Challenges

The shift in regular budgets to emergency response due to recurrent droughts in some of our operational areas affected the implementation of activities and quality in regular programs.

This budget shift also affected the LP's capacity to contribute matching funds to grant projects as required by certain donors. This budgetary reallocation also had a negative impact on the LPs' project agreements with the government.

Inflation further forced us to scale down on project implementation in various aspects, which further affected our reach and impact.



Our Team

ChildFund Ethiopia's Senior Management Team and every staff member are dedicated to the organization's vision of achieving a world in which children realize their rights and achieve their potential.

To advance Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) and the workplace culture of Meaning, Autonomy, Growth, Impact and Connection (MAGIC), all ChildFund staff completed a training on DEI; and participated in a MAGIC training session in FY22.

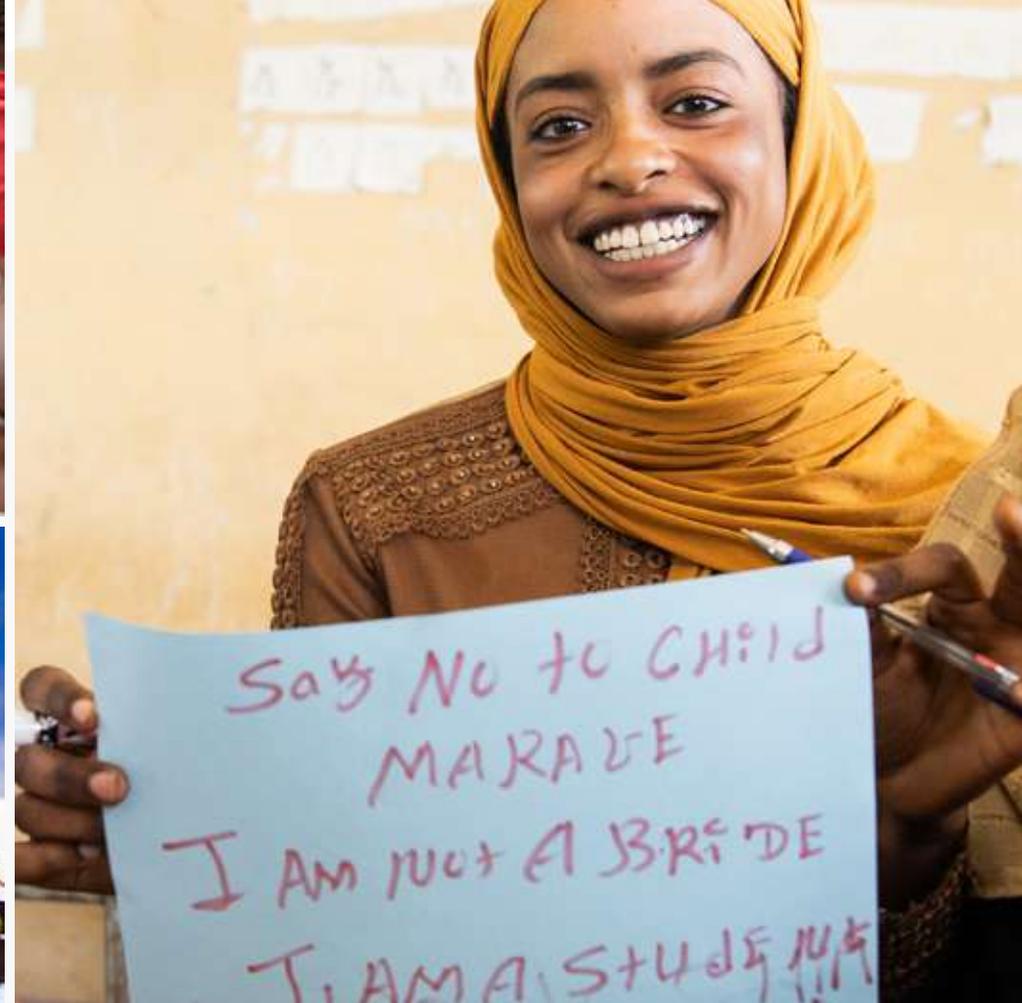


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1	Lilly Omondi	Country Director
2	Abadi Amdu	Program and Sponsorship Director
3	Natan Tilahun	Senior Project Manager
4	Sara Negussie	Senior HR Manager
5	Solomon Tesegaw	Senior Manager, Administration and Security
6	Theodros Fantahun	Senior Accounting Manager
7	Admasu Shenkute	Senior Program Specialist- Youth Engagement
8	Biruk Dugassa	Grant and Resource Mobilization Manager
9	Roza Ashenafi	Sponsor Relation Manager
10	Sisay Worku	Senior Emergency Program Specialist
11	Assefa Balcha	Specialist, ME and KML
12	Biruk Kassahun	Senior Grant Finance Officer
13	Fitsum Ayalew	Sponsor Relations Specialist
14	Hailu Yazew	Senior Finance Officer
15	Mesele Girma	Senior Project Coordinator
16	Muna Gezahegn	Health and Nutrition Specialist
17	Nazrawi Getachew	Snr. Grant Finance Officer
18	Shibru Fekadu	Livelihood program Specialist
19	Tesfaye Fekade	Specialist, Women Economic Empowerment
20	Teshome Negash	Accountant- GSS
21	Tigist Tarekegn	Child Protection and Advocacy Specialist
22	Wubshet Mathewos	Sponsor Relation Specialist
23	Amare Feyisa	Education Program Specialist
24	Bethelhem Assefa	Procurement Officer
25	Elisabeth Ashagrie	Finance Officer II
26	Girma Chala	Logistic Officer
27	Henok Tameru	Support Analyst II, GSS IT

28	Lidiya Gizaw	Child Protection Officer
29	Meseret Hailu	Partnership Portfolio Officer
30	Michael Tesfaye	Field Coordinator, ECD
31	Yishak Ali	Accountant- GSS
32	Zelalem Bacha	M&E Officer
33	Debitu Gamo	Sponsor Relations Assistant
34	Fikrte Teshome	Assistant II
35	Haimanot Yemane	Program Assistant
36	Lidia Dechassa	Sponsor Relations Assistant
37	Mikreselassie Bahiru	Senior Driver
38	Sintahehu Derseh	Sponsor Relation Assistant
39	Alemayehu Urgi	Senior Driver
40	Ashenafi Dagne	Senior Driver/ Procurement Assistant
41	Beselfua W/Hana	Storekeeper
42	Dereje Haile	Driver/Mechanic
43	Mesfin Getahun	Senior Driver
44	Yohannes Kassahun	Senior Driver



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