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| **Project name:** | **Life-Saving Humanitarian Assistance and Livelihoods Protection** |
| **Core Program Areas:** | Emergency Response –Floods |
| **Location of Project:** | Samburu, Elgeyo Marakwet , Kisumu , Nairobi, Muranga and Kiambu Counties |
| **Type and Number of Beneficiaries:** | **Target: 4060 households**   |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | **AGE** | **MALE** | **FEMALE** | **TOTAL** | | **0-5** | **401** | **445** | **846** | | **6-14** | **913** | **925** | **1951** | | **15-24** | **442** | **616** | **1053** | | **Adults** | **1121** | **1444** | **2565** | | **TOTAL** | |  | **6415** | |
| **Project Duration:** | 2 months |
| **Proposed start date:** | 15 May 2020 |
| **Proposed end date:** | 15th July 2020 |
| **Proposed Budget:** | **USD 121,538** |
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# BACKGROUND/JUSTIFICATION

# Most parts of the country Kenya continue to experience above average rainfall since the onset of the 2019 short rains (October – December). While the rains— driven by the strong positive Indian Ocean Dipole (IOD)—might result in improved pasture conditions in arid and semi-arid lands, especially Turkana, Marsabit, Isiolo, and Wajir counties, as well as recharge of surface water pans and dams, including in Masinga, Kiambere and Turkwell dams, there are also reports of overspread damage, loss of lives and livelihoods due to heavy storms. Flash and riverine floods have affected at least 31 of the 47 Kenya’s counties, including in Central, Coastal, Eastern, Northern, Nyanza, Rift Valley and Western regions, and urban areas in Nairobi and Mombasa, according to the Government’s National Disaster Operation Centre (NDOC). Landslides and mudslides have been reported in Meru, Murang’a, Taita Taveta and West Pokot counties, according to the Kenya Red Cross Society (KRCS).

# Overall, more than 161,000 HHs displaced countrywide and 237 flood-related deaths. In addition, 18000 people have been affected by floods or landslides since the onset of the short rains in October, according to KRCS. According to Local media on Sunday 19th April, It was reported that the rains swept away several houses and a police post in Chesogon trading center between the counties of Elgeyo Marakwet and West Pokot. The current was strong enough to uproot trees and sweep them along in a fast-moving tide[[1]](#footnote-1), with police bullet proof jackets being found in the mud. Further to this, on 22 November 2020, landslides and mudslides in parts of West Pokot County resulted in the death of at least 72 people and displacement of more than 10,000 people, according to the County authorities. Farms, food stores and livestock were swept away, and two bridges along the Kitale-Lodwar road (Ortum) and along Sigor road (Chepera) were cut-off, leaving dozens of commuters stranded and disrupting communication networks in the area. Search and rescue efforts are still ongoing in the area and the numbers of affected population could increase in the coming days.

# Kenya Meteorological Department had on April 14, 2020, warned of heavy rainfall as experienced across several parts of the country with a number of counties expected to experience flooding. Through their advices, the agency advised members of the public to avoid driving through or walking in moving water or open fields and not to shelter under trees or near grilled windows to minimize exposure to lightning strikes. On 20 April local media reported 4 dead, 24 missing and 4,000 displaced “following massive landslides on Saturday evening that hit Kipchumwa and Chesegon villages on the border of Elgeyo Marakwet and West Pokot counties.” Kenya’s Met Department through their Social Media account reported that several houses including a police post have been swept away. Other reports said “the incident happened after Lomut River broke its banks flooding the region and wreaking havoc.”[[2]](#footnote-2) In Nairobi's informal settlements, a number of households have been infected with water washing their houses and the household items submerged with the unsafe water. This has in turn forced the community and local organizations find and start new food drives which has been launched by well-wishers and other local partners to help residents. With the heavy rains, its making life more difficult than it already was for many low-income earners to access a daily wage.

# According to the Kenya Meteorological Department, and Kenya Red Cross Society (KRCS) heavy rains are expected to continue across the country over the next few weeks, mainly due to the positive IOD measurements. Flood alerts have been issued especially for Coastal, Northern and Western regions of the country, with the risk of landslides and mudslides expected in parts of the Central Highlands and parts of the Rift Valley, including West Pokot, Elgeyo Marakwet and Nandi counties with the informal settlement not isolated.

# In Wajir County, floods arising from rainfall in the Ethiopian Highlands cut off all the roads with disruption and at least 5,000 people near Buna market were displaced to higher grounds. Garissa and Tana River counties, heavy rains on 22 and 23 November led to massive flooding in the area where KRCS response teams rescued 15 people who had been marooned at Hadama location in Tana North Sub-county in Tana River County. Preliminary assessments from Tana River and Garissa indicate that 624 families have been displaced. In the Central region, at least 550 people were reportedly displaced in Tigania, in Meru County. In Turkana, flash floods destroyed boreholes, calling for the installation of improved drainage system and relocation of people in affected residential areas to safer grounds. Public toilets and latrines have reported collapsed or are flooded this increasing the risks of disease outbreaks. Schools are closed in Trans Nzoia and Machakos counties, where several classrooms were flooded.

# The Kenya Red Cross Society (KRCS) completed review of its Multi-Hazard Contingency Plan in October 2019. During the session, floods was identified as one of the hazards expected during the September 2019 to February 2020 period. Conflict, Epidemics and to a less extent, drought were identified as the other hazards. Further to this, Kenya Red Cross Society (KRCS) reports that families have been displaced as heavy rains caused havoc in Nyando, Kisumu Central and Nyakach in Kisumu County on 20 April. Many displaced families were camping on the roadside with their belongings. This further exposes the households further.

# Samburu County has not been spared either way with heavy rainfall causing flash floods and left a trail of destruction in many parts of Samburu County. Media, quoting local officials, said houses were destroyed leaving hundreds of families homeless in the north of the county. At least two people died after they were swept away by floodwaters in Illaut, Samburu North, on 21 April.

# It is on this background that the 4 NGOs operating within this affected areas wish to implement specific activities that target the affected households to ensure they are resilient during this hard times where households, livelihood, displacement has occurred.

# PROJECT DESCRIPTION

* 1. **Project Goal**

**To protect and improve the well-being of vulnerable households and farmers affected by the on-going floods and landslide in 5 counties (Nairobi, Kisumu, Samburu, Kiambu and Elgeyo Marakwet)**

# Specific Objectives:

* + 1. To increase access to nutritious food for 4060 Households affected by floods and landslides in Nairobi, Kisumu, Samburu and Elgeyo Marakwet Counties
    2. To improve Health and hygiene promotion for healthy behaviors, prevent and control of COVID-19 disease targeting 4060 Households affected by floods and landslides in Kisumu, Samburu, Nairobi and Elgeyo Marakwet Counties
    3. Support 4060 Households affected by floods and landslides with Non-food items in Nairobi, Kiambu, Muranga, Kisumu, Samburu and Elgeyo Marakwet Counties
    4. Support 600 Households affected by floods and landslides with construction materials in Elgeyo Marakwet county, Kikuyu and Muranga Counties
    5. To increase and improve the capacity of Community based teams to prevent and respond to child protection threats and to affected children in areas affected by flood and landslides in Kisumu, Elgeyo Marakwet, Nairobi and Muranga

# 2.3 Implementation Activities

***Objective 2.2.1: To increase access to nutritious food for 4060 Households affected by floods and landslides in Nairobi, Kisumu, Kiambu, Samburu and Elgeyo Marakwet Counties***

**Activity 2.2.1.1: Support 4060 households affected by floods and landslides with Nutritious food through cash transfer for 2 months.**

*The 4060 households will be supported with a monthly cash transfer of Kes 3000 per household. With this cash transfer, the caregiver will be informed prior to receiving the cash on the items to purchase as a response measure to the nutritional needs of the households. Its anticipated that over 3000 household members will benefit consisting of children and adults.* **(**Samburu county-100 HHs, Elgeyo Marakwet -600HHs, Kisumu -1344HHs, Nairobi- 2003HH, Murang’a and Kiambu 13HHs

**Activity 2.2.1.2: Purchase and supply water treatment reagents (Kits) to 1944 Households**

*Kisumu development program and Central Rift Child Development programme will ensure that the affected households totaling to 1944 will receive the water treatment reagents through a voucher to minimize contacts due to COVID-19. Through the household sensitization visits, the households will be educated on the process of cleaning the water to reduce the occurrence and spread of water borne diseases that would create more deaths.*

**Activity 2.2.1.3: Purchase and distribute dry foods to the affected households**

*A total of 1731 caregivers (796 from Kisumu, 719 from Nairobi, 48 Kiambu, 67 Elgeyo Marakwet, 100 Samburu and 17 from Murang’a) will benefit from Cash transfer of KES 3000 for purposes of purchasing dry foods. The target dry foods are rice beans maize, oil, green grams and salt) this are nutritious meals aimed at building the nutritional health of the caregivers and the children.*

***Objective 2.2.2 Improve Health and hygiene promotion for healthy behaviors and prevent and control spread of Epidemics in 1944 Households affected by floods and landslides in Kisumu and Elgeyo Marakwet Counties***

**Activity 2.2.2.1: Procure and distribute NFIs (blankets, Health Outreaches, Mosquito nets to 4060 households)**

*Through this activity a total of 4060 households will be supported with household health hygiene materials. Through Linkage with the local supermarkets, this households will be issues with an e-voucher that they will use to collect the health and hygiene items. With this support, the children will have warm beddings, ensure they nets protect them from mosquito and replace kitchen items that have been swept by the flooding water. A further number of 1289 will be supported with blankets and mattresses. This blankets and mattresses will be supplied to the target population through e voucher.*

**Activity 2.2.2.2: Support the Government of Kenya (GOK) health medics with travels including Fuel for Evacuation**

Though the organization, Samburu Children Program will work and support the County health officers with travels for medics and cost for Fuel for purposes of response to emergencies within the area. Through the health outreaches sensitization activities will be accomplished to the target beneficiaries with an aim to equip the caregivers with correct knowledge on Flooding and emergencies coupled with the COVID 19 disease.

***Objective 2.2.3. Support 4060 Households affected by floods and landslides with Non-food items in Nairobi, Kiambu, Muranga, Kisumu, Samburu and Elgeyo Marakwet*** ***Counties***

**Activity 2.2.3.1: Procure and distribute, clothing’s utensils, branded Water storage jericans, branded tents to 4060 households**

*A total of 4060 households living within this affected areas will be supported with non-food items. This non-food items include clothing’s, utensils, branded Water storage jericans, branded tents and iron sheets. This items will be distributed through an agreement to be signed through voucher with the local supermarket to ensure the no gathering directive is maintained, however each caregiver will find his or her time to go and pick the items from the supplier thereby reducing on the gathering and ensuring the caregiver finds his or her best time to pick the items. However for clothing’s the caregiver will receive cash transfer to enable them procure the clothing of and the type they need.*

***Objective 2.2.4.Support 700 Households affected by floods and landslides with construction materials in Baring County, Kikuyu and Muranga Counties.***

**Activity 2.2.4.1: Procure and distribute 7100 pieces of iron sheets**

*A total of 700 caregivers affected within Muranga and Elgeyo Marakwet counties will be supported with a total of 7100 pieces of iron sheets in total. This items will be procured through the supplier and delivered to the intended beneficiary through e voucher. The iron sheets will support and help the caregivers rebuild new and or replace affected houses so that shelter is restored to the children and family.*

***Objective 2.2.5 To increase and improve the capacity of Community based teams to prevent and respond to child protection threats and to affected children in areas affected by flood and landslides in Kisumu, Elgeyo Marakwet, Nairobi and Muranga***

**Activity 2.2.5.1. Support community sensitizations (Outreach events for child protection awareness creation and safe stay) within the communities affected.**

*The project will support community sensitization teams in Samburu, Elgeyo Marakwet with travels and purchase stationaries that will ease their work and support in reporting cases. This team will also be involved in community sensitization of the preventive measures of the COVID 19 as they are having keen eye on protection issues.*

**Activity 2.2.5.2 Facilitate the Voluntary Children Officers (VCOs) to easily and effectively evacuate affected children and refer them for treatment**

*In the event of a positive case of COVID-19 Emergency, a child who has been abused, the project in conjunction with the VCOs will be supported to ensure that children are safe and communication to the relevant authorities. During this time, the children whose parents have been quarantines will be linked to have food items at their houses. It’s through this team that the households will be identified. This will be implemented in Kisumu and Nairobi.*

**Activity 2.2.5.3. Facilitate children with disability and terminal illnesses access treatment and therapy services**

*Within the informal settlement of Nairobi, there are children with disability who during this time are not able to access or attend therapy. The project will ensure this children are supported with travels paid to the caregivers through their phones to ensure the essential service is accessible during this hard times.*

**Activity 2.2.5.4. Support 40 VCOs, with travels and stationaries to support their reporting and documentations as they man the protection desks**

*40 VCOs in Nairobi and Kisumu will be supported to man the children protection desks within their areas. The VCOs are responsible for the reporting of abuse cases and offering guidance and assurance during this time of COVID 19 disease. The VCOs will also have their monthly report on cases they have handles and managed within their areas. The VCOs will be facilitated through stipend and stationaries*

# PROJECT MANAGEMENT

1. **PPROJECT IMPLEMENTATION TIMEFRAME**

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| **Objectives** | **Activity** |
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| *Objective 1.* | Activity 2.2.1.1: Support 4060 households affected by floods and landslides with Nutritious food through cash transfer for 2 months. |  |  |
| Activity 2.2.1.2: Purchase and supply water treatment reagents to 1944 Households |  |  |
| Activity 2.2.1.3**:** Purchase and distribute dry foods to the affected households |  |  |
| Objective .2 | Activity 2.2.2.1: Procure and distribute blankets, utensils Mosquito nets to 4060 households |  |  |
| Activity 2.2.2.2: Support the GOK health medics with travels including Fuel for Evacuation |  |  |
| *Objective 3.* | Activity 2.2.3.1: Procure and distribute, clothing’s utensils, branded Water storage jericans, branded tents to 4060 households |  |  |
| *Objective 4* | Activity 2.2.4.1: Procure and distribute 7100 iron sheets |  |  |
| *Objective 5* | Activity 2.2.5.1**.** Support community sensitizations (Outreach events for child protection awareness creation and safe stay) within the communities affected. |  |  |
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# ESTIMATED PROJECT BUDGET

# To execute the planned activities, the CO estimates it needs USD 122,538 for the two 2 months.

1. https://www.aljazeera.com/news/2020/04/heavy-rains-flash-floods-western-kenya-200419101219115.html [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. http://floodlist.com/africa/kenya-mudslides-elgeyomarakwet-westpokot-april-2020 [↑](#footnote-ref-2)