

#### **ChildFund Ethiopia**

# Current initiatives towards Mitigating the spread and impact of COVID-19 Pandemic in Ethiopia

A summary report prepared for external communication purpose

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### **Background**

Since the outbreak of COVID-19 began in Ethiopia, ChildFund Ethiopia has been closely monitoring the situation in its operational areas in particular. Besides situational assessment, the organization is working in creating awareness among its employees and the communities it is working with across all its operational areas (in the 13 LPs operational districts of AA, Oromia, Amhara and SNNPR regions) in collaboration with the local partners. It has also been collaborating with the respective local governments.

#### Major Activities and Areas of interventions

The following are some of the major activities initiated so far

- Awareness raising and community campaign in all its operational areas
- Installation of hand washing facilities within communities
- Provision of sanitary materials for the communities and different local government institutions such as health facilities
- Support local quarantine centers with different materials



Figure 1 Sample picture taken from Hand Washing facility installed at one community in Arada Subcity -AA. Curtesy to FHIDO

• A one month livelihood support for highly vulnerable mothers found in Addis Ababa(with in its operational areas)-through emergency cash transfer.

Purchased Goats for IDP found in Fentale area



**Aynage LP to be distributed for Communities** 

The organization is financing those interventions through diverting budget from its regular program and mobilizing from different foundations and sponsors.

ChildFund Ethiiopia is still developing making different efforts to mobilize

additional resources in order to scale up and deepen the current interventions.

Generally, our organization is working following the guidance and direction given from the government and we will also take further actions following the guidance and direction that will be put forward by the government.

Besides the COVID-19 emergency response, ChildFund Ethiopia has also been responding to the Cholera outbreak around Gedio Zone of SNNPR and Desert Locust affected communities in Siraro and Bue areas.



Figure 3 Awareness' Raising activities on COVID-19 using a vehicle and a laud speaker. Curtesy to Sheger, CFCS

## **Budget and Resource Mobilization Efforts**

So far ChildFund is managed to allocate more than 170,342.49 USD for COVID-19 emergency response activities from different sources.

The below table summarizes the amount of resources mobilized so far by source of fund.

Amount (USD)	Source of Fund	Key intervention
55,353.00		Awareness raising and community campaign in all its operational areas Installation of hand washing facilities within communities Provision of sanitary materials such as soap, for the communities and different local government institutions such as health facilities Support local quarantine centers with different materials
23,437.00	Small Grant/NSP	Same as above
79,126.00	Small Grant/NSP	Cash Transfer for vulnerable household found in AA operational districts

6, 125.00		Supported for installation of Handwashing Facilities,
		Support district health facilities, police stations &
	Partnership	courts with different sanitation materials at Tesfa
	Effectiveness	Birhan LP operational area-
	Fund/PEF	
12,426.49	Small Grant/NSP	Supported for awareness rising activities and
		provision of sanitary materials for communities
		found FHIDO operational area- Aa

#### Future Plan

ChildFund has also developed a three month's COVID-19 Comprehensive Response plan and planning to mobilize a resource worth of 5 million. This resource will be used to deepen the current initiative in all of the 13 LPs operational areas. It has also been reviewing its internal resources as well as subsidies given to local partners to divert to the emergency response program.

Furthermore ChildFund Ethiopia will monitor all other emergency situations in its operational area and right now trying to mobilize resource to address the Cholera Outbreak in SNNPR- Dilla zuria areas, Malaria and Yellow fever outbreak in Gurage Zone and mitigate the impact of Desert Locust in West arsi -Siraro and Shalla area and SNNPR-Buee and Aynage areas.