



CARE INTERNATIONAL IN SOMALIA RURAL WOMEN PROGRAM BRIEF



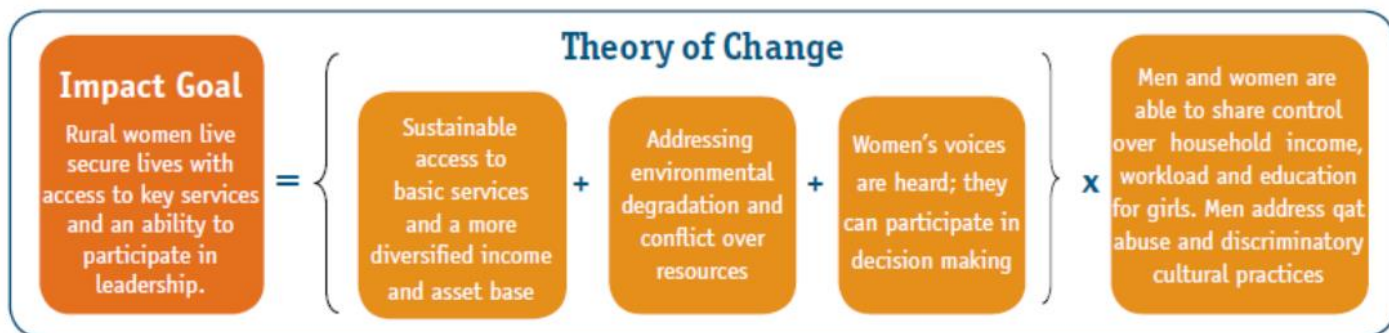
PROGRAM APPROACH

The current situation has had a significant impact on women, particularly those in the rural areas whose vulnerability is characterized by negative environmental impacts from drought, water availability and pasture condition, as well as lack of access to health and education services. These are compounded by the larger contextual realities imposed by the clan system, migration patterns and land administration. The hardships faced by many Somali rural women include sexual and domestic violence, economic hardship, a lack of public services and challenges with regard to land tenure issues as well as food insecurity.

Our program aims to help women and their households improve their economic status, reduce their vulnerability to drought and have more sustainable access to key services like water and education. Our key approaches include:

Women village savings and loans groups. Through these groups, CARE aims to reduce vulnerability by improving access to savings. These groups also provide an entry point for working with women on other issues that affect their lives such as girls' education, leadership development, division of labor between men and women and a range of other cultural practices that put women at a disadvantage. Promoting inclusive governance by supporting increased participation and representation of women in decision-making processes from community level upwards.

Prioritizing girls' education. As half of society and the frontline educators of the next generation, girls have disproportionate access to education. By addressing this, we are helping girls become tomorrow's decision-makers and improving the ability of households and communities to pull themselves out of poverty. Rural families are very vulnerable to drought and conflict. Consequently, the program also helps to foster peace and reduce the impact of natural resource degradation which is critical for the survival of the pastoralist system in Somalia/Somaliland.



Somalia Towards Reaching Resilience (STORRE)

LOCATION: Erigavo and Badhan districts of Sanaag region

TIMESCALE: September 2014 - September 2017

DONOR: USAID

BUDGET: \$3,500,000

PARTNER/S: Tulane University

BRIEF: STORRE seeks to equitably increase resilience of women and men in **6060 households in 63 villages**, by increasing understanding of and capacity to manage household to landscape level risks and changes that undermine resilience, through livelihoods support, equitable and effective resource management, and strengthened local governance systems.

Horumarinta Elmiga II (Education for Empowerment through Cohesive and Harmonized System)

LOCATION: Sanaag, Sool, Togdheer regions

TIMESCALE: September 2015 - August 2018

DONOR: EU (Save the Children International - SCI)

BUDGET: €3,315,700/\$3,916,375

PARTNER/S: Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC)

BRIEF: Through *Horumarinta Elmiga*, CARE aims to contribute to a sustainable, cohesive education system offering relevant education services to **18,606 children** in Sanaag, Sool and Togdheer regions.

SOMREP Afogye - South and Central Somalia Resilience and Social Protection Project Programme

LOCATION: Afgoye and Lower Shabelle regions

TIMESCALE: February 2016-January 2019

DONOR: EC

BUDGET: 3,161,085.00 EURO

PARTNER/S: Consortium with DRC, COOPI, DRC,

Implementing partners HIJRA, GERADO

BRIEF: The project seeks to contribute to resilience building by enhancing the productive and local adaptive capacities of pastoral, agro-pastoral and peri-urban households and communities in selected 19 villages in Afgoye district Lower Shabelle regions, Somalia targeting **12,212 households**.

Kobcinta Waxbarashada Gabdhaha (Somali Girls' Education Promotion - SOMGEP)

LOCATION: Puntland, Somaliland, South Central Somalia

TIMESCALE: February 2013 - February 2017

DONOR: DFID

BUDGET: £13,457,389.84/\$20,186,084

PARTNER/S: Consortium with ADRA, CARE lead agency CANDLELIGHT, NAGAAD, HAVOYOCO, SVO, TASS, RAHMO, DAN

BRIEF: *Kobcinta Waxbarashada Gabdhaha* seeks to improve access to education, learning outcomes, quality of education and retention of **19,903 primary and secondary school aged girls** (6 - 18 years) from some of the poorest, most educationally disadvantaged and marginalized households in remote and rural areas of Togdheer, Sool, Sanaag, Mudug and Galmudug regions in Somaliland. Puntland and Central Somalia.

Kobcinta Waxbarashada Gabdhaha (Somali Girls' Education Promotion - SOMGEP II-Transition Window)

LOCATION: Togdheer, Sool, Sanaag, Mudug and Galmudug regions

TIMESCALE: February 2014-March 2018

DONOR: DFID

BUDGET: £8,702,075

PARTNER/S: NAGAAD, HAVOYOCO, ADRA, TASS,

BRIEF: CARE received in principal approval from the Fund Manager/Donor (PWC/UKAID) to extend the implementation of SOMGEP for at least another 4 years after the end of the current contract. The extension of SOMGEP into SOMGEP Transition Window will continue to support the current beneficiary girls complete and continue into the next level in the education cycle.

Resilience and Re-integration Project (RRI)

LOCATION: Togdheer, Sool and Lower Juba

TIMESCALE: June 2016-May 2019

DONOR: German Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ)

BUDGET: \$315,614.19(USD)

BRIEF: Strengthen resilience for chronically food insecure pastoral populations and support sustainable and durable reintegration of refugee and IDP returnees in Somalia. The project has an emergency response component.

Water for Infrastructure Development for Resilience in Somaliland (WIDR)

LOCATION: Awdal, Maroodjeeex, Togdheer and Sool regions

TIMESCALE: July 2016-December 2019

DONOR: African Development Bank

BUDGET: 7,400,000 (USD)

PARTNER/S: Somaliland Ministry of Water Resources (MOWR) is the executing Agency

BRIEF: To contribute to a resilient and sustainability of the water and sanitation sector as well as to provide water supply and sanitation infrastructure in high priority drought-stricken areas of Somaliland

Increasing women's participation in decision making and challenging social norms (SNaP) Challenging Harmful Attitudes and Norms for Gender Equality and Empowerment in Somalia (CHANGES)

LOCATION: Somaliland, Puntland and Jubaland

TIMESCALE: October 2016-October 2020

DONOR: DFID

BUDGET: \$2,520,000(USD)

PARTNER/S: Consortium with Save the Children as lead agency and IRC, Implementing partners NAGAAD, Somali Women's Studies Centre (SWSC), Tadamun Social Society (TASS)

BRIEF: The proposed project seeks to challenge harmful social norms including FGM and CEFM and to increase women's social and economic empowerment through interventions at the individual

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