CCD NETWORK SOUTH SUDAN SEPTEMBER 2022 NEWSLETTER



Collaborative Cash Delivery

INTRODUCTION:

The South Sudan Collaborative Cash Delivery (CCD) Network is a coalition of 18 Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs), 14 of whom are international NGOs and 4 of whom are national organizations (NNGOs), working to increase the scale, efficiency, effectiveness, and collective impact of cash delivery. officially Sudan CCD Network, established in 2021, has experienced rapid and substantial organic growth with numerous ongoing initiatives to foster collaboration at the strategic, technical and operational levels.

CCD members deliver more than 40% of all CVA assistance in South Sudan

Cash and Voucher Assistance (CVA) Programming in South Sudan is maturing across the spectrum of the peace-humanitarian-development nexus, with active buy-in and participation from Donors and Financial Service Providers, as well as UN agencies, INGOs and NNGOs who implement CVA programming across diverse outcome areas including food security, nutrition, protection, WASH, education, and more. Currently, more than 100 INGOs and 128 NNGOs implement CVA programming in South Sudan, with the 18 CCD members implementing more than 40% of the cash delivery nationwide. As reported on the Cash Working Group (CWG) CVA dashboard, between January and April 2022, Cash actors in South Sudan have delivered more than \$7 million USD in cash assistance. Despite the scale of CVA assistance and strong participation across actors, many challenges and opportunities remain to realize the full potential of cash and market based programming in South Sudan, including linking CVA with meaningful Social Protection or established safety nets, harmonization and standardization of tools and approaches across actors, and collective evidence-based advocacy for further scale-up of promising and innovative practices, all of which are areas of focus for CCD South Sudan. Building on the strengths of its diverse membership and its unique mandate, CCD network is actively addressing the gaps and opportunities across the CVA landscape in South Sudan.



CCD South Sudan is guided by its vision of aid delivery that allows multiple actors to assemble themselves in ways that are tailored to the needs of the response, avoid duplication, offer value for money, capitalize on local and global knowledge and expertise, and create comprehensive programs to effectively tackle rapidly changing needs. CCD South Sudan is committed to collective cash programming that is adapted to the local context and ensures a community-focused approach. CCD is not a coordination body, but rather a platform for collaboration partnership and and implementation, acknowledging that the unique strengths and strategic priorities of each organization are mutually beneficial for collaboration in humanitarian action. CCD South Sudan brings partners together to mobilize joint funding and collaborate on opportunities for joint or harmonized implementation; to enhance capacity for CVA programming through cross-partner learning and scaling of innovative ideas and best practices, and to provide a platform for practical implementation-focused collaboration and harmonization that directly enhances cost effectiveness and efficiency to achieve value for money (VfM). CCD network actively supports the Cash Working Group in its mandate

to coordinate CVA assistance, and the CCD coordinator currently serves as INGO co-chair of the South Sudan CWG; CCD works together with CWG and other CVA-focused initiatives and actors in South Sudan and globally to deepen and deliver on Grand Bargain commitments. CCD network leverages the corporate capacity of its diverse membership to serve as a high-level Umbrella network to engage advocacy issues, localization, donor dialogues, to strengthen linkages to social protection and established Safety Nets, and to capitalize on synergies across actors within the domain of CVA.

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CCD SOUTH SUDAN ROAD MAP: KEY PRIORITY AREAS

• Harmonization:

- Harmonization of critical delivery services (i.e., FSP contracting including terms and conditions, framework agreements, scope of work, etc.) working in collaboration with the national Cash Working Group and CCD consortium members.

Advocacy:

- Advocacy with humanitarian organizations on the use of CCD's Data Sharing Agreement (DSA) approach that prioritizes data privacy, protection, and decentralized and technology agnostic data management principles for safe and appropriate beneficiary registration and deduplication.
- Advocacy with relevant stakeholders, particularly in Government, on addressing the impact of the parallel market foreign exchange rates.
- Advocacy with donors and government for more investment in key infrastructure (telecommunication, roads, etc.) to improve reach to remote areas, facilitating transition from physical to digital payments as well as easing movement of humanitarian goods to hard-to-reach communities.

• Localization/Local Leadership:

- Support expanded and improved utilization of CVA by national actors through capacity strengthening and membership in the CCD network.
- Joint Resource mobilization through the CCD Network, to expand the reach and impact of cash programming in South Sudan, especially by national and local actors.
- Work closely with CWG and National Social Protection Working Group (NSPWG) to harmonize or establish linkages of humanitarian CVA and SP programs; and other policy/strategic priorities.

CURRENT PROJECTS

The development and implementation of the following program initiatives under the South Sudan CCD network have been guided by established joint funding protocols and ongoing efforts to harmonize tools and approaches for the purpose of efficient and effective delivery of critical interventions for vulnerable populations.

CCD-ECHO MPCA Consortium

CCD South Sudan is currently implementing an ECHO-funded project called "Harmonized Multipurpose Cash Assistance (MPCA) to meet Critical Basic Needs of Vulnerable Households" from April 1, 2022 through March 31, 2023, targeting 52,380 individuals in Jonglei and Unity states. Led by Save the Children with IRC and ACF as implementing partners, this collaboration exemplifies CCD network's key principles of harmonization of processes and approaches to deliver more effective and efficient assistance in an adaptable, agile, and collaborative ecosystem that allows partners to reach efficiency at greater scale and impact. Using the strength of the network, the consortium was able to negotiate a lower transfer service charge, saving more than \$300,000 while also improving the timeliness of program delivery across locations of intervention.





CCD-ECHO Enhanced Response Capacity (ERC) Project

Under the leadership of World Vision Germany and with funding from ECHO under the Enhanced Response Capacity (ERC) stream, CCD is implementing a project focused on Data Portability from July 1, 2022 through December 31, 2023. Building on the CCD's established and operationalized Data Sharing Agreement (DSA), this project will leverage the operational and advocacy capacities of CCD's membership to convene a wide audience of humanitarian stakeholders (INGOs, UN agencies, ICRC, local organizations, government and private sector actors, academics, and donors) to co-design data portability governance and technical standards. This action aims to shift ownership over personal data used in humanitarian cash and voucher assistance (CVA) programs, from humanitarian agencies to the affected people by identifying and addressing barriers to the safe, people-centered, and efficient collection, management, sharing and portability of personal data and system interoperability. This project also aims to increase capacity of data rights, data protection and literary across humanitarian actors.

CCD SOUTH SUDAN ADVOCACY EFFORTS

Through its advocacy efforts, CCD aims to bring about change in policies, practices or attitudes of any stakeholders within the cash value chain, including government actors, humanitarian organizations, donors, private institutions, community leaders, project participants or others. Examples of advocacy around the cash value chain include advocating for government strategy(ies) or action(s) to address social protection related issues in the country, provide a safe and enabling environment for humanitarians, improve

roads for greater accessibility, regulate the financial market to aid reduction in service charges for cash delivery to vulnerable populations, ensuring that government institutions are strengthened for quality service delivery, ensuring that donors are aware of needs and opportunities to inform how they target funding support, and advocating with community leaders to take action to ensure peaceful co-existence and social cohesion within and between communities to ensure effectiveness of humanitarian assistance.

CCD Network has worked with the South Sudan Cash Working Group to successfully advocate for the reduction in FSP service charges across the country. In addition, CCD network members have been working in different field locations to advocate for the use of local currency for cash delivery to mitigate against further downward pressure on the South Sudanese Pound.

UPCOMING CCD EVENTS:

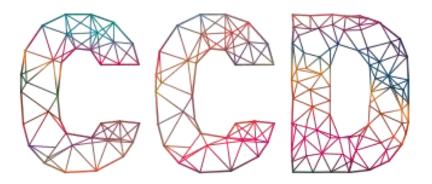
Internal:

| • | Geographical and capacity mapping | September 16, 2022 |
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| • | Monthly collaboration meeting | September 29, 2022 |
| • | Finalization of data sharing agreement | September 30, 2022 |
| | for the consortium | |
| • | Technical working group meeting | October 18, 2022 |
| • | Capacity-building series: Cash and Voucher | October 25, 2022 |
| | Assistance (CVA) for member agencies' field staff | |
| • | Project review meetings and prepositioning | November 3, 2022 |
| • | Continuous cash feasibility assessment | November 7-11, 2022 |
| | across multiple locations | |
| • | Steering committee meeting | December 14, 2022 |
| • | Integration of new members into the network | December 14, 2022 |

External:

| • | Donor round-table discussions | October 26, 2022 |
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| • | CCD South Sudan Webinar | November 15, 2022 |





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