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STANDING TOGETHER TO END POVERTY



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 MESSAGE FROM THE **COUNTRY DIRECTOR** 

It is with a deep sense of accomplishment that I present the 2022 annual report to the world despite the many challenges of global and national scale that threatened the achievement of operational and business goals.

The full-blown war in Ukraine heightened the disruption in global value chain with a significant impact on energy and food distribution. This resulted in increased interest rates causing a spike in the unabating inflation crisis which further deepens poverty levels especially in developing countries including Nigeria; a potential set-back in our fight against poverty.

Natural disasters across the world coupled with the global economic impact of post Covid-19 pandemic period has also meant depleting resources for development work as funding priority is given to the immediate humanitarian needs of affected countries. I cannot but mention the rising scale of insecurity in the North-west of Nigeria causing an unprecedented humanitarian need in the region, and flooding disasters with devastating effect on food security, and the country's development at large.

In the face of these numerous challenges, we remained committed to achieving our vision of a Nigeria without poverty. With the poor and vulnerable as our driving force, we were undeterred and stayed as motivated as ever to keep up the pace in the fight to subdue poverty and ultimately create a just and equitable society.

To cross these hurdles, we consistently devised innovative approaches to ensure our interventions are efficiently delivered to reach the most marginalised of affected populations. This is evident in the remarkable successes we documented across all our workstreams in 2022. We delivered life-changing interventions in 15 states and the FCT that cut across Climate Action, Livelihood Support, Food and Nutrition, Water Sanitation and Hygiene, Good Governance, and Health, directly reaching **278,377** persons, while **4,015,580** persons were reached indirectly.

This feat was not achieved alone. Our work with funded and non-funded partners, governments at national, state, and local levels including different government agencies had an incredible impact on the delivery of our programmes and we remain grateful for the commitment, dedication and passion demonstrated by all towards seeing a better Nigeria. I sincerely commend all our partners for their trust and commitment to working with us to reach those in extreme poverty.

The year 2023 is another opportunity to make history together. As Nigeria transits into a new administration, it is our hope that the newly elected and appointed leaders will take over the baton of championing the cause of the vulnerable, marginalised, and poorest of the poor.

As a development and humanitarian organisation working in Nigeria, we will continue to stay true to our vision and will not relent in pushing the boundaries alongside those we serve. Most importantly, I thank colleagues at Christian Aid Nigeria who worked tirelessly to ensure we deliver on our core mandate.

Temitope Fashola

Country Director

Christian Aid (UK) Nigeria



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/// WHO WE ARE ///

Christian Aid (UK) Nigeria is a development and humanitarian International Non-Governmental Organisation that exists to create a world where everyone can live a full life, free from poverty. We strategically address the needs of hard-to-reach populations through quality and innovative approaches while empowering communities, responding to humanitarian crisis, and building community resilience.



Our **MISSION**

To mobilise and empower the poor and marginalised to meaningfully engage in their own development, working in partnerships and building a movement to challenge and change the systems that promote and perpetuate poverty, inequality and injustice.



Our **VISION**

A just, equitable and peaceful Nigerian society where poverty is eradicated and (everyone) is empowered to live life in all its fullness.



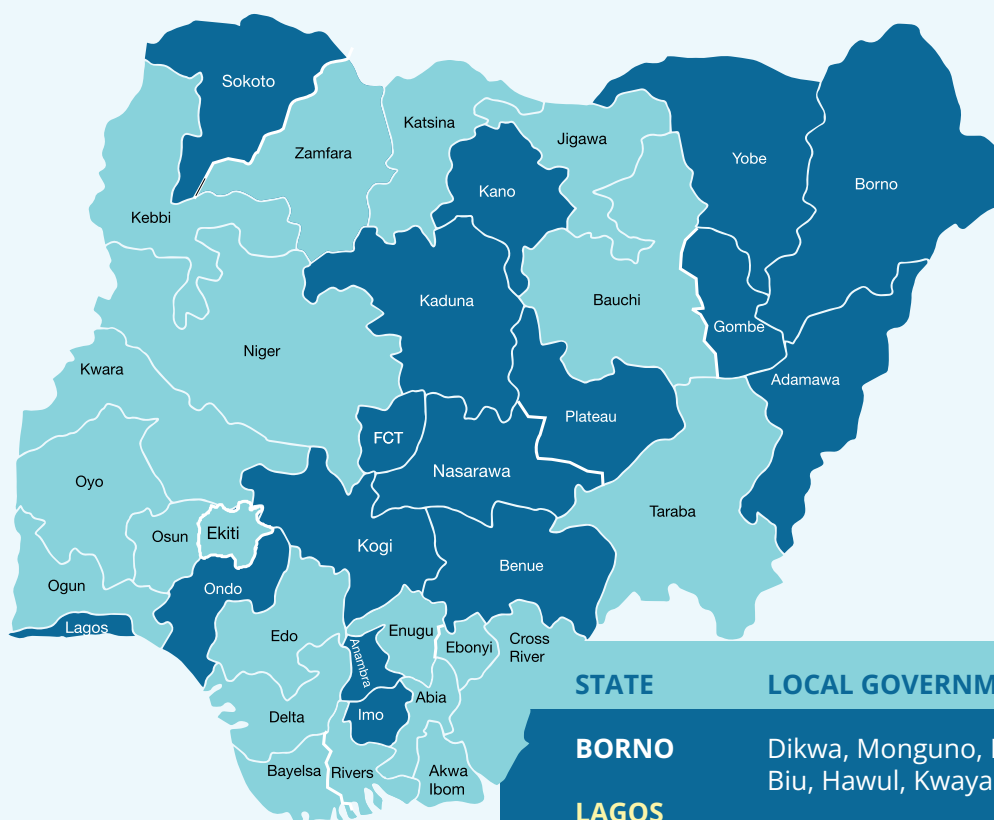
2022 IN SUMMARY




AREAS OF INTERVENTION



LOCATIONS



 States we are present in

 Other states

STATE

LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA

BORNO

Dikwa, Monguno, MMC, Jere, Ngala, Konduga, Mafa, Biu, Hawul, Kwaya Kusar and Bayo

LAGOS

KANO

FCT-ABUJA

Abuja Municipal Area Council
Keffi, Lafia

NASARAWA

ONDO

IMO

Owerri, Okigwe and Orlu

ANAMBRA

Awka North, Anambra West, Ayamelum, Ogbaru, Nnewi South

KADUNA

Kaduna South, Kaduna North, Zaria, Jemaa, Kaura, and Zango kataf

KOGI

Lokoja

BENUE

Oturkpo, Makurdi

PLATEAU

Jos North and Shendam

YOBE

Nangere Tarmuwa

GOMBE

Yamaltu Deba

ADAMAWA

Mubi, Michika

SOKOTO

Rarah, Goronyo and Sokoto South

DONORS



PARTNERS



PROJECTS IN 2022

Partnership Against Vaccine Hesitancy in Nigeria

Start Fund Anticipatory Project 629

Enhancing Good Governance in Education

Strengthening Households Economy through improved Wheat production

General Food Distribution

Universal Health Coverage for Nigeria Project

Disaster Risk Reduction and Social Safety (DRaSS)

Provision of WASH services to ongoing Emergency in priority areas in Mubi south and Mubi North of Adamawa state

Improving Inclusive and Participatory Governance Systems (IIPGS)

Supporting the promotion of Equitable Tax System through the Tax Justice and Governance Platform

British Academy Grant Research

Challenging Private Sector Creditors for People's Recovery

Partnership Against Vaccine Hesitancy in Nigeria

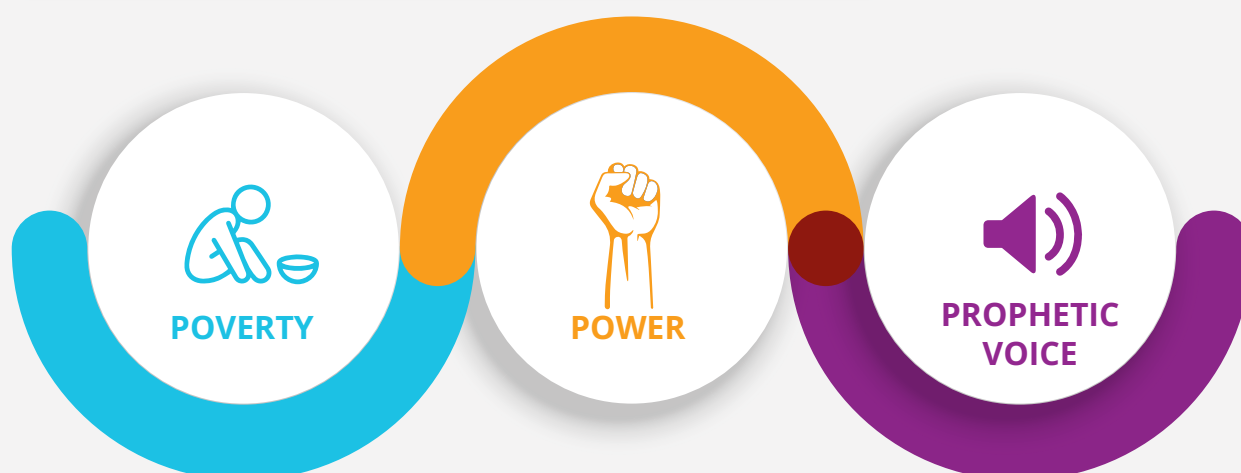
Strengthening Citizens Action for Gender Justice in Nigeria

WASH Intervention for vulnerable Households in Mafa- Borno State (From Violence to Peace)

RESEARCH IN 2022

- 1 Assessing the Effectiveness of Christian Aid Livelihood Intervention Model: A comparative study to highlight successes, challenges and lessons learnt.
- 2 The Role of Private Creditors in Nigeria Debt Crisis
- 3 Determining the role of faith leaders in Public Health Crisis
- 4 Assessment of Christian Aid's Interventions to Address Effects of Climate Change in Mafa, Borno State, Nigeria
- 5 Multisectoral Assessment of Humanitarian Needs in Northeast and Northwest Nigeria - 2022
- 6 The Importance of Fiscal Justice for Achieving Women and Girls' Sexual Reproductive Health and Rights (SRHR)

STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK



PROGRAMMES



CAMPAIGNS



CROSS-CUTTING THEMES



STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE 1



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IMPROVE CONDITIONS OF PERSONS AFFECTED BY CONFLICT AND DISASTER



THEMATIC AREA:

Humanitarian Response, Sustainable Livelihood and Resilience



APPROACH:

Providing timely evidenced-based lifesaving interventions that ensures quality of life in the long term, while building livelihoods and peaceful communities in Nigeria.

FOCUS:

Conflict prevention



Early warning

Early Action & Climate Services

Gender Based Violence

KEY ACTIONS AND RESULTS

100,000

tree seedlings distributed to 1639 households (including 1380 females) across Malakyariri community in Mafa local government area of Borno State.

1

1,500

households supported with unconditional cash transfer across 7 communities of Benue state.

2

420

households evacuated from high-risk locations in Lokoja and Agatu LGAs of Kogi and Benue states.

3

100

households' Economy Strengthened through improved Wheat production and increased market access in Yamaltu Local Government Area, Gombe State.

4

22,714

households and 28,576 individuals supported with in-kind food and CBT modality in Mafa LGA, Borno State

5

5,256

new IDPs served with one-off food ration in Mafa LGA, Borno State

6

1,776

pregnant and lactating women supported with nutritional supplements in IDP Camps and Host Communities of Mafa LGA, Borno State.

7

5,000

women (all caregivers) benefitted from training actions on the Infant and Young Child Feeding (IYCF) program to ensure proper utilization of food commodities in Mafa LGA, Borno State.

8

3,757

under-2 children benefitted from Improved Blanket Supplementary Feeding Programme (BSFP) in Mafa LGA, Borno State.

9

141

severe Acute Malnutrition (SAM) cases among under-5 children identified and referred to Outpatient Therapeutic Feeding (OTP) sites for treatment in Mafa LGA, Borno State.

10

3

hand pump wells upgraded and rehabilitated to solar powered systems resulting in enhanced access to safe water for 4,930 individuals in target communities of Mubi North and Mubi South LGAs Adamawa state.

11

62

household latrines and 2 final waste disposal pits constructed resulting in enhanced access to safe sanitation facilities for 1,240 individuals in Mubi North and Mubi South LGAs Adamawa state.

12

8,210

individuals' access to safe equitable water and safe excreter disposal increased in Ajiri Community, Mafa LGA, Borno state.

13

13

community members equipped with skills on construction and maintenance of WASH facilities for sustainability and income generation.

14

11,855

individuals reached with key hygiene messages on behavioural change

15

500

vulnerable households supported with hygiene kits.

16



STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE 2



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IMPROVE GOVERNMENT AND COMMUNITY ACCOUNTABILITY AND RESPONSIVENESS TO THE NEEDS OF POOR AND MARGINALISED



THEMATIC AREA:

Democracy and Good Governance



APPROACH:

Amplifying community voices and building capacities of individuals, communities, and civil society groups to hold duty bearers accountable for the achievement of participatory and inclusive demand-driven governance.



FOCUS:

Peace Building

Women's Economic Empowerment.

KEY ACTIONS AND RESULTS

2

states supported to develop state contingency plans and Local Government emergency response to cater for the needs of at least 55,000 persons in the case of flooding emergency.

1

20

Disaster Management Platforms established including Disaster Management Committees (DMPs) at state level in Kaduna and Sokoto states.

2

4,348

Permanent Voters' Cards (PVCs) collected across target communities in Anambra and Kaduna states.

3

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Budgetary provision for the employment of 5 thousand teachers and 85 nurses into schools and health service delivery points due to effective state-citizen engagements in Anambra state.

4

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Budgetary provision for the construction of user-friendly roads for Persons with Disabilities due to effective engagements with the Ministry of Works on the challenges of persons with disabilities in Anambra state.

5

GENDER JUSTICE



The Side-by-Side movement for Gender Justice has enabled Christian Aid to strategically engage Faith and Traditional leaders who use their religious and traditional platforms to advocate for gender justice in Lagos, Ondo, Ekiti, Kano, Imo, Anambra, Kaduna states and the FCT. These continue to influence the beliefs and cultural perspective of their followers towards behaviour change. This effort was supported with capacity building and sensitisation activities which included:



Capacity of 40 Christian leaders built on Strategies for Addressing Violence Against Women and Girls (VAWG) and Harmful Traditional Practices (HPS) in Ondo state.



Women from 6 states equipped with adequate knowledge on Gender injustice in Ekiti State.



Kaduna state populace educated on Gender Justice through eight (8) months engagement sensitization series.

Leveraging on this innovative approach, Christian Aid is determined to drive deep lasting changes for gender justice to the benefit of vulnerable populations, especially among poor and vulnerable women and adolescent girls in Nigeria.

TAX JUSTICE



Christian Aid continues to sustain efforts towards achieving tax justice in Nigeria by promoting simplified and localized information on taxation and tax obligations among taxpayers in targets states; a strategic way to keep more people, especially those in rural areas and vulnerable groups, informed about taxation. This increased opportunities for improved tax compliance with a view to increasing government revenues in the state for development financing; and enhanced the capacity of taxpayers to demand fairness, justice, and equity in tax administration.

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE 3



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IMPROVE THE HEALTH OF POOR AND MARGINALIZED PEOPLE PARTICULARLY WOMEN, CHILDREN AND PEOPLE WITH COMPROMISED IMMUNITY



THEMATIC AREA:

Health and Human Development



APPROACH:

Health Systems Strengthening and Health Policy Influencing



FOCUS:

Sexual & Reproductive Health

Transparency & Accountability

Universal Health Coverage

KEY ACTIONS AND RESULTS

440

poor and vulnerable persons supported to enrol into the State Social Health Insurance Scheme (NASHIS) in Nasarawa state.

1

129

poor and vulnerable community members adopted by influential community members into the Health Insurance Scheme at zero cost due to consistent sensitisation.

2

57

NASHIS enrolees absorbed into the State Basic Health Care Provision Fund in Nasarawa state.

3

54.8%

increase in national covid-19 vaccination target by February 2023 (project end) from 36.4% in November 2022 (project start).

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Education Accountability Tracker Developed to interrogate the fiscal processes for Federal and State Universal Basic Education

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1st Citizens Accountability Tracker Report published and distributed.

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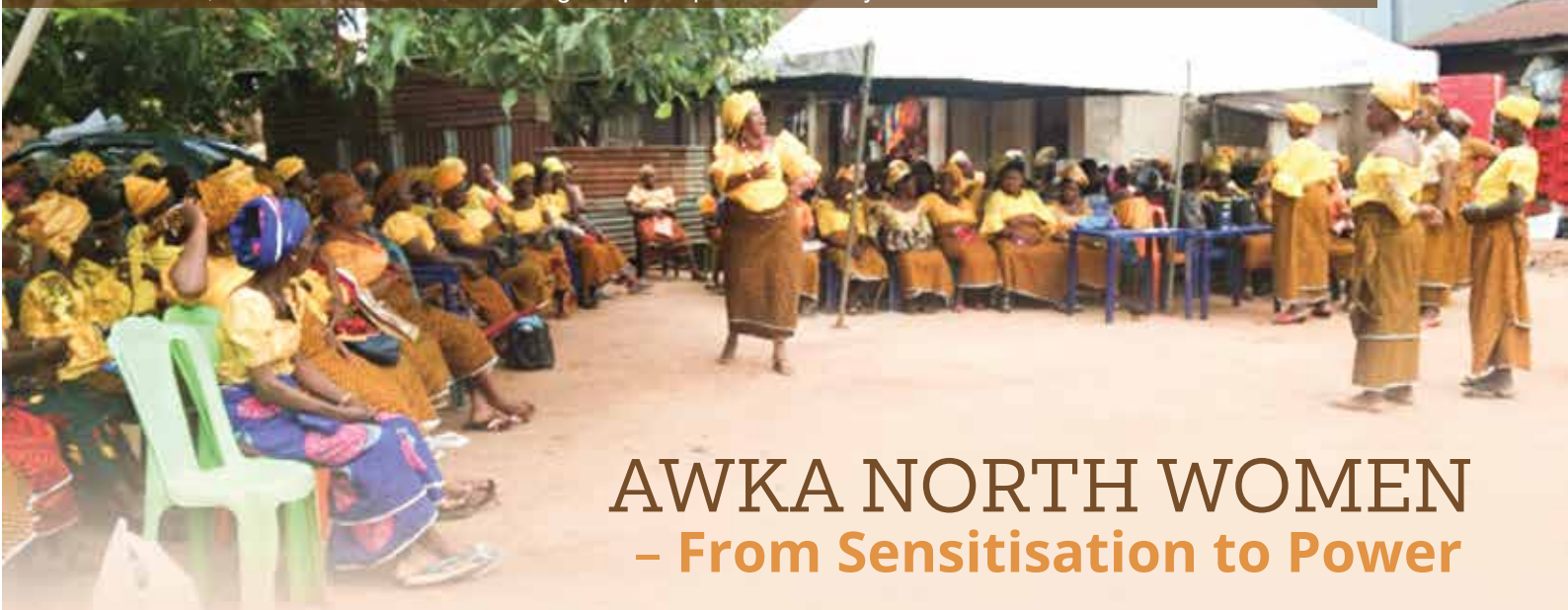


ECHOES

FROM THE FIELD



Ebenebe Community Woman Leader, Mrs. Favour Nworah/ Awka North Women summit held at Isuaniocha on October 6, 2022. Mrs. Favour addressing the participants. Photo by Emmanuela Obika PM HOG-I



AWKA NORTH WOMEN – From Sensitisation to Power

When Hope Givers Initiative (HOG-I) took its intervention on good and inclusive governance to Ebenebe Community, little did it know that a torch waiting to be lit sits at the center of the community; the Women Leader, Mrs. Favour Nworah.

Ebenebe is one of the communities that make up Akwa North Local Government Area (LGA) in Anambra State, Nigeria. The LGA is one of the marginalized in the state lacking good roads, potable water, primary healthcare center, and other social amenities. It is double marginalisation for women and girls who are subjected to early marriage and are generally excluded from decision making.

Following the community sensitisation on the impact of women exclusion in governance, Mrs Favour took the initiative to continue sensitizing women in her community on the importance of evidence-based engagement; women inclusion in decision making processes and taking up political positions. This metamorphosed to formation of a women's group named: "Nwanyi bu ife", an association of women supporting women.

The association championed messages that encourage women to support fellow women vying for political offices. This is based on the conviction that having a female representative in power will amplify women's voices in the decision-making space towards addressing vital community needs. Led by Mrs Favour, the association took the sensitization from community to local government level and held several activities using internally mobilised resources.

BEYOND SENSITISATION

With the support of HOG-I, the women took a step further by directly engaging female political candidates for the 2023 General Elections across two senatorial zones through townhall meetings.

Based on identified alignment between their manifestoes and women's prioritised needs, the women unanimously agreed to support 2 women who demonstrated capacity to deliver: one at the local government level and the other at the federal government level.

Once again, Nwanyi bu ife women showed the world the true effect of the 'Power of the Pack' as the two female candidates adopted won the general elections. Both candidate-elects have committed to championing the course of women as they commence their regime.

With this historic success, Awka North women are confident in their abilities to effectively engage power holders. Holding on to the mantra that power lies in the people, they are ready to hold their leaders accountable and vote out politicians who do not keep their end of the bargain. Above all, they strongly believe that women's voices will be heard across Akwa North LGA.



Hadiza Isah with her sewing machine
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THE POWER OF AN ENTERPRISE

The family of Hadiza and Isah Adamu lived comfortably with their seven children in Tashan-Bama, Gubori community of Jere LGA in Borno state. With a lucrative fishing business, Isah had no problems sending all his children to school.

This relative stability was not to last for long as Tashan-Bama was attacked in 2015, displacing Hadiza and her family. Welcomed into the safe and warm ambience of Malakyariri community as internally displaced persons, Hadiza's family settled in. However, a challenge remains; the daunting task of starting life all over!

"We had a rough time trying to settle down and start life over again"...Hadiza

In 2019, life took a new turn when 30-year old Hadiza was selected to participate in the livelihood intervention programme of Christian Aid and World Food Programme (WFP) being implemented in Malakyariri community. Hadiza was enrolled in the Tailoring IGA (Income Generating Activity). She took a step further by enrolling in Village Savings and Loan Association (VSLA) as well as a community savings forum.

Hadiza makes between N2,000 - N3,000 Naira as weekly profits from her tailoring business which she does in her house, saving her the cost of rent for a shop. She is also a beneficiary of the #17,000 Naira conditional monthly stipend of the WFP cash-out intervention.

The enterprising nature of Hadiza came into fore when she ventured into livestock farming to support her tailoring business. Using savings gotten from the VSLA and community savings forum, she has been able to buy two male rams. The first ram was purchased in August 2022, while the second was bought in September 2022. She rears the rams in her house and plans to fatten them for sale during religious celebrations. She will also get female rams to breed and increase the number of the livestock.

What is more, Hadiza can take care of her immediate household needs and pay her children's school fees at the community school they attend.

"I intend to continue with my tailoring business even if I leave this community"...Hadiza

Life is looking bright again for Hadiza and her family. They have picked up the pieces and are happily stitching it back together one day at a time.

TUDUN KOFA COMMUNITY

- A Breath of Life Renews Hope

For many years, residents of Tudun Kofa community in Keffi Local Government Area of Nasarawa state suffered the brunt of inaccessible healthcare services primarily due to high out-of-pocket spendings on healthcare. This prevented many community members from seeking medical help at all, while those who were able experienced a halt in services resulting from financial hardship in the process of seeking health care. This has resulted in loss of lives and health complications as community members seek unsafe alternative healthcare services.

Abubakar Wada, an active member of the community and a Person with Disability (PWD), is doubly jeopardised. Besides the obvious fact that PWDs are disadvantaged as regards mobility, they are more predisposed to the struggles of earning a living. Thus, they experience greater financial barriers in accessing healthcare services.

For Abubakar, a civil servant and father of one, his monthly earnings are too meagre to cater for his health needs. The most he could do was cater for the immediate needs of his small family while his health status remained poor. Despite his unpleasant situation, Abubakar is known as one who actively supports community interventions and a spokesperson for PWDs in the community. Hence, it was not surprising when he was selected as one of the community resource persons for the Universal Health Coverage intervention in Tudun Kofa community.

Implemented in collaboration with Nasarawa State Health Insurance Agency (NASHIA), with technical support from Christian Aid Nigeria's local partner, Development Governance International Foundation (DGIF), the project focused on increasing access to, and uptake of quality affordable basic health care for vulnerable and marginalized people in target communities of Keffi LGA, Nasarawa State.

The UHC intervention turned out to be a life changing opportunity for Abubakar as he became one of the 440 vulnerable persons directly supported to enrol into the Nasarawa State Social Health Insurance Scheme. Doubling as a community resource person and a project participant, Abubakar's health condition has improved significantly as he does not have to spend out-of-pocket and now receives quality medical care as and when needed.



Abubakar Wada supporting a community monitoring visit.

Photo credit: ChristianAid

“Following my enrolment and access to healthcare at Kofar Pada my health status improved because no more paying out of pocket the little received from my monthly income now helps to take care of my family needs.” - Abubakar Wada

The project also provided a platform for him to give back to his community by engaging in activities aimed at improving community health. He served as a voice for Persons with Disabilities in the community as he facilitated sensitization meetings to the Association of Persons with Disabilities, advocacies to influential persons within the community for the adoption of more vulnerable persons into the health scheme, and townhall meetings despite his mobility challenges.

These efforts yielded desired result as 129 vulnerable community members were enrolled into the state health insurance scheme with cost borne by influential members of the communities, informal sector groups, and religious organizations. In addition, 57 enrolees were absorbed into the Nasarawa State Basic Health Care Provision Fund with positive feedback as regards ease of access to quality healthcare without financial hardship.

So far, over 1,000 persons have benefitted directly or indirectly from the UHC project in Tudun Kofa community. By virtue of their enrolment, Abubakar and other enrolled community members are entitled to all preventative and curative health services at the primary, secondary, and tertiary level of care in Nasarawa State.

“Whenever we are sick, regardless of the illness, we go to the facility, and they conduct proper diagnosis by conducting proper diagnosis to know if we have typhoid, ulcer, malaria, or diabetes before prescribing drugs for us without paying anything. We have never paid anything at the facility to access healthcare. All the beneficiaries under this program have never paid anything. I want to let you know that the people of the community are really excited, and they appreciate your gesture. We are also hoping that the program will be sustained to give healthcare access to the poor. We really appreciate and may God reward the sponsors of this intervention.”

- Sarkin Karofin (Community leader)

To ensure sustainability, the project supports persons like Abubakar to contribute money in instalments towards payment of their yearly premiums. The project also explored engagement with the Nasarawa State Insurance Agency on the absorption of some project beneficiaries on the Basic Health Care Provision Fund and Equity Fund.

The UHC project stimulated the demand for health insurance services among target groups. Results showed improved health service delivery especially in the referral system for enrolees on the vulnerability health insurance scheme. Through regular service delivery monitoring at facilities and community-led action by trained community resource persons, the project ensured accountability for healthcare service provision and utilization by the participants.





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