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Donor Acknowledgement

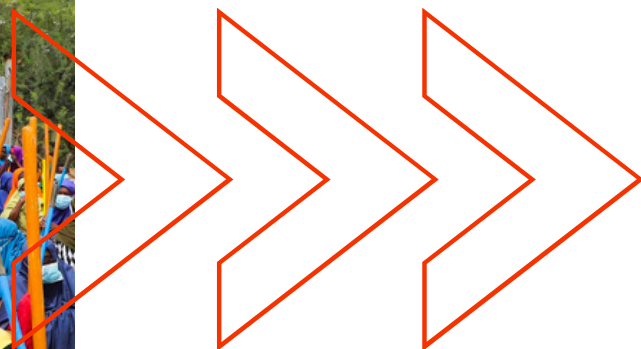
Each contribution you make is not just a donation; it is a pledge to resilience, a beacon of hope for those affected, and a testament to the enduring spirit of human solidarity.

As we reflect on the past year at Action Against Disasters Somalia (AADSOM), we would like to extend our deepest gratitude to our donors for their invaluable contributions.

Amidst a year filled with significant and persistent climate and conflict-induced challenges, your generosity has been instrumental in enabling us to continue our mission to respond to humanitarian crises, build resilience and mitigate disaster impacts in Somalia.

Your unwavering support has empowered us to provide immediate aid to those affected, while also establishing crucial programs for long-term resilience and disaster risk reduction.

On behalf of the individuals, families, and communities we serve, thank you for your generosity, trust, and shared commitment to our cause.



Message from the executive

It is with a great sense of responsibility and optimism that I address you as the Executive Director of Action Against Disasters Somalia (AADSOM), to reflect on our work and impact throughout 2022.

2022 presented us with a host of unprecedented challenges, from recurrent droughts to severe floods, and the continued fight against the global pandemic (Covid-19). Despite these trials, I am proud to report that our collective dedication to the mission of AADSOM has enabled us to make significant strides in disaster response and resilience building in the communities we serve.

We ramped up our initiatives, focusing on prompt humanitarian emergency response, strategic disaster risk reduction, and proactive community engagement. We successfully reached thousands of vulnerable and marginalized communities with immediate relief, while also setting in motion programs for sustainable recovery. Our strategies have evolved to ensure that each dollar donated generates maximum impact and that each community becomes more resilient in the face of impending disasters.

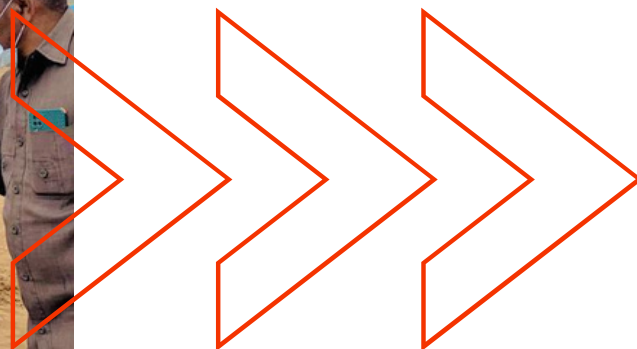
The incredible progress we have made was only possible thanks to the invaluable support of our partners and donors who continue to trust in our mission. Your contributions have been integral to providing immediate relief and long-term solutions to those most affected by humanitarian crises and other disasters. I am also deeply thankful to our tireless and selfless teams, volunteers, and dedicated community stakeholders. Your dedication, perseverance, and unwavering support have been pivotal to our success.

As we move forward, we reaffirm our commitment to transparency, accountability, and impactful service. The following pages will further detail our initiatives and achievements in 2022. Thank you for your trust and continued support in our mission to mitigate disaster impacts and strengthen community resilience in Somalia.

With sincere gratitude,



Guled Osman
Executive Director, Action Against Disasters
Somalia (AADSOM)



AADSOM

Action Against Disasters Somalia (AADSOM) is a national, not-for-profit humanitarian organization that is committed to saving lives, alleviating human suffering, and maintaining dignity in the face of man-made crises and natural disasters in Somalia. AADSOM was established in 2008 by a group of local professionals with a cumulative experience of over 20 years in the fields of humanitarian aid and development.

AADSOM's key thematic areas of intervention include Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH), Food Security and Livelihoods (FSL), Health and Nutrition (H&N), and Education. More broadly, AADSOM seeks to bring about a paradigm shift in all its key thematic areas through greater mainstreaming and focus on the following cross-cutting themes: gender equality and environmental protection. This is because AADSOM firmly embraces gender mainstreaming as a strategy towards realizing the integration of gender perspectives into the preparation, design, implementation, monitoring, and evaluation of programs, policies, and regulatory measures, with the view of promoting equality and accessibility between women and men henceforth combating gender-based discrimination.

Building on the momentum of core humanitarian principles and standards, AADSOM seeks to uphold and increase the application of "principled humanitarianism." values through increased community and stakeholder engagement as well as coherence among universal standards in which it adheres to and advocates for vigorously.

Although the context within which humanitarian aid is delivered remains very difficult and challenging in large parts of Somalia, AADSOM advocates for impartial and unconditional aid delivery to affected communities to reduce the devastating impact of crises on the lives, livelihoods, and well-being of the communities it serves.

Because AADSOM's core mandate is tackling with disasters, the organization distinguishes itself from other actors responding to such crisis whether caused by conflict, violence, or natural disasters with impartiality – irrespective of race, gender, nationality, religious belief and, or class.

AADSOM is registered under the Somali Interior Ministry in the Department of Humanitarian Affairs and has its headquarters in the capital, Mogadishu with sub-operational offices in Garowe, Beledweyne, Isku-Shuban and Jalalaqsi as well as liaison office in Nairobi, Kenya.

Our mission, vision and values

Action Against Disasters' Somalia (AADSOM) is driven by a clear mission, vision, and set of values that guide its purpose. Through its mission, vision, and values, AADSOM aims to make a significant difference in the lives of vulnerable populations in Somalia and contribute to building a more resilient and sustainable future for the country.

Mission:

Our mission is to alleviate suffering, poverty, and oppression by helping people build secure, productive, and just communities.

Vision:

AADSOM's overarching vision is to actively contribute to the socio-economic development of the target communities by strengthening their capacity, and implementing humanitarian and social-economic safety interventions to alleviate poverty and ignorance; thereby creating a stable Somali population that is motivated by creativity and innovation as compared to conflicts for survival.

Core values:

AADSOM is driven by a set of globally recognized core values that guide its purpose and actions. These core values include a commitment to humanitarian principles, integrity, transparency, accountability, and equity. Through its dedicated core values commitments, AADSOM strives to promote dignity, respect, and inclusivity throughout all its programs. Our values are underpinned by the following widely endorsed humanitarian values and beliefs:

- Humanity
- Neutrality
- Impartiality
- Independence
- Integrity
- Respect
- Gender equality
- Accountability

2022 in Review

The humanitarian situation in Somalia in 2022 was marked by a complex set of challenges that demanded urgent attention and collective action. The nation continued to grapple with a crushing combination of factors, including protracted conflict, recurrent droughts (five consecutive underperforming rainy seasons) resulting in the worst drought in forty years, and widespread poverty, which exacerbated the suffering of its people. Although the drought was the primary focus of ongoing humanitarian operations throughout the year, since June 2022, a military offensive against non-state armed groups (NSAG) has increased displacement and impeded humanitarian access.

The number of people in need of humanitarian assistance and protection rose from 5.9 million in 2021 to 7.8 million in 2022 – nearly half the population. Despite the efforts of humanitarian organizations and the international community, the scale of the crisis remained daunting, with millions of Somalis in need of life-saving assistance. Adequate access to essential services such as food, clean water, healthcare, and education remained elusive for many, especially in remote and conflict-affected areas. While progress was made in certain areas, the humanitarian situation in Somalia in 2022 underscored the need for sustained and comprehensive efforts to address the root causes of the crisis and to foster long-term stability and development in the country.

The humanitarian situation in Somalia in 2022 was a sobering reminder of the ongoing struggles faced by its people and the need for sustained commitment to alleviate their suffering and support the country's journey towards stability and prosperity.

In summary, 2022 underscored the urgent need for long-term solutions, including peacebuilding, sustainable development, and climate resilience, to break the cycle of vulnerability and promote a brighter future for Somalia.

Key figures

Food Security

4.1 M

Food insecure people across the country.

Displacement

2.6 M

IDPs across the country.

Malnutrition

2.6 M

Children malnourished across the country.

Emergency need

2.6 M

People in emergency and crisis.

Areas of focus

Prioritized interventions

In the face of the ongoing humanitarian crisis and worsening drought situation in Somalia, AADSOM continued to prioritize life-saving humanitarian response with emphasis on food security, WASH services and education giving high priority to communities living in underserved and hard-to-access areas. Special attention was given to women and girls and people with disabilities, in all interventions.



Food Security

Acute food insecurity has continued to worsen across Somalia putting at risk the lives of millions of Somalis. AADSOM has rapidly scaled up its relief efforts to provide emergency assistance to drought-affected communities, reaching to 65,346 people.



WASH services

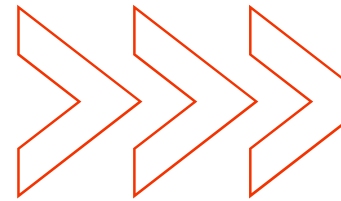
An estimated 6.4 million people (4.1 million children, 1 million women) have suffered acute water shortages, forcing people to resort to unsafe water sources, triggering spikes of acute watery diarrhea (AWD) and cholera cases. In response, AADSOM reached 15,000 with emergency safe water services.



Education

An estimated 3.85 million children and school personnel required humanitarian education assistance to meet their basic needs. As part of the organization's key strategic pillars, AADSOM has rehabilitated/constructed Siliga Primary IDP School in Garowe, Puntland to expand the capacity of the school.

Progress Outlook



Food Security

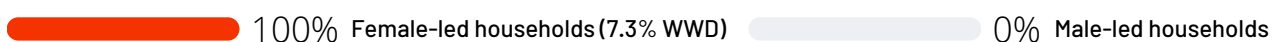
Safety Net for Human Capital Project (SNHCP) - Baxnaano - Beletweyne, Somalia

The Somalia Shock Responsive Safety Net for Human Capital Project (SNHCP), also known as 'Baxnaano', is a government lead safety net program in Somalia. The main objective is to provide cash transfers to 200,000 targeted most poor and vulnerable households and establish the key building blocks of a national shock-responsive safety nets system. The cash transfer component seeks to provide predictable cash transfers of USD 20 per month value corresponding to a quarterly transfer of or USD 60 UD\$. The broader SNHCP program has three components (1) Nutrition-linked Unconditional Cash Transfers; (2) Delivery Systems and Institutional Capacity Building; and (3) Project Management, Monitoring and Evaluation, and Knowledge Management.

Baxnaano's long-term objective is to enable the transition from protracted humanitarian relief to a state-led shock-responsive safety net system capable of addressing chronic poverty, fostering human development, and building households' resilience to shocks.

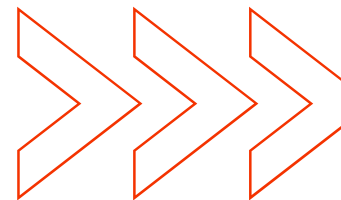
AADSOM in partnership with the World Food Program (WFP), has reached 9,861 HHs (59,166 people) in Beletweyne district, Hiran Region. The project provided cash transfers to targeted poor and vulnerable households. The main output is increased access to basic needs and enhanced food security through regular safety nets and predictable cash transfers targeting poor and vulnerable households.

Demographics:



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Food Security

Restoring food and income sources for drought-affected communities in Beletweyne, Hiran Region

Humanitarian needs continued to aggravate due to the impacts of five consecutive below-average rainfall seasons coupled with exceptionally high food prices, exacerbated by concurrent conflicts/insecurities and disease outbreaks (acute watery diarrhea/cholera and measles). Nearly 6.7 million people across Somalia have faced Crisis (IPC Phase 3) or worse acute food insecurity outcomes between October and December 2022, pushing the country to the brink of famine.

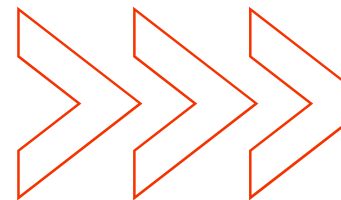
Acute malnutrition case admissions among children under age five have risen up sharply. Based on the results of 29 integrated food security, nutrition, and mortality surveys conducted by the Food Security and Nutrition Analysis Unit (FSNAU) and partners in May, June, and July 2022 and the subsequent IPC acute malnutrition analysis conducted in August, the total estimated acute malnutrition burden for Somalia from August 2022 to July 2023 stood at approximately 1.8 million children, representing 54.5 percent of the total population of children in Somalia and including 513,550 children severely malnourished. Worst affected areas included Hawd Pastoral of Central and Hiran; Addun Pastoral of Northeast and Central; Coastal Deeh Pastoral of Central; Sorghum High Potential Agropastoral of Middle Shabelle; and IDP settlements in Mogadishu, Garowe, Galkacyo, and Dollow.

In response, AADSOM in partnership with Diakonie Katastrophenhilfe under the (TOGETHER program's HOIFA component) reached 1,030 acute food insecure farmers' households in Beletweyne district composing 6,180 drought-affected people (1422 men, 1483 women, 1545 boys, and 1730 girls including households living with people with disabilities, IDPs, and marginalized communities) in Belet Weyne district to restore and improve their livelihoods through the provision of 2,575kg fodder seeds for cultivation supported with 3,090 hours of irrigation (3 hours/farmer) to boost the income of the affected households during the dry seasons and strengthen their resilience to the shocks of the recurrent droughts as well as save the lives of their animals.



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WASH services

Increasing the accessibility of lifesaving safe WASH services to the flood and drought-affected in the Beletweyne, Hiran region

Climate change continued to be a major contributing factor to displacement and food insecurity in Somalia. Increased erratic weather patterns and climatic shocks have led to prolonged and severe drought conditions and floods, with devastating humanitarian consequences. The protracted nature of displacement caused by floods, conflict, and drought continued to affect the physical and mental well-being of 1.6 million IDPs who required humanitarian assistance. Many IDP households have faced a steady depletion of assets and an increase in negative coping mechanisms, culminating in severe conditions with regard to their food insecurity, malnutrition, disease outbreaks, water and hygiene conditions, and critical protection concerns.

large parts of Somalia faced severe drought conditions, triggered by below-average 2020 Deyr rains and above-average temperatures during the Jilal season. Over 116,000 Somalis were displaced by water shortages between October 2020 and March 2021. Availability of water and pasture conditions have significantly deteriorated, leading to increased livestock migration and the rapid rise of water prices.

In response, AADSOM in partnership with SHF Somalia implemented safe WASH services to the flood and drought-affected communities and IDPs in the Beletweyne district and 5 villages namely Gambarlaawe, Jeerey, Beled Salaama, Quracley, and Dhariyow.

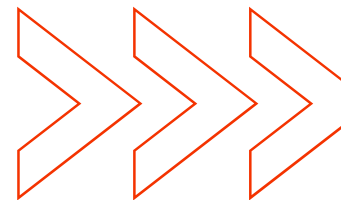
The overall objective of the project was to increase access to lifesaving safe WASH services to reduce acute needs among drought, flood, and conflict-affected host communities and displaced IDPs in the Beletweyne district in a dignified manner through better access to adequate safe water with equal access of men, women, and children including disabled, IDPs and minorities to appropriate gender-sensitive sanitation facilities and increased good hygiene practices.

The project has reached 15,000 (2250 men, 3750 women, 4500 boys, and 4500 girls) flood, drought, and conflict-affected men, women, and children including people with disabilities and minorities in Belet Weyne district improving their access to safe water with equal access to men, women, boys, and girls including disabilities, minorities through the construction /rehabilitation of 30 shallow wells, capacity building of 30 WASH committees and 60 well operators for keeping the sustainability of WASH services.



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Education

Enhancing access to safe and protective learning environment for IDP children in Garowe town, Puntland

Conflict, drought, and insecurity have forced hundreds of thousands of people to flee their homes in 2021 and have remained key drivers of displacement in 2022. Conflict-induced shocks have exacerbated the humanitarian situation of both IDP and host communities. Amid ongoing shocks, Somali cities have received large waves of forcibly displaced people and rural-urban migrants, leading to increased land prices and competition for resources.

Displacements were typically rural-urban in nature, and displaced people moving into urban areas often lacked the skills required for urban livelihoods, especially IDPs, and rural migrants were frequently confined to poor-paying unskilled jobs if any at all. Minority clan members and minority ethnic groups experienced structural and distinct forms of exclusion and discrimination with elevated needs that are different from the population at large.

Of the people displaced in 2022, an estimated 214,000 (40 percent) were school-aged children. Concurrent shocks such as drought and floods had adversely affected children's learning. An estimated 408,000 (45 percent girls) school-going children were affected by the ongoing drought conditions in the country. Similarly, the Gu floods in May 2021 closed most schools in semi-urban, affecting more than 46,000 learners.

To address these needs and to ensure IDP children are enrolled in a safe and protective learning environment with good quality teaching, AADSOM has rehabilitated/constructed Siliga Primary IDP School in Garowe, Puntland to expand the capacity of the school. Project activities involved the rehabilitation of the existing facility of the Siliga Primary IDP school by replacing the damaged parts of the roofing, floors, ceiling, walls, and painting. To expand the capacity of the school, AADSOM constructed additional classes to accommodate newly arrived IDP school-aged children, who had already overcrowded the existing depleted classrooms (more than 58 children/class). The construction work also included the school boundary wall to enhance access to a safe and protective learning environment for children. The water system of the school was also improved through a piping system. To make sure equal and inclusive learning opportunities for all, AADSOM established and capacitated Community Education Committee (CEC) comprising both women and men to lead 'Go-Back-To-School' campaigns and awareness-raising mechanisms. The project benefited 350 school-aged children (200 boys and 150 girls) as well as 12 school staff (8 teachers and 1 headmaster, 2 security persons, and 1 cleaner).

For continuity and sustainability, AADSOM handed over the school to the Puntland State Ministry of Education to take over the responsibility for the school's proper functioning.



GROUNDBREAKER

PROJECT TITLE: ENHANCING ACCESS TO SAFE AND PROTECTIVE LEARNING ENVIRONMENT FOR IDP CHILDREN IN SILIGA PRIMARY SCHOOL.

ACTIVITY: REHABILITATION OF THE EXISTING PART OF THE SILIGA PRIMARY IDP SCHOOL PLUS CONSTRUCTION OF ONE ADDITIONAL CLASS AND THE SCHOOL BOUNDARY.

START DATE: 15 NOVEMBER 2022
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Final remarks

We acknowledge once again the valuable contributions of our esteemed donors and partners for their unwavering support and collaboration throughout the year 2022. Your generous contributions and steadfast commitments have played a pivotal role in enabling us to deliver impactful humanitarian assistance and disaster response initiatives to vulnerable communities in Somalia. Your trust in our mission has empowered us to provide critical life-saving assistance to those most in need,

Especial thanks go to the following partners and donors:

- Diakonie Katastrophenhilfe (ToGETHER Program)
- World Food Program (WFP Somalia)
- SHF Somalia
- GroundBreaker

We thank you for your continued support in our efforts to save lives and alleviate human suffering.



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