

South Sudan 2013 CHF Standard Allocation Project Proposal

for CHF funding against Consolidated Appeal 2013

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SECTION I:

CAP Cluster	Food Security and Livelihoods
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CHF Cluster Priorities for 2013 First Round Standard Allocation
This section should be filled by the cluster Coordinators/Co-coordinators before sending to cluster partners. It should provide a brief articulation of Cluster priority activities and geographic priorities that the cluster will recommend for funding from the CHF in line with the cluster objectives highlighted in the CAP 2013.

Cluster Priority Activities for this CHF Round	Cluster Geographic Priorities for this CHF Round
<p>In order to provide appropriate response that builds on the cluster strategic objectives and address the needs identified for CAP 2013 the following will be the priority areas for CHF 1 funding and categorized into A & B.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Category A: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Support to the core pipeline to pre-position agricultural and livestock inputs • Category B: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Provision of agricultural inputs (seeds & tools) for food production ✓ Emergency livestock vaccinations and disease control interventions; ✓ Creating/rehabilitating community assets (including grazing & water resources) for building community resilience to shocks ✓ Cash based programming for income generation, access to inputs/services, and safety nets; ✓ Nutrition enhancing FSL responses (vegetable production, kitchen gardens & cooking demos, integrating nutrition within safety nets activities, maximizing nutritional impacts of livestock products etc) ✓ Coordination, advocacy, response planning and needs assessment ✓ Post harvest handling and storage, strengthening value chain, and agro-processing/value addition 	<p>The following are the geographic areas that will be considered for CHF 1.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Upper Nile • Unity • Warrap • Northern Bahr el Ghazal • Western Bahr el Ghazal • Jonglei • Lakes • Abyei administrative area <p>However since the geographic coverage is broad partners should strive to provide thorough evidence on the choice of the area selected for implementation while taking into consideration the provisions in the policy document. Partners should therefore thoroughly review and understand the provided application materials (including the policy document) before designing their proposals.</p>

Project details
The sections from this point onwards are to be filled by the organization requesting CHF funding.

Requesting Organization	Project Location(s) (list State, and County (or counties) where CHF activities will be implemented. If the project is covering more than one State please indicate percentage per State)																		
CARE International in South Sudan	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="width: 30%;">State</th> <th style="width: 10%;">%</th> <th style="width: 60%;">County</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Unity State</td> <td>100%</td> <td>Rubkona</td> </tr> <tr> <td> </td> <td> </td> <td> </td> </tr> <tr> <td> </td> <td> </td> <td> </td> </tr> <tr> <td> </td> <td> </td> <td> </td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	State	%	County	Unity State	100%	Rubkona												
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Project CAP Code	Funding requested from CHF for this project proposal																		
SSD-13/A/55198/5645	US\$260,000																		
CAP Project Title (please write exact name as in the CAP)	Are some activities in this project proposal co-funded?																		
Small Scale Micro Irrigation support to farmer groups in Jonglei, Upper Nile and Unity States.	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (if yes, list the item and indicate the amount under column i of the budget sheet)																		
Total Project Budget requested in the in South Sudan CAP	Indirect Beneficiaries																		
US\$1,628,000																			
Total funding secured for the CAP project (to date)	Catchment Population (if applicable)																		
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State Ministry of agriculture, NNGOs																			

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SECTION II

A. Humanitarian Context Analysis

Briefly describe (in no more than 500 words) the current humanitarian situation in the specific locations where CHF funded activities will be implemented. Provide evidence of needs by referencing assessments and key data, including the number and category of the affected population¹

The food security outcomes have generally improved in South Sudan since the start of the harvest in October. The 2012-13 national cereal production is about 40 percent above last year and six percent above the five-year average (2007-2011). While the harvest has improved food security in some areas, the impacts of border tensions, cattle raiding, civil strife, and flooding continue to drive widespread Stressed and Crisis (IPC Phase 2 and 3) levels of food insecurity. Unity State is among the areas of most concern and crisis levels of food insecurity are already present in Jonglei, Unity, and Warrap states due to the impacts of conflict, displacement, and floods on production. Food security will begin to deteriorate around March in the areas of concern. Border areas will be particularly impacted by exceptionally high food prices, restricted access to Sudan, and high levels of insecurity².

A detailed baseline assessment conducted by CARE in March 2012 in four Counties of **Rubkona**, Guit, Mayendit, and Pariang, cited lack of agriculture inputs as potential challenge for improving agriculture production, the survey established that only 28% of farmers interviewed had enough seeds. Lack of seeds and the necessary tools has in the past resulted in farmers cultivating an average of 25% of their arable land.

The assessment also established that returnees, displaced persons and host communities particularly the widows and widowers have basically poor agricultural practices, inadequate farm equipments (Jembe, maloda, sickles and axes), wrong type of seeds and management of crop infection both at germination and after germination was weak.

B. Grant Request Justification

Briefly describe (in no more than 500 words) the reasons for requesting CHF funding at this time. Explain how CHF funding will help address critical humanitarian gaps in your cluster. Explain the value added by your organization (e.g. geographical presence). Indicate if any other steps have been taken to secure alternative funding.

This project will respond to the emergency food security needs identified through needs assessment and analysis in the target location. The response will help to address food insecurity situation which is one of the main humanitarian gaps and the cluster priority areas in Rubkona county. The proposed activities will target returnees, displaced persons and vulnerable host communities particularly women and youth in areas severely impacted by high levels of food insecurity with the aim of increasing food production and availability. The project will also build and strengthen capacity of targeted beneficiaries to ensure sustainability of proposed activities. To achieve this objective, the project will work in close collaboration with the Ministry of Agriculture, FAO and other Food Security Livelihood partners in Unity State and the targeted county. CHF resources will be used to leverage CARE ongoing BMZ project funding in the target location.

C. Project Description (For CHF Component only)

i) Contribution to Cluster Objectives

Briefly describe how CHF funding will be used to contribute to the achievement of the cluster priority activities identified for this allocation.

The proposed project will be implemented in one of the cluster priority County in Unity State. The project is designed to increase food production as well as building capacity among returnees; IDP's and vulnerable host communities targeting particularly women and youth women. The project will target vulnerable farming households through the provision of agricultural inputs (seeds & tools) for food production with the aim of reducing food insecurity in Rubhkona County.

ii) Project Objective

State the objective/s of this CHF project will achieve. Objective/s should be Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant and Time-bound (SMART)

To contribute to the increase of food production in Rubkona county targeting 12,950 vulnerable IDPs, returnees and host community through the provision of agricultural inputs (seeds & tools) and building capacity by August 2013.

iii) Proposed Activities

List the main activities to be implemented with CHF funding. As much as possible link activities to the exact location of the operation and the corresponding number of direct beneficiaries (broken down by age and gender to the extent possible).

A. Increase food production for 1,850 vulnerable households (12,950 individual beneficiaries)

- Establish or strengthen community farmer groups in the target community
- Beneficiaries identification and registration

¹ To the extent possible reference needs assessment findings and include key data such as mortality and morbidity rates and nutritional status, and how the data differs among specific groups and/or geographic regions. Refer situation/data/indicators to national and/or global standards.

² SOUTH SUDAN Food Security Outlook, January to June 2013, FEWS NET

- Train farmers on best agronomic practices
- Procurement of project inputs
- Distribution of agricultural inputs vulnerable farmer households
- Attend cluster coordination meetings at the national, state and county level
- Share food security information of the targeted county with other relevant stakeholders

iv). Cross Cutting Issues

Briefly describe how cross-cutting issues (e.g. gender, environment, HIV/AIDS) are addressed in the project implementation.

CARE will mainstream Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR), Emergency Preparedness Plans (EPP), Conflict Sensitivity, Gender equity and Protection in all its interventions. CARE has in-house specialists in Emergency, DRR, Gender and Protection that are already providing technical support to other CARE's projects and will continue doing so in this proposed project. In addition to that, the environmental impact of this initiative will be low or none as the project activities and inputs to be procured will all be environmentally friendly.

CARE will promote women and girl participation in food security and livelihood activities by encouraging at least ¾ women composition on the formed farmer group committees, a deliberate monitoring and evaluation system will also be developed to monitor the participation of women and girls(which is projected at at least 70%) in this intervention as well as devising strategies for engaging men to fully support women participation both at household and community level during implementation of this proposed project. Women's roles and participation in decision-making will be closely monitored to ensure that women's voices are heard in a deliberate bid to address gender inequality. To achieve gender-specific results, project data will be disaggregated by sex / gender in tracking and reporting on progress. Gender awareness and mini training sessions will be organized during project implementation. Recognizing that rural women in the targeted counties often travel long distance looking for suitable land for cultivation and in some instances likely to suffer sexual harm. CARE will work closely with community leaders ensure the provision of appropriate land for women farmers. CARE will strengthen the ongoing HIV/AIDS initiatives by incorporating a strong HIV/AIDS awareness component in its training activities in the project.

v) Expected Result/s

Briefly describe (in no more than 300 words) the results you expect to achieve at the end of the CHF grant period.

- Result 1: Food production and availability is increased among vulnerable IDPs, returnees and host community through the provision of agricultural inputs (seeds & tools), building and strengthening capacity.

List below the output indicators you will use to measure the progress and achievement of your project results. At least three of the indicators should be taken from the cluster defined Standard Output Indicators (SOI) (annexed). Put a cross (x) in the first column to identify the cluster defined SOI. Indicate as well the total number of direct beneficiaries disaggregated by gender and age.

SOI (X)	#	Output Indicators (Ensure the output indicators are consistent with the output indicators that will be used in the results framework section III of this project proposal).	Target (indicate numbers or percentages) (Targets should be disaggregated by age and sex as per the standard output indicators list and add-up to the number of direct beneficiaries identified page 1)
X	1.	Quantity of inputs distributed (seeds, fishing gear, hand tools, disease surveillance kits, etc.)	26 MTs of improved seeds, 1850 sets tools
X	2.	Number of people provided with inputs (seeds and hand tools, disease surveillance kits, etc.)	12,950
X	3.	Trainings (for seeds and tool recipient farmers, CAHWs, technicians, facilitators, etc.)	200 farmers (120 women and 80 men)

vi) Implementation Mechanism

Describe planned mechanisms for implementation of the project. Explain if it is implemented through implementing partners such as NGOs, government actors, or other outside contractors.

CARE will take the primary responsibility of implementing the project. The strategy of implementation will involve partnerships with state Ministry of Agriculture and FAO at its various levels as well as other relevant INGOs to ensure collaborative approach and avoid duplication of interventions. The County/ Payam authorities and the beneficiaries will actively participate to develop a sense of ownership and sustainability of the services.

The proposed project will use CARE's experience of implementing program among the critically vulnerable and poor people that uses a participatory targeting approach while ensuring high quality of work. Beneficiary's selection criteria will be developed by CARE, community's farmer groups and community leaders. Beneficiaries will be selected in a transparent manner to ensure that vulnerable returnees, displaced persons and host communities particularly women and youth are targeted. CARE's role will be to provide technical oversight through training and day to day monitoring, supervision, coordination of project activities as well as monitoring financial expenditure and ensuring accountability and reporting to CHF and key stakeholders.

vii) Monitoring and Reporting Plan

Describe how you will monitor and report on the progress and achievements of the project. Notably:

1. Explain how will you measure whether a) Activities have been conducted, b) Results have been achieved, c) Cross-cutting issues have been addressed, and d) Project objectives have been met
2. Indicate what monitoring tools and technics will be used
3. Describe how you will analyze and report on the project achievements
4. Ensure key monitoring and reporting activities are included in the project workplan (Section III)³.

CARE's monitoring and evaluation of projects to ensure quality will be as follow:

Security and Accountability:

A complete monitoring and control system for receipt and distribution of project inputs, including waybills, stock cards, warehousing procedures, transport contracts and planning and reporting forms for project staff will be put in place and implemented. This supervision will enable efficient and effective storage and distribution of the project inputs.

³ CHF minimum narrative reporting requirements will include the submission of a final narrative report and where applicable a narrative mid-term report. Narrative reports will include a progress on the project achievements using the outputs indicators listed in this project proposal.

Performance and process:

CARE will monitor project activities against the indicators detailed in the logical framework and the project implementation schedule. Additional monitoring will be done through the CARE Officers in collaboration with Ministry of agriculture and other partners. The project staff will undertake monthly activity review and quarterly progress review and take the necessary actions to improve project performance. Gender issues and participation will be specifically monitored.

Reporting:

CARE will play an active role in the FSL Cluster at all levels (national, state and county). During monthly Inter Agency Coordination meetings at the County Level, CARE will report project progress. As per CARE's internal reporting practice, monthly project progress report will be produced. CARE will also prepare reports as per donor guidance/format and submit to CHF.

E. Total funding secured for the CAP project

Please add details of secured funds from other sources for the project in the CAP.

Source/donor and date (month, year)	Amount (USD)
Ministry of Foreign Affairs Luxemburg/Dec 2012 to May 2013	109,290 USD (87,432 EURO)

SECTION III:

The logical framework is a tool to present how the implementation of CHF funded activities and their results (outputs and outcomes) will contribute to achieving higher level humanitarian results (project and cluster objectives) and how these results will be measured.

Fill in the logical framework below for this project proposal ensuring the information provided is in accordance with the strategies and activities described in the narrative section of this proposal, in particular section C.

LOGICAL FRAMEWORK				
CHF ref./CAP Code: SSD-13/A/55198/5645		Project title: Small Scale Micro Irrigation support to farmer groups in Jonglei, Upper Nile and Unity States.		
		Organisation: CARE International		
Overall Objective	Cluster Priority Activities for this CHF Allocation: What are the Cluster Priority activities for this CHF funding round this project is contributing to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To contribute to the reduction of food insecurity through the provision of agricultural inputs (seeds & tools) for food production in priority county focusing on high-risk underserved communities and/or high numbers of displaced people and returnees. 	Indicators of progress: What are the key indicators related to the achievement of the CAP project objective? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increase in annual crop yields by at least 50%. 	How indicators will be measured: What are the sources of information on these indicators? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Annual report on crop yields 	
	CHF Project Objective: What are the specific objectives to be achieved by the end of this CHF funded project? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To contribute to the increase of food production in Rubkona county targeting 12,950 vulnerable IDPs, returnees and host community through the provision of agricultural inputs (seeds & tools) and building capacity by August 2013. 	Indicators of progress: What indicators will be used to measure whether the CHF Project Objectives are achieved. Indicators may be quantitative and qualitative <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 75% of the targeted households are able to meet at least 50% of their food needs through own production. 	How indicators will be measured: What sources of information already exist to measure this indicator? How will the project get this information? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Project household monitoring report Project final report. 	Assumptions & risks: What factors not under the control of the project are necessary to achieve these objectives? What factors may get in the way of achieving these objectives? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Political and security situation remain stable in the project areas. The operational areas remain accessible during the implementation period. No natural disaster happens No large population movements or displacement Natural disasters (e.g. flooding) do not take place Funds are available
Results	Results - Outcomes (intangible): State the changes that will be observed as a result of this CHF Project. E.g. changes in access, skills, knowledge, practice/behaviors of the direct beneficiaries. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Result 1: Food production and availability is increased among vulnerable IDPs, returnees and host community through the provision of agricultural inputs (seeds & tools), building and strengthening capacity. 	Indicators of progress: What are the indicators to measure whether and to what extent the project achieves the envisaged outcomes? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # of established or strengthened community farmer groups in all targeted community 	How indicators will be measured: What are the sources of information on these indicators? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Project Quarterly and final reports Beneficiaries lists Training reports 	Assumptions & risks: What factors not under the control of the project are necessary to achieve the expected outcomes? What factors may get in the way of achieving these objectives? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Political and security situation remain stable in the project areas. The operational areas remain accessible during the implementation period. No natural disaster happens No large population movements or displacement Natural disasters (e.g. flooding) do not take place Funds are available
	Immediate-Results - Outputs (tangible): List the products, goods and services (grouped per areas of work) that will result from the	Indicators of progress: What are the indicators to measure whether and to what extent the project achieves the	How indicators will be measured: What are the sources of information on these indicators?	Assumptions & risks: What factors not under the control of the project are necessary to achieve the expected outcomes?

<p><i>implementation of project activities. Ensure that the outputs are worded in a manner that describes their contribution to the outcomes.</i></p> <p>1. Increase food production</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Community farmer groups in the target community established or strengthened Agricultural inputs distributed to vulnerable farmer households Capacity building and strengthening of farmers on best agronomic practices 	<p><i>envisaged outputs? Ensure the indicators identified in Section II (v) of this proposal are adequately inserted in this section.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 26 MT of seeds distributed 1850 sets of agricultural tools distributed 200 farmers trained on best agronomic practices. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Project Quarterly and final reports List of community farmer groups members Beneficiaries lists Inputs procurement documents, storage and distribution reports Training reports 	<p><i>What factors may get in the way of achieving these objectives?</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Political and security situation remain stable in the project areas. The operational areas remain accessible during the implementation period. No natural disaster happens No large population movements or displacement Natural disasters (e.g. flooding) do not take place Funds are available
<p>Activities: <i>List in a chronological order the key activities to be carried out. Ensure that the key activities will results in the project outputs.</i></p> <p>A. Increase food production</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Establish or strengthen community farmer groups in the target community Beneficiaries identification and registration Train farmers on best agronomic practices Procurement of project inputs Distribution of agricultural inputs vulnerable farmer households Attend cluster coordination meetings at the national, state and county level Share food security information of the targeted county with other relevant stakeholders 	<p>Inputs: <i>What inputs are required to implement these activities, e.g. staff time, equipment, travel, publications costs etc.?</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Staff time Travel expenses for staff Computers Vehicles Agricultural inputs (seeds and tools) Training hall Stationery Fuel 		<p>Assumptions, risks and pre-conditions: <i>What pre-conditions are required before the project starts? What conditions outside the project's direct control have to be present for the implementation of the planned activities?</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Political and security situation remain stable in the project areas. The operational areas remain accessible during the implementation period. No natural disaster happens No large population movements or displacement Natural disasters (e.g. flooding) do not take place Funds are available

PROJECT WORK PLAN

This section must include a workplan with clear indication of the specific timeline for each main activity and sub-activity (if applicable). The workplan must be outlined with reference to the quarters of the calendar year.

Activities	Q1/2013		Q2/2013			Q3/2013			Q4/2013			Q1/2014	
	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb
Activity 1: Establish or strengthen community farmer groups in the target community		x											
Activity 2: Beneficiaries identification and registration		x	x										
Activity 3: Train farmers on best agronomic practices			x	x									
Activity 4: Procurement of project inputs		x											
Activity 5: Distribution of agricultural inputs vulnerable farmer households			x										
Activity 6: Attend cluster coordination meetings at the national, state and county level		x	x	x	x	x	x	x					
Activity 7: Share food security information of the targeted county with other relevant stakeholders		x	x	x	x	x	x	x					

*: TIMELINE FOR EACH SPECIFIC ACTIVITY MUST BE MARKED WITH AN X AND SHADED GREY 15%