

<b>Requesting Organization :</b>	United Nations Children's Fund	
<b>Allocation Type :</b>	Reserve Allocation 2	
<b>Primary Cluster</b>	<b>Sub Cluster</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
PROTECTION	Child Protection in Emergencies	100.00
		<b>100</b>
<b>Project Title :</b>	Critical Psychosocial Support Interventions, including child friendly spaces, case management, and community based psychosocial support	
<b>Allocation Type Category :</b>	Core pipeline	

**OPS Details**

<b>Project Code :</b>		<b>Fund Project Code :</b>	SSD-16/HSS10/RA 2/P/UN/4445
<b>Cluster :</b>		<b>Project Budget in US\$ :</b>	300,000.18
<b>Planned project duration :</b>	9 months	<b>Priority:</b>	
<b>Planned Start Date :</b>	15/12/2016	<b>Planned End Date :</b>	14/09/2017
<b>Actual Start Date:</b>	15/12/2016	<b>Actual End Date:</b>	14/09/2017

**Project Summary :** UNICEF will procure and deliver critical, child-friendly supplies for psychosocial support activities for girls and boys in the conflict-affected Equatoria region in order to promote structured, nurturing environments and a sense of normalcy and routine among affected girls and boys. PSS Facilitators will develop daily activity schedules, with input from children and adolescents, and facilitate child- and age-appropriate activities, including drawing, games, sports, cultural songs, dance, and games. The use of Early Childhood Development, Recreational, and Child Friendly Space kit materials integrated within facilitated PSS activities support greater cohesion among children, adolescents, and their families, and help children to create positive relationships with peers and caregivers, which are essential for healing and resilience. Tents, megaphones, mats, and tarpaulins will be used in both PSS and family tracing and reunification (FTR) activities to host those participating in activities, ensure families are aware of the most urgent FTR and PSS services, and provide a central location to assist with lost, missing, and separated children identified during crises and conflict.

**Direct beneficiaries :**

Men	Women	Boys	Girls	Total
0	0	16,250	16,250	32,500

**Other Beneficiaries :**

Beneficiary name	Men	Women	Boys	Girls	Total
Internally Displaced People	0	0	11,375	11,375	22,750
People in Host Communities	0	0	4,875	4,875	9,750

**Indirect Beneficiaries :**

Complementary funding supports over 500 parents, teachers, and other caregivers in providing appropriate, positive care for children.

**Catchment Population:**
**Link with allocation strategy :**

These critical emergency child protection supplies will be utilized to promote increased access to PSS and FTR services among children in the most vulnerable situations within the Greater Equatoria Region. UNICEF will collaborate with CPSC members to reach most affected populations and geographic locations.

**Sub-Grants to Implementing Partners :**

Partner Name	Partner Type	Budget in US\$

**Other funding secured for the same project (to date) :**

Other Funding Source	Other Funding Amount

**Organization focal point :**

Name	Title	Email	Phone
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**BACKGROUND****1. Humanitarian context analysis**

Since mid-2016, fighting throughout South Sudan has escalated and expanded, reaching the Equatorias, which had largely remained less affected than many other areas of the country. The Peace Agreement signed in August 2015 has not translated into increased stability in Greater Equatoria. On the contrary; in a region that previously remained relatively stable during the post-December 2013 conflict, insecurity has now intensified. Fighting has escalated in all three states of Greater Equatoria, with offensives from both the Government of the Republic of South Sudan and Sudan People's Liberation Army – in Opposition (SPLA-IO) forces. In addition, local armed groups have been involved in multiple clashes in the region since August 2015. In the last year, clashes have been reported in Mundri East and West, Maridi, Yambio, Ezo and Tombura counties in Western Equatoria state (WAS); in Yei, Lainya, Kako-Keji and Morobo in Central Equatoria state (CES); Juba in July 2016; and in parts of Eastern Equatoria state (EES) including Magwi and Ikwotos. Together with human rights violations, banditry and dramatically increasing food insecurity, these military operations and armed clashes have resulted in the displacement of hundreds of thousands of people within the region and in neighbouring countries (Uganda, Kenya, Democratic Republic of the Congo and Central African Republic); OCHA estimates that nearly 100,000 people have sought refuge in neighboring Uganda as of 31 August 2016. Many of those who have not left the country are hiding in the bush and villages near their former homes, frequently without access to basic services. The volatile political and security situation is compounded by a collapsing economy and a massive devaluation of the South Sudanese Pound (SSP) – over 730% year-to-year inflation – which in turn increases criminality and violence. Access to basic services is, at best, limited. The frequent denials by the authorities of Flight Safety Assurances (FSAs), multiplying bureaucratic impediments and delays continue to severely impact humanitarian action by contributing to reduced staff presence and delays in the delivery of humanitarian aid, often for weeks.

**2. Needs assessment**

The crisis in the Equatorias remains a severe protection crisis. Inter-agency reports and the Monitoring and Reporting Mechanism (MRM) report incidents of killing, maiming, recruitment, sexual violence, and other grave violations against children. MRM reports have decreased in the past few months, likely due to restricted access in the most affected locations. Prevailing issues affecting the protection of children in Greater Equatoria include the following: high increase in the number of children without appropriate family-based care (those living on the streets/markets) due to the economic crisis; family separation due to the current crisis and formerly due to abductions in WES; recruitment of young boys into the armed groups; gender-based violence including sexual abuse and exploitation, rape of girls and young women; early marriage, and other harmful traditional practices; teenage pregnancy, which leads among others to the increase in school drop-outs among young girls; high rate of HIV infections, particularly in Western Equatoria, which has the highest prevalence in the country. In the face of such dire conditions, the capacity of the humanitarian community to respond is severely limited. A number of factors continue to constrain the ability of humanitarian partners to adequately and effectively address the humanitarian needs of the population, primarily humanitarian access restrictions. The majority of children in the most affected locations are unable to access school and do not have any safe or positive outlet to support positive coping mechanisms and their emotional recovery and resilience or physical and mental development. Children have witnessed killing, abductions, and horrific violence and are family separation is making children more vulnerable and placing them at greater risk of abuse, neglect, and exploitation. Nationally, 9,031 unaccompanied, separated, and missing children have active and open FTR cases, with 1,321 of these cases being in the Greater Equatorias.

**3. Description Of Beneficiaries**

Girls and boys, primarily ages 4 - 17, will be able to access PSS interventions supported through this project, and unaccompanied and separated children of all ages along with parents reporting missing children will be able to request assistance for locating lost family members.

**4. Grant Request Justification**

This project is in line with the Protection Cluster strategy to meet the most urgent needs and provide services in the most affected locations within the Equatoria region. UNICEF will have the capacity to order supplies immediately and has partners on the ground ready to scale up and implement life-saving child protection interventions.

**5. Complementarity**

This project complements UNICEF funding to partners implementing PSS and FTR interventions and provides critical supplies necessary to conduct activities.

**LOGICAL FRAMEWORK****Overall project objective**

Critical child protection services and supplies are available in counties heavily affected by conflict or displacement within Greater Equatoria

PROTECTION													
Cluster objectives		Strategic Response Plan (SRP) objectives			Percentage of activities								
CO2: Quality protection response services are available and can be accessed safely and freely		HRP 2016 SO1: Save lives and alleviate suffering through safe access to services and resources with dignity			100								
<b>Contribution to Cluster/Sector Objectives :</b> The project is in line with Protection Cluster and Child Protection Sub-Cluster priority locations, objectives, and activities, with an emphasis on life-saving, accessible, and child-centred response interventions													
<b>Outcome 1</b>													
Girls and boys in conflict-affected locations have safe access to critical child protection services, including PSS and FTR.													
<b>Output 1.1</b>													
<b>Description</b>													
Child-appropriate kits and PSS/FTR supplies are procured to support the implementation of PSS and FTR activities.													
<b>Assumptions &amp; Risks</b>													
Supplies reach South Sudan in optimal time and are able to be delivered to conflict-affected locations, without transport, looting, or other issues.													
<b>Activities</b>													
<b>Activity 1.1.1</b>													
Procure child-friendly and PSS/FTR supplies													
<b>Activity 1.1.2</b>													
Utilize supplies for critical PSS and FTR interventions													
<b>Indicators</b>													
Code	Cluster	Indicator	End cycle beneficiaries				End cycle						
			Men	Women	Boys	Girls	Target						
Indicator 1.1.1	PROTECTION	Frontline services # of children reached with community-based PSS			7,000	7,000	14,000						
<b>Means of Verification :</b> Partner Reports, UNICEF monitoring reports, Photos													
Indicator 1.1.2	PROTECTION	Frontline services # of children reached through non-community-based PSS			9,250	9,250	18,500						
<b>Means of Verification :</b> CFS records, UNICEF monitoring reports, Photos													
Indicator 1.1.3	PROTECTION	# of children reached through distribution and utilization of PSS supplies, including Child Friendly Space, Recreation, and Early Child Education kits					32,500						
<b>Means of Verification :</b> Photos, CFS participation records, CBPSS records, partner reports (other supplies used for PSS activities and PSS/FTR outreach, including tents, mats, megaphones, tarps, and facilitator kits, will be reflected as well through these means of verification)													
<b>Additional Targets :</b>													
<b>M &amp; R</b>													
<b>Monitoring &amp; Reporting plan</b>													
UNICEF employs a Child Protection Specialist covering the Greater Equatorias. This position monitors PSS and FTR implementation to ensure quality, accessible, and child-centered interventions. Through remote and onsite technical support, the Equatoria-based Specialist and FTR/PSS Specialist will visit implementation sites at least quarterly to promote timely, proper utilization of supplies.													
<b>Workplan</b>													
Activitydescription	Year	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Activity 1.1.1: Procure child-friendly and PSS/FTR supplies	2016												X
	2017	X	X	X	X	X							
Activity 1.1.2: Utilize supplies for critical PSS and FTR interventions	2016												
	2017			X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
<b>OTHER INFO</b>													
<b>Accountability to Affected Populations</b>													

UNICEF Child Protection supports partners to encourage child participation and feedback mechanisms to ensure activities are child-centered and in line with their needs and wishes. Daily PSS schedules involve children in the design and planning, and FTR quality and accountability cards are being rolled out in 2017 to ensure families are aware of case worker roles and responsibilities and provide feedback if they have concerns throughout the process. Through routine monitoring, UNICEF Child Protection Specialists ensure appropriate, timely implementation and utilization of supplies.

**Implementation Plan**

UNICEF will procure items as soon as funding is secured and will deliver items to national and international NGO partners providing essential child protection interventions in targeted locations. UNICEF will then monitor the release, distribution, and use of supplies to ensure items are promoting and enhancing PSS and FTR services and reaching girls and boys in the most vulnerable situations.

**Coordination with other Organizations in project area**

Name of the organization	Areas/activities of collaboration and rationale
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**Environment Marker Of The Project**

B+: Medium environmental impact with mitigation(sector guidance)

**Gender Marker Of The Project**

2a-The project is designed to contribute significantly to gender equality

**Justify Chosen Gender Marker Code**

Currently, PSS and FTR services reach 47% girls and 53% boys, and UNICEF is supporting partners to implement programming that promotes increased gender equity and equality. Complementary PSS programming engages teachers, parents, and other caregivers in finding ways to decrease household work assigned to girls and, instead, encourage girls' safe participation and involvement in school, play, and critical services that are essential to their wellbeing. UNICEF is purchasing volleyballs and kits that tend to increase girl engagement. Additionally, UNICEF supports fast-tracked family tracing and reunification for girls with serious protection concerns, including teenage pregnancy, risk of early marriage, and exploitation, thereby reducing risk. Additionally, involving male adolescents is a core component of UNICEF-supported child protection interventions to ensure males are involved in positive outlets and have reduced risks of recruitment, abuse, and substance abuse. Through the identification and vetting of foster parents willing to care for adolescent boys, UNICEF and partners also promote appropriate, family-based care for unaccompanied adolescent boys, who are a typically challenging population to place in temporary, family-based care.

**Protection Mainstreaming**

Through PSS individual case management and use of GBV and Child protection referral pathways, partners promote safe access to survivor- and child-centered services. All services promote equal, dignified access by ensuring activities are geared to girls and boys, including those with disabilities, protection concerns, or other sensitive issues. PSS and FTR facilitators within partner organizations have codes of conduct, which emphasize the importance of respecting each child regardless of differences and ensuring safe, supportive, welcoming, and accessible environments. These also include prevention of sexual exploitation and abuse components.

**Country Specific Information**

**Safety and Security**

**Access**

**BUDGET**

Code	Budget Line Description	D / S	Quantity	Unit cost	Duration Recurrence	% charged to CHF	Total Cost
2.1	Early Childhood Development Kits	D	150	167.00	1	100.00	25,050.00
	<i>Each kit reaches 50 children</i>						
2.2	Recreation Kits	D	250	117.00	1	100.00	29,250.00
	<i>Each kit reaches at least 90 children</i>						
2.3	Child-Friendly Space Kits	D	330	222.00	1	100.00	73,260.00
	<i>Each kit reaches at least 100 children</i>						
2.4	Mats	D	4080	1.00	1	100.00	4,080.00
	<i>For use in CFS</i>						
2.5	Volleyballs	D	250	3.22	1	100.00	805.00
	<i>To ensure girl participation in games / sports</i>						

2.6	Tarpaulin	D	2000	11.00	1	100.00	22,000.00
2.7	Tents	D	10	1,000.00	1	100.00	10,000.00
2.8	Megaphones	D	70	60.00	1	100.00	4,200.00
<i>To ensure the community is aware of available services and to support families in knowing about the central location(s) where they might be able to find missing children</i>							
2.9	PSS Volunteer Kits	D	300	50.00	1	100.00	15,000.00
<i>For use in household case management and outreach and family tracing services</i>							
2.10	Freight Costs and External and Internal Transport to pre-position in the Equatorias	D	1	36,729.00	1	100.00	36,729.00
<b>Section Total</b>							<b>220,374.00</b>
<b>General Operating and Other Direct Costs</b>							
7.1	ICT Support	D	1	10,000.00	1	100.00	10,000.00
7.2	Support to Logistics and Procurement	D	1	35,000.00	1	100.00	35,000.00
7.3	Support to Other Operations Costs (Security)	D	1	15,000.00	1	100.00	15,000.00
<b>Section Total</b>							<b>60,000.00</b>
<b>SubTotal</b>			7,444.00				<b>280,374.00</b>
Direct							280,374.00
Support							
<b>PSC Cost</b>							
PSC Cost Percent							7.00
PSC Amount							19,626.18
<b>Total Cost</b>							<b>300,000.18</b>
<b>Project Locations</b>							
Location	Estimated percentage of budget for each location	Estimated number of beneficiaries for each location					Activity Name
		Men	Women	Boys	Girls	Total	
Eastern Equatoria -> Magwi	20			3,000	3,000	6,000	Activity 1.1.1 : Procure child-friendly and PSS/FTR supplies Activity 1.1.2 : Utilize supplies for critical PSS and FTR interventions
Eastern Equatoria -> Torit	10			1,500	1,500	3,000	Activity 1.1.1 : Procure child-friendly and PSS/FTR supplies Activity 1.1.2 : Utilize supplies for critical PSS and FTR interventions
Western Equatoria -> Mundri East	5			750	750	1,500	Activity 1.1.1 : Procure child-friendly and PSS/FTR supplies Activity 1.1.2 : Utilize supplies for critical PSS and FTR interventions

Western Equatoria -> Mundri West	5		750	750	1,500	Activity 1.1.1 : Procure child-friendly and PSS/FTR supplies Activity 1.1.2 : Utilize supplies for critical PSS and FTR interventions
Western Equatoria -> Nzara	15		2,250	2,250	4,500	Activity 1.1.1 : Procure child-friendly and PSS/FTR supplies Activity 1.1.2 : Utilize supplies for critical PSS and FTR interventions
Central Equatoria -> Juba	20		4,000	4,000	8,000	Activity 1.1.1 : Procure child-friendly and PSS/FTR supplies Activity 1.1.2 : Utilize supplies for critical PSS and FTR interventions
Central Equatoria -> Lainya	5		500	500	1,000	Activity 1.1.1 : Procure child-friendly and PSS/FTR supplies Activity 1.1.2 : Utilize supplies for critical PSS and FTR interventions
Central Equatoria -> Yei	20		3,500	3,500	7,000	Activity 1.1.1 : Procure child-friendly and PSS/FTR supplies Activity 1.1.2 : Utilize supplies for critical PSS and FTR interventions

#### Documents

Category Name	Document Description