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<b>Organization</b>	<b>Catholic Relief Services (CRS)</b>	
<b>Project Title</b>	Shaping Our World (SOW)	
<b>Budget Requested</b>	USD \$600,000	
<b>Funding Window</b>	WINDOW 1	
<b>Project Length</b>	24 Months	
<b>Project Location – State and Locality</b>	Central Darfur	Umdukhun
<b>National Partner(s)</b>	Trust Rehabilitation and Development Organization (TDO)	
<b>DCPSF Outputs</b>	Outputs 1,2,3,4	

## **PLANNED RESPONSE**

The project Shaping Our World (SOW) initiatives contribute towards improving relationships and prevent future conflicts between competing groups in Umdukhun locality. Building on successes from previous and current peacebuilding work and best practices gained, Catholic Relief Services (CRS) will address conflict triggers, while introducing innovative, cost-efficient measures to address the root causes of conflict in the targeted areas. The seven selected villages and Umdukhun town are targeted because of the violent conflicts in 2013 and 2014 between the Salamat and the Mesaria tribes. The underlying causes of the conflict include contested water and land rights, ethnic competition between tribes of African and Arab origin, and the proliferation of arms, which has escalated violence around livestock and crop destruction. SOW will mitigate drivers and root causes of conflict through innovative social cohesion programming and inter-tribal dialogue. The approach combines the 4Ds of Appreciative Inquiry (Discover, Dream, Design and Deliver) with CRS's 3Bs peacebuilding methodology (Binding, Bonding and Bridging). CRS has employed this approach successfully in the Central African Republic, Cameroon and Nigeria to help conflicted groups, organizations and communities find common ground and transform their disagreements and disputes amicably.

## ***Activities***

Formation and reactivation of 8 Community Reconciliation Committees for a total of 192 members to include women and youths (80 women and 112 men)

The livelihoods intervention will target both the Mesaria and Salamat as the main conflicted parties in these communities as well as both pastoralist and farmer groups with income generating opportunities.

32 Savings and Internal Lending Communities (SILC) groups will be formed and will be led by 8 trained SILC Field Agents (FAs), specifically targeting women. SILC groups each, with up to 15-25 people per group, for a total of approximately 800 participants. These groups will have approximately 640 females (448 adult and 192 youth) and 160 males (112 adult males and 48 male youths).

Construction of 75 market stalls to improve economic outputs of diverse livelihood groups. 3 market committees established of 42 men, 18 women and 15 youth with representation from different tribes to manage the use of stalls. Overall rehabilitated market stalls are expected to benefit a total of 6000 people comprising of 2400 men and 3600 women. This will serve as a Bridging activity for diverse groups to come together for a common mutually beneficial cause.



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Recognizing the significance of water and land resources in igniting tribal conflict, 4 water user committees (WUCs) will be established to jointly manage shared water resources. The WUCs will be made of 20 members of 12 men and eight women from competing communities. The project in collaboration with the Ministry of Agriculture and Animal Resources (MOAAR), will also establish a network of Community Animal Health Workers (CAHWs) along the migratory routes and ensure provision of veterinary extension services as a peacebuilding tool.

4 main migratory routes will be demarcated each 40 /50 km long using cement sand blocks to ensure access to natural resources by pastoralists. The demarcated routes will be manned by migration route committees of 15-20 community members mainly community leaders including selected youth and women.

Four cluster coordination meetings will be held for networking and collaborative initiatives involving the locality level reconciliation committee and representative from village reconciliation committees.

A Higher reconciliation committee, at state level, locality level reconciliation committees and representative from village's reconciliation committees discuss and disseminate regional agendas of reconciliations and peacebuilding in 2 peace fora events.