### SUN Movement Multi-Partner Trust Fund



### 1<sup>st</sup> **PROGRAMME<sup>1</sup>QUARTERLY PROGRESS UPDATE – YEAR 2015**

#### **Reporting period: January- March 2015**

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Participating UN Organization:						
Implementing Partner(s):	Catholic Relief Services (Focal Organization). Society for Family Health (implementing Partner).					
Programme Number:	# 00090332 SUN 02/RWA/024 Coordinated CSO					
Programme Title:	Establishing Coordinated Rwandan Civil Society Engagement in Scaling Up Nutrition					
Total Approved Programme Budget: (a)	US\$ 240,750 total project Additional to the project, cost sharing of US\$ 50,527					
Location:	Rwanda					
MC Approval Date:	14 March 2014					
Programme Duration:	18 Months	Starting Date:	June 2014	Completion Date:	December 2015	
Funds Committed: (b)	US\$ 225,000 project US\$ 15,750 ISC			Percentage of Approved: (b)/(a)	100%	
Funds Disbursed: ( c)	US\$ 93,466			Percentage of Approved:(c)/(b)	41%	
Expected Programme Duration:	18 Months	Forecast Final Date:	Earlier 2016	Delay (Months): 2	2 Months (June & July 14). CRS received funds on June 26, 2014. Contracts with sub- contractors were signed on August 1, 2014. CRS needed to conduct Sub recipient financial assessment prior to signing.	

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Outcomes:	Achievements/Results for the quarter:	Percentage of planned for the quarter:
Objective 1: A Rwandan civil society alliance for nutrition is establishedOutcome 1.1 Inclusive map of CS stakeholders by district established and updatedOutput 1.1.1: CS stakeholders by district identified Indicator: % of CS Stakeholders consciously supporting/implementing nutrition actions Baseline: 0 Planned Target: 30 Districts	1.1.1.Stakeholders and actions mapping template for initial data gathering have been produced and provided to identified partners for completion	50%
<ul> <li>Output 1.1.2: Terms of reference that incorporate membership criteria, roles and responsibilities</li> <li>Indicator: Charter signed by CS actors dedicating commitment to SUN</li> <li>Baseline: 0</li> <li>Planned Target: 1</li> </ul>	1.1.2.TOR that incorporate membership and criteria roles and responsibilities have been validated by civil societies who committed to SUN during the SUN general Assembly held on 25 <sup>th</sup> March 2015	100%
Outcome 1.2: CS Alliance coordinating mechanisms established and functional Output 1.2.1. : Platform events are conducted at national and district level - Indicator: # of introductory event held at national level and at district level Baseline: 0 Planned Target: 1 event at National 30 event at district	<ul> <li>1.2.1.: Civil society mobilization meeting at district level held in 13 districts</li> <li>1.2.2.Introductory event at National level-First SUN general Assembly meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> March 2015</li> </ul>	43% 100%

Objective 2: Rwandan Civil Society stakeholders contribute to scaling up nutritionOutcome 2.1: Civil Society Alliance strengthen national and multisectoral partnership toward scaling up nutritionOutput 2.1.1. Nutrition related discussion activities and presentations take place at the community level- Indicator: # interpersonal communication (IPC) sessions at cooking demonstrations)Baseline: 0Planned annual target :10- Indicator. # mobile video sessions at community level		Organization of 10 interpersonal sessions at community level Conduct 3 mobile video at community mobilization events on how to prepare well balanced meal and promote the 1000 days campaign by using mobile video	100% 100%
<ul> <li>Output 2.1.2. Advocacy sessions are held</li> <li>Indicator:# meetings at community level to engage CBO's, FBOs, women's organization and Right Food Groups on scaling up nutrition</li> <li>Baseline: 0</li> <li>Planned</li> <li>Quarterly target: 10</li> </ul>	2.1.3.	Organization of 8 meetings at community level out of 10 planned for the quarter	80%

Objective 3 Rwanda Nutrition civil Society actors are linked to SUN astakeholders		
Outcome: 3.1: Alliance members participate in SUN Learning Network with other SUN CSAs		
Output: 3.1.1. Rwanda Nutrition CS alliance coordinates with SUN UN and donor networks. Indicator 3.3: % attendance to SUN meetings/conference calls Baseline: 0 Planned Target:1	3.1.1.Communication through on line communication to the global movement	100%

#### Qualitative achievements against outcomes and results:

#### Outcome 1.1 Inclusive map of CS stakeholders by district established and updated

#### 1.1.1 Mapping civil society stakeholders

In collaboration with WFP, UNICEF and REACH consultant, a template including the core nutrition action to be mapped in the stakeholders has been prepared, reviewed and approved by the Ministry of Health and the National Food and Nutrition Technical Working Group in different meetings. A stakeholders list has been updated and reviewed and the tool has been sent to each stakeholder for completion and validation.

# **1.1.2** Elaboration and signature by civil society of Terms of Reference that incorporate membership criteria, roles and responsibilities of the alliance

The Terms of Reference for the civil society alliance that incorporate membership criteria, roles and responsibilities have been elaborated and given to civil society organizations for feedback.

The final TOR has been validated by 59 civil Societies organizations who committed to be member of civil society alliance during the first general assembly.

#### Outcome 1.2: CS Alliance coordinating mechanisms established and functional

#### 1.2.1.: Organization of introductory event at district level and selection of focal point

In line with the goal to establish a civil society organization in Rwanda, introductory meetings were organized at district level to explain the SUN movement and mobilize civil society organizations to join in scaling up nutrition. At the end of each district meeting, a district CSO committee was elected, comprised of the chair as focal point, the co-chair and the secretary.

Of 30 districts, 13 were visited as follows: Eastern Province: Gatsibo, Nyagatare, Rwamagana, Kayonza, Kirehe; Southern Province: Nyanza, Nyamagabe, Muhanga, Kamonyi; Northern Province: Musanze, Burera, Gakenke; Kigali city: Kicukiro.

Participants in these districts meetings were with local and international organizations supporting food and nutrition related activities, with business community members gathered in Rwanda Private Sector Federation. Organizations have activities at cell, sector and district levels.

The elected focal point of civil society in district will lead civil society engagement from their district in the alliance during the life of the SUN grant and beyond and will represent the district in national coordination efforts.

# **1.2.2 :**Organization of introductory event at National level and Establishment of the Scaling up Nutrition Civil Society Alliance in Rwanda

On March 25, CRS, together with partners, facilitated the organization of the first SUN CSA in Rwanda General Assembly meeting which established the Scaling Up Nutrition Civil Society Alliance (SUN CSA) in Rwanda. Fifty-nine civil society organizations working in nutrition participated as founding members of the Alliance, supported by stakeholder representatives from the government, academia, donor organizations, and the private sector. During the meeting, participant members validated the Alliance's Terms of Reference and elected an Executive Committee. The new committee is comprised of Society for Family Health as Chair, Catholic Relief Services Rwanda as Co-Chair, and Catholic University of Rwanda as Interim Secretary.



Participants in the SUN general Assembly

The secretary was elected as an interim because the Secretary's organization will be responsible for hosting the Secretariat, acting as the headquarters for the Rwanda SUN CSA. The Interim Secretary will meet with all nominated organizations to further explain the roles and responsibilities, collect the names of all final candidates for Secretary (individuals identified by each nominated organization to run for Secretary on their behalf, and facilitate the election process of a permanent Secretary at the next General Assembly meeting.

# Outcome 2.1: Civil Society Alliance strengthens national and multisectoral partnership toward scaling up nutrition

# **2.1.1** CSO members Organize and conduct interpersonal communication (IPC) sessions at community level through CBO cooking demonstrations.

Eight sessions of Interpersonal Communication sessions were conducted in different sectors of the country to reach 240 people in Gicumbi, Burera, Gisagara, Ruhango, and Kayonza districts.

In these IPC sessions, the audience was composed of care givers of children under five years of age and pregnant women. Key messages focused on (i) feeding on a balanced diet during pregnancy, (ii) exclusive breastfeeding for six months, (iii) keeping proper hygiene, (iv) immunizing your child against preventable diseases, (v) balanced diet and composition of a complete diet, and (vi) knowing how to prepare nutritious food for your child.



IPC done by CBO in Ngoma Districts, March 2015

#### 2.1.2. Organize Mobile Video Unit (MVU) to support 1000 days campaign

A Mobile Video Unit was used to show films to community members on nutrition to educate and increase knowledge of care givers on nutrition.

During this quarter, three sessions of mobile video were conducted. One session was done in Kirehe district, Kirehe sector and reached 261 people, another session was done in Rusizi district, Bugarama sector where 235 people were reached, and the last MVU session for this quarter was conducted in Nyabihu district, Kabatwa sector and reached 250 people. The video targeted children under five years of age and pregnant women, promoting the 1,000 days approach for a healthy Rwanda.

Before the film, mobilization events are organized in neighboring sectors with nutrition messages and using local artists, stars and local authorities informing people on the date and venue of the film.

Mobilization sessions were done in Nyabihu district, Jenda and Kabatwa sector, Rusizi district Bugarama sector, and in Kirere district and Kirehe sector. An estimated number of 5,352 people were reached with nutrition messages during community mobilizations



Mobile Video Unit show

In addition to education sessions done on scaling up nutrition, cooking demonstrations were organized to show the participants how to prepare a balanced and healthy meal using food commonly available in the community. Cooking demonstrations were conducted in Gisagara district, Kigembe sector with 25 caregivers, and in Ruhango, Byimana sector, where about 200 people were present.

# **2.1.3.** Organize and conduct meetings at community level to engage CBOs, FBOs, women organization and right Food groups on scaling up nutrition

To engage CBOs, FBOs and women organizations on scaling up nutrition, eight sessions of meetings were conducted at the district level to engage local authorities to sensitize on SUN and at the community level in different districts. To engage partners in CBOs to be engaged in promoting nutrition, the meetings were as follows:

- Meeting for 128 local authorities from Burera, Gakenke, Kicukiro, Ruhango and Gatsibo as one of advocacy to mobilize communities to scale up nutrition
- Meeting for 112 CBOs, FBO leaders and women's organizations from Burera, Nyabihu, Gakenke, Byimana, Rusizi and Nyagatare.

#### **Outcome: 3.1: Alliance members participate in SUN Learning Network with other SUN CSAs**

#### 3.1.1. Communication with SUN Global Movement

Regular communication by online correspondence was done in order to share with the SUN global on the achievements in establishing Rwanda Civil Society Alliance. A story on the Rwanda SUN Civil Society Platform launch was sent to the global level to be posted to the SUN global website.

<sup>1</sup> The term "programme" is used for projects, programmes and joint programmes.