

Peacebuilding Fund Project Progress Report (Update May_2023)



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PROJECT OVERVIEW

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» Report Submission

Type of report *

- Semi-annual
- Annual
- Final
- Other

Date of submission of report *

2023-11-16

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Name and Title of Person submitting the report *
Kyle Jacques, Monitoring and Evaluation Officer, PBF Secretariat Sudan, on behalf of the Carter Center
Name and Title of Person who approved the report *
Kyle Jacques, Monitoring and Evaluation Officer, PBF Secretariat Sudan
Have all fund recipients for this project contributed to the report? *
<input checked="" type="radio"/> yes <input type="radio"/> no
Did PBF Secretariat review the report? *
<i>If there is no PBF secretariat in country, please select "Not applicable". If there is a PBF secretariat, you should normally ensure that they have an opportunity to review.</i>
<input checked="" type="radio"/> yes <input type="radio"/> no <input type="radio"/> Not Applicable

» Project Information and Geographical Scope

Is this a cross-border project? *
<input type="radio"/> yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> no
Please select the geographical region in which the project is implemented
<input type="radio"/> Asia and the Pacific <input type="radio"/> Central & Southern Africa <input checked="" type="radio"/> East Africa
<input type="radio"/> Europe and Central Asia <input type="radio"/> Global <input type="radio"/> Latin America and the Caribbean
<input type="radio"/> Middle East and North Africa <input type="radio"/> West Africa
Country of project implementation *
<input type="radio"/> Ethiopia <input type="radio"/> Kenya <input type="radio"/> Madagascar
<input type="radio"/> Somalia <input type="radio"/> South Sudan <input checked="" type="radio"/> Sudan
<input type="radio"/> Other, Specify

Other, please specify *

Project Title *

- 00119468: Building Sustainable Peace and Social Cohesion in Tawilla Locality, North Darfur
- 00130002: Building the MHPSS-Gender-Peacebuilding nexus: fostering wellbeing, non-violent, gender equitable masculinity and social restoration with young people in West Darfur, Sudan.
- 00130052: Darfuri Youth Empowerment in Civic Spaces to Advance Peacebuilding
- 00119467: Durable Solutions for forced displacement in West Darfur
- 00119469: East Darfur: Assalaya-Sheiria-Yassin Triangle of Peace and Coexistence
- 00121172: PBF secretariat and peacebuilding project Sudan
- 00130005: Refugee and IDP Profiling Towards Sustainable Peace and Durable Solutions in Darfur
- 00125917: Strengthening the Political and Peacebuilding Role of Women in Sudan's Transition
- 00130705: Sudan Youth Citizen Observer Network: Strengthening Youth's Role as Peacebuilders and Promoters of Civic Space in Sudan's Transition
- 00125403: Support to the Sudanese Peace Process
- 00128019: Supporting Sustainable Peace in Blue Nile State through Gender-Responsive Natural Resource Governance, Inclusive Conflict Resolution Mechanisms and Climate-Resilient Livelihoods
- 00119470: Transition to Sustainable Peace in Central Darfur
- 00119471: Transition to Sustainable Peace in South Darfur
- 00131661: Peacebuilding and Human Rights in Support of Durable Solutions for IDPs and Affected Communities: The Right to Adequate Housing in West Darfur
- 00133949: Strengthening Capacities for Peace and Social Cohesion in Kassala and Red Sea States Sudan
- 00133950: Strengthening the Security - Climate Nexus in Gedaref Sudan
- 00140081: Empowering Women Civil Society Leaders as Peacebuilders
- 00140082: Empowerment of youth for peace and effective political participation Red Sea State Sudan.
- Other, Specify

Write the 8 digit MPTFO number and Project Title exactly as it appears in the Project Document *

EXAMPLE: 00118938: Community-based prevention of violence and social cohesion using innovation for young people in displaced and host communities

Please select the geographical region(s) in which the project is implemented *

If the project you are looking for does not appear in the following question, please make sure that you have selected the correct regions. A limited number of cross border projects span multiple geographic regions. For example, a cross border project between Niger and Chad spans both West Africa and Central & Southern Africa

- Asia and the Pacific
- Europe and Central Asia
- Middle East and North Africa
- Central & Southern Africa
- Global
- West Africa
- East Africa
- Latin America and the Caribbean

Please select the title of the project for which you are submitting the report *

Write the 8 digit MPTFO numbers and Project Title exactly as it appears in the Project Document *

EXAMPLE: 00129699/700: Supporting Cross-Border Cooperation for Increased Community Resilience and Social Cohesion in The Gambia and Senegal

Please select the countries where this project is being implemented *

Other, Please specify *

Project Start Date (Date of first transfer) *

2022-03-31

2022-03-31

Project end Date *

2023-08-31

2023-08-31

Has this project received an extension? *

- YES, Cost Extension
- YES, No Cost Extension
- YES, Both Cost and No Cost extensions
- NO, No Extensions

Will this project be requesting an extension? *

- YES, Cost Extension
- YES, No Cost Extension
- YES, Both Cost and No Cost extensions
- NO, No Extensions

Is funding disbursed either into a national or regional trust fund? *

- yes
- no

If yes, please select which *

- National Trust Fund
- Regional Trust Fund

Recipients

Is the convening agency a UN agency or a non UN entity? *

- UN entity
- Non-UN Entity

Please select the convening agency recipient *

- Action Aid
 The African Centre for the Constructive Resolution of Disputes (ACCORD)
- Agence de Coopération et de Recherche pour le Développement (ACORD)
- American Friends Service Committee (AFSC)
 Avocats Sans Frontières
- Avocats Sans Frontières Belgium
 Avocats sans frontières Canada
 Christian Aid Ireland
- CARE International UK
 The Carter Center, Inc.
- Centre d'étude et de coopération internationale (CECI) - BF
 COIPRODEN
- Concern Worldwide
 CORDAID
 CORD Burundi
- DanChurchAid
 Fundacion Estudios Superior (FESU)
 Fund for Congolese Women
- Fundación Mi Sangre (FMS)
 Fundación Nacional para el Desarrollo de Honduras (FUNADEH)
- Fundación para la Libertad de Prensa (FLIP)
 HELVETAS Swiss Intercooperation
- Humanity & Inclusion (HI)
 Instituto Holandes para Democracia Multipartidaria (NIMD)
- International Alert
 Interpeace
 Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation
- Life and Peace Institute (LPI)
- (MDG-EISA) Institut Electoral pour une Démocratie Durable en Afrique (EISA), bureau de Madagascar
- Mercy Corps
 MSIS-TATAO
 Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC)
- ONG AZHAR
 OXFAM
 Peace Direct
- PNG UN Country Fund
 Red de Instituciones por los Derechos de la Niñez
- Sampan'Asa Momba ny Fampanandrosoana (SAF/FJKM)
 Saferworld
- Search for Common Ground (SFCG)
 SismaMujer
 Tearfund
- Trocaire
 World Vision International
 World Vision Myanmar
- ZOA
 Other, Please specify

Other, Please specify *

Are there other recipients for this project? *

- No other recipients
- Yes, other UN recipients only
- Yes, other non-UN recipients only
- Yes, both UN and non-UN recipients

Please select other UN recipients *

Select all that apply

- UNDP: United Nations Development Programme IOM: International Organization for Migration
- UNICEF: United Nations Children's Fund
- OHCHR: Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights
- UNWOMEN: United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women
- UNHCR: United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees UNFPA: United Nations Population Fund
- FAO: Food and Agriculture Organization WFP: World Food Programme
- UNHABITAT: United Nations Human Settlements Programme
- UNESCO: United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization
- UNEP: United Nations Environment Programme ILO: International Labour Organization
- WHO: World Health Organization PAHO/WHO
- UNCDF: United Nations Capital Development Fund UNODC: United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime
- UNOPS: United Nations Office for Project Services
- UNIDO: United Nations Industrial Development Organization ITC: International Trade Centre
- UN Department of Peace Operations Other, Specify

Other, Please specify *

Please select other non-UN recipients *

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- Other, Please specify

Other, Please specify *

Implementing Partners

To how many implementing partners has the project transferred money to date?

10



Please list all of the project's implementing partners and the amounts (in USD) transferred to each to date

Please select the type of organisation which best describes the type of implementing partner *

- National youth CSO
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- Governmental entity
- Other

Other, Please specify

What is the name of the Implementing Partner *

Sudanese Organization for Nonviolence and Development (SONAD)

What is the total amount (in USD) disbursed to the implementing partner to date *

9620

Briefly describe the main activities carried out by the Implementing Partner *

Please limit your response to 175 words

The implementing partners have worked with focal points to establish an advisory board, hold advisory board meetings, nominate observers and establish a temporary secretariat. Moreover, they have worked to launch the YCO network publicly. Their work in identifying relevant areas of observation and attending the Carter Center-led training of lead observers has helped to facilitate the publishing of YCO observational reports.

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- Other

Other, Please specify

What is the name of the Implementing Partner *

AIMasheesh

What is the total amount (in USD) disbursed to the implementing partner to date *

55754.56

Briefly describe the main activities carried out by the Implementing Partner *

Please limit your response to 175 words

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Other, Please specify

What is the name of the Implementing Partner *

CAFA

What is the total amount (in USD) disbursed to the implementing partner to date *

41066

Briefly describe the main activities carried out by the Implementing Partner *

Please limit your response to 175 words

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Other, Please specify

What is the name of the Implementing Partner *

African Organization for Peace and Development

What is the total amount (in USD) disbursed to the implementing partner to date *

14000

Briefly describe the main activities carried out by the Implementing Partner *

Please limit your response to 175 words

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Other, Please specify

What is the name of the Implementing Partner *

ALGandol

What is the total amount (in USD) disbursed to the implementing partner to date *

13814.4

Briefly describe the main activities carried out by the Implementing Partner *

Please limit your response to 175 words

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- Other

Other, Please specify

What is the name of the Implementing Partner *

Youth Mechanism

What is the total amount (in USD) disbursed to the implementing partner to date *

13992

Briefly describe the main activities carried out by the Implementing Partner *

Please limit your response to 175 words

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Other, Please specify

What is the name of the Implementing Partner *

Red Sea for Development

What is the total amount (in USD) disbursed to the implementing partner to date *

13864

Briefly describe the main activities carried out by the Implementing Partner *

Please limit your response to 175 words

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In addition, Red Sea joined the project a little later following the resignation of CSO Adeela. Adeela has resigned due to the security issues involved with the contract activities, and that it interferes with their position as a bipartisan organization.

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- Other

Other, Please specify

What is the name of the Implementing Partner *

YOUTH PEER EDUCATION NETWORK Y-PEER Kassala

What is the total amount (in USD) disbursed to the implementing partner to date *

25031.2

Briefly describe the main activities carried out by the Implementing Partner *

Please limit your response to 175 words

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- Other

Other, Please specify

What is the name of the Implementing Partner *

YOUTH PEER EDUCATION NETWORK Y-PEER Northern State

What is the total amount (in USD) disbursed to the implementing partner to date *

23762

Briefly describe the main activities carried out by the Implementing Partner *

Please limit your response to 175 words

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- Other

Other, Please specify

What is the name of the Implementing Partner *

YOUTH PEER EDUCATION NETWORK Y-PEER North Kordofan

What is the total amount (in USD) disbursed to the implementing partner to date *

28000

Briefly describe the main activities carried out by the Implementing Partner *

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Financial Reporting

» Delivery by Recipient

Please enter the total amounts in US dollars allocated to each recipient organization

Please enter the original budget amount, amount transferred to date and estimated expenditure by recipient.

*Please make sure you enter the correct amount. All values should be entered in **US Dollars***

For cross-border projects, group the amounts by agency, even if different country offices are involved. You will have the opportunity to share a more detailed budget in the next section.

Recipients	Total Project Budget (in US \$) <i>Please enter the total budget as is in the project document in US Dollars</i>	Transfers to date (in US \$) <i>Please enter the total amount transferred to each recipient to date in US Dollars</i>	Expenditure to date (in US \$) <i>Please enter the approximate amount spent to date in US dollars</i>	Implementation rate as a percentage of total budget (calculated automatically)
The Carter Center, Inc.	1498341	1048838.94	956838	63.86%
				%
				%
				%
				%

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TOTAL	1498341	1048838.94	956838	63.8 6%
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The approximate implementation rate as percentage of total project budget based on the values entered in the above matrix is **63.86%**. Can you confirm that this is correct? *

Correct
 Incorrect

If it is incorrect, please enter the approximate implementation rate as a % *

» **Gender-responsive Budgeting**

Indicate what **percentage (%)** of the budget contributes to gender equality or women's empowerment (GEWE)? *

40.64

The dollar amount of the budget contributing to Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment (GEWE) based on percentage entered above and total project budget is **US \$ 608925.78**. Can you confirm that this is correct? *

Correct
 Incorrect

If it is incorrect, please enter the *budget amount* allocated to GEWE in US Dollars *

Amount expended to date on efforts contributing to gender equality or women's empowerment is **US \$ 388858.96**. Is this correct? *

Correct
 Incorrect

If it is incorrect, please enter the *expenditure to date* on GEWE in US dollars *



ATTACH PROJECT EXCEL BUDGET SHOWING CURRENT APPROXIMATE EXPENDITURE. *

The templates for the budget are available [here](#)

130705 Carter Center expenditure report 20231115-15_56_9.xlsx



Project Markers

Please select the Gender Marker Associated with this project *

- Score 1 for projects that contribute in some way to gender equality, but not significantly (less than 30% of the total budget for GEWE)
- Score 2 for projects that have gender equality as a significant objective and allocate between 30 and 79% of the total project budget to GEWE
- Score 3 for projects that have gender equality as a principal objective and allocate at least 80% of the total project budget to Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment (GEWE)

Please select the Risk Marker Associated with this project *

- Risk marker 0 = low risk to achieving outcomes
- Risk marker 1 = medium risk to achieving outcomes
- Risk marker 2 = high risk to achieving outcomes

Please select the PBF Focus Area associated with this project *

- (1.1) Security Sector Reform
- (1.2) Rule of Law
- (1.3) Demobilisation, Disarmament and Reintegration
- (1.4) Political Dialogue
- (2.1) National reconciliation
- (2.2) Democratic Governance
- (2.3) Conflict prevention/management
- (3.1) Employment
- (3.2) Equitable access to social services
- (4.1) Strengthening of essential national state capacity
- (4.2) Extension of state authority/Local Administration
- (4.3) Governance of peacebuilding resources (including PBF Secretariats)

Is the project part of one or more PBF priority windows? *

Select all that apply

- Gender promotion initiative
- Youth promotion initiative
- Transition from UN or regional peacekeeping or special political missions
- Cross-border or regional project
- None

Steering Committee and Government engagement

Does the project have an active steering committee? *

- yes
- no

If yes, please indicate how many times the Project Steering Committee has met over the last 6 months?

Please provide a brief description of any engagement that the project has had with the government over the last 6 months. Please indicate what level of government the project has been engaging with.

Due to the ongoing conflict, The Carter Center and the Youth Citizen Observer Network (YCON) has had limited interaction with local government officials and no interaction with national government representatives. During this reporting period, however, The Carter Center’s Senior Country Representative visited Sudan in October 2023 to meet with the Federal Ministry of Health Undersecretary and representatives of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs to discuss the potential of re-opening a field office in Sudan outside Khartoum.

The Carter Center's Memorandum of Understanding with Sudan's Federal Ministry of Youth and Sports, which serves as permission for the current project, expires in August 2024. The Carter Center is working toward fully establishing the independence of the YCON before the expiration of the MOU between the MYS and The Carter Center.

PART I: OVERALL PROJECT PROGRESS

NOTES FOR COMPLETING THE REPORT:

- Avoid acronyms and UN jargon, use general /common language.
- Report on what has been achieved in the reporting period, not what the project aims to do.
- Be as concrete as possible. Avoid theoretical, vague or conceptual discourse.
- Ensure the analysis and project progress assessment is gender and age sensitive.

Please rate the implementation status of the following preliminary/preparatory activities

Contracting of partners

- Not Started
 Initiated
 Partially Completed
 Completed
 Not Applicable

Staff Recruitment

- Not Started
 Initiated
 Partially Completed
 Completed
 Not Applicable

Collection of baselines

- Not Started
 Initiated
 Partially Completed
 Completed
 Not Applicable

Identification of beneficiaries *

Not Started

Initiated

Partially Completed

Completed

Not Applicable

Provide any additional descriptive information relating to the status of the project, including whether preliminary/preparatory activities have been completed (i.e. contracting of partners, staff recruitment, etc.)

During the first year of the project, The Youth Citizen Observer Network (YCON) was fully established. YCON engages 500+ CSOs supported by 100+ dedicated Sudanese youth in all 18 states.

Engagement

Secretariat

- 10 Sudanese youth

Advisory Bodies

- 500+ Sudanese CSOs

Partners

- 10 implementing civil society organizations
- 7 coordinating civil society organizations

Observers

- 57 observers trained to date, with 36 observing (UNPBF-funded) and 21 coordinating (CSO-funded) observer reports

Administration

- 18 dedicated Sudanese youth employed by partners
- 13 dedicated Sudanese nationals employed by The Carter Center

Reporting

- Observers report to the secretariat twice per month, equalling 72 observer reports collected each month.
- Coordinators report to the secretariat weekly, equalling 21 coordinator reports per week and about 84 reports per month.
- These observer and coordinator reports are used as the basis to create the YCON's library of reports, currently totalling 8 published reports.

Reach

- YCON reports are published on YCON's website, Twitter (766 followers), and Facebook (1,500 followers), and shared widely in WhatsApp groups administered by advisory board members.
- The YCON delivered briefings to stakeholders, including the UN Peacebuilding Fund, UNITAMS, the U.S. Department of State, and the U.S. Agency for International Development.
- The YCON has been covered in major international news outlets, including:

English: BBC - June 2023

French: France 24, L'Orient le Jour - June 2023

Arabic: السودان: شبكة مدنية تراقب احترام الهدنة • مراقبون - YouTube

- The YCON has been invited to participate in 3 regional conferences in Kampala, Nairobi, and Addis Ababa.

Summarize *the main structural, institutional or societal level change* the project has contributed to. This is not anecdotal evidence or a list of individual outputs, but a description of progress made toward the main purpose of the project where evidence of contribution to outcomes is available if requested

FOR PROJECTS WITHIN SIX MONTHS OF COMPLETION ONLY (550 word limit)

N/A

PART II: RESULT PROGRESS BY PROJECT OUTCOME

Describe overall progress under each Outcome made during the reporting period (for June reports: January-June; for November reports: January-November; for final reports: full project duration). Do not list individual activities. If the project is starting to make/has made a difference at the outcome level, provide specific evidence for the progress (quantitative and qualitative) and explain how it impacts the broader political and peacebuilding context.

- "On track" refers to the timely completion of outputs as indicated in the workplan.
- "On track with peacebuilding results" refers to higher-level changes in the conflict or peace factors that the project is meant to contribute to. These effects are more likely in mature projects than in newer ones.

How many OUTCOMES does this project have

1 2 **3** 4 5 more than 5.

Please write out the project outcomes as they are in the project results framework found in the project document

Outcome 1:

Increased coordination among youth-led organizations, resulting in the integration of youth perspectives on key political and peace-making processes and public policy as well as the empowerment of young women to fully participate in monitoring and reporting.

Outcome 2:

Through coordinated YCO Network efforts, civic space for young women and men promoted and expanded.

Outcome 3: *
Improved capacity of YCO and the representatives of youth-led partner organizations, particularly young women, to identify and mitigate conflict at a local and national level.

Outcome 4: *

Outcome 5: *

Outcome 6: *

Outcome 7: *

Outcome 8: *

Additional Outcomes *
If the project has more than 8 outcomes, please enumerate the remaining outcomes here

Outcome 1: Increased coordination among youth-led organizations, resulting in the integration of youth perspectives on key political and peace-making processes and public policy as well as the empowerment of young women to fully participate in monitoring and reporting.

Rate the current status of the outcome progress *
 1. Off Track 2. On Track 3. On Track with evidence of peacebuilding results

Progress summary

Please limit your response to 3000 characters including spaces.

The Center provided in-depth support and technical assistance to the YCON: Following the training and deployment of the first cohort of 36 lead observers (12 young women (33%) and 24 young men), it has provided financial capacity development to YCON partners; mentored YCON through the creation of an administrative body and interim secretariat; supported the creation of state-level advisory bodies in all states; and initiated nationwide data collection, compiling reports, and issuing eight public reports. These reports can be found on YCON Sudan (ycon-sudan.org). It also secured additional funding from the U.S. government's Bureau of Conflict and Stabilization Operations in support of the immediate recruitment of 21 TCC coordinators to provide connective tissue between observers, partners, advisory bodies, the administrative body, and interim secretariat.

The observers and Carter Center coordinators were deployed to each of the 18 states in Sudan in the first quarter of 2023. To start, the YCON conducted structured interviews with key stakeholders and tested its reporting structures. As of early April, observers had submitted reports detailing meetings with more than 150 representatives of different youth-led structures, including civil society organizations, community-based organizations, political party representatives, youth in professional groups and media outlets. Efforts were also initiated to kickstart the network nationally by recruiting the network's secretariat and finalizing its mission statement.

Immediately following the outbreak of violence between the SAF and the RSF on April 15, YCON members convened repeatedly despite connectivity issues, displacement, and destruction. It appointed an interim executive secretariat and a communication committee and moved to adjust its observation methodology. It combined the benefits of training in independent observation with their determination to improve the availability and reliability of public information. Between April 15 and October 2023, YCON successfully observed, drafted, and published eight public reports. These reports are primarily circulated throughout the YCON's social media channels such as Twitter and Facebook, which has 783 and 1.6k followers, respectively. By examining the conflict from a youth perspective, the network aimed to foster a more inclusive and holistic understanding of the war, highlighting the need for youth empowerment and meaningful participation in peacebuilding processes.

Indicate any additional analysis on how Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment and/or Youth Inclusion and Responsiveness has been ensured under this Outcome

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Gender equality and women's empowerment were important concerns in selection of both partners and the 36 lead observers. There was an emphasis in partner selection on civil society organizations either led by women or who included women as a substantial number of members. Lead observers were ultimately selected based on the following criteria, with a gender lens:

- Physical presence, background, and knowledge of the area(s) assigned;
- Supported and trusted by their local populations;
- Ability to be fully engaged in the process and committed to training and reporting;
- Active membership in a youth organization.

Throughout Sudan, but especially in rural areas, which comprise most of The Carter Center's targeted regions, the issue of female and women participation remains a challenge. Gender inequality in these areas is rooted in social norms and religious beliefs. Strictly defined gender roles result in resistance towards the participation of women in activities such as the YCON. To combat this challenge, the Center has built on the role that the young female activists played during the revolution and engaged the as many female observers as possible in each step of network formation. The observation methodology and the amended methodology adopted after the beginning of the clashes were crafted taking into consideration Sudan's social norms. These adaptations should enable greater participation of female observers and respondents in the data collection and reporting process. For example, the YCON's revised methodology is based on meetings and structured interviews (e.g., no door-to-door surveys), which are easier for female observers to do while respecting social norms. After the conflict erupted, the methodology shifted to online, which enabled female observers to feel more at ease in their role and increasing their potential scope. Two additional steps towards enhancing participation of female women in the future expansion of the YCON are 1) to encourage active female with the network to apply for positions of observers as part of YCO upcoming expansion; 2) to consider designing and implementing training and capacity building unique to female needs within YCON membership in their different regions.

Outcome 2: Through coordinated YCO Network efforts, civic space for young women and men promoted and expanded.

Rate the current status of the outcome progress

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1. Off Track 2. On Track 3. On Track with evidence of peacebuilding results

Progress summary *

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Particularly since the outbreak of violence, the YCON has created a welcoming space for Sudanese youth to convene. Unfortunately, the conflict has made expressing sentiments problematic, especially for women, in Sudan. Its members immediately launched meetings to get the YCON moving, in which the participants expedited the formation of an interim executive branch and held consultative meetings with network member organizations to launch their social media appearance. This created the main platform to publish their first statement condemning the war. They also used social media to present their visioning statement and pledge to be the voice of the youth, along with playing a role as monitors of field activities of all relevant parties (whether combatants, local authorities, local and international initiatives).

Sudan's dangerous context has made it challenging for youth to convene safely in person for meetings. As a result, the YCON meets almost exclusively online. Despite common internet disconnections, the interim secretariat and the administrative body were able to conduct 24 online meetings over a period of two weeks after the violence commenced and have met regularly since. In a 2021 nation-wide survey of more than 1,000 youth groups, 90% of those surveyed said their main source of information is social media. All eight YCON reports have been published on social media channels including Facebook, Twitter, their own website, and WhatsApp groups. During the first week of presence on Facebook, taking into consideration the unreliable internet connection in Sudan, the YCON page was able to organically reach 316 subscribers, and additional 688 followers, and were able to have an overall outreach of 52,393 persons. Reports shared by advisory board members to WhatsApp groups are untraceable but increases the number of eyes on each report. The audience continues to grow with each publication.

Due to these challenges, direct training and mentoring to partner organizations on subjects such as advocacy and communications has been delayed. Starting next quarter, we will convene a workshop with YCON leaders to begin the first round of training in Nairobi. In this conference, all needs will be identified and further training programs will be initiated.

Indicate any additional analysis on how Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment and/or Youth Inclusion and Responsiveness has been ensured under this Outcome

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Since 2019, the government has advanced peace, but progress has in many respects come at the cost of reduced civic space for women and youth, which, over the long term, endangers the transition to democracy as well as the peace process. Representation of young women is prioritized and mainstreamed in all activities. The project is building on the extensive role that the young female activists played during the revolution, and that was reinstated during the activities that are being held by the community-based organization in terms of relief and channelling their efforts towards participating in the monitoring efforts under the umbrella of the YCON. All YCON activities and monitoring methodology take into account the importance of female participation and is crafted to adhere to the gender equality and women's empowerment concept.

However, increasing the participation of Sudanese young women in the project continues to be a challenge. The conflict has created a security situation so intense that no Sudanese citizen feels safe. Therefore, even initial mitigation efforts need to be reamended to encourage more women observers. Youth in general, and young women in particular, continue to be underrepresented in participating in national decision-making processes during the transition despite their leading role in the revolution. YCON has provided a platform to raise their voices collectively and loudly in different forms. Young women have summarized their demands as follows: they need real representation, participation, inclusion, and recognition instead of misrepresentation, marginalization, exclusion and denial practiced by different governing institutions. The YCON has amplified the voices of both young men and women through its responsiveness and inclusive interventions.

Outcome 3: Improved capacity of YCO and the representatives of youth-led partner organizations, particularly young women, to identify and mitigate conflict at a local and national level.

Rate the current status of the outcome progress *

1. Off Track 2. On Track 3. On Track with evidence of peacebuilding results

Progress summary *

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Over the initial months (pre-conflict) of the reporting period, the observers (including 33 percent women) and coordinators of the YCON conducted structured interviews with more than 150 representatives of different youth-led structures. In addition to gauging perceptions of Sudan's current political environment and the (hoped for) transition to a civilian government, the interviews conducted also provided an opportunity to identify local potential conflict triggers. As an output, YCON members participated in different capacity building trainings, including risk mitigation, do no harm measures, personal and individual security, conflict resolution/mitigation, secured communication, monitoring and observation, and in data security and protection.

Local conflict has been identified numerous times in previous YCON reports in regions across Sudan. The YCON is reporting that areas such as Darfur, Khartoum, and recently, Port Sudan have been the recent targets of attacks on nearing communities, leaving citizens vulnerable to further human rights abuses. The project is monitoring the developments through the regular compilation of YCON's reports, in addition to direct correspondence with staff and observers on the ground. Conflict has been identified and reported in all eight YCON reports providing insight into conflicts in localized conflicts taking place when military forces abandoned their stations.

For example, the YCON received information about the entry of some humanitarian aid into the market in the eastern states. As a response, the YCON sent three members to conduct an unannounced investigation in Port Sudan and Kassala. The resulting report validated the information about the distribution of humanitarian aid to those who are not eligible, especially in the state of Gedarif. The report's recommendations included changing the distribution mechanism to include the distribution of sums of money instead of food supplies, and engaging youth organizations in dispersal.

The local authorities in charge of the humanitarian aid distribution program responded to the recommendations of the YCON's report, resulting in many organizations are distributing funds to the displaced. Youth involvement is beginning to become a priority for some funding organizations. Additionally, this report led to the YCON being invited to attend an international conference on the humanitarian crisis in Sudan to convey these recommendations.

Indicate any additional analysis on how Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment and/or Youth Inclusion and Responsiveness has been ensured under this Outcome

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The Center is supporting assessments of how local-level conflict impacts women and men, girls and boys in different ways. Past findings demonstrate that men are more directly involved as combatants, leading to a greater likelihood of death, injury, stigma, and trauma, while women and girls face increased risk of sexual and gender-based violence as well as difficulty accessing economic resources, healthcare, and education.

Outcome 4:

Rate the current status of the outcome progress *

1. Off Track 2. On Track 3. On Track with evidence of peacebuilding results

Progress summary *

Please limit your response to 3000 characters including spaces.

Indicate any additional analysis on how Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment and/or Youth Inclusion and Responsiveness has been ensured under this Outcome

Please limit your response to 3000 characters including spaces.

Outcome 5:

Rate the current status of the outcome progress *

1. Off Track 2. On Track 3. On Track with evidence of peacebuilding results

Progress summary *

Please limit your response to 3000 characters including spaces.

Indicate any additional analysis on how Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment and/or Youth Inclusion and Responsiveness has been ensured under this Outcome

Please limit your response to 3000 characters including spaces.

Outcome 6:

Rate the current status of the outcome progress

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- 1. Off Track
- 2. On Track
- 3. On Track with evidence of peacebuilding results

Progress summary

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Please limit your response to 3000 characters including spaces.

Indicate any additional analysis on how Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment and/or Youth Inclusion and Responsiveness has been ensured under this Outcome

Please limit your response to 3000 characters including spaces.

Outcome 7:

Rate the current status of the outcome progress

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- 1. Off Track
- 2. On Track
- 3. On Track with evidence of peacebuilding results

Progress summary

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Please limit your response to 3000 characters including spaces.

Indicate any additional analysis on how Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment and/or Youth Inclusion and Responsiveness has been ensured under this Outcome

Please limit your response to 3000 characters including spaces.

Outcome 8:

Rate the current status of the outcome progress *

1. Off Track 2. On Track 3. On Track with evidence of peacebuilding results

Progress summary *

Please limit your response to 3000 characters including spaces.

Indicate any additional analysis on how Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment and/or Youth Inclusion and Responsiveness has been ensured under this Outcome

Please limit your response to 3000 characters including spaces.

If the project has more than 8 outcomes, please use this text box to describe the *status* of progress (on track with evidence of peacebuilding outcomes, on track or off track), as well as briefly describe the progress and any analysis on how Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment and/or Youth Inclusion and Responsiveness has been ensured under this Outcome *

INDICATOR BASED PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT

Using the Project Results Framework as per the approved project document or any amendments- provide an update on the achievement of key indicators at the **outcome** level in the table below

- If an outcome has more than 3 indicators , select the 3 most relevant ones with most relevant progress to highlight.
- Where it has not been possible to collect data on indicators, state this and provide any explanation. Provide gender and age disaggregated data. (300 characters max per entry)

» Outcome 1: Increased coordination among youth-led organizations, resulting in the integration of youth perspectives on key political and peace-making processes and public policy as well as the empowerment of young women to fully participate in monitoring and reporting.

Outcome 1	Performance Indicators	Indicator Baseline	End of Project Indicator Target	Current Indicator progress	Reasons for Variance/ Delay (if any)
1.1	Enhanced youth capacity and coordination because of network formation to report on transition priorities and form recommendations reflecting youth perspectives that influence public dialogue, policy and the transition.	0	1 network 1 national Secretariat 20 actionable recommendations	The network and national secretariat are established. 40 actionable recommendations have been presented in the reports.	On track
1.2	Female YCO Network members are empowered to monitor and report on key political and peacemaking processes.	0	108 young women trained on local observation and actively engaged in peacebuilding efforts in their local communities	Of the 36 lead observers, there are 12 young women (33%)	The second cohort of observers was scheduled to take place in April but political and security factors prevented it.

1.3	Reported increase in knowledge among project beneficiaries of neutral, non-biased observation methodology and key, interlinked political and peacemaking/building issues in the transition.	Pre training surveys	30% percent increase of individuals reporting an increase in knowledge	88% of trainees reported improved understanding of their role as an observer following training	Second round of training of observers has not been held.
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How many outputs does outcome 1 have?

1 2 3 **4** 5 more than 5.

Please list up to 5 of most relevant outputs for outcome 1

Output 1.1
Youth-led partner organizations participate actively in national observer network; and state advisory bodies coordinate and represent youth perspective at state and national level

Output 1.2
Youth-led partner organizations and YCO are trained to conduct non-partisan observation related to key, inter-connected political and peace-making/building milestones in the transition, and apply their skills collect data and report on transition milestones and key events.

Output 1.3
YCO Network, managed by national secretariat and youth-led partner organizations, produces public reports based on observer data regarding key political and peacemaking/building developments in the transition.

Output 1.4
Facilitate establishment of the YCO Network components – the secretariat, the linkages between youth-led partner organizations, and the advisory bodies in order to create sustainable observer network capable of increasing scale of observation activities.

Output 1.5

Other Outputs

If Outcome 1 has more than 5 outputs, please enumerate the remaining outputs here

For each output, and using the, project results framework, provide an update on the progress made against 3 most relevant output indicators

» Output 1.1

<p>Output 1.1: Youth-led partner organizations participate actively in national observer network; and state advisory bodies coordinate and represent youth perspective at state and national level</p>	<p>Performance Indicators <i>Describe the indicator</i></p>	<p>Indicator Baseline <i>State the baseline value of the indicator</i></p>	<p>End of Project Indicator Target <i>State the target value of the indicator at the end of the project</i></p>	<p>Indicator progress for reporting period <i>State the current value of the indicator for the reporting period</i></p>	<p>Indicator progress to date <i>State the current cumulative value of the indicator since the start of the project</i></p>	<p>Reasons for Variance / Delay (if any) <i>Explain why the indicator is off track or has changed, where relevant</i></p>
<p>1.1.1</p>	<p>Number of sub-grant recipients that implement project activities and number of youth-led partner organizations and Resistance</p>	<p>0</p>	<p>8-10 partner youth-led partner organizations; 1,750 advisory body participants</p>	<p>Despite communication, travel, and safety concerns, the advisory body has been formed.</p>	<p>10 partners trained, 455 CSOs and resistance committees in the advisory body.</p> <p>Khartoum 80</p> <p>Greater Al-</p>	<p>We have established an advisory body composed of 455 organization; these organisations are formed with many members. We do not at this</p>

	<p>Committees that participate in advisory bodies on state level.</p>				<p>Jazeera</p> <p>White Nile 40 Sennar 30 Al-Jazeera 30 Blue Nile 50</p> <p>Eastern Region</p> <p>Kassala 32 AlGadarif 25</p> <p>Greater Kordofan</p> <p>North Kordofan 12 West Kordofan 11 South Kordofan 31</p> <p>Greater Darfur</p> <p>North Darfur 18 South Darfur 24 West Darfur 29 East Darfur 20 Central Darfur 23</p> <p>Northern Region</p> <p>Northern state 21 bodies</p> <p>Nile River 35 bodies</p>	<p>point, because of the context, have official numbers for how many “participants” are involved but we can say that we have 455 organizations and their members involved.</p>
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» **Output 1.2**

Output	Performance Indicators	Indicator Baseline	End of Project Indicator Target	Indicator progress for reporting period	Indicator progress to date	Reasons for Variance / Delay (if any)
1.2: Youth-led partner organizations and YCO are trained to conduct non-partisan observation related to key, interconnected political and peace-making/building milestones in the transition, and apply their	Describe the indicator	<i>State the baseline value of the indicator</i>	<i>State the target value of the indicator at the end of the project</i>	<i>State the current value of the indicator for the reporting period</i>	<i>State the current cumulative value of the indicator since the start of the project</i>	<i>Explain why the indicator is off track or has changed, where relevant</i>

skills collect data and report on transition milestones and key events.						
1.2.1	Using a training of trainer’s model, number of YCO recruited, trained and deployed through youth-led partner organizations.	0	216 YCO, including 36 state-level observers and 180 local-level observers. 108 women observers trained in local observation and actively engaged in peacebuilding efforts in their local communities.	N/A	The first cohort is composed of 36 state-level lead observers (LOs). These observers and the YCO partners are supported by 21 additional regional (6) and state (15) coordinators, supported by TCC, to coordinate the work of the YCON interim secretariat.	Training for the second cohort of observers was delayed when the conflict broke out on April 15, 2023.
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» Output 1.3

<p>Output 1.3: YCO Network, manage d by national secretari at and youth- led partner organiza tions, produce s public reports based on observer data regardin g key political and peacema king/buil ding develop ments in the transitio n.</p>	<p>Perform ance Indicator <i>Describe the indicator</i></p>	<p>Indicator Baseline <i>State the baseline value of the indicator</i></p>	<p>End of Project Indicator Target <i>State the target value of the indicator at the end of the project</i></p>	<p>Indicator progress for reportin g period <i>State the current value of the indicator for the reporting period</i></p>	<p>Indicator progress to date <i>State the current cummulative value of the indicator since the start of the project</i></p>	<p>Reasons for Variance / Delay (if any) <i>Explain why the indicator is off track or has changed, where relevant</i></p>

<p>1.3.1</p>	<p>Total number of press releases and public reports published by the YCO Network.</p>	<p>0</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>Eight</p> <p>Observers report to the secretariat twice per month, equaling 72 observer reports collected each month.</p> <p>Coordinators report to the secretariat weekly, equaling 21 coordinator reports per week and about 84 reports per month.</p> <p>These observer and coordinator reports are used as the basis to create the YCON's library of reports, currently totaling 8 published reports.</p>		
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1.3.2	Total number of press conferences.	0	2	1	1	The YCON's public launch event was reorganized to be held online because of the conflict. No further press conference events have been held since the outbreak of violence.
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» Output 1.4

<p>Output 1.4: Facilitate establishment of the YCO Network components – the secretariat, the linkages between youth-led partner organizations, and the advisory bodies in order to create sustainable observer network capable of increasing scale of observation activities.</p>	<p>Performance Indicators <i>Describe the indicator</i></p>	<p>Indicator Baseline <i>State the baseline value of the indicator</i></p>	<p>End of Project Indicator Target <i>State the target value of the indicator at the end of the project</i></p>	<p>Indicator progress for reporting period <i>State the current value of the indicator for the reporting period</i></p>	<p>Indicator progress to date <i>State the current cumulative value of the indicator since the start of the project</i></p>	<p>Reasons for Variance / Delay (if any) <i>Explain why the indicator is off track or has changed, where relevant</i></p>

<p>1.4.1</p>	<p>1 Network formed.</p>	<p>0</p>	<p>1 Network formed and functioning secretariat established.</p> <p>Administrative body composed of 18 organizations representing the 18 states</p> <p>And a general assembly composed of 501 youth based CSOs and resistance committees</p>	<p>The network is fully formed, including an interim secretariat of 10 youth leaders.</p>		
<p>1.4.2</p>	<p>Increase in TOCA (technical and operational capacity assessment) measurements on reporting, advocacy, and monitoring and evaluation among partner youth-led partner organizations.</p>	<p>TOCA</p>	<p>Percentage of increase of TOCA measurements (TBD with partners)</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>Pre-tests were conducted however follow-up assessments (planned for July) have not been completed due to security risks and the delay of further trainings.</p> <p>Further assessments are planned for the fourth quarter of 2023.</p>

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» Output 1.5

Output 1.5:	Performance Indicators <i>Describe the indicator</i>	Indicator Baseline <i>State the baseline value of the indicator</i>	End of Project Indicator Target <i>State the target value of the indicator at the end of the project</i>	Indicator progress for reporting period <i>State the current value of the indicator for the reporting period</i>	Indicator progress to date <i>State the current cumulative value of the indicator since the start of the project</i>	Reasons for Variance / Delay (if any) <i>Explain why the indicator is off track or has changed, where relevant</i>
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» Outcome 2: Through coordinated YCO Network efforts, civic space for young women and men promoted and expanded.

Outcome 2	Performance Indicators	Indicator Baseline	End of Project Indicator Target	Current Indicator progress	Reasons for Variance/ Delay (if any)

<p>2.1</p>	<p>Percent increase of youth-led subgrantee organization leaders and observers participating in the initiative that feel their perspectives are heard in the interlinked political and peacemaking/building processes during the transition.</p>	<p>Pre-project survey with sub-grant partner orgs leaders and observers</p>	<p>10% improvement</p>	<p>Pre-project surveys have been completed, but follow-up surveys to gauge increases have not.</p>	<p>TCC planned to conduct the follow-up survey mid-June 2023 to gauge increases. However, the survey has been delayed due to the conflict, and there is no clear indication of when it can be completed.</p>
<p>2.2</p>	<p>Percent change of sub-grant partners and youth-led partner organization activists who participate in observer training who feel there is a sufficient platform within the transition/peace process that reflects their needs and requirements</p>	<p>Pre-training survey of sub-grant partners and youth-led partner organization activists who participate in observer training</p>	<p>10% improvement</p>	<p>Pre-project surveys have been completed, but follow-up surveys to gauge increases have not.</p>	<p>TCC planned to conduct the follow-up survey to gauge increases some time mid-June of this year. However, the survey has been delayed due to the conflict, and there is no clear indication of when it can be continued. due to the conflict.</p>
<p>2.3</p>					

How many outputs does outcome 2 have?

- 1 2 3 4 5 more than 5.

Please list up to 5 of most relevant outputs for outcome 2

Output 2.1

Improved confidence and ability among YCO partner organizations and youth to conduct effective outreach and public communications.

Output 2.2

YCO Network engages with stakeholders and policy makers on process, key findings and recommendations for political reforms and peacemaking/building processes.

Output 2.3

Output 2.4

Output 2.5

Other Outputs

If Outcome 2 has more than 5 outputs, please enumerate the remaining outputs here

For each output, and using the, project results framework, provide an update on the progress made against 3 most relevant output indicators

» Output 2.1

<p>Output 2.1: Improved confidence and ability among YCO partner organizations and youth to conduct effective outreach and public communications.</p>	<p>Performance Indicators <i>Describe the indicator</i></p>	<p>Indicator Baseline <i>State the baseline value of the indicator</i></p>	<p>End of Project Indicator Target <i>State the target value of the indicator at the end of the project</i></p>	<p>Indicator progress for reporting period <i>State the current value of the indicator for the reporting period</i></p>	<p>Indicator progress to date <i>State the current cumulative value of the indicator since the start of the project</i></p>	<p>Reasons for Variance / Delay (if any) <i>Explain why the indicator is off track or has changed, where relevant</i></p>
<p>2.1.1</p>	<p>Youth participants in project implementation express increased confidence in ability to meet and dialogue with stakeholders.</p>	<p>Established by pre-training survey of representatives of youth-led partner organizations and observers in third quarter 2022.</p>	<p>25% increase in confidence levels among trained participants.</p>		<p>Pre-project surveys have been completed; follow-up surveys to gauge increases have not.</p>	

2.1.2	Increase in TOCA measurements in media and communications outreach.	Survey of representatives of youth-led partner organizations and secretariat in third quarter of 2022	25% increase of TOCA measurements		Pre-project surveys have been completed, but follow-up surveys to gauge increases have not.	
2.1.3						

» Output 2.2

Output 2.2: YCO Network engages with stakeholders and policy makers on process, key findings and recommendations for political reforms and peacemaking/building processes.	Performance Indicators <i>Describe the indicator</i>	Indicator Baseline <i>State the baseline value of the indicator</i>	End of Project Indicator Target <i>State the target value of the indicator at the end of the project</i>	Indicator progress for reporting period <i>State the current value of the indicator for the reporting period</i>	Indicator progress to date <i>State the current cumulative value of the indicator since the start of the project</i>	Reasons for Variance / Delay (if any) <i>Explain why the indicator is off track or has changed, where relevant</i>
2.2.1	Number of advocacy meetings held with stakeholders.	0	10 advocacy meetings and/or public discussions, with minimum 600 participants in total.		Not yet started	
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» Output 2.3

Output 2.3:	Performance Indicators <i>Describe the indicator</i>	Indicator Baseline <i>State the baseline value of the indicator</i>	End of Project Indicator Target <i>State the target value of the indicator at the end of the project</i>	Indicator progress for reporting period <i>State the current value of the indicator for the reporting period</i>	Indicator progress to date <i>State the current cumulative value of the indicator since the start of the project</i>	Reasons for Variance / Delay (if any) <i>Explain why the indicator is off track or has changed, where relevant</i>
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» Output 2.4

Output 2.4: Performance Indicators <i>Describe the indicator</i>	Indicator Baseline <i>State the baseline value of the indicator</i>	End of Project Indicator Target <i>State the target value of the indicator at the end of the project</i>	Indicator progress for reporting period <i>State the current value of the indicator for the reporting period</i>	Indicator progress to date <i>State the current cumulative value of the indicator since the start of the project</i>	Reasons for Variance / Delay (if any) <i>Explain why the indicator is off track or has changed, where relevant</i>
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» Output 2.5

Output 2.5:	Performance Indicators <i>Describe the indicator</i>	Indicator Baseline <i>State the baseline value of the indicator</i>	End of Project Indicator Target <i>State the target value of the indicator at the end of the project</i>	Indicator progress for reporting period <i>State the current value of the indicator for the reporting period</i>	Indicator progress to date <i>State the current cumulative value of the indicator since the start of the project</i>	Reasons for Variance / Delay (if any) <i>Explain why the indicator is off track or has changed, where relevant</i>
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» Outcome 3: Improved capacity of YCO and the representatives of youth-led partner organizations, particularly young women, to identify and mitigate conflict at a local and national level.

Outcome 3	Performance Indicators	Indicator Baseline	End of Project Indicator Target	Current Indicator progress	Reasons for Variance/ Delay (if any)

3.1	Situations of violence or potential violence are mitigated directly or indirectly by the YCO Network.	0	2 incidents/flashpoints are identified with follow-on engagement.	0	Since the start of reporting, the YCON has been identifying and discussing violent conflicts in various localities. These situations will inform training in the next quarter in conflict mitigation, so that once the network expands to full participation, the network will be able to influence conflicts.
3.2	Misinformation/disinformation awareness strengthened through training and observer advocacy	0	Key findings released in public reports and statements. Recommendations formed to counter misinformation/disinformation among Sudanese stakeholders.	8 reports published; 40 recommendations made	
3.3					

How many outputs does outcome 3 have?

- 1 2 3 4 5 more than 5.

Please list up to 5 of most relevant outputs for outcome 3

Output 3.1

Observers are trained in conflict mitigation which they share with YCO; together, these young people put their conflict mitigation training into practice by, for example, conducting outreach to government officials regarding early warning signs of potential violence.

Output 3.2

Output 3.3

Output 3.4

Output 3.5

Other Outputs

If Outcome 3 has more than 5 outputs, please enumerate the remaining outputs here

For each output, and using the, project results framework, provide an update on the progress made against 3 most relevant output indicators

» Output 3.1

<p>Output 3.1: Observers are trained in conflict mitigation which they share with YCO; together, these young people put their conflict mitigation training into practice by, for example, conducting outreach to government officials regarding early warning signs of potential violence.</p>	<p>Performance Indicators <i>Describe the indicator</i></p>	<p>Indicator Baseline <i>State the baseline value of the indicator</i></p>	<p>End of Project Indicator Target <i>State the target value of the indicator at the end of the project</i></p>	<p>Indicator progress for reporting period <i>State the current value of the indicator for the reporting period</i></p>	<p>Indicator progress to date <i>State the current cumulative value of the indicator since the start of the project</i></p>	<p>Reasons for Variance / Delay (if any) <i>Explain why the indicator is off track or has changed, where relevant</i></p>

3.1.1	a) Percentage of YCO and representatives of youth-led partner organizations trained on conflict mitigation who report improved understanding of conflict mitigation best practices.	0	90% of YCO and representatives of youth-led partner organizations; 30% of members of advisory bodies (representatives)	0	0	Conflict mitigation training is due to happen in the next quarter.
3.1.2	Number of meetings held with stakeholders to inform interlocutors, discuss potential flashpoints, and offer recommendations.	0	5 meetings.	0	0	In-person / face-to-face meetings have not been possible due to the ongoing conflict and targeting of civil society in general.
3.1.3						

» Output 3.2

Output 3.2: Performance Indicators <i>Describe the indicator</i>	Indicator Baseline <i>State the baseline value of the indicator</i>	End of Project Indicator Target <i>State the target value of the indicator at the end of the project</i>	Indicator progress for reporting period <i>State the current value of the indicator for the reporting period</i>	Indicator progress to date <i>State the current cumulative value of the indicator since the start of the project</i>	Reasons for Variance / Delay (if any) <i>Explain why the indicator is off track or has changed, where relevant</i>
3.2.1					
3.2.2					
3.2.3					

» Output 3.3

Output 3.3:	Performance Indicators <i>Describe the indicator</i>	Indicator Baseline <i>State the baseline value of the indicator</i>	End of Project Indicator Target <i>State the target value of the indicator at the end of the project</i>	Indicator progress for reporting period <i>State the current value of the indicator for the reporting period</i>	Indicator progress to date <i>State the current cumulative value of the indicator since the start of the project</i>	Reasons for Variance / Delay (if any) <i>Explain why the indicator is off track or has changed, where relevant</i>
3.3.1						
3.3.2						
3.3.3						

» Output 3.4

Output 3.4: Performance Indicators <i>Describe the indicator</i>	Indicator Baseline <i>State the baseline value of the indicator</i>	End of Project Indicator Target <i>State the target value of the indicator at the end of the project</i>	Indicator progress for reporting period <i>State the current value of the indicator for the reporting period</i>	Indicator progress to date <i>State the current cumulative value of the indicator since the start of the project</i>	Reasons for Variance / Delay (if any) <i>Explain why the indicator is off track or has changed, where relevant</i>
3.4.1					
3.4.2					
3.4.3					

» **Output 3.5**

Output 3.5:	Performance Indicators <i>Describe the indicator</i>	Indicator Baseline <i>State the baseline value of the indicator</i>	End of Project Indicator Target <i>State the target value of the indicator at the end of the project</i>	Indicator progress for reporting period <i>State the current value of the indicator for the reporting period</i>	Indicator progress to date <i>State the current cumulative value of the indicator since the start of the project</i>	Reasons for Variance / Delay (if any) <i>Explain why the indicator is off track or has changed, where relevant</i>
3.5.1						
3.5.2						
3.5.3						

» **Outcome 4:**

Outcome 4	Performance Indicators	Indicator Baseline	End of Project Indicator Target	Current Indicator progress	Reasons for Variance/ Delay (if any)
4.1					
4.2					
4.3					

How many outputs does outcome 4 have?

1 2 3 4 5 more than 5.

Please list up to 5 of most relevant outputs for outcome 4

Output 4.1

Output 4.2

Output 4.3

Output 4.4

Output 4.5

Other Outputs

If Outcome 4 has more than 5 outputs, please enumerate the remaining outputs here

For each output, and using the, project results framework, provide an update on the progress made against 3 most relevant output indicators

» Output 4.1

Output 4.1:	Performance Indicators <i>Describe the indicator</i>	Indicator Baseline <i>State the baseline value of the indicator</i>	End of Project Indicator Target <i>State the target value of the indicator at the end of the project</i>	Indicator progress for reporting period <i>State the current value of the indicator for the reporting period</i>	Indicator progress to date <i>State the current cumulative value of the indicator since the start of the project</i>	Reasons for Variance / Delay (if any) <i>Explain why the indicator is off track or has changed, where relevant</i>
4.1.1						
4.1.2						
4.1.3						

» Output 4.2

Output 4.2:	Performance Indicators <i>Describe the indicator</i>	Indicator Baseline <i>State the baseline value of the indicator</i>	End of Project Indicator Target <i>State the target value of the indicator at the end of the project</i>	Indicator progress for reporting period <i>State the current value of the indicator for the reporting period</i>	Indicator progress to date <i>State the current cumulative value of the indicator since the start of the project</i>	Reasons for Variance / Delay (if any) <i>Explain why the indicator is off track or has changed, where relevant</i>
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» Output 4.3

Output 4.3: Performance Indicators <i>Describe the indicator</i>	Indicator Baseline <i>State the baseline value of the indicator</i>	End of Project Indicator Target <i>State the target value of the indicator at the end of the project</i>	Indicator progress for reporting period <i>State the current value of the indicator for the reporting period</i>	Indicator progress to date <i>State the current cumulative value of the indicator since the start of the project</i>	Reasons for Variance / Delay (if any) <i>Explain why the indicator is off track or has changed, where relevant</i>
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4.3.2					
4.3.3					

» Output 4.4

Output 4.4:	Performance Indicators <i>Describe the indicator</i>	Indicator Baseline <i>State the baseline value of the indicator</i>	End of Project Indicator Target <i>State the target value of the indicator at the end of the project</i>	Indicator progress for reporting period <i>State the current value of the indicator for the reporting period</i>	Indicator progress to date <i>State the current cumulative value of the indicator since the start of the project</i>	Reasons for Variance / Delay (if any) <i>Explain why the indicator is off track or has changed, where relevant</i>
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4.4.2						
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» **Output 4.5**

Output 4.5:	Performance Indicators <i>Describe the indicator</i>	Indicator Baseline <i>State the baseline value of the indicator</i>	End of Project Indicator Target <i>State the target value of the indicator at the end of the project</i>	Indicator progress for reporting period <i>State the current value of the indicator for the reporting period</i>	Indicator progress to date <i>State the current cumulative value of the indicator since the start of the project</i>	Reasons for Variance / Delay (if any) <i>Explain why the indicator is off track or has changed, where relevant</i>
4.5.1						
4.5.2						
4.5.3						

If the project has more than 4 outcomes, use this space to describe progress on progress on indicators for the remaining outcomes *

PART III: Cross-Cutting Issues

Is the project planning any significant events in the next six months? (eg. national dialogues, youth congresses, film screenings, etc.)

<p>If yes, please state how many, and for each, provide the approximate date of the event and a brief description, including its key objectives, target audience and location (if known)</p>	<p>Event Description</p>	<p>Tentative Date</p>	<p>Location</p>	<p>Target Audience</p>	<p>Event Objectives</p>

<p>Event 1</p>	<p>YCO training</p>	<p>TBD based on security situation in Sudan- hopefully Nov 2023</p>	<p>Nairobi, Kenya</p>	<p>YCO implementing and coordinating partners located outside of Sudan</p>	<p>Support the YCON in convening, establishing sustainable structures and systems, and generally setting their course for the coming period - - Get guidance from the YCON that will help Peace Programs-Sudan establish its workplan and no-cost extension/revised CSO proposal for the coming period</p>
<p>Event 2</p>					
<p>Event 3</p>					
<p>Event 4</p>					

Human Impact

This section is about the human impact of the project. Please state the number of key stakeholders (including but not limited to: Civil Society Organizations, Beneficiaries, etc.) of the project, and for each, please briefly describe:

- i. The challenges/problem they faced prior to the project implementation
- ii. The impact of the project in their lives
- iii. Provide, where possible, a quote or testimonial from a representative of each stakeholder group

This is an optional question. You may leave it unanswered if not relevant

Human Impact	Key Stakeholder	What were the challenges they faced prior to project implementation? (350 words)	What has been the impact of the project on their lives? (350 words)	Provide, where possible, a quote or testimonial from a representative of each stakeholder group (350 words)

<p>1</p>	<p>Sudanese youth groups</p>	<p>At the launch of this project, a lack of understanding existed concerning the status, needs, and priorities of youth and their role in the transition.</p>	<p>Bringing together the implementing partner organizations had a positive impact on all participants, particularly taking into consideration the unstable environment in Sudan. .</p>	<p>From partner Red Sea Organization: The conflict in Kassala state erupted between the Beja and the Beni Amer tribes following provocative statements by the principal of the Beja tribe. The conflict somewhat subsided after the intervention of the Sudanese army and the following involvement of the YCON: "The city of Port Sudan and some localities witnessed bloody tribal conflicts, a breach of the social fabric, a rise in racism, and discrimination between the people of the local components. So that the formations of civil society are subject to classification on a tribal basis. We were able to bring together the two main components in the leaders of the Civil Monitoring and then engage with us in the formation of the public body and the melting of those strife in the midst of joint work"</p>
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<p>2</p>	<p>Sudanese Youth in General</p>	<p>Prior to the start of YCON reports publication, the youth of Sudan did not have a mechanism to get their opinions or voice heard but through protesting.</p>	<p>With the inability to take to the streets, the youth found in the YCON report a channel to make their voice heard.</p>	<p>“YCON is the voice of the Youth” - Mohamad Moussa Haroun (Youth Activist)</p>
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<p>3</p>	<p>International Community</p>	<p>Ahead of the releases of the reports of YCON, especially in the early days of the conflict, the international community did not have the necessary/accurate information from the field to inform future political or policy decisions.</p>	<p>The YCON reports helped inform the international community on the reality of Sudanese youth on the ground, supporting them in bypassing the propaganda war currently taking place between the conflicting parties.</p>	<p>Two relevant Tweets: Report of #Sudan #ceasefire violations by the Youth Citizens Observers Network @YCON_SUDAN , while the main sponsors of the ceasefire agreement - #USA & #SaudiArabia - seem unable or unwilling to exert the necessary pressure on the warring parties - SAF & RSF -. #KeepEyesOnSudan - Donatella Rovera - Senior Crisis Adviser At Amnesty International More intense fighting including heavy artillery and air strikes, increased occupation of homes by RSF, aid hinderance by HAC, @YCON_SUDAN lists violations of the second ceasefire. Amazing work by local monitors, going above and beyond int. monitors and with limited resources. -Hiba Morgan FPA International Correspondent</p>
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<p>4</p>	<p>Young Women</p>	<p>Prior to this project, it was challenging to raise the participation of women in leadership roles in most youth initiatives, but the project was structured primarily to ensure this diversity</p>	<p>Encouraging young women to advance especially in positions of lead observers and also in selection criteria where competence and skills were limited. These criteria ensured an increase in the proportion of young females, and an incentive for partners to appoint female representatives at the secretariat level</p>	<p>From one YCON participant: "We are aware of the importance of our participation as young females in this critical phase, where this stage consists of the Sudan's democratic features"</p>
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In addition to the stakeholder specific impact described above, please use this space to describe any additional human impact that the project has had (650 words)

The YCON has served as a tool to unite youth and their organizations across Sudan during a tumultuous period and highlights their collective desire to have a positive impact on the current context by engaging and redoubling their efforts.

You can also upload upto 3 files in various formats (picture files, powerpoint, pdf, video, etc.) to illustrate the human impact of the project

OPTIONAL

File 1

OPTIONAL

[Click here to upload file. \(< 10MB\)](#)

File 2

OPTIONAL

[Click here to upload file. \(< 10MB\)](#)

File 3

OPTIONAL

[Click here to upload file. \(< 10MB\)](#)

You can also add upto 3 links to online resources which illustrate the human impact of the project

OPTIONAL

Link 1

OPTIONAL

Link 2

OPTIONAL

Link 3

OPTIONAL

Please tick the applicable change based on above narrative.

How we worked: *

Please select up to 3.

- Enhanced digitization
- Innovative ways of working
- Mobilized additional resources
- Improved or initiated policy frameworks
- Strengthened capacities
- Partnered with Civil Society Organizations
- Expanding coalitions & galvanizing political will
- Strengthened partnerships with IFIs
- Strengthened partnerships with UN Agencies

Please explain

Please limit your response to 350 words.

Observers are supplied with small solar devices to re-charge their mobiles and laptops in remote areas with no electricity, or even in urban areas where electricity is not available most of the time.

Please explain

Please limit your response to 350 words.

The YCON's seminal report on humanitarian assistance highlighted, through policy recommendations, how humanitarian assistance is being maldistributed, and therefore hardly reaching the most needy and vulnerable populations. The report advocated for a recommended distribution framework which allows for close coordination between INGOs delivering humanitarian assistance, and local, voluntary and community-based organizations such Emergency Rooms which active in conflict zone, particularly in Khartoum. The result is improvement in delivery of humanitarian assistance.

Please explain

Please limit your response to 350 words.

Training and capacity building of members of YCON and their organizations has been increasingly strengthened through a set of interventions based on their own priorities and needs, including organizational capacity in financial management, report writing, networking and solidarity.

Who are we working with (in addition to the implementing partners) *

- Strengthened partnerships with IFIs
- Strengthened partnerships within UN Agencies
- Partnered with local civil society organizations
- Partnered with local academia
- Partnered with sub-national entities
- Partnered with national entities
- Partnered with local volunteers

Please explain (If IFIs)

Please limit your response to 350 words.

Please explain (If UN Agencies)

Please limit your response to 350 words.

YCON continues to provide briefings to UN agencies including UNITAMS and group of UN agencies funded by UNPBF.

Leave No one Behind

Select all beneficiaries targeted with the PBF resources as evidenced by the narrative *

Mandatory

- Unemployed persons
- Minorities (e.g. race, ethnicity, linguistic, religion, etc.)
- Indigenous communities
- Persons with Disabilities
- Persons affected by violence (e.g. GBV)
- Women
- Youth
- Minorities related to sexual orientation and/or gender identity and expression
- People living in and around border areas
- Persons affected by natural disasters
- Persons affected by armed conflicts
- Internally displaced persons, refugees or migrants

PART IV: Monitoring, Evaluation and Compliance

» Monitoring

Please list monitoring activities undertaken in the reporting period *

Please limit your response to 350 words.

Partner organizations are responsible for primary data collection and monthly submission of narrative progress and data reports directly to The Center, as required in anticipated sub-grant agreements, for project activities under their direct control.

Monitoring and observation activities have been interrupted but did not stop -reports (weekly, incident, rally) have been uploaded to the internet.

- **Observers report to the secretariat twice per month, equalling 72 observer reports collected each month.**

- **Coordinators report to the secretariat weekly, equalling 21 coordinator reports per week and about 84 reports per month.**

- **These observer and coordinator reports are used as the basis to create the YCON's library of reports, currently totalling 8 published reports.**

Do outcome indicators have baselines? *

If only some of the outcome indicators have baselines, select 'yes'

yes

no

Please provide a brief description *

Please limit your response to 350 words.

Baselines are taken from early 2021, mapping and surveying of some 7,000 active youth-led groups including Resistance Committees. Of those 7,000, 1,000 were surveyed on their priorities, perceptions, and attitudes toward Sudan's ongoing transition. Future monitoring and evaluation activities will refer heavily to the baseline to see what has changed in the context and which areas are attributable to the project/activities.

Elaborate on what sources of evidence have been used to report on indicators (and are available upon request) *

Please limit your response to 350 words.

The indicators are harvested from publicly available reports issued by the YCON, citations of YCON reports in media sources, and pre-project surveys completed to establish baseline indicators.

Has the project launched outcome level data collection initiatives? e.g. perception surveys *

- yes
 no

Please provide a brief description *

Please limit your response to 350 words.

The project is based on perception surveys and community-based collection data. Within days of the onset of violence, with the support of The Carter Center, the YCON began meeting daily despite communications interruptions. It then canvassed its partners and advisory bodies nationally through an online questionnaire to better understand citizens' needs and perceptions on the state level. The survey received 471 responses; respondents' main priority was ceasing fire, followed by access to food, medicine, and other necessities. The survey found that the main threat to security was not only due active fighting but also due to mounting insecurity and fear brought about by potential expansion of fighting into other formerly peaceful areas. This personal insecurity is connected to the overall dynamics of war, and not necessarily due to specific fighting incidents at given time or place. This survey helped serve as a baseline for future reporting. Thereafter, observers continued to report observation of cease-fires, humanitarian situations, and other aspects of the conflict relevant to the Sudanese population.

Has the project used or established community feedback mechanisms? *

- yes
 no

Please provide a brief description *

Please limit your response to 350 words.

The project employs broad-based advisory bodies in each state. As opposed to the partner organizations and other internal pieces of the YCON architecture, advisory bodies are largely composed of activists, unregistered organizations, and unaffiliated civil society. This allows the YCON to share and validate field-based observations and findings with youth on the ground.

» Evaluation

Is the project on track to conduct its evaluation? *

- yes
 no
 Not Applicable

Evaluation budget (in USD): *

Response required

112000

If project will end in next six months, and the overall project budget is above 1.5 million, is your upcoming evaluation on track? (Preparations)

Please limit your response to 350 words.

The Carter Center has requested a no-cost extension and is waiting on official approval.

Please mention the focal person accountable for sharing the final evaluation report with the PBF, name and email.

Mercedes Sprouse, mercedes.sprouse@cartercenter.org

» Catalytic Effect

Catalytic Effect (financial): Indicate funding agent and amount of additional non-PBF funding support that has been leveraged by the project since it started. (y/n) *

yes

no

If yes, how many additional grants or donors has the project leveraged? *

1

Indicate name of funding agent and amount of additional non-PBF funding support that has been leveraged by the project.

Please enter each funding agent and their contributions separately

Name of Funder *

U.S. Government

Amount in USD *

9875000

Catalytic Effect (non-financial): Has the project enabled or created a larger or longer-term peacebuilding change to occur? *

- No catalytic effect
- Some catalytic effect
- Significant catalytic effect
- Very Significant catalytic effect
- Don't Know
- Too early to tell

If relevant, please describe how the project has had a (non-financial) catalytic effect i.e. ways in which the project has supported the expansion or creation of programs and policies supporting peace, both within and outside the UN system *

Please limit your response to 350 words.

Sustainability

Does the project have an explicit exit strategy?

Please describe any steps that have been taken to ensure sustainability of peacebuilding gains beyond the duration of the project. *

Please limit your response to 350 words.

For sustainability, the Center envisions the network evolving into a self-sufficient, well-structured entity that can effectively influence civic spaces through both grassroots and top-tier strategies. The aim is for the network to have a clear organizational framework, enhanced administrative and financial management, and a broad reach that ensures diverse membership while bridging historical divides. Ideally, it would be positioned to register as an independent NGO Network in Sudan when the time is right. The overarching objective is to empower the YCO Network to expand its membership and activities, especially in monitoring pivotal transition events like potential national elections, contingent on continued financial and technical backing

The Carter Center is committed to supporting YCON throughout its developmental journey, ensuring that the skills and methodologies acquired during the project are applied systematically and proficiently beyond the project's duration.

YCON aspires to be a fully autonomous entity, continuing the essential work of preserving peacebuilding achievements and expanding on these successes. A self-reliant YCON will possess robust internal frameworks, a deep understanding of credible observation practices, the capability to employ the right methodologies, and a system to regularly elect its leaders from its member organizations, with the advisory board's endorsement.

Are there any other issues concerning project implementation that you want to share, including any capacity needs of the recipient organizations?

Please limit your response to 350 words.

YCON actors have convened as much as possible since the conflict began, despite major challenges in travel, communications, and general safety. Sudan's dangerous context, especially in and around Khartoum, has made it impossible and unadvisable for youth to convene in person. As a result, YCON representatives have met exclusively online; however, internet connectivity issues are common. Nevertheless, the interim secretariat and the administrative body continue to conduct meetings.

This insecurity has also severely limited pre-planned training of YCON members, both financial capacity building workshops and skill development sessions. Travel to in-person meetings and workshops is not safe, and internet connectivity issues have affected the possibility of conducting trainings online.

Since the outbreak of violence, banking services within Sudan have been extremely limited. Therefore, payments to Carter Center staff and partners have been restricted. The inability of Carter Center partners to access funds has also resulted in a delay in disbursing observer stipends. This challenge has since been temporarily solved by having The Carter Center pay observers and staff directly via Bankak.

The Carter Center's Peace Programs field office in Khartoum was attacked and looted by armed individuals on May 17, 2023. Significant property was stolen, lost, or irrecoverably damaged, and petty cash in the office was stolen. Discussions are ongoing as to whether a new Carter Center office can be safely installed in-country.

Monitoring and Oversight Activities

Please describe any key event related to monitoring and oversight. Please click next if no activities have yet taken place.

Monitoring and oversight activities	Name of the Event	Summary	Key Findings
Event 1	The Carter Center’s project with Sudan’s YCON has not carried out the full M&E framework and activities, as initially proposed. Following the outbreak of armed conflict throughout Sudan, in the middle of the reporting period, M&E staff were displaced – without supplies or access to all program participants – and their efforts constrained.	A No-Cost Extension allows the Center, in partnership with the YCON, to conduct a full external evaluation of the project to date, as proposed.	
Event 2			
Event 3			
Event 4			
Event 5			
Event 6			

Event 7			
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Event 8			
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Final Steps

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