CCD NETWORK IN ETHIOPIA

COLLABORATION

CCD partners are already actively collaborating in four country-level pilot projects. Twelve of CCD network's global partners have worked together to establish a national-level CCD network in Ethiopia that is active in the country's cash and voucher assistance delivery. By implementing the CCD's model, it enabled the formation of a coalition and provided it with the framework they needed to move the needle forward for the Ethiopian cash community. This will benefit all sectors and the aid community as a whole.

Due to the Ethiopia CCD network's agile nature and diverse expertise within their syndicate, they will soon implement an ECHO-funded project that will allow for the efficient deployment of multipurpose cash to 10,000 households in support of 50,000+ internally displaced persons in Wollegas, Ethiopia. This national-level CCD collaboration further validates the global CCD network's key principles of delivering more effective and efficient operations in an adaptable, agile, collaborative ecosystem that allows the partners to reach efficiency at greater scale and amplify impact. There are positive ongoing discussions to fund other areas.

The Ethiopia Collaborative Cash Delivery (CCD) platform is a coalition of 12 non-governmental organisations (NGOs) aiming to harmonise cash delivery for increased scale, efficiency, effectiveness and collective impact. The Ethiopia CCD network materialised in an organic way, with numerous ongoing initiatives to foster collaboration at the advocacy, networking and operational levels. In order to enhance the clarity around the various initiatives and ensure decision-making is collaborative and representative of the wider membership, an overarching governance framework has been developed.

STRENGTH THROUGH PARTNERSHIP

Validates CCD's principles
delivers more effective and efficient operations in an adaptable, agile, collaborative ecosystem that allows the partners to reach greater scale and amplify impact

Combining strengths
provides opportunities to share experience and knowledge, connect and amplify capacities across the CCD coalition

Service sharing
due to the diverse expertise across the syndicate, the Ethiopia CCD aims to support partners with technical competencies by pooling resources

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Thanks to ECHO funding, the Ethiopia CCD network was able to embark on a joint rapid cash feasibility assessment in the Wollegas in March 2019 in collaboration with and on behalf of the members of the Ethiopia Cash Working Group (ECWG is an umbrella coordinating body that brings together CSOs, multilaterals and technology partners who contributed to this assessment in terms of design and coordination).

The CCD model provided a framework to move things forward for the Ethiopian cash community and will benefit the aid community as a whole – this project will allow the CCD coalition to apply the recommended model and prove its effectiveness.

➢ reduced duplication of cash programming
➢ joint advocacy benefiting the wider humanitarian cash community
➢ produced data that is useful for other partners, but also benefit the wider community
➢ opportunity for operational collaboration

➢ tracking and monitoring by beneficiary, rather than programme
➢ greater transparency and improved accountability
➢ removes issue of data duplication across platforms by eliminating double counting beneficiaries and reducing overlapping deliveries so can serve more households
➢ guarantee the accurate and efficient transition of aid delivery to government assistance
➢ data gathered lead to greater insights on analytics and pinpoint the gaps and needs for programming

Having the support of multiple organisations using the same SOPs and framework allows for a unified approach and joint advocacy on the issue of targeting and beneficiary communities, which will limit deliberate exclusions and errors.

Furthermore, working with organisations with such a rich competency and familiarity with cash and voucher technology will enable the team to pull their capacities and innovations together. One such instance is demonstrated with the planned use of World Vision's Last Mile Mobile Solutions® (LMMS) digital tool to collect beneficiary data and serve as a single beneficiary digital database for the entire Ethiopia CCD coalition. Another example is the use of the IRC's SCAN tool to take decisions based on cost analysis.

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