



COOPI PRESENCE IN THE COUNTRY

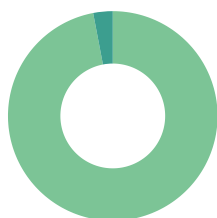
Since 2014, COOPI has been working with a **multi-sectoral approach** in Nigeria. In the country COOPI both implemented humanitarian assistance interventions for the most vulnerable groups and carried out projects to strengthen the resilience of communities and help them cope with the aftermath of internal conflicts and climate shocks.

In Northwest Nigeria, COOPI responded rapidly to disasters by strengthening early warning systems, social protection mechanisms, and the capacities of DRR institutions. The aim was to help vulnerable communities better prepare for and cope with recurrent **climate-related and human-induced disasters**, while preserving development gains. The project improved disaster preparedness and enabled more timely, coordinated responses to **natural hazards**—especially flooding—across all levels of governance. In Sokoto State, COOPI also delivered integrated multisectoral assistance to displaced and host populations through an **area-based approach**, combining health, nutrition, WASH, protection, and cash assistance. Activities were closely coordinated with state authorities and other key actors, following safe programming standards and participatory selection criteria in line with the “**Do No Harm**” principle.

FROM 2014 TO 2024:

58
PROJECTS

97%
EMERGENCY



3%
DEVELOPMENT

3,363,358
DIRECT BENEFICIARIES

SECTORS IN WHICH COOPI HAS WORKED IN THE COUNTRY



FOOD SECURITY
AND LIVELIHOODS



HUMANITARIAN
ASSISTANCE



PROTECTION



NUTRITIONAL
SECURITY



ENVIRONMENT
AND DRR



EDUCATION IN
EMERGENCY



WASH



HEALTH

COOPI IN NIGERIA TODAY

In Nigeria, COOPI implements humanitarian response activities and builds resilient livelihoods with a **multi-sectoral approach** and a focus on women and vulnerable groups adopting protection mainstreaming and participatory approaches.

Today, the number of **displaced persons and migrants** is rapidly increasing, due to adverse weather events, economic crisis, unemployment and widespread insecurity as a result of activities of armed extremist, bandits and other armed opposition groups in the country.

Our response in Nigeria combines **life-saving assistance** to vulnerable, conflict-affected IDPs, returnees, and host communities with cash transfers, emergency nutrition, food distribution, water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH) interventions with longer-term **resilience programming** aimed at reinforcing agricultural production, disaster risk reduction and environmental conservation, conflict prevention and social cohesion, and empowering youth and women to become economically independent through investment in food value chain development, vocational skills development and support for youth entrepreneurship and participatory planning.

COOPI also focuses on the needs of conflict-affected populations by establishing **community-led care services and case management systems for child protection and gender-based violence**

8
PROJECTS



100%
EMERGENCY

84,330
DIRECT BENEFICIARIES

EXPAT
WORKERS
7
PEOPLE

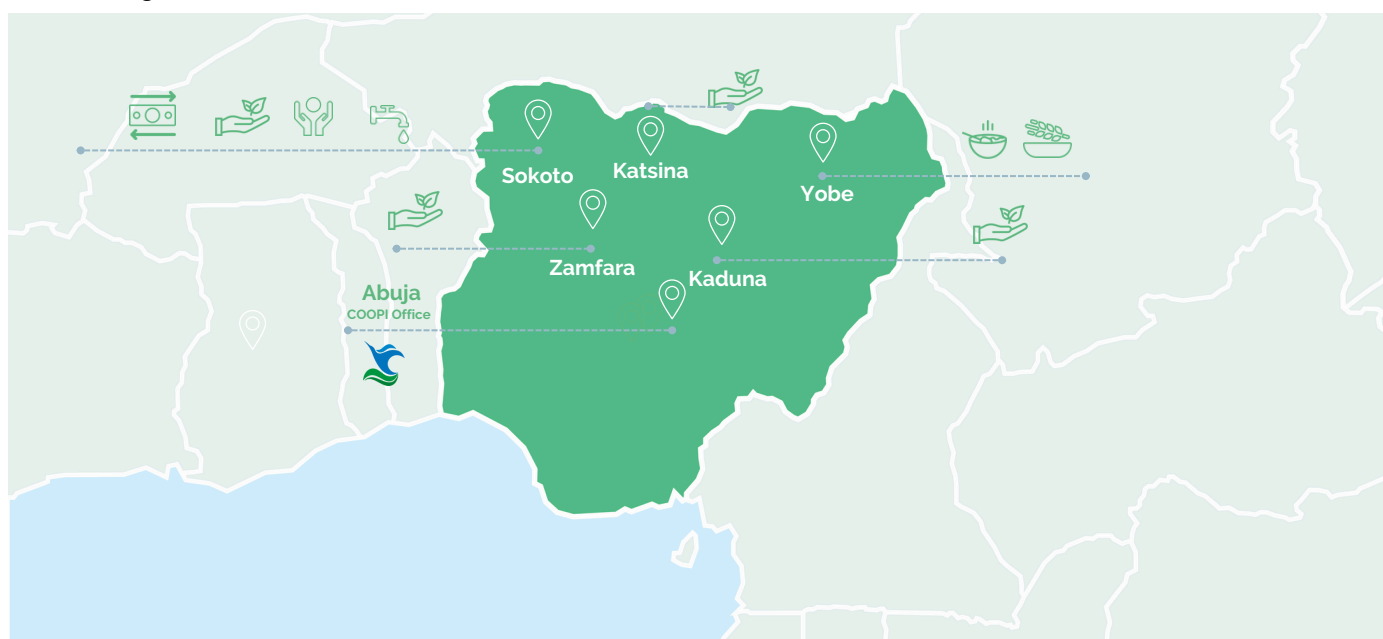
LOCAL
WORKERS:
236
PEOPLE

STAFF

SECTORS IN WHICH COOPI OPERATES IN THE COUNTRY



COOPI is currently present in Nigeria in the states of Yobe, Sokoto, Zamfara, Katsina and Kaduna. COOPI country office in Nigeria is based in Abuja.



MAIN AREAS OF INTERVENTION



ENVIRONMENT AND DISASTER RISK REDUCTION

Since 2014, COOPI has been responding to various hazards in Nigeria. In the states of Sokoto and Kaduna, it has been improving early warning systems and a social safety net for rapid disaster response.

In north-western Nigeria, climate change-induced floods are one of the most frequent natural phenomena, thus leading to an increasing number of people vulnerable to disaster risk.

To improve early warning systems and social safety nets for a rapid response to disasters, COOPI supports the development of resilience at community level through:

- RAPID RESPONSE FOR EMERGENCY NEEDS OF "POPULATIONS IN MOVEMENT", INCLUDING DISPLACED PERSONS;
- TRAINING AND INTERVENTIONS FOR THE PREVENTION AND REDUCTION OF DISASTER RISK;
- PARTICIPATORY PLANNING FOR TERRITORIAL DEVELOPMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT;
- SOCIAL PROTECTION SYSTEMS STRENGTHENING TO PREVENT CLIMATE SHOCKS, SUCH AS THE SOCIAL SAFETY NET;
- COORDINATION AND LINKAGES AMONG DRR INSTITUTIONS AND PROGRAMS ACROSS TARGET STATES;
- ENHANCED INSTITUTIONAL CAPACITY FOR DISASTER MANAGEMENT AMONG RELEVANT STATE DRR AGENCIES;

2024:
2
PROJECTS
90,000
BENEFICIARIES

READ MORE ABOUT: **ENVIRONMENT AND DISASTER RISK REDUCTION POLICY**
WWW.COOPI.ORG/DRR-POLICY



MAIN AREAS OF INTERVENTION



FOOD SECURITY AND LIVELIHOODS

COOPI is implementing projects in Yobe covering General Food Distribution (GFD), Cash Based Transfers (CBT), Nutrition, Agriculture, Livestock, Income Generating Activities, Natural Resources Management with support from World Food Programme in Nigeria.

The main objective of the WFP supported projects are to ensure people are better able to meet their urgent food and nutritional needs. The projects provide food or cash assistance to meet the basic food and nutrition needs of targeted populations, and contribute towards restoring livelihoods and food security of affected communities through the gradual introduction of early recovery livelihoods activities to support women and youths in building skills and increase income for self-reliance.

COOPI supports IDPs, farmers and shepherds, potential entrepreneurs and rural communities with a focus on women, young returnees and vulnerable individuals through:

- **FOOD DISTRIBUTION:** DELIVERING FOOD BASKET ITEMS TO MEET THE BASIC FOOD AND NUTRITIONAL NEEDS OF VULNERABLE GROUPS;
- **CASH BASED TRANSFERS:** PROVIDING CASH TRANSFERS TO HOUSEHOLDS AT RISK OF FOOD INSECURITY SO AS TO ENABLE THEM MEET THEIR MINIMUM FOOD REQUIREMENTS WITH THE DIGNITY OF CHOICE;
- **AGRICULTURE:** INSTITUTIONAL CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT, ADOPTION OF IMPROVED AGRONOMIC PRACTICES, PROVISION OF MARKET ACCESS OPPORTUNITIES, SEEDS AND FARM INPUTS SUPPLIES TO FARMERS;
- **INCOME GENERATING ACTIVITIES (IGA):** THE PROJECT ENHANCES INNOVATIVE, PROFITABLE, AND SUSTAINABLE INCOME GENERATING SMALL BUSINESSES THROUGH PROVISION OF START-UP CAPITAL / KITS AND VOCATIONAL SKILL STRENGTHENING TRAININGS TO VULNERABLE YOUTH GROUPS AND WOMEN HEADED HOUSEHOLDS AND ENHANCE MARKET LINKAGES FOR SELF-RELIANCE;
- **LIVELIHOODS:** THE PROJECT CONTRIBUTE TO IMPROVING EQUITABLE ACCESS TO CRITICAL SERVICES IN A TIMELY MANNER IN THE AREAS OF CROP AND LIVESTOCK PRODUCTION, NATURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT, INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT WHILST CONTRIBUTING TO THE RESTORATION OF CRITICAL AGRICULTURAL ASSETS AND SERVICES.

2024:
5
 PROJECTS
798,362
 BENEFICIARIES

READ MORE ABOUT: FOOD SECURITY POLICY
WWW.COOPI.ORG/FOODSEC-POLICY



MAIN AREAS OF INTERVENTION



MULTI-PURPOSE CASH ASSISTANCE

COOPI is going to provide Multi-Purpose Cash Assistance (MPCA) intervention to meet multiple needs at the household level which will support WASH, Health, Food, and Nutrition. Particular attention will be given to the people who are newly displaced and those who are in the IDP camps. MPCA will also help to bridge the gap and reduce exposure to high-risk behaviors. Priority will be given to targeting lactating mothers, persons with disabilities, and female-headed households with malnourished children using the random sampling method. Cash disbursement will be done monthly using microfinance banks via smart cards/ATMs. Activities under this project include:

- COMMUNITY ENTRY ACTIVITIES AND WORKING WITH LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND KEY ACTORS IN TARGETING AND VERIFICATION;
- RAPID MARKET ASSESSMENT TO PROVIDE A SNAPSHOT OF HOW KEY MARKETS OPERATE, TO SUPPORT AN INITIAL DECISION ON THE FEASIBILITY OF RESPONSE OPTIONS (CASH VS. IN-KIND, INITIAL MARKET SUPPORT) BASED ON MARKET FUNCTIONALITY; AND ACCESS TO THE MARKET, AND ANY POTENTIAL RISK THAT MAY IMPACT EFFECTIVENESS OF THE MODALITY DURING IMPLEMENTATION.
- TRAINING OF COMMUNITY-BASED TARGETING COMMITTEE (CBTC) ON IDENTIFICATION, PROFILING, AND REGISTRATION OF POOR AND VULNERABLE HOUSEHOLDS (PVHH) WITHIN THE IDP CAMPS AND HOST COMMUNITIES.
- CONTRACTING THE MULTIPURPOSE CASH TRANSFER DELIVERY SERVICE PROVIDER;
- PROVISION OF MULTIPURPOSE CASH TO CONFLICT-AFFECTED IDPS.
- MARKET PRICE MONITORING;
- POST DISTRIBUTION MONITORING.

2024:

1

PROJECT

14,265

BENEFICIARIES



MAIN AREAS OF INTERVENTION



WASH

COOPI implements integrated WASH activities across the sub-sectors of water supply, sanitation, environmental health, hygiene promotion, and WASH non-food items in Sokoto, aiming to provide beneficiaries with a comprehensive package of services that also includes health, nutrition, and protection.

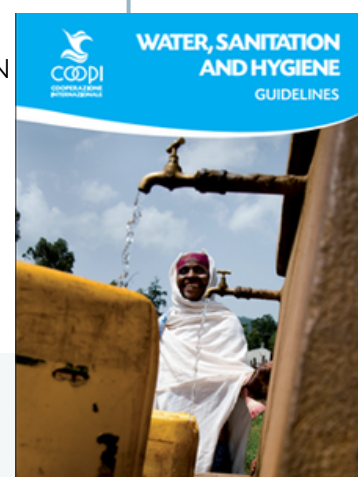
The intervention targets IDP camps, host communities, and health centers, ensuring that both local and international SPHERE standards for water and sanitation are met and maintained where applicable. The project also establishes systems for the long-term operation and maintenance of all water supply and sanitation infrastructure.

Activities under this project include:

- IMPLEMENTATION OF WASTE MANAGEMENT INTERVENTIONS;
- REHABILITATION OF SANITATION FACILITIES;
- PROVISION OF LATRINE CLEANING MATERIALS, ENSURING GENDER SENSITIVITY AND SOCIAL INCLUSION ARE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT;
- SUPPORT FOR THE REHABILITATION, OPERATION, AND MAINTENANCE OF WATER SYSTEMS, INCLUDING MOTORIZED, SOLAR-POWERED SYSTEMS AND HAND PUMPS;
- HYGIENE PROMOTION AND THE INTEGRATION OF COMMUNITY-BASED INFORMATION, EDUCATION, AND COMMUNICATION STRATEGIES;
- COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION IN WASH ACTIVITIES TO PROMOTE SUSTAINABLE BEHAVIOR CHANGE;
- CAPACITY-BUILDING FOR PREGNANT AND LACTATING WOMEN THROUGH THE BABY WASH INITIATIVE, AIMED AT STRENGTHENING THE INTEGRATION OF WASH WITH MATERNAL, NEWBORN, AND CHILD HEALTH;
- DISTRIBUTION OF NON-FOOD ITEMS, BASED ON VULNERABILITY CRITERIA AND NEEDS ASSESSMENTS IN CAMPS, INCLUDING MENSTRUAL HYGIENE MANAGEMENT MATERIALS FOR WOMEN AND ADOLESCENT GIRLS.

THIS WILL HELP TO ENABLE A MORE PROFOUND IMPACT ON CHILD HEALTH OUTCOMES IN THE FIRST 1,000 DAYS OF LIFE.

READ MORE ABOUT: **WATER, SANITATION AND HYGIENE POLICY**
WWW.COOPI.ORG/WASH-POLICY



COOPI NETWORK IN NIGERIA

CLUSTERS IN WHICH COOPI PARTICIPATES

Cash Working Group • Child Protection • Food Security • Nutrition • WASH • Working Group on Prevention and Response to Gender-based Violence • Early Recovery and Livelihood

INSTITUTIONS WITH WHICH COOPI COOPERATES

Ministry of Women's Affairs and Social Development (MWASD) • Yobe State Government • Yobe State Emergency Management Authority (SEMA) • Ministry of youth and Sport • Ministry of Commerce and Industry • Ministry of Water resources • Agricultural Development Programme (ADP) • Ministry of Agriculture

COOPI LOCAL AND NATIONAL PARTNERS

AFRYDEV • Jirah Doo Foundation,

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Christian Aid Ireland • International Rescue Committee

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COOPI ACTIVITIES IN NIGERIA ARE CURRENTLY FUNDED BY:



European Union
Civil Protection and
Humanitarian Aid



USAID
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COOPI DEVELOPMENT LINES IN NIGERIA

COOPI's main areas of intervention in Nigeria in the near future will be:

Improved humanitarian interventions:

- Response to humanitarian emergencies resulting from conflict, natural hazards, disease outbreaks and other forms of vulnerabilities;
- Ensure timely and adequate response to Food Security needs for crisis affected populations;
- Improved access to Nutrition Security for crisis affected populations and vulnerable communities;
- Improved Child Protection and access to WASH in Emergency for crisis affected and vulnerable populations;

Environmental Protection and Sustainable Development:

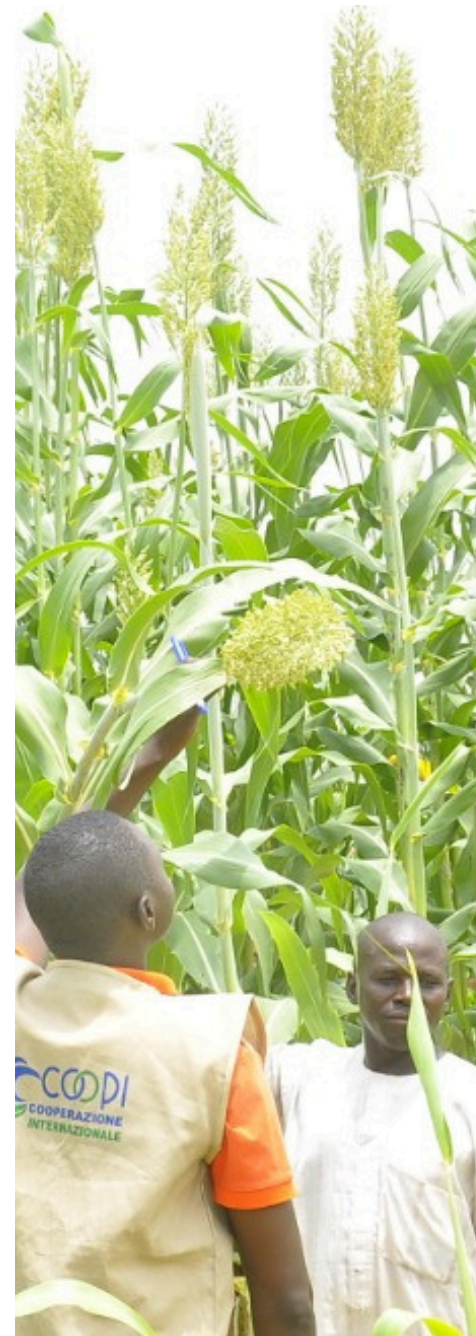
- Improved Environment and Disaster Risk Reduction leading to better preparedness and effective early response and management of natural phenomena;
- Improved Social Protection for vulnerable households;
- Improved sustainable livelihoods for vulnerable households in target communities;
- Improved policies, systems, programmes and governance capacity for sustainable development planning, management and monitoring at all levels.

Protection:

- Improved knowledge of protection issues and challenges through regular protection assessments, analysis and action planning;
- Establishment/Strengthening of support systems, services, structures and assistance for protection support to vulnerable people;
- Development of an environment of safety, security and respect for human rights by implementing prevention and response mechanisms for protection safeguarding of vulnerable people including children and women.

Cross Cutting Issues:

- Implementation of a Nexus multisectoral approach integrating humanitarian and resilience programmes mainstreaming cross cutting issues (gender, protection, disability, inclusion, Accountability to Affected Populations - AAP, environment and Do No Harm) at all levels.



READ MORE ABOUT COOPI PROJECTS IN NIGERIA

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