

BURUKU IDP COMMUNITY NARATIVE REPORT 2020

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Project title: Emergency intervention to improve the good health and well-being of Buruku IDPs community in Kaduna state.

FAROF MISSION STATEMENT:

Freehearts Africa Reach Out Foundation (FAROF) mission is committed to creating a healthy community for the most disadvantaged children and women through quality health care, education, protection against violence and exploitation, and community development that are sustainable, replicable and appropriate for hard-to-reach-areas.

CORE VALUE

Our core values are: **Excellence** (quality in service delivery), **Humanitarianism** (care for our target individuals), **Transparency** (Openness in our dealings), **Accountability** (responsible and answerable), **Commitment** (dedicated to our service) and **Resourcefulness** (value addition).

PROJECT GOAL:

This proposed intervention will focus on improvements and long term good nutrition, adequate sanitation and safe hygiene practices in Buruku IDP community, Kaduna state.

PROJECT OBJECTIVES:

1. To improve the safe hygiene practices at Buruku IDP camp sites.
2. To Strengthen the capacity of adolescent girls and mothers on menstrual hygiene
3. To increase and sustain access to essential sanitation services,
4. To improve maternal, newborn, infant and young child health and nutrition through trainings of mothers

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2.0. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The project on Emergency intervention to improve the good health and well-being of Buruku IDPs community in Kaduna state was implemented by Freehearts Africa Reach Out Foundation (FAROF) leveraging on under the discretionary grant of TY Danjuma Foundation.

Evidence from the situational analysis and need assessment conducted has drawn our attention to Buruku community of Chikun LGA. The high influx of IDPs in Buruku Community is increasing the risk of outbreak of sanitation related diseases, including poor hygiene and nutrition practices. Common disease found in this IDP Community includes: scabies, typhoid and diarrhea, with increased malnutrition amongst children, In order to meet up with the Sustainable Development Goal SDG 3 and 6, FAROF provided the following interventions: Nutritious meal Distribution, maternal, newborn, infant and young child health and nutrition and safe hygiene.



Photo: Buruku IDP Coordinators and community representatives

3.0. KEY AREAS OF FOCUS FOR THE PROJECT

3.1. Advocacy/Sensitization Meeting Held at Buruku IDP Community, Kaduna State

Session	Discussion
Introduction	An advocacy /sensitization meeting was held with key stakeholders at the internally displaced persons host community, Buruku. The aim of the meeting was to sensitize stakeholders on the project objectives and activities; participatory planning of project implementation in order to provide intervention tailored to their needs. The meeting had a total of 26 persons in attendance (4 females, 22 males)- See attached attendance in Appendix
Discussion	The Program Manager proceeded by presenting the overview of the project, which was to provide humanitarian assistance to the IDPs who have migrated to their community due to the growing insurgency in some communities and the state as a whole, with women and children being the primary focus of the intervention. He further added that the visit was made to sensitize them and identify their primary needs as it would inform intervention that will be tailored to their specific needs.



Photo: Buruku community Leaders

Stakeholders highlighted the needs of the displaced persons, as follows:

1. Shelter. A good number of the IDPs are squatting with others in the community and has resulted to overcrowdings in some homes and detrimental to their health
2. Food: many of them lack food which has resulted to an alarming cases of malnutrition amongst the children
3. Health – in the area of health, malaria and typhoid were identified as the most prevalent illnesses associated with the IDPs, and this is due to poor hygiene practices.
4. Education – education was another needs raised by the stakeholders, explaining that the community currently have just 4 schools which can no longer accommodate the growing population, so as such, the available ones are overcrowded with pupils and equally understaffed
5. Insecurity: this was identified as the biggest challenges of Buruku community. The stakeholders narrated that the community has suffered from incessant attacks from armed bandit. They identified this as one of their biggest challenge because the insecurity in the community has hampered various activities that would be productive to their lives

Responding to the needs identified, the Program Manager, stated that the organization will focus on needs that are centered on health and food for this project, while for other areas such as education and insecurity, the organization will work in partnership with other Civil Society Organizations and relevant actors in the state to advocate to the State government on their behalf to proffer lasting solutions their needs.

	He added that a pre-distribution assessment will be conducted to identify those who are truly IDPs within the community.
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3.2. Training and Screening children(under five years old) and pregnant and lactating women

Activity: Using MUAC tool we supported the Screening of children (under five years old) and pregnant and lactating women (PLW) for acute under-nutrition through leveraging on the existing data and nutritional activities of FHI360 nutrition project at the community. To implement Screening of children (under five years old) and pregnant and lactating women (PLW) for acute under-nutrition, the FHI360, results indicated that all children under 5 were currently in need of additional meals due to the COVID 19 pandemic. A total of 77 children of under five years old were screened for malnutrition, 25 children provided with deworm tablets and 35 pregnant mothers provided with mosquito nets



Provision of deworm medicine to 25 children



With the support of community members, supported a one day sensitization of 50 pregnant and lactating women (PLWs) and caregivers with children under 5years old on Infant and Young Child Feeding (IYCF) in Buruku IDP Camp.

3.3. Food Demonstrations

<u>Food Demonstrations</u>	
<p>Community one day food demonstrations training of 50 IDP caregivers groups on proper preparation of nutrient-dense complementary foods.</p> <p>This was coordinated by community representatives due to the insurgency in the area at the time of implementation</p>	<p>Food demonstration at the Buruku mai angwan palace</p>

3.4. Vocational training of trainers (multi-purpose soap and disinfectants (izal, detol, etc)

<p>One day training of 15 community hygiene promoters as Trainers (ToT) on making multi-purpose soap and disinfectants (izal, detol, etc) to promote hand washing and cleanliness;</p> <p>We leverage on the ongoing project, titled: Empowering Maginalise Women as Enterpreneur through Vocational Education and training-EMWEVET project under the support from the US Embassy, Nigeria to implement vocational training of beneficiaries on multi-purpose soap and disinfectants (izal, detol, etc</p> <p>The aim of this training is to increase hygiene practice at community level</p>	
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3.5. Making of Facemask As a response to COVID 19

As part of taking precautionary measures against the novel COVID 19, we conducted a one day training for 5 community leaders and IDP Coordinator on how to make affordable face mask, this was carried out at the office of FAROF, its objective was for trained persons to go back to the IDP communities and step down training to all her members.



Training on making of facemask

3.6. Nutritious Meal Distribution

Distribution of food supplements (Vitamin A, iron supplements) for moderate acute malnutrition affected children less than five years and pregnant and lactating mothers at health posts

SESSION	DISCUSSION
INTRODUCTION	FAROF food security assistance to Internally Displaced Persons in Buruku was conducted on the 27 th March 2020. The goal was to reach out to the most vulnerable internally displaced (women, children) with food support. A rapid needs assessment was conducted prior to implementation to identify the primary needs of the IDPs.
INTERVENTION PROCESS	NEEDS ASSESSMENT A rapid needs assessment was conducted by FAROF team in

Buruku where their needs were assessed through Focus Group Discussion with representatives of the community. The assessment indicated security was the priority needs of the IDP; Food was the second identified needs of the community, and then the need for strengthening the educational system, and poor hygiene practices were other issues identified.

The program manager explained that food distribution will be the primary focus for the intervention, while the organization will advocate on their behalf to the State government and other relevant CSOs to proffer solution to the insecurity issues and other health related challenges.

FOOD DISTRIBUTION

A team of four staffs led by the CEO of FAROF took food supplies to Buruku IDP Camp for distribution to most vulnerable families targeting women and children. The food item distributed includes; rice, noodles, and corn flour.

76 households were reached with food supplements, including infant and lactating mothers, an average of 5 persons per household were targeted, giving a total of 380 persons that were provided with food items

Recipients of the food distribution were so grateful. They noted that FAROF's methods were different than other relief/government agencies; they actually stayed to distribute the materials, gather data and listen to people's stories.

The following food suppliments were distributed:

Rice
Soya beans
Iodized salt
Spaghetti
Maize/millet
&
Groceries (Vegetable cooking oil, diary/milk, canned tomapec and eggs



Distribution of food supplements per zone of IDP locations



Provision of food supplement and mosquito nets for pregnant and lactating mothers through community Leaders

3.7. Conduct 1 day trainings for adolescent and young women on menstrual hygiene management

50 women and adolescent girls living in temporary shelters set up in the district were invited to participate in the one day training of Menstrual Hygiene and Management MHM.



Training specifically addressed the following:

- Explain the concept of MHM;
- Describe the process of safe disposal of sanitary napkins;
- Demonstrate the making of reusable pads
- Explain the necessity and importance of MHM;
- Describe the roles and responsibilities of various stakeholders on MHM;



The workshop delivered by WASH Master Trainer, was tackling the lack of education that women have about their health that leads to negative consequences in their lives.

4. MONITORING AND EVALUATION

To ensure continued quality of services, the project implemented a joint site supervision in collaboration with the community participatory support. All sites received a follow-up visit to address issues identified in previous visit.. Site supervisors followed up with on-site coaching, technical expertise, routine monitoring, and continuous assessment and updating of the improvement plan. The M&E team met with providers at the IDP sites to discuss their supervision data and to develop QI plans to improve performing areas.

5. CHALLENGES

- Insecurity

- Quarantine/movement restriction cause by COVID 19
- Routine monitoring was narrowed

6. RECOMMENDATION

- Pre distribution should be implemented before actual distribution
- Engagement of community leaders; use of community-based distribution points, will enhance service integration
- To meet routine data and clarify inaccuracies in reporting, mentorship and training. FAROF encourages continued practice of participatory and/or joint monitoring strategies to support project
- Community leaders engaged for distribution should also be monitor

7. LESSON LEARNED

- Using a participatory project design and planning yield greater outcome, where community leaders owned the projects

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Advocacy/Sensitization Meeting Attendance



ADVOCACY /SENSITIZATION MEETING WITH STAKEHOLDERS AT BURUKU INTERNALLY DISPLACED PERSONS (IDPs) CAMP, KADUNA STATE.

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TIME:

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