

## CROSS-BORDER COMMUNITY RESILIENCE ACTIVITY

USAID's Cross-Border Community Resilience (CBCR) activity is a regional project designed to enhance resilience and thus reduce the need for humanitarian assistance among communities in the cross-border clusters of Karamoja, Moyale and Mandera, which cover the borderlands of the following countries:

- Karamoja includes Uganda, Ethiopia, South Sudan, and Kenya.
- Moyale includes Kenya and Ethiopia; and
- Mandera includes Somalia, Ethiopia, and Kenya

The project aims to strengthen cross-border “clusters”. These clusters are regions in the Horn of Africa that have historically suffered from under investment and whose challenges and vulnerabilities cannot be tackled by national governments alone. It aims to empower local entities, including communities, civil society, private sector, and governments, to implement locally appropriate interventions targeted in addressing conflict, improving livelihoods and/or reducing the risks of shocks and stresses. The project will support local leadership in work planning, implementation, monitoring, and learning, to foster local ownership of development investments. The project is implemented by Chemonics and ACIDI/VOCA in collaboration with local organizations under the East Africa Feed-the-Future and the USAID Resilience Challenge Fund and centered around locally led and inclusive development.

## OBJECTIVES

With the goal to reduce the need for humanitarian assistance among communities in the cross-border clusters, CBCR aims to contribute to the resilience of cross-border communities in the target Clusters. The objectives of CBCR include building capacity for locally led and managed programming, strengthening social cohesion as a foundation for resilience programming, expanding conflict-sensitive and inclusive livelihood and employment opportunities, improving the conflict-sensitive management and equitable sharing of natural resources, and enhancing collaboration and learning across all activities and investments inclusive of cluster stakeholders.

## RESULTS FRAMEWORK



## BUDGET

USD \$19.5 million

## DURATION

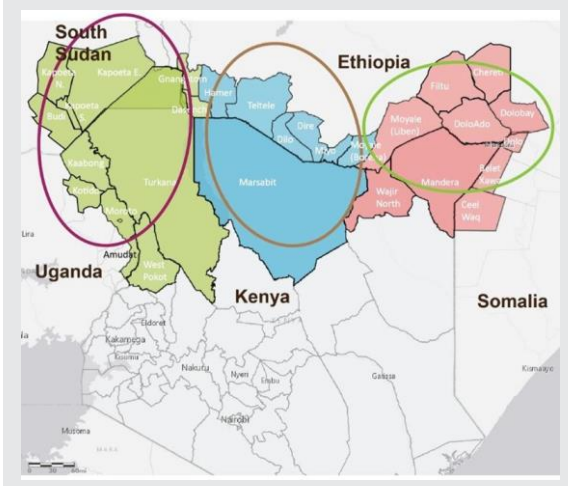
5 years (2021-2026)

## IMPLEMENTING PARTNERS

Chemonics International and ACDI/VOCA

## GEOGRAPHIC AREAS

Cross-border clusters of Karamoja, Moyale and Mandera



## METHODOLOGY

Working through local development organizations (LDOs) based within the target clusters, the project will map formal and informal organizations within each cluster and select organizations that they will co-create implementation plans with to address root causes and identify solutions to improve livelihoods and increase resilience of target communities. In addition to supporting LDOs, the project will build capacity of LDOs to successfully apply for and manage USAID funds under USAID's Regional Resilience Fund and other resources for cross-border communities. The project will also support LDOs to collaborate across borders with local governments, to create and facilitate public-private-partnerships, resilience programming, and learning.

## EXPECTED RESULTS

- Increased capacity of LDOs in organization and resilience program development.
- Strengthened abilities of local organizations to engage media and stimulate community dialogue and social cohesion.
- Increased density and diversity of social and economic networks and expanded civic participation and leadership of youth and women.
- Expanded public-private partnerships that lead to investment opportunities for a broad-base of entrepreneurs, including women, youth, and other traditionally excluded groups and in water infrastructure, fodder production, rangeland management, and eco-tourism/wildlife conservation.
- Improved policies at the border that ease the movement of goods and people across borders, e.g., harmonizing seed trade regulations, animal health policies, taxation and trade incentives for livestock, trade and SPS standards.
- Strengthened capacity of local development organizations and governments to design, negotiate, and support resource-sharing and climate adaptation interventions across borders and formal agreements between communities and governments that facilitate the sharing of resources and climate adaptation across borders, and increased adoption of rangeland management and other NRM practices.

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