



EMERGENCY PROTECTION AND MULTIPURPOSE CASH ASSISTANCE TO FLOOD - AFFECTED POPULATIONS IN BAUCHI STATE

PROJECT BACKGROUND

The recent flooding in Bauchi State, triggered by heavy rainfall, has resulted in a severe humanitarian crisis, affecting over 293,000 individuals across 16 Local Government Areas (LGAs), causing widespread displacement of over 30,000 households and 293,371 individuals (including women, children, vulnerable adults and persons with disabilities). The floods have led to the loss of 24 lives and left 163 injured, highlighting the urgent need for immediate humanitarian assistance. The disaster has disproportionately impacted vulnerable groups, including women, children, the elderly, and people with disabilities, who face heightened risks of exploitation, abuse, and neglect in the current emergency setting.

With the destruction of 52,035 homes and damage to an additional 172,330, displaced persons are now seeking shelter in overcrowded schools, public buildings, including Primary Health Clinics, and with host communities. The disruption of essential services, including water supply, sanitation, and healthcare, has exposed displaced persons to risks of waterborne diseases and other health risks. The damage to 50,343 hectares of farmland and the loss of over 11,000 animals have severely impacted livelihoods, exacerbating food insecurity and economic vulnerability.

PROJECT GOAL

The program goal is to provide immediate, life-saving assistance to 18,515 flood-affected populations in Bauchi State, Nigeria, and to facilitate their recovery and enhance their resilience to future disasters. The interventions will focus on addressing the urgent protection and livelihood needs, while also mitigating the risks of gender-based violence and exploitation.

PROJECT OBJECTIVES

The overall expected outcome of the project is to contribute to the recovery and resilience of flood-affected communities in Bauchi State. Intermediate outcomes include:

- **Enhanced protection of vulnerable groups:** The project aims to reduce the risk of harm, exploitation, and abuse among women, children, the elderly, and people with disabilities. This will be achieved through the provision of psychosocial support, and awareness-raising on protection issues. The project will also work to strengthen community-based protection mechanisms and ensure the inclusion of marginalized groups in all project activities.
- **Increased economic security and resilience:** The project aims to improve the economic well-being of affected households by providing them with cash assistance to meet their immediate needs and support their livelihoods. This will enable them to purchase essential goods and services, rebuild their homes, and invest in income-generating activities. The project also aims to reduce reliance on negative coping mechanisms and enhance the long-term resilience of communities






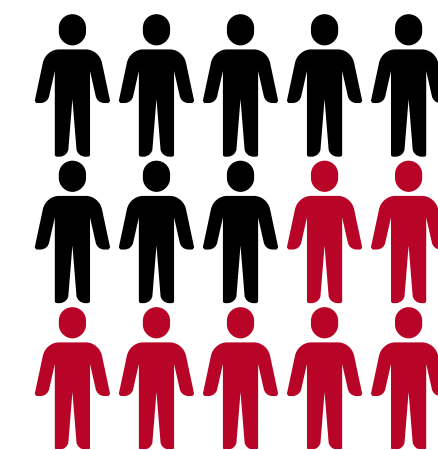
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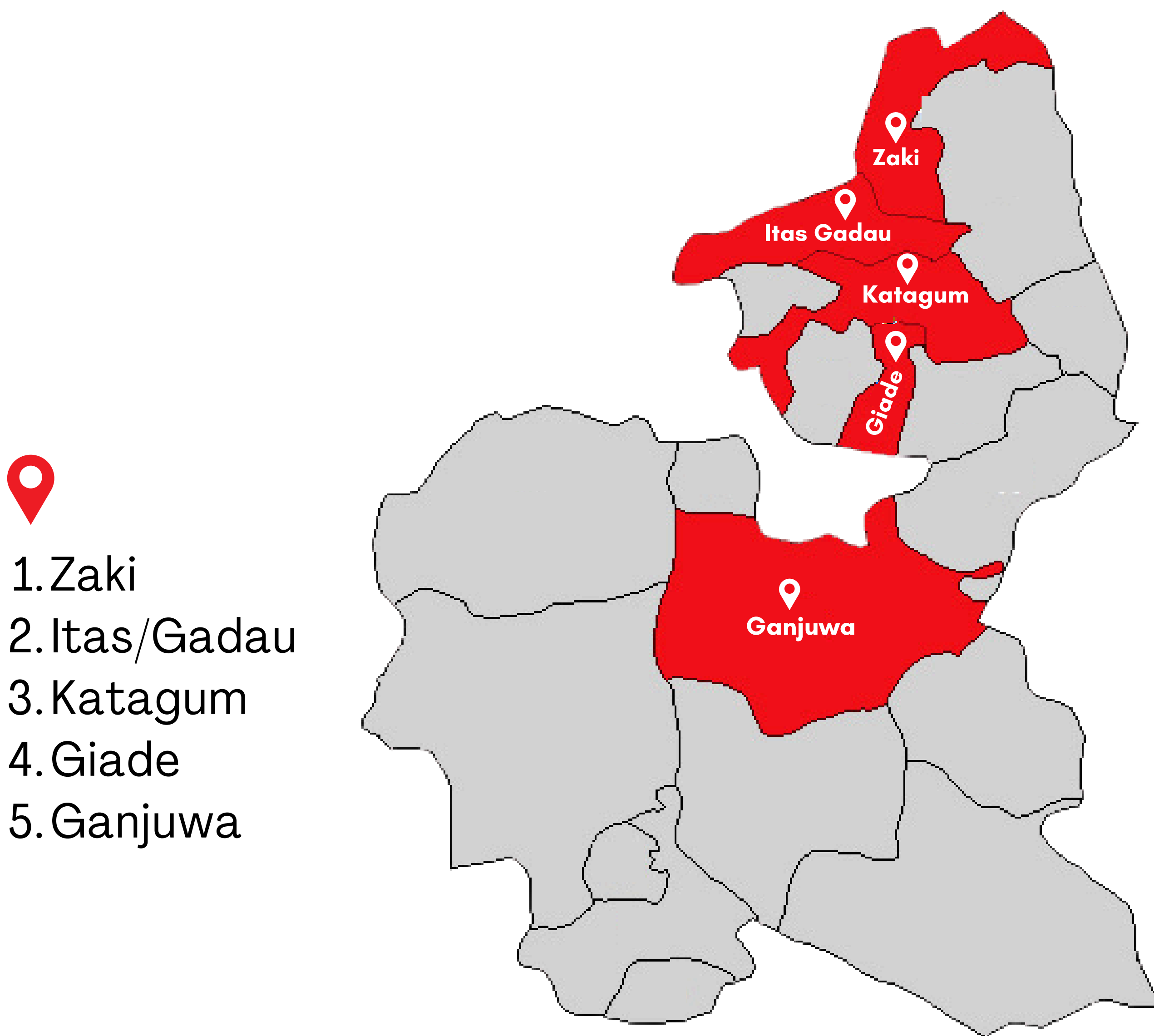
End Date:
JANUARY 27, 2025




3,703
Households




18,515
Direct Beneficiaries



Zaki Wards: Sakwa, Murmur South, Alangawari

Individuals Affected  14,549	Affected Households  2,910	Households Targeted  1,310
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Itas/Gadau Wards: Zubuki

Individuals Affected  11,384	Affected Households  2,277	Households Targeted  730
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Katagum Wards: Gambaki/Bidir and Ragwam

Individuals Affected  5,814	Affected Households  1,163	Households Targeted  623
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Giade Wards: Doguwa Central and Sabon Sarah

Individuals Affected  5,126	Affected Households  1,025	Households Targeted  546
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Ganjuwa Wards: Kafin Madaki, Miya East and Kirya

Individuals Affected  4,281	Affected Households  856	Households Targeted  494
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Sector 1: Protection

Sub-Sector: Prevention and Response to Gender-Based Violence (GBV)

The project will implement a comprehensive protection response that aligns with the RRF Protection Thematic Area Guidelines, addressing the immediate and long-term needs of flood-affected populations in Bauchi State, with a particular focus on vulnerable groups, including women, children, the elderly, and people with disabilities. The project will prioritize the following activities:

- Community Entry and Project Kick Off Meetings
- Protection Assessment and Service Mapping
- Training of Case Workers and Community-Based Protection Network Members
- Community Engagement and Information Dissemination
- Identification, registration and verification of dignity kits beneficiaries
- Dignity Kit Distribution
- Conduct GBV Safety Audit
- Conduct Endline survey

Sector 2: Multi-purpose Cash

The interventions will prioritize Multipurpose Cash Assistance (MPCA) to support selected households to cater for their water and hygiene needs by ensuring access to clean water and sanitation, recognizing the urgent need to prevent disease outbreaks. The MPCA will also empower affected households to meet their immediate food, nutrition and NFI needs and support their recovery from the shock of displacement. The project will prioritize the following activities:

- Conduct introductory meetings to share clear communication about the selection criteria and ensure that all stakeholders understand the process
- Cash feasibility & market assessment
- Protection mainstreaming
- Beneficiary identification and registration will take place once a committee is set up for registration of beneficiaries
- Independent final verification by Safer World Foundation
- Distribute Multi-Purpose Cash for selected households
- Conduct Post Distribution Monitoring (PDM)

The MDAs SWF will coordinate with include the following:

- **State Emergency Management Agency (SEMA):** SWF will engage in coordination mechanisms by ensuring regular communication and information sharing with SEMA to facilitate a common understanding of the situation, needs, and ongoing response efforts, particularly in the targeted LGAs.
- **State Ministry of Women Affairs and Social Development (MOWASD):** Leads and coordinates all State efforts in GBV response and prevention.
- **State Ministry of Health (SMOH):** Provides skilled personnel and resources for health services across health facilities.
- **State Ministry of Justice (SMOJ):** Provides access to the legal system services for survivors, enforces locally available laws, and facilitates access to speedy and appropriate justice for survivors.
- **Police Forces:** Provides protection services, enforces locally available laws, and facilitates the arrest of potential perpetrators.

The project will also address the specific needs of the following different identified groups:

- **Women and girls:** The project will prioritize the protection of women and girls from gender-based violence, exploitation, and abuse. This will involve establishing women-friendly spaces, providing information on available services, and supporting women's economic empowerment.
- **Children:** The project will ensure that children's needs are met, including access to education, child-friendly spaces, and protection from harm. The project will also work to identify, and support separated and unaccompanied children.
- **Elderly and people with disabilities:** The project will ensure that there is inclusivity and meaningful access to services and assistance for this section of the affected population.

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