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Message from the National Director



Berhanu Ambaw, National Director

As I look over Habitat's work in Ethiopia since 1993, I am extremely proud of what has been achieved. I am more excited about our outlook for an equally promising future. We have successfully launched Habitat Ethiopia strategy for 2016-2018. In this new strategy, we have taken into account the multidimensional poverty challenges in Ethiopia to diversify our interventions.

HFHE aims at bringing about impact at community, sector and societal levels. The foundation for all these three impact being Building Sustainable Organization which is all about developing the necessary resources and capacity to achieve the impacts mentioned above. The strategic

plan is aligned with global strategy of Habitat for Humanity. Under each impact level a total of eight context specific interventions known as Program Line of Businesses (PLOBs) have been identified for Ethiopia in this strategic period. The details of these PLOBs are presented in the subsequent sections of this Annual Report.

In this strategic period, much more effort is also geared towards building the capacity of Habitat Ethiopia organization, program development, enhancing skills and project management systems will be some of our investments.

The funding and other resource requirement to execute the strategy and bring about the desired impacts has been projected based on conservative estimates/expectations. However, given the immense need on the ground and attention to Ethiopia's development, much more resource is expected to be raised, thereby impact can easily be scaled up. The overall funding requirement is about \$5 million for the three-year strategic period. More than 17,800 families are expected to be directly involved and positively impacted at all levels.

I would like to sincerely thank you for your support in moving families to decent homes, creating access to safe water, improved sanitation and hygiene to poor communities, and assist us in our efforts to respond to emergencies in Ethiopia.

With your generous support, we are able to serve more than 3,834 families in one year and half. Together, we are making positive impacts to lives in Ethiopia.

HFH Ethiopia's Milestones

2015/2016

- 🏠 Bisidimo VG project: 25 houses completed for Vulnerable Groups.
- 🏠 Fitche integrated VG housing Project: 20 Vulnerable families moved into new homes.
- 🏠 Urban Slum Upgrading and WASH Projects: 892 low-income and vulnerable families have been served with improved sanitation, home renovations and other essential services.
- 🏠 School toilet, improved sanitation for children: 2,098 get access to new toilets.
- 🏠 Family self-help: 32 families assisted to get access to land for self-help and started construction.
- 🏠 Efficient method of construction: Construction work fully outsourced to contractors.
- 🏠 Disaster Risk Reduction and Response: DR3-WASH Project launched to serve 7,500 families who are affected by drought.
- 🏠 A three-year Strategic Plan has been launched.
- 🏠 Since it started operation in 1993, HFH Ethiopia has served more than 19,700 families (more than 100,000 people).

HFH Ethiopia's Performance in 2016

Fitche Integrated Vulnerable Group Housing Project

In partnership with Habitat for Humanity Canada and cbm Canada

- 🏠 20 Families moved to new homes.
- 🏠 20 houses are under construction, to be completed by June 2017.
- 🏠 Out of 40 families, 25 are families with either children or adults with disabilities.
- 🏠 Disability type includes deformity (short leg, hand deformity, club feet), hearing impairment, cerebral palsy, developmental delay, Autism, epilepsy, cleft lip/palate and polio.
- 🏠 15 are families who live in extreme poverty, integrated with families affected by disabilities.



Families & their children moved to new homes in Fitche town

Financial literacy training and linkage with microfinance institutions

- 🏠 29 Families were provided with financial literacy training and started saving.
- 🏠 Four families have already received loan and started small businesses.
- 🏠 25 are preparing to receive credit.

Project Approach-Improving the living standard of vulnerable families through housing intervention and integration, prepare suitable house design for people with disability, integrate families with children and people with disability with others and link them with micro finance institutions for livelihood improvement:

- Provide housing assistance for vulnerable families, including children and adults with disability(PWD);
- Quadruplet house design with shared wall involving four housing units each having two rooms with communal kitchen, toilet and shed for income generation and other activities;
- Linkage with local micro finance institutions and develop saving culture of the families for their future livelihood;
- Providing training on housekeeping and hygiene for sustainable healthy homes and environment.

Bisidimo Housing Project for Families Affected by Leprosy

In partnership with Habitat for Humanity Great Britain and The Howdens

- 🏠 25 families affected by leprosy, and also with physical disability moved to new homes.
- 🏠 36 people are children and 40 are adults.
- 🏠 19 people are at old ages.

Hygiene training and mosquito nets

- 🏠 132 community members and 25 beneficiaries received training.
- 🏠 71 school children and 46 adults participated in awareness raising training and events for stigma reduction.
- 🏠 Stigma reduction demonstrated through mutual assistance provided during house construction.
- 🏠 75 mosquito nets distributed.



Leprosy affected families used to live in substandard shelter

Project Approach- Improving housing and health condition of people affected by leprosy and disability and promote integration to reduce stigma through community awareness events and training:

- Housing assistance for marginalized families with members affected by leprosy through implementing locally appropriate house design; each house with two rooms, kitchen and toilet;
- Awareness raising training for adults and ensure they support families through mutual help during house construction;
- Awareness raising events for school children to reduce stigma and promote integration;
- Hygiene and sanitation training and distribution of mosquito nets to reduce vulnerability to malaria.



New house constructed for leprosy affected family

Water, Sanitation and Urban Slum Upgrading Project

In partnership with HFH Great Britain and The Howdens
and HFH Northern Ireland

- 🏠 40 communal toilets were constructed.
- 🏠 37 toilets are for communities in slum areas and three are school toilets.
- 🏠 Typology ranges from two to eight seaters for community communal toilets and eight to 12 seaters for school toilets.
- 🏠 512 Families or 2,560 people have access to communal toilets.
- 🏠 207 are people in the old age and 235 are women headed families.
- 🏠 Close to 3,000(1336 female and 762 male) students were served through school toilets.
- 🏠 79 Families were served with clean water facilities through group tap water.
- 🏠 28 families served through full renovation of depleted houses in Addis.
- 🏠 Seven families served through transferring to new houses in Debre Birhan.
- 🏠 2,300community members were provided with basic hygiene training.
- 🏠 570 people were served through creating healthy living environment: construction of 195meter walkways and 152meter ditches.
- 🏠 238 families (1,190 people) were served through provision of solid waste disposal carriage.
- 🏠 47 committees and saving groups were established for management of communal facilities.

Project Approach-Improving the living conditions of vulnerable families, communities and school children through provision of safe water, improved toilets, communal infrastructures, renovated houses, hygiene and sanitation training:

- Housing support services for vulnerable slum area dwellers through construction and renovation of dilapidated houses, and communal toilets, provision of group tap water, construction of walkways, ditch and installation of solid waste disposal containers;
- Establishment of committees, saving groups and instituting by-laws for sustainable communal facility management and upkeeping;
- Behavioral change through education and training on personal and environmental hygiene for beneficiaries, wider community and school children.



Six seater toilet

Water, Sanitation and Urban Slum Upgrading Project



Eight seater toilet group of family







A house before renovation






A house after full renovation

Support Market Approaches for Home Improvement and Access to Housing

-  **32 families (160 people)** were supported to get access to land and establish self-help group;
-  **Three families** have completed their houses and other families are constructing their own houses through their own efforts;
-  **272 families** in Kombolcha town were organized and saved **\$165,000** and linked to municipality as housing cooperatives for accessing land for house construction through their own effort;
-  **90 family heads** were organized in eight saving groups and provided financial literacy training to be linked to micro-finance institutions to accessing loan for home improvement.

Project Approach-Supporting market approaches for access to adequate housing through technical support, lobbying and networking with providers through self-help led housing finance model:

-  Provide support for self-help group to access housing through self-initiated saving and effort with or without HFH Ethiopia's investment;
-  Establish, train and nurture saving groups and provide support in accessing land and finance;
-  Provide support in designing self-help group by-law to help them manage their efforts.

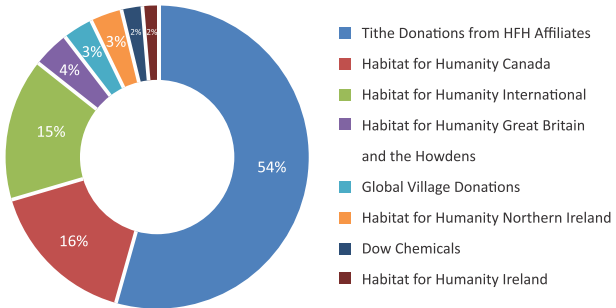


Recently completed house through self-help saving group scheme



Training to form saving groups

Funding Sources



Habitat for Humanity Ethiopia Revenue and Expenditures (One year and half)

| Description | Amount |
|--------------------|-----------|
| Revenues and Gains | 1,085,327 |
| Expenditures | 756,932 |
| Balance | 328,395 |

Disaster Risk Reduction and Response: WASH Project

Ethiopia is facing severe drought which affected millions of people. While the country continues to reel from the impacts of the El Niño-induced drought occurred last year, a new drought affects southern and eastern low lands. At least 5.6 million people need emergency food assistance. As drinking water sources have dried up, 9.2 million people require WASH support. The 2016 assessment indicates that millions of people living in 200 Woredas(districts) are still living in acute water scares areas. This is due to increased non-functionality of water points in the identified districts, poor rain and lowering of ground water levels. Lack of WASH facilities and water supply systems were also identified in many schools and health centers.

In response to the life-threatening drought, HFH Ethiopia has launched Disaster Risk Reduction and Response (DR3-WASH Project) in Sankura and Alichu districts of Silte Zone in Southern Nations, Nationalities and People's State. As a result of drought, coverage of potable water drops to 18% and 27% in the two districts respectively. The community water supply systems are not functional. Women and children travel 2-3 hours per day to collect water from unprotected sources where large number of people and their livestock line up for hours.

The project aims at assisting more than 37,000 people through providing water back packs, water purifying chemicals and hygiene awareness raising training. To scale up the emergency WASH efforts, a new project proposal of close to \$200,000 has been developed to assist additional number of people who live in drought affected areas. The source funding for this additional intervention is Habitat for Humanity International. HFH Ethiopia is seeking additional funds to start new projects in other districts of the region where people face acute shortage of water.



Women and children wait long to get water in Silte Zone

Facts about drought in Ethiopia:

| Type of Aid | No. of people Affected (million) | Emergency Requirement (million \$) |
|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Food | 5.6 | 598 |
| Water, Sanitation and Hygiene | 9.2 | 86.4 |
| Emergency Shelter | 0.6 | 17.2 |
| Nutrition | 3.0 | 105.6 |
| Health | 4.3 | 42.8 |
| Education | 2.0 | 45.5 |

Source: Humanitarian Requirement Document, 2017

Family Stories

New Home to Study and Grow

Hawi Ejersa, 13, lives in Fitche town with her grandmother and her older brother, Hunde Ejersa, 15. Hunde has hearing problem and is slow learner. Both Hawi and Hunde are six grade students. Hawi spends much of her time assisting her brother in his education. As their parents died, they are raised by grandmother, Yeshi Kedir, the owner of new home constructed by HFH Ethiopia in Fitche town.

Hawi said that the old home had no toilet and kitchen. The house and the surrounding area was not clean, full of dust and dirt. "We had no freedom to study and play in rented home, the owners restrict us to stay at home," Hawi said.

It is only about four months since they moved to the new home. "My brother and I are very happy now. We live and study in clean home, use clean toilet and have clean space to study and play," she explained. She hoped that she would be a doctor and help her grandmother and her brother in the future.

The grandmother, Yeshi Kedir on her part said that the new home and the neighborhood is convenient to raise children, work with other families on common causes and help each other.



Hawi with her brother Hunde and grandmother at their new home



Better Life in New Home

Before moving to new house, Aster Tsidu used to live in an old house made of wood and mud in Fitche town. The house wasn't convenient for living. Aster and her daughters, Netsanet Seyfe and Behaylua Seyfe, were forced to go to the surrounding field and trees for toilet. The mother and her children were exposed to health and safety risks due to unsanitary living area. As there is no free space outside the house, their movement was limited.

After years of sufferings in substandard housing, Aster and her daughters moved to new home built by Habitat in October 2016. They now have proper kitchen and clean toilet. They speak of the freedom they enjoy in the new residential area where new home owners form new community. "The old and the new homes are totally different. We moved out of not only collapsing house but also troubled life. It is new life for myself and my children," Aster said.

Her younger daughter Netsanet said, "The new house is clean and comfortable to study; there is no smoke and dust. We are relieved of the cold weather at night and heat during the day."

The families who moved to new Habitat houses have organized themselves to assist each other in case of illness and other challenges, and maintaining the sanitation of the residential area. This makes their life more meaningful. Families who had been marginalized as a result of poverty and substandard housing now join new community which enhances their relationships. Aster sells thread used for traditional weaving to earn income. She also wants to rear sheep for additional income. "I am thinking of income generating activities in the free space outside the house. I can do many things to lead better life," she said.



Aster spinning tread for weaving at her new home



Aster and Netsanet at their new home

“A Big Change to Our Health”

Through its Water, Sanitation and Hygiene Program, HFH Ethiopia has served more than 9,600 families. Jemal Hasan's family is one of the households who started to use new toilet constructed by HFH Ethiopia. Jemal, 57, his wife Shewawork Mohammed, 52, and their children live in one of the slum areas of Addis Ababa, the capital city. They were susceptible to health problems caused by deteriorated sanitation and lack of proper toilet. Poorly maintained old toilet exposed the family to health risks. The family depends on meagre income from petty trade which is not sufficient to construct new toilet or renovate the old one.

Jemal's family sees significant difference since they started to use a new toilet constructed by Habitat in August 2016. Jemal said that the new toilets is clean and suitable to use. The new toilet enhances the sanitation, health and dignity of the family. It contributes to improvement of their living condition, most importantly to ensure the safety of children. "We are happy now, the new toilet brings a big change to our health," Jemal explained.



Jamal's family in front of the new toilet

Volunteering for HFH Ethiopia

HFH Ethiopia has been hosting teams of international volunteers under Global Village Program. The strategic mobilization of international volunteers aims at expanding partnerships and leveraging resources on sustainable basis. Until September 2016, HFH Ethiopia hosted 131 Global village teams with 1,815 volunteers from several countries. HFH International, HFH Canada, HFH Northern Ireland, HFH Portland/Metro East and Twin Cities HFH also sent teams of donors and senior staff who volunteer for HFH Ethiopia.

During their stay in the country, volunteers participate on various construction activities. They also share experiences with families and communities and learn more about the local culture. Many of the Global Village team members continue to support HFH Ethiopia through Habitat National Offices. Some of them have become long time donors.

HFH Ethiopia would like to thank all team leaders, volunteers and sending countries for their commitment and support.



Volunteers at work

HFH Ethiopia's Program Line of Business

In response to immense need in the country, HFH Ethiopia is carrying out its activities focusing on eight program lines of business.



Water, Sanitation and Hygiene-WASH:

Provides safe water and improved sanitation for communities and households combined with promotion of personal and environmental hygiene. This intervention helps improve the health and safety of families and communities.

1



Disaster Risk Reduction & Response-DRRR:

Provides Emergency WASH: Water, Sanitation and Hygiene for families and communities affected by severe drought.

2



Vulnerable Group Housing:

Improve the living conditions of Vulnerable Groups through construction of new houses, renovation of existing homes and other essential services. It also includes capacity building and community organization for sustainable change.

3



Saving led Housing Finance:

Focus on improving homes for low-income families through self-help saving schemes.

4



Promotion of Community Development Interventions:

Enhance HFH Ethiopia's participation in national networks, forums and campaigns.

5



Volunteers Engagement:

Mobilize local and international volunteers/ Global Village teams to raise awareness on Habitat's work and create sustainable partnership.

6



Resource Mobilization:

Secure funds and other resources through grants, tithes, individuals, institutions, cash contributions, HFHI unrestricted and restricted funds, and GV donations.

7



Build project management, leadership capability, and center of excellence:

Staff development, Organizational learning and development, Center of excellence.

8

All Time Families Served by Habitat Ethiopia (1993-2016)

| Intervention areas | families served | Individuals served |
|---|-----------------|--------------------|
| Homes | 2,358 | 11,790 |
| Water-Communal points and group taps | 4,542 | 22,710 |
| Sanitation-communal toilets | 1,882 | 9,410 |
| Sanitation-school toilets | Student's | 2,098 |
| WASH Awareness training | 2,871 | 14,355 |
| Walkways, ditches and solid waste | 352 | 1,760 |
| Kitchen improvement | 7,387 | 36,935 |
| Technical assistance | 77 | 385 |
| Saving group trained and linked to government | 272 | 1,360 |
| Total families/individuals served | 19,741* | 100,803 |

Voluntary Engagement:

Total International teams hosted..... 131
 Total Volunteers hosted..... 1,815

*4,636 families who live in malaria-prone areas got mosquito nets, this is not included in the total number of families served.

Our Donors

Thank You for Your Support

Habitat Ethiopia has been able to improve the living conditions of families through generous support from donors. More than half of the fund spent on our programs comes from our tithe donors. Working together, we transform the lives of people who live in poverty housing, deteriorated sanitation and have no access to clean water.

We would like to sincerely thank all our donors. Special thanks and appreciation goes to the following most recent donors:

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The Need in Ethiopia

- 30% of Ethiopians live in extreme poverty.
 - Per capita income: \$410.
 - 70% of the current housing units have only one room.
 - Access to safe drinking water is 50%.
 - Access to improved sanitation is only 20%.
 - 38% of households have no toilet facilities.
- 5.6 million people need food aid.
- 9.2 million people need water, sanitation and hygiene aid.
 - Prevalence of drought, flood, earthquake and epidemic is high.

Country Facts

| | |
|-------------------------------|-------------|
| Capital City | Addis Ababa |
| Population..... | 100 million |
| Urban dwellers..... | 20% |
| Average life expectancy | 61 years |

What can you do?

You can help families who live in poverty housing, have no access to safe water, adequate sanitation and hygiene, and assist our efforts to respond to emergencies in Ethiopia through:

Establishing strong title partnership,

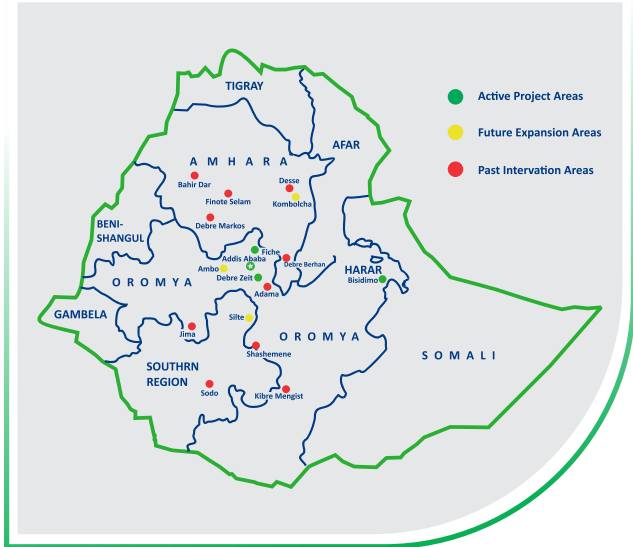
Funding specific projects,

Volunteering through Global Village Program.

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