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SOMALIA

IFRC COUNTRY SUPPORT PLAN

2022 funding requirement in Swiss francs

2.7 million

As part of a total Federation-wide funding requirement in Swiss franc **3.7 million***



National Society
branches

19



National Society
staff

1,015



National Society
volunteers

5,100



People to be reached

600,000

This document details the IFRC's support in areas agreed upon with the relevant National Society. The IFRC seeks resources to carry out this plan, listed here as funding requirements. For information on the IFRC's emergency operations, please visit ifrc.org/appeals.

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SITUATIONAL ANALYSIS

Population

12.3 million

Vulnerability to disasters

				
Flooding	Poverty	Drought	Conflict	Violence

Humanitarian needs in Somalia are driven by conflict, violence and vulnerability to natural disasters and are aggravated by chronic poverty and threats to livelihoods from desert locusts, gender disparities, eroded social support networks and other inequalities.

Of Somalia's 12.3 million people, 5.6 million are food insecure and 2.8 million cannot meet their daily food requirements. Approximately 840,000 children under the age of five are likely to be acutely malnourished. Food insecurity is particularly intense in rural areas, and is driven by poor rainfall, flooding, desert locusts, socio-economic impacts of Covid-19 and conflict. Extreme water shortages and reliance on water trucking have seen an increased burden on insufficient household incomes to pay for water.

Armed conflict and violence, displacement, inequality, marginalization and poverty remain serious issues in Somalia. There are 2.6 million internally displaced people.

The existing vulnerabilities and marginalization of women have been made worse by water shortages, which place extra burdens on their responsibilities around household food consumption, water collection and care. Women are at higher risk of falling into poverty, losing autonomy, facing discrimination, marginalization, early and forced marriages, and violence, including sexual exploitation and gender-based violence. Women and children are particularly likely to be displaced due to drought.



ROLE OF THE NATIONAL SOCIETY

The Somalia Red Crescent Society delivers life saving humanitarian services across the country despite the protracted conflict, political divide, and increased insecurity. It has unique humanitarian access and a high degree of trust. The National Society's Integrated Health Care Program is also a critical provider of health care across the country.

In 2022, the National Society aims to further strengthen its initiatives on National Society Development, capacity building of staff and volunteers, statutes revision, information technology and enhanced community engagement and accountability. It also intends to increase its partnerships inside and beyond the Movement, as well as strengthening internal leadership and governance.

Another key area of focus for 2022 is the National Society's building project, designed not only to accommodate staff but also to coordinate offices and branch capacity development to generate income that will cover some of its costs. The business plan will link directly with National Society Development objectives.



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MEMBERSHIP COORDINATION AND MOVEMENT FOOTPRINT

Name of Partner National Society	Climate	Crises	Health	Migration	Inclusion	Engaged	Accountable	Trusted
Norwegian Red Cross			✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
German Red Cross	✓	✓						✓
Canadian Red Cross			✓					✓
Finnish Red Cross			✓		✓			
Swedish Red Cross	✓		✓		✓			
Icelandic Red Cross	✓		✓		✓			
Qatar Red Crescent	✓		✓		✓			
Turkish Red Cross	✓	✓	✓					



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GLOBAL FLAGSHIPS

Local action – strong National Societies

The National Society is auxiliary to the local authorities with a presence in all 19 regions of the country and about 5,100 active volunteers within communities. The National Society has good access as well as being accepted as a strong community presence.

Going to scale on humanitarian action and risk reduction

The National Society will involve targeted communities in assessments to determine their needs and priorities. The National Society will build communities' capacity for risk reduction so that communities can become resilient, respond to and recover from crises and disasters.

Global cash leadership

The National Society will support vulnerable communities with cash assistance as part of relief and recovery interventions. It has some experience in cash programming (especially mobile cash transfer) and will seek to strengthen its cash preparedness and readiness to implement Cash and Voucher Assistance in a timely way and at scale.

Reduce cholera related deaths by 50%

National Society volunteers are trained and experienced in responding to diarrheal diseases such as acute watery diarrhea and cholera, including the use of oral rehydration points and cholera kits. The National Society also contributes to the national surveillance system on cholera through the Community Based Surveillance network.

Global health security – epidemic and pandemic preparedness and response

The National Society has integrated Covid-19 prevention and response into its activities. These include infection prevention and control, face masks, social distancing, risk communication and community engagement, and support for local authorities to reduce vaccine hesitancy and increase uptake.



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CLIMATE AND ENVIRONMENTAL CRISES

Funding requirement in Swiss francs
240,000

People to be reached
23,000



The effects of climate change and extreme weather in Somalia include deforestation, land degradation, aridity, overgrazing and water scarcity. Climate-related displacement and migration are increasing.

The IFRC will strengthen the National Society's capacity for community-led advocacy and support it to promote environmentally sustainable practices. It will also monitor, mitigate and document the environmental impacts of emergency response activities.

The IFRC will enhance staff and volunteers' capacity to use digital tools to collect data so they can carry out community surveys and collect perceptions and concerns around climate issues to inform programming.

The IFRC will support the National Society to work with stakeholders including the Government and other partners to enhance knowledge. It will work to strengthen the auxiliary role of the National Society on climate change and environmental crises, strengthening its capacity to advocate on the subject.



2.97 million
people internally displaced across Somalia



17%
displacement due to drought

TARGETS

- 80% of the target population equipped with climate change and environmental crises coping strategies.

SUPPORT

- Facilitate inter-agency assessment of progress made by governments and partners on climate action.
- Mobilize and strengthen community-led ownership and management of climate change programmes.
- Monitor and mitigate adverse environmental impacts from emergency response.



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EVOLVING CRISES AND DISASTERS

Funding requirement in Swiss francs

300,000

People to be reached

25,000



Households across Somalia remain in acute need from complex, overlapping issues. Conflicts, flooding, cyclone and desert locusts lead to poor harvests, food insecurity and malnutrition among the elderly, women and children, particularly in IDP camps. They also fuel displacement and migration of people seeking safety and employment.

There are large food and nutrition gaps in Somalia. Children make up over 60 per cent of those in need and child malnutrition rates are among the worst in the world.

In 2022, the IFRC will support the National Society to strengthen resilience at community level. This will include establishing risk monitoring and enhancing capacity for risk and forecast-based actions.

The IFRC will support the National Society to establish community early warning early action systems and train volunteers. It will support the development of disaster risk management plans by the National Society and local authorities, leading to mitigation measures and nature-based projects at a community level. Through the Red Ready initiative, the IFRC will help the National Society to promote local preparedness for seasonal hazards.

The IFRC will strengthen the National Society's capacity for cash and voucher assistance and will support it to invest in cash preparedness through a feasibility assessment.



1 million
children in Somalia
are estimated to be
acutely malnourished



30,000
individuals were
displaced by flooding
that destroyed
agricultural lands over
almost 18 months

TARGETS

- National Society emergency response contingency plan developed.
- Advocate and provide early action assistance to communities through forecast based financing.

SUPPORT

- Set-up community early warning early action systems.
- Invest in cash preparedness through a feasibility assessment.
- Strengthen contingency, response and business continuity planning.
- Establish an emergency operations centre.

GROWING GAPS IN HEALTH AND WELL-BEING

Funding requirement in Swiss francs
1.7 million

People to be reached
470,000



Somalia is impacted by disease, poor access to health, water, sanitation and hygiene services and healthcare underfunded. Gaps in the health sector have been exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic and evidence suggests that early child marriage, physical violence and stigmatization have surged since the pandemic began.

Maternal mortality is high and women face barriers in accessing services. The IFRC will support the National Society to provide sexual, reproductive, maternal, neonatal and child health services through training, infrastructure, equipment and supplies.

The IFRC supports the National Society to provide integrated basic health care focused on women and children in rural, nomadic, and hard to reach communities. In the past two years, they have reached nearly 85 per cent of the target population. The IFRC will support the National Society to scale-up health promotion and disease prevention in vulnerable communities.

Community-Based Surveillance is being extended. The IFRC will support the National Society to rehabilitate and build water sources, help communities maintain them. It will also continue to support the National Society to advocate for the availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation services.

The IFRC will help the National Society raise awareness of prevention and discrimination around communicable diseases and address non-communicable diseases by running community sessions on healthy lifestyles.

The IFRC will support the National Society with the mental health and psychosocial support needs of communities, volunteers and staff, establishing a national team of Psychological First Aid Trainers.

🎯 TARGETS

- 80% of children under the age of 5 years receive measles vaccine.
- 9 branches develop contingency plans to respond to epidemics and pandemics.
- Outbreaks decrease through community-based surveillance, early detection and response.
- Referral of fistula cases is increased.



30%
of the population has access to
health care services

➡ SUPPORT

- Scale first aid programming and develop commercial first aid model.
- Strengthen uptake of routine immunizations through fixed and mobile clinics.
- Distribute insecticide-treated nets for malaria prevention.
- Scale-up health promotion and disease prevention in vulnerable communities.



42%
of household members have access
to piped water



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MIGRATION AND IDENTITY

Funding requirement in Swiss francs
50,000

People to be reached
3,000



Migration and displacement within, from and to Somalia is high. Millions of people migrate seeking employment or to join family, while others flee conflict, violence, human rights abuses and the effects of disasters and climate change. Increased population movement is anticipated due to instability and conflict in Ethiopia, Yemen and Syria. With 2.9 million individuals displaced in the country, Covid-19 poses an additional challenge.

Internally displaced people (IDPs) remain the most vulnerable group in Somalia, with 1.6 million needing humanitarian assistance.

Flooding displaced nearly 1.5 million people and affected over six million people during the rainy seasons that hit Somalia's central regions. Rain also provides a breeding ground for desert locusts, and Somalia witnessed the worst invasion in over 15 years, threatening food security and the livelihoods of thousands of people.

The IFRC will enhance the National Society's capacities to understand migration dynamics in context and to work with others to deliver humanitarian services to migrants, displaced people and others impacted, including families who stay behind.

The IFRC will also advocate for Humanitarian Service Points to be established along the migratory routes in Bosaso, Goldogob, Wajale, Hargeisa, Berbera, Burao, Las Anod and Garowe. It will support the National Society to work with partners to provide services meeting migrants' protection, medical and psychosocial needs, as well as food and shelter.

TARGETS

- COVAX vaccination delivered to 80% of IDPs and refugees.

SUPPORT

- Provide training, advice, and clear direction to guide National Society engagement on migration and displacement.
- Advocate for Humanitarian Service Points to be established along migratory routes.
- Offer Restoring Family Links services to migrants.



1.6 million
IDPs require humanitarian
assistance in Somalia



95%
of all IDPs needing
humanitarian assistance are
hosted in informal sites in
urban settings



1.5 million
people were displaced by
flooding during the rainy
seasons that hit Somalia's
central regions



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VALUES, POWER AND INCLUSION

Funding requirement in Swiss francs
120,000

People to be reached
5,000



In Somalia, gender inequality is exacerbated by poverty, disability, social class and harmful practices that violate the rights of women and girls.

Women are at risk of sexual and gender-based violence, especially in areas of conflict. Legal frameworks, resources and systems are inadequate, and there is a lack of capacity to manage the increasing number of cases being reported.

The IFRC will support the National Society to regularly engage with other national and international agencies, particularly the relevant United Nations Population Fund on protection, gender and inclusion. It will increase its support and focus for gender parity, including inclusion of protection, gender, and inclusion in all the programmes it funds.

The IFRC will support National Societies to strengthen the capacity of youth, volunteers, and clinic staff in preventing and responding to sexual and gender-based violence, as well as their awareness of community referral pathways. It will also build clinic staff's capacity on the clinical management of rape, as well as procuring and distributing rape kits to all clinics.

The IFRC will support National Societies to carry out menstrual hygiene management awareness sessions for young people and distribute dignity kits.

TARGETS

- Training is provided to clinic staff and volunteers on the identification of rape and case management.
- 90% of staff and volunteers are provided PGI training.



4th

highest country on the global
gender inequality index

SUPPORT

- Engage with other agencies on protection, gender and inclusion.
- Build clinic staff's capacity on the clinical management of rape.
- Procure and distribute rape kits to all clinics.
- Carry out menstrual hygiene management awareness and distribute dignity kits.



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ENABLER 1 – ENGAGED

Funding requirement in Swiss francs

35,000

The IFRC network must innovate to keep pace with the new realities of a changing world. This means supporting the National Society to adapt, modernize and embrace digital technologies, as well as using its voice and programmes to become the partner of choice in Somalia.

In 2022, the IFRC will coordinate support from partners to assist the National Society to maintain a needs-based approach. It will liaise with global reference centres to build the National Society's capacities and will support the National Society to capture case studies that can influence decision-making.

The IFRC will support the National Society to strengthen its auxiliary role at the local level so it can actively engage with local stakeholders and respond to rural and urban crises. In line with Community Engagement and Accountability, the IFRC will provide data-based tools and advice to assist in influencing public behaviour change in health, resilience and inclusion.

Training will play an important role in developing the National Society, and the IFRC will develop leadership training and access relevant online learning.

The IFRC will encourage the National Society to actively engage in digital platforms and systems, including the IFRC Go platform and Volunteer Management System.

SUPPORT

- Coordinate support to help the National Society move to a needs-based approach.
- Provide science and data-based tools and advice to drive public behaviour change.
- Lead high-level dialogue with National Society leadership to initiate innovation and change across the organization.



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ENABLER 2 – ACCOUNTABLE

Funding requirement in Swiss francs

17,000

The IFRC will prioritise eliminating unnecessary bureaucracy and duplication to create the right conditions to expand collective ambitions to increase financial resources and reach more people in need.

The IFRC will support the National Society to offer equal employment opportunities. It will carry out orientation sessions on gender and diversity for all newly recruited staff and volunteers, as well as fraud and corruption training. It will also provide refresher training for National Society management and staff on the financial procedures and guidelines. The IFRC will support an annual audit of National Society finances and establish clear mechanisms to ensure timely financial reporting to donors.

In relation to risk management, the IFRC will support the National Society to develop and implement a risk management framework and policy.

🎯 TARGETS

- Externally audited financial statement submitted by National Society to the IFRC.
- National Society has a Prevention of Sexual Exploitation and Abuse policy and action plan.
- 6 National Society staff trained in Prevention of Sexual Exploitation and Abuse.

➡ SUPPORT

- Diversify income bases, introduce fundraising systems and increase access to unearmarked funds.
- Ensure staff and volunteers complete mandatorily fraud and corruption training.
- Establish clear mechanisms to ensure timely financial reporting to donors.



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ENABLER 3 – TRUSTED

Funding requirement in Swiss francs

8,500

Access to, and effective engagement with communities needs significant trust. In 2022, the IFRC will support the National Society to build this trust with communities, government ministries, partners and other stakeholders, placing emphasis on helping the National Society to become agile, efficient and accountable.

The IFRC focus on branch development and frontline services to strengthen the effectiveness of the National Society and build trust at the local level.

The IFRC will prioritize the safety and security of staff and volunteers and their space for growth and development.

The IFRC will support the National Society to attract, recruit and train youth and volunteers across diverse and particularly marginalized backgrounds.

The IFRC will train National Society staff and volunteers in Psychosocial First Aid so they can meet the mental health and psychosocial support needs of communities affected by emergencies and disasters. It will also provide mental health and psychosocial support to volunteers responding to emergencies and disasters and will establish a national team of Psychological First Aid Trainers.

The IFRC will support the National Society to integrate Community Engagement and Accountability approaches across all programming and will conduct regular consultations to make sure that communities can influence decisions that affect them.

TARGETS

- National Society has created One National Society Development country plan.
- National Society has created and implemented youth engagement strategies.
- National Society covers health, accident, and death compensation for all volunteers.

SUPPORT

- Support localization, focusing on branch development and frontline services.
- Prioritize the safety and security of staff and volunteers and their space for growth and development.
- Attract, recruit and train youth and volunteers across diverse and particularly marginalized backgrounds.



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