



# Nawiri

Child Development Programme

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## FY21 ANNUAL REPORT



*Installed solar powered system at Bongole Spring in Karare, Marsabit County to promote safe water access by people and livestock at a reduced cost. (NSP Number: 21M028)*

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### **1. PROGRAM ACHIEVEMENTS**

*Describe activities undertaken in FY21 under these subtitles.*

## **2.1. Healthy and Secure Infants**

### **Children supported with adequate nutrition**

***Activity 1: Restocking to increase and improve household's food security for Isiolo enrolled families (Purchase and distribution of 164 Galah goats to 58 families)***



The COVID-19 pandemic has led to a dramatic loss of human life worldwide and presents an unprecedented challenge to public health, food systems and the world of work. The economic and social disruption caused by the pandemic is devastating: tens of thousands of people are at risk of falling into extreme poverty. To support household's resilience, the organization during the Fiscal year under review the organization bought and distributed 164 she gallah goats that have benefited 58 enrolled vulnerable families from

Isiolo & Maikona to increase household food security thus strengthening their livelihoods. In normal instances goats do well in dry areas and they can give birth twice a year thereby making up as the best priority for intervention to the target families.

***Activity 2: Construction of 1 green house in Kibiru ECD Centre.***

Reflecting the severity of global food insecurity, over 60% of the Country is considered malnourished, with many regions in a state of famine. There is broad agreement resulting from community needs



assessment during Rapid survey conducted by the organization on the need to help ECD Centres to adapt use of climate smart agriculture to boost their agricultural production.



The produce from farm will be used by the school to supplement children's diet and the surplus can be sold externally to cater for other school needs.

Greenhouses can help ECD centres to grow and protect crops in both wet and dry seasons. The adoption of affordable and context-appropriate greenhouses can lead to improved livelihoods for ECD Centres while fostering food security. It is in the light of the above that during the financial year ending the organization have managed to construct 1 green house at Kibiru ECD centre. It will benefit 37 children (20 girls and 17 Boys)

### ***Activity 3: Training of 9 VSL groups-Isiolo***

Poverty, insecurity, the lack of information, lack of service in rural areas, and the underdevelopment



Figure 1: VSLA groups during training session

of financial institutions are some primary obstacles to financial inclusion for women and youth despite the fact that women have taken on greater roles in terms of being providers for their families, starting small businesses and at the same time providing primary care for their children, It is in the light of the above that the program during the FY 21 trained 27 persons (25 females and 2 males) who were representatives of 9 VSLA groups which have a total of 270 people were

trained on record keeping, savings, principles of VSLA, use of passbooks and entrepreneurship. This project proposed will provide an opportunity to the rural households in creating a platform where the key players mostly women can engage and interact to provide financial solutions to the members.

### ***Activity 4: Training for 440 caregivers on IMCI/Family planning/HIV Aids/Child spacing) in Maikona & Marsabit.***

The parenting education is core and comprehensive



approach to support children wellbeing

through focused attention to child and mother health care interventions. The expected result of the training is to create awareness on strategies enhance child survival, growth and development to young infant caregivers.

The training thematic area covered childhood illness, child care, immunization, family planning, ANC visits and skilled delivery with the main objectives as follows; Understanding of health and burden of ill-health [NHIF], Recognize the general danger signs in children and why child is special, Understanding nutrition and HIV/AIDS trends and updates, Immunization & ANC, Exclusive Breast feeding, Skilled delivery, teen pregnancies & FGM, Hygiene & sanitation and corona updates. Additionally, the training also entails child welfare as such caregivers understanding on child rights and protection that was emphasized. The training benefited 440 caregivers out of which 334 are female while 106 are male.

#### ***Activity 5: Strengthen health structure (Community health Units) in Tigania***



In partnership with the ministry of health to strengthened one community health unit and support its functionality, during the ending financial year, the organization managed to train Community health volunteers from Tigania area and linked up with the health department to support caregivers. Community health unit training was held to support community health workers & volunteer where **12 (9 female and 3 male)** participants was trained on general health

where they are expected to give health promotion messages to homesteads members in need to seek hospital services when there are illnesses, hand washing to promote hygiene and proper use of latrines not forgetting safe drinking water. Moreover, the training also covered maternal and child health care services which includes advising pregnant mothers attending all antenatal clinics, identification of immunization legible children and follow up of their clinic days and report to right organizations on vulnerable and special needs children. This also includes occupational and environmental health where proper disposal of various wastes and protective clothing and equipment for various jobs was discussed all in line to prevention of health risks.

#### ***Activity 6: 40 CORPS trained on DRR, Environment Management & Family Planning in Archers***

Through enhancement of community health strategy initiative **40 caregivers (38 Female and 2 male)** from Archers were trained on essential services with the aims of providing support, skills-building, and linkages to services at community level through a comprehensive package of information and



interventions on child spacing/ breastfeeding, health, nutrition, child protection, gender mainstreaming, and economic empowerment to ensure caregivers are equipped to meet their own needs and the needs of their young children aged 0-5 years and bereavement counselling for those affected with HIV/AIDS.

#### ***Activity 7: 18 ECD centres supported with supplementary feeding***

Improved dietary intake for vulnerable children among the community is one priority area of concern and towards this end the organization supported 18 ECD centres with assorted food like bags of Beans, fortified vegetable cooking oil and bags of rice during the financial year ending benefiting 1,489 children (759 Boys and 730 girls).

## **2.2. Educated and Confident Children**

### ***Activity 1: Children supported to access health care***

In enhancement of community health strategy initiative support and linking children with health concerns with a number of community support services and structures including specialized treatment services for possible referrals, during the ending the financial year, the organization supported **3** girls and a boy from needy families, who were referred for specialized health care, through partial payment of their medical bills.

### ***Activity 2: Wash Project (Renovation of 2 water Kiosks in Archers and Improve extension of piping system in Girgir Primary school)***

The organization worked with Archer's post Water Company, County Government of Samburu and Water users associations to solarize Lalparuai & Lorubae boreholes to ease water access to adjacent



schools and families. Similarly Girgir primary school was also supported with extension of piping line within the school. This will reduce more time spent by children while fetching water from the nearby untreated water source for use and as well making the school be able to meet the COVID 19 regulations as the school prepares for reopening during the revised Academic year by the ministry of

Education after the indefinite closure of the schools as a result of Covid-19 pandemic.

Children in pastoralists, like all children around the world, have a right to basic facilities such as school toilets, safe drinking water, clean surroundings and basic information on hygiene. As Nawiri CDP, we believe that water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH) programming in schools creates an enabling environment which secures children's dignity, safety, health and attendance in classes. Children are more receptive and quicker to adopt and sustain change and they become agents of change among their peers, families and communities if they are provided with the basic amenities they require to learn and grow. Besides WASH program is now a basic pre-requisite in schools as part of preventive and containment measure of COVID 19.

***Activity 3: 460 children in primary schools supported with solar lanterns***

The COVID-19 pandemic has been one of the biggest disruptions to education the world has ever known affecting more than 90% of the world student's population. Only few can access online resources. Thus, more than 75 percent of learners in Nawiri Child Development Programme area of coverage have been cut off from the on-going radio and TV lessons broadcast by the Kenya Institute of Curriculum Development (KICD) because they do not have access to internet or broadcast equipment such as television sets and radios.

As a result, the organization during FY 21 have managed to procure and distribute 460 Solar Radio with lights for 202 boys and 258 girls to ensure majority of learners under its umbrella access e-learning at home, in one form or another. The project intends to ensure that as many learners as possible access radio lessons broadcast by KICD. Moreover, the provision of Solar Radio with lights is addressing the challenge by providing an alternative energy source that is safe and environmentally friendly among enrolled children in the programme.

***Activity 4: 1,167 School going girls supported with sanitary pads and Hygiene promotion talks***

To support girls in crisis, Nawiri child Development Programme, during the financial year under review procured and distributed 14,010 packets of sanitary pads that have benefited **1167** school going girls across the board, accompanied with hygiene and sanitation talks, because most of the girls rely on free sanitary pads distributed at their school but with the schools all shut to curb the spread of COVID-19, they no longer have access to them. The kit is designed to enable young and adolescent girls to safely and hygienically manage their monthly period with dignity as this will definitely help them.

***Activity 5: CYA are confident and have a sense of belonging at school, at home and in the community. (Bursaries)***

***377 vulnerable children supported to access bursary scheme.***

The main aim is to support most needy children have access to education including enhancement of equity by allocating funds on the basis of poverty index, increasing access to secondary education for children from poor and vulnerable households, ensuring retention of the poor who enter secondary schools, enhancing completion by those who enter secondary schools, reducing regional disparities and inequalities in access and provision of secondary school education, contributing to increase in transition rate from primary to secondary. Therefore, it is in the light of the above that the organization, during the ending FY 21, managed to pay partial school fees for **377 children (214 girls and 163 boys)** from various secondary schools, technical institutions and tertiary levels of education to help academically able, well-motivated students to develop to their full potential. The only way to bridge the gap between poor communities is to strengthen education for their children and support them to build resilience to the environment they live.

***Activity 6: 10 Schools supported with Personal protective equipment (PPEs).***



The closure of schools in March last year, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, interrupted learning for over million students in Kenya. Adolescent girls were particularly affected due to teenage pregnancy, child marriage and other risks. To help with the safe reopening of schools in January 2021, Nawiri Child Development Programme has worked with the Government on guidelines for schools and has distributed thermo guns, soap and also installed hand-washing facilities in **8 primary schools** within the

organization area of coverage. The population reached is **2594 boys and 2742 girls** which totals to **5,336 pupils**.

As part of emergency response, the program also supported SKM and Karare Primary school in Marsabit site with water trucking reaching a total of **1,271** children (**706 Boys and 565 girls**).

### **2.3: Skilled and Involved Youth**

*Support youth groups to access tools for work and build linkages with SMEs*

*Activity 1: Procure raw materials for 4 existing youth groups.*

For youth between the age of 15 – 24 years to acquire key skills and assets that they require to thrive and survive in to healthy and productive adulthood, the programme will always support the creation of safe spaces within the communities in order to provide an inclusive and gender transformative environment for AYA to acquire skills and assets for work and life readiness program to ensure that youth acquires the key skills needed to prepare them to undertake sustainable livelihood activities. Youth employment and economic empowerment are essential components of a strong foundation in any society. Therefore to strengthen the already **4** existing youth groups, the organization supported them with required raw materials to enhance self-reliance and employment.

*Activity 2: 4 youth groups trained on entrepreneurship skills*



Disadvantaged youth often benefit most from the creation of new opportunities, skills training, microcredit provision, support for small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs), and investments in education, all of which contribute to providing the knowledge and tools needed to be competitive in the international labour market. Provision of these key skills and competencies will make the youth ready for work including self-employment. The guiding mission is to avail

responsive, youth-friendly entrepreneurship training programmes and facilitate the creation of networks and links to develop financial and non-financial support, in order to reduce youth unemployment in LP working area of operation. Therefore, the Youth Entrepreneurship Training as set with the aim of contributing to the reduction of youth unemployment in Nawiri Child Development Programme area of coverage, focusing to strengthen the already **4** existing youth groups. The training benefited **66** participants (8 male and 58 ladies).

### **2.4. Emergency and Resilience**



***Activity 1: Support 27 households with water storage tanks of 1,500 liters each to harvest rain water in Marsabit (Saku Sub - County)***

The residents of Marsabit town relies on Marsabit Water Supply which is limited due to unreliable source and the ever increasing demand due to rising population. No traditional sources exist and hence everybody depends on Marsabit Urban Water Supply which is the only public piped water supply system. The source of the public water system is Bakuli spring whose discharge is not constant and is on the decline due to human activity in the Catchment. During drought, the flow reduces by over 80%. In order to find alternative source for most vulnerable families, Nawiri Child Development Programme supported **27** caregivers (**9M, 28F**) of 0-5 years with 27 water tanks of 1500 liters each to assist them in harvesting rain water for domestic uses. The installation of water tanks to harvest rain water will resolve to bigger extent perennial water shortage in the area reducing the distance walked each day looking for water.

***Activity 2: Marsabit Conflict intervention (340 PLWs supported through assorted food supply)***

Nawiri Child Development Programme, with support from ChildFund Kenya distributed 100 bags of Maize @50 kg, 50 bags of Beans@ 50 kg, 200 Pcs of fortified cooking oil @ 1 litre, 200 Pcs of PVC Jericans and 3,000 of water guards @ 150ml for 200 PLWs as an emergency intervention measure as a result of conflicts among pastoralist communities (Rendille, Borana, and Gabra) where the programme operates have been an enduring phenomenon underpinning their relations owing to the socio-economic, political and environmental contexts they find themselves in.



Additionally, the organization also supported 140 PLWs with assorted bags of dry ration (35 bags of 50kgs beans, 70 bags of 50 kgs maize, and 24 cartons of fortified cooking oil to **140 households** from Sagante/Jaldesa Ward in Marsabit County.

Politically and economically, people living in the periphery of these areas have over the years expressed their dissatisfaction with exclusionary county policies that have failed to capture their aspirations to the extent they feel marginalized in many ways.

***Activity 3: Marsabit conflict emergency intervention supported (Trainings)***

Through emergency support from ChildFund on Marsabit Conflicts, Nawiri Child Development Program that operates in Marsabit County in October 2020 supported joint peace meeting comprising of opinion leaders and chiefs from the hot spot location alongside child protection champions ( the training benefited **8 Ladies** and **12 Men** ) . A special County Steering Group (CSG) of **30** people (**23 Men** and **7 Ladies**) was also supported to bring into play all peace building stakeholders to evaluate on the progress made to enhance resilience.

***Activity 4: 21 CRPs trained on DRR, climate change and covid prevention in Marsabit County.***

**21 (8 Female and 13 Men)** Community Resource Persons were trained on disaster Risk Reduction. The main objective is to strengthen the capacities of Participants to mainstream the Disaster Risk Reduction and Management concepts, principles and practices in planning and implementation of community development efforts. Although floods, droughts, and other natural hazards cannot be prevented, their impact on communities can be limited through disaster risk reduction (DRR) practices. Early warning system leveraging on technology and indigenous practices to inform community action.

***Activity 5: Emergency Supplies-Foodstuffs- 500 PLWs***

The COVID-19 pandemic is a health and human crisis threatening the food security and nutrition of thousands of people within areas of our operation. Women and Children were already suffering from hunger and malnutrition before the virus hit and, to curb the cycle Nawiri CDP supported **500** Pregnant and Lactating Mothers (PLWs) with assorted food items of 251 bags of maize each 50kg, 126 bags of beans each 50Kg and 40 cartons of fortified vegetable cooking oil to address household food security. In the longer term, the combined effects of COVID-19 itself, as well as corresponding mitigation measures and the emerging global recession could, without large-scale coordinated action, disrupt the functioning of food systems. Such disruption can result in consequences for health and nutrition of a severity and scale

***Activity 6: Emergency Supplies-Cash transfer***

In bid to reach a bigger population the programme supported **1000** households (**210 Male & 790 Female**) families through unconditional cash transfers program as this is in a bid to mitigate the social economic hardship imposed by COVID-19 on the vulnerable families. Families with registered Mpesa lines have received an average of Kshs 1,500 each to help them meet their household's basic needs. However, this will give the families the flexibility to deploy these direct payments more urgently and empower them to prioritize their children most critical needs.

### ***Activity 7: Desert Locust Invasion intervention***



In collaboration with ChildFund Kenya and support of ChildFund Korea, Nawiri Child Development Programme geared up its humanitarian response to reach vulnerable families affected by Locust Invasion in Marsabit and Isiolo counties, aiming to support households in their recovery, improve food security levels, and ensure access to basic household needs, through distribution of 320 Kgs of maize seeds, 320 Kgs of Sorghum, 160 Kgs of

beans benefiting (250 Female and 70 Male) farmers and 500 pieces of hay bales targeting 100 (30 Female and 70 Male) Pastoralists mostly affected by the locust invasion in Isiolo & Marsabit County.

Additionally, **568 households (428 Female and 140 Male)** have also been supported through cash transfers during the months of July, August and September 2020. **10 households (7 Female and 3 Male)** considered most vulnerable families (5 from Marsabit and 5 from Isiolo Respectively) benefitted with 10 mobile phones.



Through DLI Project **92 children (45 boys and 47 girls)** from Isiolo and Marsabit Counties benefitted with Solar Radio with lights to ensure continued access to educational programmes by run by local media stations.

### ***Activity 8: Flooding Maikona & Karare of Marsabit County***

Flood is a common natural disaster in the world. Like other natural disasters, floods can cause fatalities from drowning and damages to properties such as houses, buildings, plantations, livestock and others. Recently, flood becomes unpredictable and frequently occurred in several areas. In October 2020, unprecedented flooding in Maikona Ward, Marsabit County ploughed a path of destruction. The flood situation has affected all cadres of the society; however, it is worthwhile to note that the children below 5 years, the aged, and women are the worst hit group. Over 400 people were displaced and 300 houses

affected while close to 1,500 livestock were swept by floods. Notably, On Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> November 2020, a Kenya Wildlife Service constructed dam in Karare Ward of Saku Constituency, Marsabit County after it broke its banks gushing out thousands of litres of water through settlements. The flood was caused by heavy downpours accompanied by storms that lasted several hours, 202 of households have been affected by floods, with property and infrastructure. Therefore it was in the light of the above that Nawiri Child Development Programme supported **420** families with cash transfers and **2** families in construction of Iron roofed house through ChildFund Kenya Emergency Fund support as an intervention measure.

***Activity 9: Community Resource Persons trained on Disaster Risk Reduction in Karare Ward – Marsabit County.***



Disaster risk reduction (DRR) is a development approach that moves communities from reactive response to proactive action by helping residents to undertake preventive measures to better weather disasters. To support the adoption of DRR at the community level, Nawiri Child Development Programme through support from ChildFund, conducted a two days' workshop for **32** community

resource persons (**20 M and 12 F**) to develop and implement community disaster risk reduction management plan and child protection in emergencies focusing on previous floods that affected Karare community in Marsabit County.

***Activity 10: Distribution of Supanet ITN nets for flood affected community (Maikona)***

Malaria has for a long time been a killer disease worldwide and presents a major health challenge in sub-Saharan Africa. Fever is a major symptom of malaria, a life-threatening disease, and other acute infections in children. The fever prevalence rate among children under the age of five in Marsabit County is 22% compared to the national rate of 30%. Advice or treatment from a health facility or provider was sought for three in four (75%) children with fever, which is higher than the national rate (65%). Treated mosquito nets are safe and effective. All Insecticide Treated Nets (ITNs) contain pyrethroids - the only group of insecticides recommended by the World Health Organization for use on mosquito nets.



It is in the light of the above and with the support from Country office, that Nawiri Child Development Programme supported **1500** families with ITN nets to address the issue of Malaria spread to Maikona Community. The households reached are from nine zone/ centres which are within the project area of operation.

Conclusively, the community are very thankful to ChildFund country office team for their consideration

and in a special way expressed their gratitude to the donors of Supanets ITN donation through Nawiri Child Development Programme who are always there for deprived, excluded and vulnerable children.

#### ***Activity 11: Distribution of Solvatten to 72 caregivers from Marsabit County.***

With the aim of providing clean and safe water for drinking, the LP supported 72 caregivers in Marsabit County with one container of solvanteen each.



Solvatten container is a combined portable water treatment and water heating system that has been designed for off-grid household use in the developing world.

It is an easy, innovative solution that provides access to clean, hot water to people all over the world.

## **CHILD PROTECTION**

### ***Activity 1: One CBCPM mapping conducted***

Since CBCPM translates the knowledge about effective programs and policies for children and families into guidance for practitioners and policymakers that is accessible, practical, and action-oriented, during the ending FY 20/21, Nawiri child development program did data validation with stakeholders and Lorubae community of Archers Post. The stakeholders who attended the validation meeting are **9 men** and **11 ladies** representing various departments working in Archers while **14 men** and **16 ladies** represented the community of Lorubae village.

### ***Activity 2: Policy Advocacy:***

Nawiri CDP through the joint of Isiolo County Government, department of Gender, Culture and Social Services and UNICEF is strengthening child protection systems in Isiolo County where community engagement and sensitization forums in 5 wards was carried out .The community was sensitized on child rights, referral mechanisms, and Community Based Child Protection Mechanisms Strategies. The community were able to identify opportunities and gaps in the systems of addressing child protection which will inform the Isiolo County integrated action plan for children.



The advocacy policy document is most appropriate where the local community has decided that child protection issues are a priority for the sustained well-being of children, especially the most vulnerable. It also provides a guide, a starting point, rather than a prescriptive approach. It is a resource to enable local partners and the stakeholders to develop appropriate interventions within their context.

### **OTHER PROGRAM ACHIEVEMENTS DURING THE FY 20/21**

**NSP Number: 21M028**

**Bongole water spring (Karare) & Lorubae borehole equipped with solarization to support safe water access for productive use by the community from Samburu East & Marsabit County.**



***Figure 1: Bongole Spring Solar Pump power installation - Marsabit County***

To improve water availability in the areas and minimize the fuel cost which really affected the efficiency and effectiveness of Karare and Lorubae community of Marsabit and Archers Post, the organization in support from CO agreed to relook at solutions of cutting down the cost of fuel and improve the capacity of the water projects to serve more people through solarization of the said water sources. The main objective of the project is to support sustainable safe water access for multiple uses (agriculture, human and livestock) through rehabilitation of the reservoir tanks, installation of solar powered system aimed at reducing fuel costs in improving access to enough water sources for water users in the targeted sites.



Nevertheless, the community water supply systems equipped with solar powered pumps, storage tanks and distribution pipelines at the target sites will support integrated water use to benefit humans and livestock. It also aimed at providing safe, clean drinking water within closer locations and reduce time and distances spent looking for the precious commodity. **Target beneficiaries** (direct/indirect) are **20,500 Adults (Men & Women), 1235 children (Boys & girls), 1 Primary school, 1 Health Centre.**

After the completion of the implementation, the project is expected to contribute to the following outcomes for Children, households and targeted communities;

a) Promote safe water access for humans and livestock in target communities in Archers and Karare of Marsabit County.

b) Improved skills, knowledge and capacity of targeted beneficiary households to incorporate sanitation and hygiene interventions for improved health outcomes in targeted

**Figure 2: Lorubae (Archers) Borehole solarization** locations (Karare and Lorubae of Archers Post)

### Emergency Response to Drought crisis in Isiolo/Marsabit Counties



The food security situation has been on a worsening trend in the Arid and Semi-Arid (ASAL) counties in Kenya. The situation is expected to persist into June 2021 because of below-average short rains harvest and declining livestock body conditions. The worsening conditions are attributable to the average to below rainfall received especially in ASAL counties during the October-November-December 2020 rainfall season.

Thus, with the current drought in the areas of operation, Nawiri CDP is worked with ChildFund Kenya during the just ending FY 21, mobilized resources to support the vulnerable families adversely affected by the current drought to upscale the provision of food stuffs to **400** drought affected families through cash transfer while another **440** pregnant and lactating mothers supported through procuring and distribution of food stuff to increase their household food security for the families who do not have access to safaricom network and are affected by the drought. The aim was to curb the escalated drought that affected people's livelihoods. Moreover, **100** livestock's farmers was also supported with animal feeds (pellets).

## 2.5. Monitoring and Evaluation

### *PSD and team Marsabit Field Visits*



11<sup>th</sup> -14<sup>th</sup> October 2020 field visit led by Program and Sponsorship Director, included DRR Specialist and Post Award Grant Specialist. The Visit objective was to monitor progress of a 26-month-old DRR project funded by ChildFund Korea, and implemented by ChildFund Kenya, in Marsabit County, monitor and assess implementation of subsidy funded activities, visit sponsored families, meet the county government leadership and other development agencies operating in the county.

Moreover, during the ending FY 21, led by LP Program Coordinator, the Members of the Board for Nawiri, Finance and Administration officer, SR Coordinator and Program/M&E officer conducted field visits across the implementing sites for the LP.. The main objective of the visit was to monitor progress of the sustainable projects implemented at the implementing sites, learn the challenges and also inspect the DRR project funded by ChildFund Korea, and implemented by ChildFund Kenya, in Marsabit County – Saku Constituency. The visit also explored opportunities for the team learn the partners who have worked with Nawiri Child development Program and how best this will be strengthened as well as be able to plan for the coming financial year based on the needs assessed during the learning tour.

## **2.6. Challenges and Successes**

The most challenges during the FY 21 that affected the organization in its implementation of activities is drought, desert locust invasion, flooding, community conflict and Covid -19 pandemic. Never the less, the organization engaged both county governments of Isiolo and Marsabit on the need of developing children action plan. This has made significant move as the plans are underway. For Isiolo county government, the plan is expected to be complete in by end of July 2021, while for Marsabit county, the emergence of Covid 19 had posed a great challenge of engaging key players in coming up with actionable points in achieving the major objective of developing child safeguarding policy in the county.

## **3. Best Practices Lessons Learnt**

- Since its inception, the organization worked in partnership with various stakeholders of both county and national governments to approach various program interventions. This boosted the feasibility and increased reach of more beneficiaries.
- Child protection is a priority area for Nawiri Child Development Programme, focusing on Community Based Child protection Mechanism (CBCPM). Nawiri's increasing efforts are



channeled into establishing and sustaining a variety of local protective mechanisms expected to ensure the protection of all children, and to contribute towards strengthening national and county child protection systems.

- The importance of community participation is a common theme running through the water Project. Accepting and understanding the need to fully involve all members of the community in the planning and implementation of a water and sanitation project. It is only through participation that communities will get a sense of ownership and should, therefore, feel motivated to operate and maintain the system. However, the reality is that many state and non-state actors, for a variety of reasons, still fail to fully involve communities which leads to unsustainable projects.
- The need for multi-purpose water intervention resources whilst ensuring an integrated water management system to enhance availability and ensure equitable access to water and efficient water-use at a subsidized cost.

### **3.1. Best Practices**

#### ***What Worked Well/New Way of Doing Things during the FY21?***

- Partnership and collaboration of various actors which enabled the organization to reach more number of children and communities.
- That is development of child advocacy plan that attracted more partner involvement with the aim of pushing duty bearers during public participation forums to include children affairs in county budgetary allocation especially during this period where the whole world is facing the emergence of Covid 19 pandemic.

### **3.2. Lessons Learnt**

#### ***What Will You Do Differently based on challenges and successes encountered in FY21.***

- To effectively reduce poverty, there is the need to enhance climate resilience in agricultural production to improve food availability and improve household incomes of Pastoralists and agro pastoralists' communities.
- It is to be noted that good health and well-being are greatly linked with water and food security, thus, efforts must be strengthened to improve access to safe water and sufficient nutritious food for all who are within the organization area of coverage.
- In order to reduce the impact of climate extremes it is essential to develop strategies for disaster risk management in the context of climate change, which may include coping and adaptation

mechanisms, informed by and customized to specific local circumstances. Adaptation to climate change and disaster risk management provides a range of complementary approaches.

### ***Annexes***

1. Success Stories (Most Significant Change Etc.)



2. AOPB Indicator Tracking Coverage Table (excel sheet on indicators for all activities)



3. Participant Count FY21 (excel sheet – report against what was shared on target estimates last year)

