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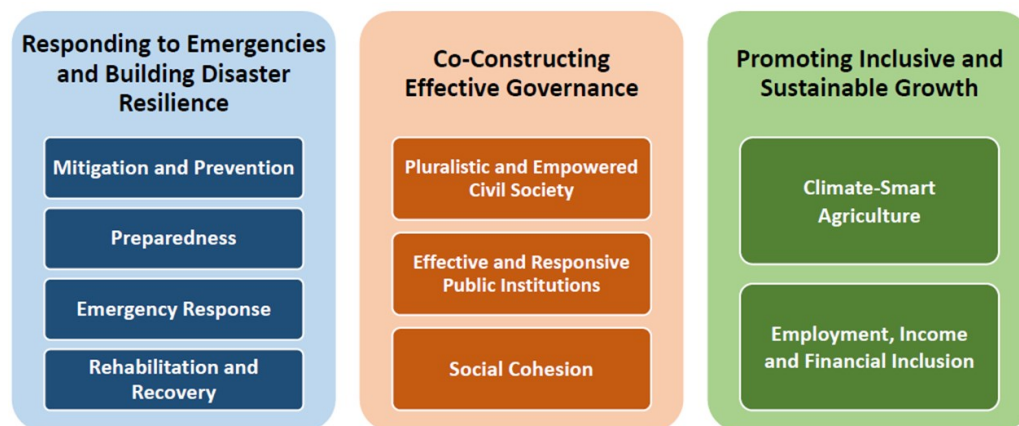
Founded in 1993, ACTED is an International non-governmental organization with headquarters in Paris, France. Independent, private and not-for-profit, ACTED respects a strict neutrality and impartiality in its decisions and programmes, and operates according to non-discrimination and transparency principles.

Our Vision: Since 1993, as the second French NGO, ACTED has been committed to immediate humanitarian relief to support those in urgent need and protect people's dignity, while co-creating longer term opportunities for sustainable growth and fulfilling people's potential.

Our values: Independent, private and nonprofit, French NGO ACTED (operating under the French law Association 1901) respects a strict political and religious impartiality, and operates following principles of non-discrimination, transparency, according to its core values: responsibility, impact, enterprising-spirit and inspiration

Our Mission: ACTED endeavors to respond to humanitarian crises and build resilience; promote inclusive and sustainable growth; co-construct effective governance and support the building of civil society worldwide by investing in people and their potential.

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ACTED in Somalia

ACTED has been operational in Somalia since 2009. ACTED works with local communities, local authorities, clusters, agencies and donors to ensure effective and efficient delivery of projects. Water, sanitation & hygiene, and livelihood projects are implemented to improve the living standards of host and displaced populations. With its REACH Initiative, information management is reinforced through coordinated needs assessments which informs effective and efficient response activities.



Pre-famine situation

Consecutive poor rain seasons have severely affected livelihoods and production systems in Somalia leading to a spike in food insecurity and malnutrition with some areas at risk of famine in 2017.

The drought has eroded household assets and food stocks, threatening lives with high risk for children under 5, pregnant women and lactating mothers.

Continued political instability, forced evictions of IDPs, ongoing armed conflict, and long-standing environmental stress are some of the drivers of vulnerability in Somalia.

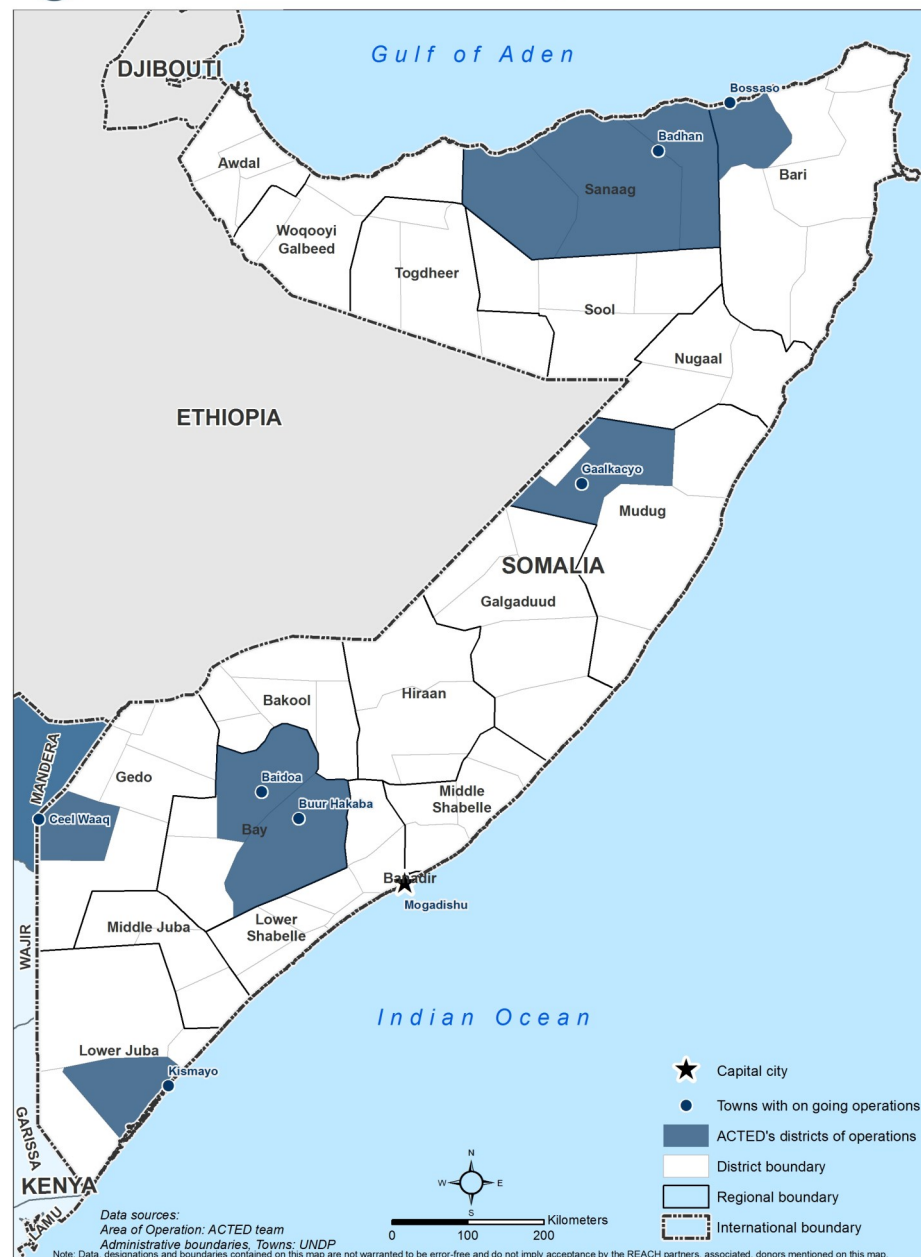
ACTED has been pioneering full humanitarian actions towards communities to address the large-scale humanitarian needs in Lower Juba, Bay and Gedo Regions of South, Central Somalia as well as Sanaag in the north.

ACTED through its WASH, Livelihoods and food security



projects is able to respond to emergencies and offer sustainable options for the vulnerable communities.

ACTED has a strong presence on the ground in the worst-affected areas having built relationships and trust with communities and key stakeholders, which allows the organization to maintain its position at the forefront of humanitarian access.



1. South-Central Somalia

- a) **Lower Juba** -Kismayo district
- b) **Gedo region** -Elwak (Ceel Waaq) and Baardhere districts
- c) **Bay region** -Buurhakaba, Baidoa and Dinsoor districts
- d) **Banadir** -Mogadishu

2. Puntland

- a) Badhan district (Sanaag region),
- b) North and South Galkcaayo (Galmudug region)

Strategic Framework

ACTED's overall goal is responding to emergencies by adopting a multi-sector, synergistic approach through:

- 1) **Livelihood support:** Providing vulnerable households with a rapid injection of unconditional cash and improving their livelihoods through a conditional cash for work scheme. This supports the rehabilitation of key community assets, improves access to basic goods and services and ultimately boosts economic recovery.
- 2) **Water Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) intervention:** ACTED addresses WASH needs by supporting access to water during emergencies through water trucking and improving community resilience through the rehabilitation of strategic water points. ACTED works towards improving environmental health and good hygiene practices to contribute to reducing public health risks associated with poor water, sanitation and hygiene in the areas of intervention.

Despite the emergency nature of the interventions, ACTED has in-built elements of sustainability to contribute to disaster resilience through the provision of knowledge, skills and inputs that will remain within the community after the project ends as well as through the promotion of community ownership of processes and activities.

How does ACTED work?

ACTED responds to the most vulnerable and underserved communities with an aim of changing their lives for better. During emergencies, ACTED implements lifesaving programs through cash transfers, which improve the existing communal assets and boosts household income as a recovery means to meet the immediate economic and financial needs of the beneficiaries.

Cash for work, as part of the conditional cash transfer, offers communities short term employment to help them cope and recover from disaster by giving them a short term income boost to help them purchase food, water and other basic needs while at the same time helping to maintain dilapidated and neglected communal assets.

ACTED provides emergency water trucking to communities affected by acute water shortages to ensure easy access to clean and safe water for use. To complement the activity, hygiene promotion activities are conducted and hygiene kits distributed to beneficiaries to encourage good hygiene practices and prevent the spread of Cholera and other water borne diseases.





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Partnerships and Consortia

In Somalia, ACTED is a member of the Somalia Resilience Action Consortium (STREAM) with partner African Development Solution (ADESO). ACTED has a strong partnership with IMPACT (through the common REACH initiative), Social-life and Agricultural Development Organisation (SADO), and Peace Action Society Organisation for Somalia (PASOS).

Globally, ACTED is a member of important global humanitarian partnerships and networks such as the Core Humanitarian Standards (CHS) Alliance, Alliance2015, InterAction, International Council of the Humanitarian Agencies (ICVA), Voluntary Organizations in Cooperation in Emergencies (VOICE), Coordination SUD and Cash Learning Partnerships (CaLP).

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