

ACTED ARMENIA – INFOSHEET

Project 1

The “**Multisectoral emergency assistance to vulnerable conflict-affected population, Armenia**” ECHO-funded project was implemented from 10/12/2020 to 31/08/2021 with the objective of reducing the impact of the armed conflict on displaced and host populations and ensure they have safe access to relevant humanitarian assistance. The project covered 5 components including 1) multi-sectoral needs assessments, 2) multi-purpose voucher distribution, 3) social protection, 4) winterization support 5) WASH support. The project achieved the following results:

- Multi-Sector Needs Assessment (1) – November 2020-December 2021
- Multi-Sector Needs Assessment (2) – March-April 2021
- 7289 beneficiaries benefited from winterization kits assistance
- Hygiene needs of 1127 individuals covered
- Multi-purpose cash assistance benefited 4166 individuals
- 3397 beneficiaries received psycho-social support and case management services

Project 2

The “**Emergency assistance and psychosocial support to vulnerable populations affected by the Nagorno-Karabakh conflict in Vayots Dzor and Gegharkunik regions, Armenia**” CDCS-funded project was implemented from 15/03/2021 to 31/08/2021 with the objective of Ensuring safe access to vital humanitarian aid for vulnerable populations affected by the conflict in the Vayots Dzor and Gegharkunik regions of Armenia. The project covered 2 components including 1) Cash-based support, 2) Social protection. The project achieved the following results:

- 1000 people benefited from a multi-purpose cash transfer (800 individuals in a refugee-like situation and 200 host family members)
- 75 households (298 individuals) in a refugee-like situation provided with basic necessities
- 900 individuals including 300 children received psychosocial support/case management
- 2 child friendly spaces established

Project 3

The “**REACT: Relief and Early Recovery for People Affected by Conflict, in Armenia**” ECHO-funded project was implemented from 01.09.2021 to 28.02.2023 with the objective of covering the urgent needs of the most vulnerable conflict-affected displaced and host populations in Armenia and strengthening their capacity to adapt via improved economic security, safe housing, access to psychosocial and legal advisory assistance. The project covered 3 components including 1) establishment of referral mechanism, 2) multi-purpose voucher support, 3) social protection. The project achieved the following results:

- 6801 individuals receiving multi-purpose voucher support
- Referral mechanism established and operated
- 25 trained and certified social worker-paraprofessionals to help them in shifting from "passive recipients" to "initiators".
- 8 community projects carried out by the project's young beneficiaries to boost their participation, inclusion, and activation in their respective communities.
- 5 project beneficiary-youth start-up projects completed
- 20 project beneficiary business ideas supported to become self-sufficient
- 7 child-friendly spaces established/equipped in project-relevant communities

Project 4

Capacity and Vulnerability Assessment was conducted by IMPACT, Acted's sister organization, in partnership with Acted in September 2021 with the objective of presenting the best paths forward for early recovery projects across sectors and to inform local recovery and development plans in Armenia. Based on the findings and recommendations, the CVA aims to inform cross-sectoral programming led by UNDP, facilitate the early recovery along the humanitarian-development nexus, and synthesize longer-term relationships with decision-makers in Armenia's service provision infrastructure.

Project 5

"Economic Resilience Assessment" was conducted by REACH (IMPACT and Acted's initiative) in September 2021 in the framework of Coordination Steering Group Armenia with the objective of supporting the development of early recovery programming and contributing to exit strategies after the completion of immediate emergency assistance, especially as the Inter-Agency Response Plan (IARP) was being updated for the duration till the end of 2021. Understanding such longer-term humanitarian and early recovery needs of the remaining population helped inform when and how the transition from cash, in-kind and voucher-based humanitarian support should be implemented.

Project 6

The **"Basic necessities for extremely vulnerable displaced from Nagorno-Karabakh"** CLS-funded project was implemented from 01.11.2021 to 28.02.2022 with the objective of covering the urgent needs of the displaced population residing in Dilijan (Tavush region) community center. The project covered three 4 components including 1) multi-purpose vouchers; 2) winterization support; 3) NFI support. The project achieved results including over 30 marginalized displaced people supported with multi-sectoral humanitarian assistance via distribution of multi-purpose vouchers and provision of basic non-food items.

Project 7

The **"Increasing resilience of the most vulnerable climate-affected communities in Kotayk, Armenia"** Swiss Development Agency-funded project with the objective of enhancing the community capacities to prepare, protect, and prevent against disasters through actions at regional (information management and dissemination) and local level (community disaster risk management), thus laying down the foundation for self reliance.

- Area-based Risk Assessment (ABRA) in Tsaghkadzor consolidated community aimed to investigate the level of exposure of populations and infrastructure to anthropogenic and natural hazards affecting the region, by collecting, processing, and utilizing existing openly-available satellite remote sensing data and environmental monitoring data from Statistical Committee of the Republic of Armenia.
- Community preparedness and response to disaster risk increased in mountain communities in Tsaghkadzor area through provision of DRR equipment/materials

Project 8

The “**Emergency Response for Internal Displaced Populations in Armenia**” Start Fund-funded project, was implemented from 23.09.2022 to 07.11.2022 with the objective of providing an emergency response to the needs of IDPs and affected population in Gegharkunik, Vayots Dzor and Syunik regions. The project covered 4 components including 1) Food security and livelihoods; 2) Water sanitation and hygiene; 3) Health and 4) Protection. The project achieved the following results:

- 2000 people supported with multi-purpose vouchers
- 1954 individuals received psycho-social support
- 500 food parcel benefited 500 households
- 300 NFI kits distributed to 300 individuals
- 100 baby kits distributed to 100 babies
- 300 individuals received 300 first-aid kits
- 10 medical kits were provided to local medical centers

Project 9

The “**Rapid emergency response to the conflict affected population of Armenia**” ECHO-funded project was implemented from 01.10.2022 to 31.03.2023 with the objective of providing winterization support to conflict-affected population in Gegharkunik region. The project covered 1 component including 1) cash-based support. The project achieved the following result:

- 1510 conflict-affected population received cash-based assistance

Project 10

The “**Alert 640 Armenia (displacement due to conflict)–Learning Grant**” Start Fund-funded project was implemented from 21.12.2022 to 21.07.2023 with the objective of assessing the needs of residents in the border communities of Armenia following the September 2022 attack, as well as examining the effectiveness of the response to these needs. The project covered 4 components including 1) study the needs of residents in an emergency situation as a result of the September 2022 attack, 2) identify the range of support provided by various structures and organizations during and after the attack, 3) evaluate the effectiveness of the provided support (addressability (relevance), timeliness and amount), 4) understand the obstacles faced by support structures and organizations in addressing needs.

- As a result, the project produced a comprehensive research report that facilitated a holistic assessment of the level of preparedness and identified existing gaps in responding to similar emergencies in Armenia.

Project 11

The “**Support for displaced populations in Nagorno-Karabakh**” project funded by French regions, is being implemented from 21.11.2023 to 30.11.2024 with the objective of addressing winterization needs of NK displaced population. The project covers 1 component including 1) multi-purpose voucher distribution. To-date, the project has achieved the following result:

- Around 1500 individuals received multi-purpose voucher assistance

Project 12

The “**Prepositioning of supplies and support to emergency coordination in anticipation of population displacement from Nagorno-Karabakh Region**” Start Fund-funded project was implemented from 23.01.2023 to 24.03.2023 with the objective of improving the capacity of first responders to welcome displaced populations, better identify the needs, enhancing information management, and therefore contributing to improve humanitarian coordination in anticipation of population displacement from NKR. The project covered three 4 components including 1) Improvement of registration process; 2) capacity building of first responders; 3) service mapping; 4) Prepositioning of NFI’s; 5) Psycho-social support. The project achieved the following results:

- The registration process of displaced population in collaboration with the Migration services of the Republic of Armenia improved
- Sensitization/Capacity building trainings conducted for 29 first responders from Vayots Dzor and Syunik regions
- The preparedness/response capacity of 26 local social workers was strengthened
- Training for 25 social workers conducted on elaboration of action plan/strategic actions on several fronts to make a social protection system more shock responsive
- Elaboration of emergency social support instruments (field guideline, pocketbook, etc.) for 116 specialists
- Available services mapped and referral mechanism established
- 1000 NFI kits distribute
- 71 first responders trained on the detection of PTSDs

Project 13

The “**Emergency preparation and humanitarian assistance for people affected by the Lachin Corridor crisis**” CDCS-funded project was implemented from 22.09.2023 to 31.04.2024 with the objective of addressing critical challenges and increasing preparedness to potential mass population displacements from Nagorno-Karabakh. The project covered 4 component including 1) multi-purpose voucher support; 2) shelter assistance; 3) rapid needs assessment; 4) protection sensitization and training for first responders; 5) psycho-social support; 6) legal counseling, 7) material investments for municipalities. The project achieved the following results:

- 4199 conflict-affected population received multi-purpose voucher support
- 6 shelters supported with repairs and NFI’s
- 3 municipalities supported with material investments
- Rapid needs assessment conducted among 253 displaced and host households, 20 representatives of state and local authorities, 15 representatives of local supermarkets
- 449 individuals benefited from psycho-social support
- 50 first responders sensitized on protection issues
- 406 individuals benefited from legal counseling

Project 14

The “**Emergency Response for Water Access and Sanitation for Flood-Affected Populations**” Region Sud-funded project was implemented from 25 July 2024 to 24 October 2024 with the objective to improve access to clean water and sanitation for populations affected by May 2024 floods in Sanahin Kayaran and Karkop settlements. The project reached the following results:

- Installation of 2 water filtration systems in schools
- Hygiene and sanitation education workshops for 171 children and 63 school staff
- Distribution of educational materials and hygiene kits (171 kits for students, 63 kits for staff)
- Provision of material investments to improve school bathroom facilities

Project 15

The “**Water, Hygiene, and Sanitation (WASH) Support for Displaced Populations from Nagorno-Karabakh**”

Ville De Paris-funded project was implemented from 1 September 2024 to 31 March 2025 with the objective to ensure displaced persons have access to sanitary facilities and decent hygiene conditions in collective reception centers. The project will reach the following results:

- Identification and assessment of collective reception centers needing sanitation facilities
- Construction of gender-separated bathrooms and toilets (3 bathrooms, 3 toilets)
- Distribution of washing machines, hairdryers, and hygiene equipment
- Organization of 6 hygiene awareness sessions for 120 displaced persons and host community members
- Distribution of gender-sensitive hygiene kits
- Implementation of an environmentally friendly waste management system, including installation of waste sorting containers and conducting recycling workshops for 60 participants

Project 16

The “**Comprehensive assistance to refugees from Nagorno Karabakh and vulnerable host communities in rural border regions through protection services, shelter and winterization support**” GFFO-funded project was implemented from 1 September 2024 to 31 August 2025 with the objective to offering comprehensive assistance to refugees from Nagorno Karabakh and vulnerable host communities in rural border regions through protection services, shelter and winterization support:

- rehabilitation of three shelters to improve disability friendly access and provide basic, safe, and winterized living conditions.
- distribution of 4,850 multipurpose vouchers (covering winterization, household items).
- service mapping of available services for displaced people.
- establishment of a referral hotline responding to individual needs of people and providing support to access existing services.
- identification and provision of IT equipment to relevant stakeholders (CSOs, social service workers, and local governments) to meaningfully track the needs of the displaced population.
- conduct training sessions on collecting and conveying information on the needs of the vulnerable and rural population groups and sensitization on humanitarian standards in eleven consolidated communities
- Capacity Building Training and provision of assets to start their businesses for 70 displaced persons/Households