

Food distribution		
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Report date: 23 rd Jan 2022	Distribution date: 23 rd December, 2021	
Assessment/verification dates	15 th -22 nd December,2021	
Distribution location information.		
Region	West Nile	
District	Koboko	
Municipality	Koboko	
Division	Koboko North	
Ward	Triangle	
Village	Dikasinga	
Address	P.O Box.218	
Exact location	STAD office/Dikasinga village	

Justification for the food distribution.

Dikasinga is one of the biggest urban refugees hosting community in Koboko municipality. Most of the refugees solely depend on the monthly food ratio given by the UN agencies. Despite all the efforts of the concerned people worldwide to combat global hunger, still many people are struggling daily to find their next meal. So many children, elders, the sick, people with disabilities among others starve due to lack of sufficient food - required nourishment for good health. Undernourishment and hunger are serious concern to STAD which strives to help the vulnerable groups in the community.

The main actors and their roles in commodity distribution

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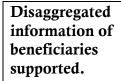
- Implementing partner: Host government leader (Village health team. Local council one, Local council three, community development officer).
- Implementor STAD.

Host government.

- **Identification of beneficiaries:** the Local Council One (LC1) and the village health team identified most of the vulnerable people in the community and recommended them to STAD for support.
- **Security**: the LC1 together with STAD's security guard provided security and safety measures at the distribution location. They reinforced COVID- 19 measures (taking temperatures at the entrance, gave face masks for beneficiaries, hand washing/hand sanitizing) and maintained order during distribution time.
- **Launching of the distribution**: the local council three (LC3) together with STAD staff launched the distribution of the food items
- **Distribution of food items**: the host government together with the volunteers distributed the food items to the beneficiaries.

Implementor STAD

- Assessment of food needs was based on the food values (nutrient content) cereal, cooking oil, silver fish, beans and salt are very key in one's diet.
- Assessment on the specific concerns and needs of different groups of refugees.
- Procurement by STAD staff and the food items stored in STAD's premises (store)
- Verification of the selected beneficiaries was carried out to determine selection criteria designed met the objectives of the project in terms of vulnerability.
- Facilitating the refugee participation and also makes sure that women, persons with disability, hosts are represented.
- Stake holder engagement and context awareness building of the project.
- Monitoring and reporting on distribution of all food aid commodities.
- Compilation and sharing of project report.



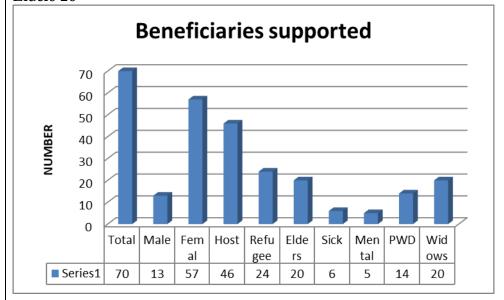
Category

Item

Silver fish

Total.70 beneficiaries supported.

Male -13 Female- 57 Refugee-24 Host-46 PWD-14 Divorced-2 Sick-6 Mental conditions(epilepsy)-5 Widow-23 Elders-20



Procurement and storage

The food items were procured by STAD and stored in STAD office. The items were uniformly (equally) distributed to the different categories selected. The item included silver fish, salt, cereal (maize flour), cooking oil, salt and beans.

Quantity

Quantity of each item
distributed per
individual beneficiary.

Total quantity of each item distributed in the

response.

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Beans	3 Kilograms
Cooking oil	Half a litters
Cereal (maize flour)	5 kilograms
Salt	1 packet
Silver fish	1.5 kilograms
Beans	210 kilograms
Cooking oil	35 liters
Cereal (maize flour)	450 kilograms. 350Kgs distributed and 100Kgs for open
	space learning program.
Salt	85 pieces
Sugar	50 kilograms (for open space learning program)

Half a sack (bag) of 100 kgs

Summary of Distribution

The beneficiaries were informed prior to the distribution through the local authorities and STAD field teams during the verification and selection process. All the beneficiaries were informed on distribution items quantity and type, dates, venue, and time. Home distribution was made to the most vulnerable who were unable to walk to the distribution point.

The local council and the community leaders were also available to ensure smooth food items distribution. Most of the beneficiaries were excited and praised STAD for such interventions in community. It is important to know and appreciate the roles and responsibilities of the main actors involved at the various stages of food distribution

Challenges and lessons learned.

- Although the beneficiaries were happy with what they received, they complained about the frequency. They begged for such interventions to be done frequently or at least quarterly.
- Difficulty in the selection process, due to many vulnerable people in Dikasinga village.
- The decision who to select and not was difficult and challenging.
- Nevertheless, STAD selected the most vulnerable among the vulnerable.
- Some community members felt neglected.
- During food distribution day, a group of unselected women came and needed assistance. Due to lack of sufficient food items, they were given salt only.

Recommendation.

- Need for more funds to conduct a post food distribution evaluation through focus group discussion and designing questioners.
- Involve the community leaders, government officials etc.at the various stages of food distribution.
- Establishment of the number of food aid beneficiaries, in consultation with the host.

Appendix.



Orientation of some of the beneficiaries were present during the distribution.



The picture above (left) shows a volunteer arranging the food items for distribution. Next (right) is a group photo of STAD volunteers and the distribution team.



The distribution of items to the selected beneficiaries



Home o home distribution for the beneficiaries who could not walk to the distribution point.



The photos above show an excitement of a widow and a widower while carrying food items

Conclusion

The beneficiaries do not have any job to earn some money. Though there are many people who are need of support, due to insufficient funds, STAD was able to support and distribute some food items to the vulnerable people in Dikasinga. This was made possible through the financial support from ETWA and some of the well-wishers.

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