

# TECHNICAL COOPERATION PROJECT SUMMARY

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<b>PROJECT TITLE</b>	<b>LIVELIHOODS, EDUCATION &amp; PROTECTION TO END CHILD LABOR IN UGANDA (L.E.A.P.)</b>
<b>REGION/COUNTRY</b>	AFRICA/Uganda
<b>PROJECT DURATION</b>	September 30, 2007 – September 30, 2011
<b>FISCAL YEAR &amp; FUNDING LEVEL</b>	FY2007: USD 5,499,997 Matching Funds: USD 634,055
<b>PROBLEM TO BE ADDRESSED</b>	Since the birth of the Lord's Resistance Army's (LRA) rebel campaign in Northern Uganda in 1986, thousands of children have been drawn into exploitive labor, including as porters, soldiers, and war brides. Many children have endured continual displacement, and some are serving as heads of households, standing in for parents and guardians who have been killed, gone missing or died due to HIV/AIDS. These circumstances put children in Northern Uganda at risk of further involvement as child soldiers and in other forms of hazardous labor.
<b>TARGETS</b>	The project targets 2,825 children for withdrawal and 8,450 for prevention from the worst forms of child labor. Project interventions focus on children affected by armed conflict in the Northern Districts of Kitgum, Lira, Moroto, Nakapiripirit, Pader, Gulu, and Amuru, Kitgum; and the Karamoja districts of Moroto and Nakapiripirit. The project will reach an additional 14,725 indirect beneficiaries, who will attend target schools or be a part of households who benefit from livelihood activities.
<b>PROJECT OBJECTIVES</b>	To contribute to the prevention and elimination of child labor in Northern Uganda and the Karamoja region.  Intermediate objectives include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Promote an enabling environment to increase awareness on child labor at Government, community, family and care giver levels;</li><li>• Increase access to education for children engaged in, or at risk of engaging in, child labor; and</li><li>• Improve the quality of basic education through curriculum improvement and teacher support.</li></ul>
<b>SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Promote awareness of the linkages between child labor and HIV/AIDS;</li><li>• Improve access to education through direct support for four types of educational services: formal primary, formal secondary, non-formal vocational and non-formal alternative education;</li><li>• Facilitate teacher development through enhancing</li></ul>

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the quality of teaching methods, and distribution of existing learning and training modules. Also support teachers to provide national career guidance and counseling curriculum to students;

- Standardize and enhance curriculum for non-formal courses by integrating life skills, literacy and business skills sections;
- Partner with Kyambogo University and the Ministry of Education and Sports (MoES) to design a modified curriculum for students who struggle to pass exams (especially females) and for overall curriculum reform;
- Provide technical support to the National Steering Committee on Child Labor and the National Task Force on Child Labor;
- Support the development and pilot of a national child labor monitoring (CLM) tool and strengthen CLM capacity; and
- Improve household livelihood assets through skills-building and functional literacy.
- As of February 28, 2009, 6,816 children have been withdrawn or prevented from WFCL as a result of this project.

**GRANTEE**

The International Rescue Committee (IRC) and Associazione Volontari per il Servizio Internazionale (AVSI)

**IMPLEMENTING PARTNERS**

To be identified.

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