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2024 At A Glance Key Achievements



53 Transitional
Shelters Built



5990 NFI Kits
Distributed



110 water points
built



9 Solar Powered
Water Centers built



2,200 School Meals
Delivered



2557 Food Parcels
Delivered

Population reached
by each sector:



Over 41,930 individuals



Over 19,180 individuals



Over 17,899 individuals



Over 300 individuals



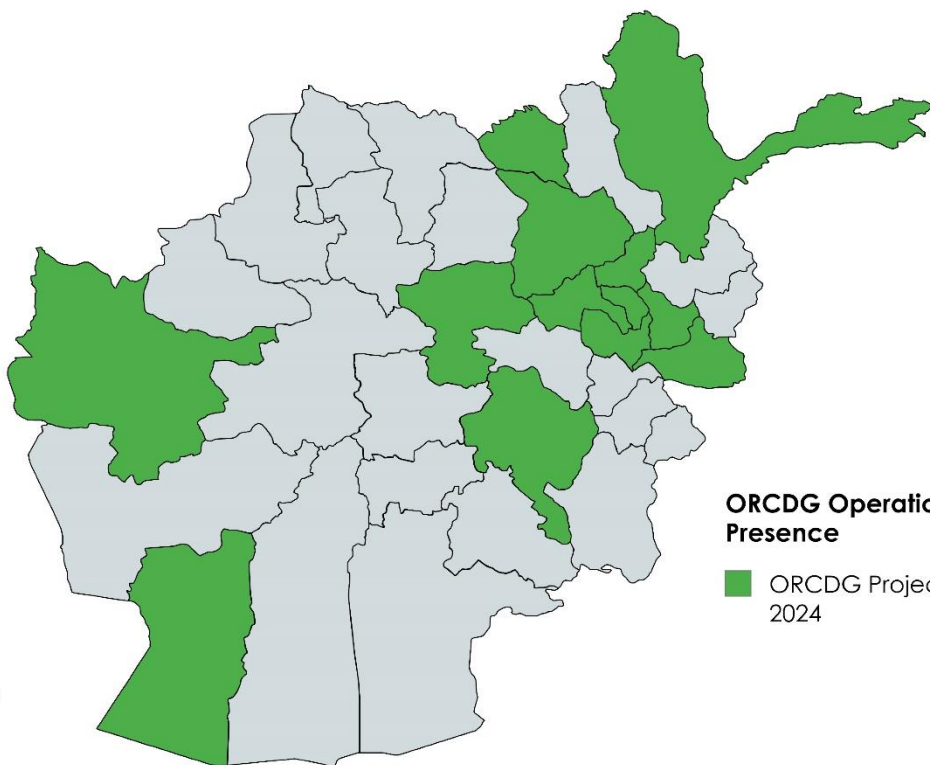
1,750 individuals



350 individuals

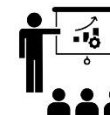


Over 15,400 individuals



ORCDG Operational
Presence

ORCDG Projects in
2024



50 Youth Trained in
Vocational Skills



250 Orphans
Sponsored

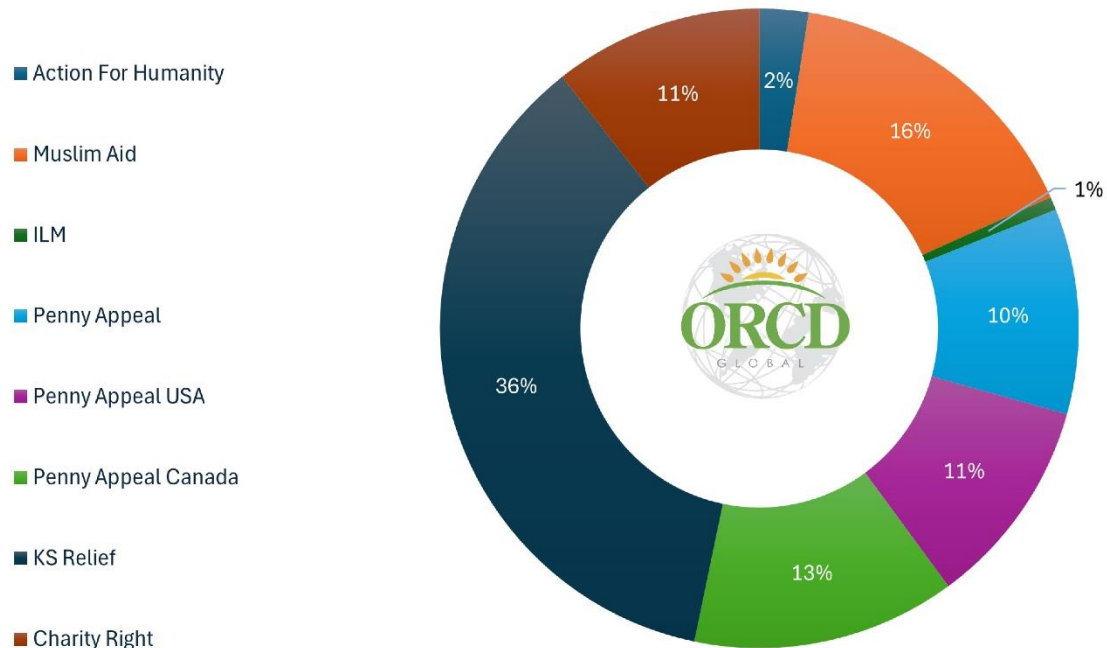


300+ Job
Opportunities
Created

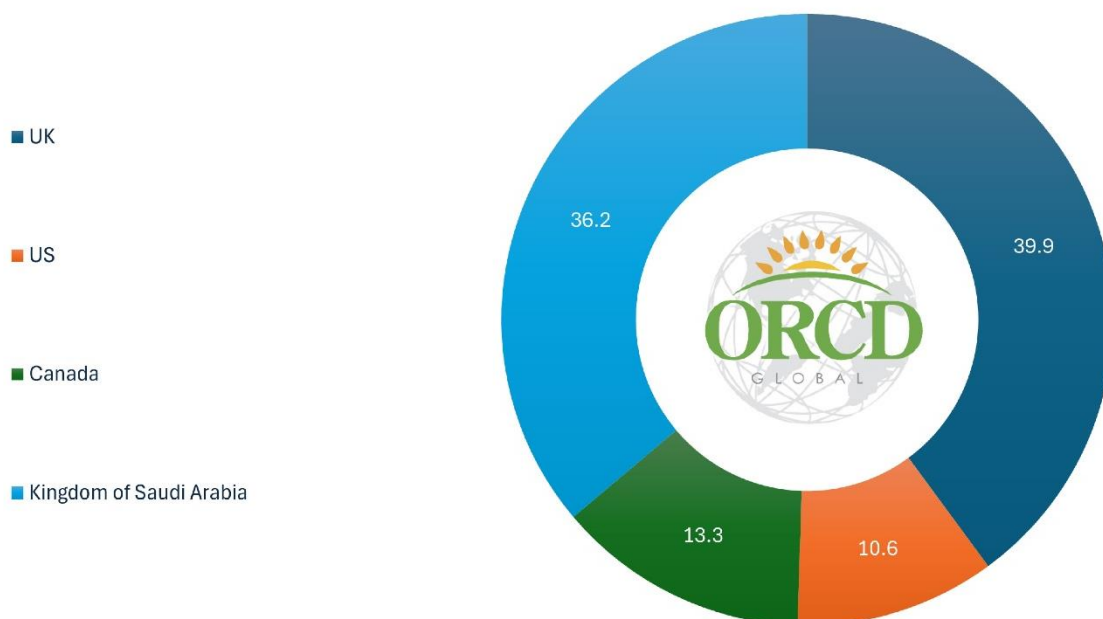
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Percentage of ORCDG Funding from donors in 2024



Percentage of ORCDG Funding from private donors in 2024



Foreword from the Board of Trustees

We are pleased to announce a strong set of results showing improved performance across our non-profit for positively impacting the lives of targeted population in various parts of Afghanistan. FY2024 was a year of significant change for Organization for Research and Community Development (ORCDG).

We have made substantial and rapid progress, and this has established solid foundations for the next phase of our strategic plan.

Board of Trustees
Organization for Research and Community Development (ORCDG)

Foreword from the CEO

March 2025

Greetings from the President of the Organization for Research and Development Global (ORCDG)! We are pleased to announce another strong set of results for Fiscal Year 2024 (FY2024) showing excellent performance across our non-profit, humanitarian organization. These activities are positively impacting the lives of targeted populations in various parts of Afghanistan.

FY2023 was a year of significant accomplishments for ORCDG. The reorganization from the previous year at the administrative level has bolstered our ability to provide immediate and much needed attention and funding impact for the needy clientele we serve in Afghanistan.

We have made impacts in areas of health, nutrition, housing, water supply and earthquake emergency mitigation. As I write, we are on the ground in Baghlan with emergency flood relief due to high mountain rainfall and overflowing rivers. We are prepared to expand into food production and women and youth skills development. These activities, pending funding, will empower the disadvantaged peoples for better self-sustainability,

Please join me in reading this incredible review of activities and accomplishments that ORCD Global has completed in 2023.

Dennis W Eaton

Dr. Dennis W Eaton

President and CEO

Organization for Research and Community Development Global

Acronyms

AFH	Action For Humanity
CR	Charity Right
DTW	Deep Tube Well
FI	Food Items
HHs	Households
P4NGOs	Programs for NGOs
PA	Penny Appeal
PAC	Penny Appeal Canada
PA USA	Penny Appeal USA
MA	Muslim Aid
NFI	Non-Food Items
OC	Osman Consulting
ORCDG	Organization for Research and Community Development Global
WASH	Water, Sanitation & Hygiene

List of ORCDG Projects in 2024

SN	Project Title	Duration	Location	Funded by	Budget (USD)
1	2023-88 Life-saving winterization assistance to the Vulnerable population in Herat province	2 months (15.11.2023 - 15.01.2024)	Herat	Muslim Aid	\$42,691.59
2	Afghanistan Winter Emergency 2023	2 months (01.01.2024 - 29.02.2024)	Kabul	Penny Appeal USA	\$53,000
3	1370 - Provision of Food Items to vulnerable families in Kabul	3 months (01.11.2023 - 31.01.2024)	Kabul	Action For Humanity	\$20,149.28
4	1371 - Provision of Food Items to vulnerable families in Kabul	3 months (01.11.2023 - 31.01.2024)	Kabul	Action For Humanity	\$8,479.58
5	Afghanistan Ramadan Food Packs 2024	1 month (01.02.2024 - 29.02.2024)	Kabul & Baghlan	Penny Appeal USA	\$27,000
6	Winter Emergency, Kabul & Baghlan 2023/2024	3 months (01.01.2024 - 31.03.2024)	Kabul & Baghlan	Penny Appeal	\$12,696
7	CR-ORCD Afghanistan School Feeding Programme and Ramadhan Food Packs Programme	12 months (22.03.2023 - 23.03.2024)	Kabul	Charity Right	\$379,101.90
8	i24-08 - Ramadan Food Packs in Afghanistan	1 month (01.04.2024 - 30.04.2024)	Kabul	Penny Appeal Canada	186151.04
9	i24-23 - FOW ZAF Food Packs in Afghanistan	1 month (01.04.2024 - 30.04.2024)	Kabul	Penny Appeal Canada	\$22,381.70
10	1425 - Provision of Ramadhan Food Baskets to vulnerable families in Kabul	2 months (01.03.2024 - 30.04.2024)	Kabul	Action For Humanity	\$25,661.80
11	2024-21 Ramadhan Food Packages to vulnerable families in Kabul, Kunduz and Baghlan provinces.	2 months (01.03.2024 - 30.04.2024)	Kabul, Baghlan, Kunduz	Muslim Aid	\$54,287.39
12	Construction of 4 Solar Powered Water Centers – Afghanistan (Baghlan)	10 Months (01.07.2023 - 10.05.2024)	Baghlan	Penny Appeal	\$97,641.21
13	Afghanistan Flood Relief	1 month (15.05.2024 -)	Baghlan	Penny Appeal USA	\$20,000

		14.06.2024)			
14	Provision of Emergency support to the flood-affected population in Baghlan	1 month (01.05.2024 - 31.05.2024)	Baghlan	Action For Humanity	\$4,864.39
15	i24-16 - FOW Resettlement of Afghani Refugees	3 months (01.04.2024 - 30.06.2024)	Baghlan & Kunduz	Penny Appeal Canada	\$78,677.93
16	i24-38 Afghanistan Flash Floods Emergency Response	1 month (01.06.2024 - 30.06.2024)	Baghlan	Penny Appeal Canada	\$18,235.22
17	1494 Qurbani 24 - Afghanistan	2 months (01.06.2024 - 01.08.2024)	Baghlan	Action For Humanity	\$ 5,081.60
18	2024 - 60 Life-saving assistance to the Flood-affected population in Baghlan province	2 months (10.05.2024 - 20.07.2024)	Baghlan	Muslim Aid	\$58,566.70
19	2024 - 62 Afghanistan Qurbani Programme	1 month (01.06.2024 - 30.06.2024)	Nangarhar	Muslim Aid	\$29,577.74
20	Income Generation Through Skill Building	10 months (01.10.2023 - 31.07.2024)	Kabul	Penny Appeal USA	\$84,877.82
21	Construction of 80 deep tube wells in Afghanistan (Kunduz)	10 months (01.09.2023 - 30.06.2024)	Kunduz	Penny Appeal USA	\$179,324
22	Qurbani Project	15 days (14.06.2024 - 30.06.2024)	Kabul	ILM	\$23,852
23	1512 Provision of Emergency support to the flood-affected population in Baghlan (Phase II)	2 months (01.07.2024 - 30.08.2024)	Baghlan	Action For Humanity	\$16,526.48
24	Construction of 5 Solar Powered Water Centers (Nangarhar & Baghlan)	9 Months (Start Date: 15.10.2023 End Date: 15.08.2024)	Nangarhar & Baghlan	Penny Appeal Canada	\$110,462.80
25	2023 - 93 Afghanistan Earthquake Response Phase 2 – Construction of Transitional Shelter Units for earthquake affected households in Herat	11 months (01.01.2024 - 31.11.2024)	Herat	Muslim Aid	\$380,703.08
26	i24-19 Construction of 30 deep wells in Baghlan	7 months (15.05.2024 - 15.12.2024)	Baghlan	Penny Appeal Canada	\$62,187.33
27	HIFZ Orphan Support Program -	12 months	Kabul &	Penny	\$261,781.58

	Phase 3	(01.06.2024 - 31.05.2025)	Nangarhar	Appeal	
28	LIFE-SAVING SUPPORT TO THE VULNERABLE FLOOD-AFFECTED POPULATION IN AFGHANISTAN 2024	6 months (01.07.2024 - 31.12.2024)	Kabul, Laghman, Nangarhar, Kapisa, Parwan, Panjshir, Ghazni, Herat, Nimroz, Baghlan, Kunduz, Badakhshan, Bamyan	KS Relief	\$1,295,093.16
29	Winterization assistance for vulnerable Cave-dwellers in Bamyan province	3 months (01.11.2024 - 30.01.2025)	Bamyan	Action For Humanity	\$13,054.83
30	Afghanistan Winter Emergency 2024	2 months (01.11.2024 - 31.12.2024)	Bamyan	Penny Appeal USA	\$15,214

2023-88 Life-saving winterization assistance to the Vulnerable population in Herat province

Following the devastating October 2023 earthquakes in Herat, thousands of people lost access to basic services. These needs further increased as the winter season approached. Considering these needs, ORCDG with donations from Muslim Aid targeted and supported vulnerable earthquake-affected families with the ES/NFI Cluster recommended standard kit. Through this fund, ORCDG was able to reach 165 households who were severely affected by earthquakes. The project was implemented in close coordination with relevant stakeholders including the ES/NFI cluster, Afghanistan National Disaster Management Authority (ANDMA) as well as the directorate of economy. As part of the planned support, each family received 600 Kilograms of wood, 60 Kg of wood, and six liters of fuel gills. ORCDG selected the beneficiaries following a pre-developed beneficiary selection criteria and women headed households, elderly headed households, people with disabilities and other vulnerable groups were prioritized.



Afghanistan Winter Emergency 2023

To support vulnerable host community members and refugee returnees during the winter season, ORCDG, with the financial support of Penny Appeal USA designed and implemented a winter response project in three provinces of the country (i.e., Kabul, Baghlan and Kunduz). The response was focused on supporting the most vulnerable community members who did not have means to cope with the cold winter weather. Through this project, a total of 240 households received winterization items including blankets, floor mat, sweaters for children and adults, Shawls for women and men, as well as winter caps, gloves and socks.



1370 - Provision of Food Items to vulnerable families in Kabul

Funded by Action For Humanity (AFH), the project goal was to distribute food parcels to 190 needy families in Kabul province who were at risk of hunger due to various crises. The project aimed to improve their food security and nutrition for one month during winter. The project selected the beneficiaries based on vulnerability criteria, coordinated with local actors, used KOBO tools for data and monitoring, and reported to the donor. The project also empowered the beneficiaries and involved the community in sustainability of the project. The impact of the project was to provide food assistance to 190 vulnerable families in Kabul who were food insecure due to multiple crises. The project ensured food security and nutrition for one month during the winter. The project enabled the beneficiaries to cope and involved the community. The expected impact was achieved, as the project met its objectives and outputs, and received positive feedback from the beneficiaries and the donor. The project also contributed to the humanitarian response and the development of the country.

The project ensured the participation of beneficiaries throughout the project cycle, from planning to evaluation. The project involved the beneficiaries and their representatives in the community consultation, vulnerability mapping, need assessment, and beneficiary selection. The project also solicited and responded to the feedback and suggestions of the beneficiaries through phone calls, meetings, and feedback boxes. The project used KOBO tools to collect and analyze data from the beneficiaries and to monitor the quality and impact of the project activities. The project also involved the beneficiaries in the distribution of food parcels and the post-distribution review. The project aimed to create a sense of ownership and empowerment among the beneficiaries and to address their needs and preferences. The project also coordinated with relevant local authorities and other stakeholders to ensure the participation of beneficiaries.



1371 - Provision of Food Items to vulnerable families in Kabul

This project was a continuation of the 1370 project funded by AFH. Under this project, ORCDG was able to distribute 100 Food packs to poor families in Kabul during the winter season. The package included essential food items such as Flour, cooking oil, rice, and green tea.



Afghanistan Ramadan Food Packs 2024

The title project targeted poor households in Kabul and Kunar provinces and ensured that a total of 257 families have access to essential food items for the holy month of Ramadan. Funded by Penny Appeal USA, the project supported families who were food insecure and were struggling with feeding their children. The food packs distributed as part of this project are expected to satisfy the food needs of families for a period of one month.



Winter Emergency, Kabul & Baghlan 2023/2024

After forced eviction of Afghan refugees from Pakistan, since 1 November 2023 thousands of Afghan refugees crossed into Afghanistan from Pakistan with had having nothing with themselves to financially support their families with nowhere to live. According to UN, during the first six weeks, more than 120,000 Afghans had returned to Afghanistan. Many children and families returned with nothing and had nothing waiting for them. To address the winterization needs of refugee returnees and poor host community members, ORCDG, with funding from Penny Appeal, distributed winter kits to 50 families who were from amongst the vulnerable and refugee returnees. Each family received blankets, sweaters, shawls, caps, socks and gloves. Distribution committee comprised of ORCDG, relevant sectors and representatives was established for the smooth distribution of winterization kits. After selecting the distribution site through joint consultation, the winterization kits were distributed among the selected vulnerable families.



Afghanistan School Feeding Programme and Ramadhan Food Packs Programme

Project Goals: Improved Attendance, additional registration, Reduced drop-out rate, Improved nutritional status of the children, Improved academic performance of the children, Improved completion/graduation rate, Improved completion/graduation rate for girls, Improved physical development of the students during their education, Food security for vulnerable families during Ramadhan, Reduced hunger and improved nutritional status, Improved household economics, Improved participation of children in education

School Meals were delivered in selected governmental schools (4 schools, 2236 students total) in Kabul Province every school day (Sat-Thur.) of the national academic calendar starting from 23 Mar 2023 for a period of 1 year up to 22 March 2024.



i24-08 - Ramadan Food Packs in Afghanistan

The main objective of the project was to provide 370 families with food boxes during the holy month of Ramadan to help them have access to all the food items they need for one month. The project was implemented in Kabul and ORCDG selected the beneficiaries from different areas of the province following a needs assessment. The project was funded by Penny Appeal Canada.



i24-23 - FOW ZAF Food Packs in Afghanistan

With the financial support from Penny Appeal Canada, ORCDG distributed 450 food packs to poor families in Kabul during the last 10 days of the holy month of Ramadan. The food packages included different items such as flour, cooking oil, Beans, and other important food items which were aimed at meeting the nutrition needs of the targeted families for Ramadan and during Eid ul Fitr days.



1425 - Provision of Ramadhan Food Baskets to vulnerable families in Kabul

The objective of this project was supporting vulnerable families in Kabul during the month of Ramadan. As a result, a total of 345 food packs were distributed to vulnerable families. The project donor was UK based charity Action for Humanity. The package included essential food items such as flour cooking oil, rice, tea and Beans.



2024-21 Ramadhan Food Packages to vulnerable families in Kabul, Kunduz and Baghlan provinces.

The subject project was generously funded by Muslim Aid UK. The main purpose of the intervention was to provide emergency Ramadan food packs to families who are struggling with finding enough food during the month of Ramadan. The project targeted poor households in three provinces of Kabul, Baghlan and Kunduz.

Through this project, 367 families in three provinces received food packs that contained primary food items such as flour, oil, milk, rice and other essentials. The project had a great short-term impact on the beneficiaries as they were relieved of their nutrition needs for one month.



Construction of 4 Solar Powered Water Centers – Afghanistan

The objective of this project was to improve access to safe and clean drinking & domestic use water of the target community members through construction of a solar powered water deep well and raising awareness about water-borne diseases through hygiene awareness sessions. Through funding from PA, ORCDG selected four poor villages in Baghlan province for the construction of Solar Powered Water Centers (SPWC). To ensure coordination with authorities, ORCDG signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the Ministry of Rural Rehabilitation and Development (MRRD).

ORCDG carried out the drilling of water deep wells in all four villages using rotary drilling technology. Following this, the field team installed casing pipes inside the water wells and performed necessary water yield tests which were fortunately successful. Furthermore, the construction of water storage tanks/reservoirs was also accomplished in all four areas. Similarly, To disseminate hygiene awareness knowledge among the target community members and to ensure the community members are made aware of the importance of using clean water and maintaining the SPWC, ORCDG field team conducted hygiene awareness sessions in each of the four target communities. The sessions were focused on providing information regarding hygiene promotion, clean water, risks of using unhygienic water, waterborne diseases, avoiding open defecation, washing hands regularly and other hygiene and sanitation related topics. Moreover, ORCDG hygiene promotion officer and field engineer provided the community members with information with regards to maintaining the SPWC, safeguarding the solar panels, performing operation and maintenance of the SPWC, and ensuring the sustainability of the SPWC through their contribution.

Following the completion field activities, ORCDG, in presence of local authorities, handed over the SPWCs to the Village Development Committee (VDC) members and the community residents for final use. The community members were pleased to see a water source nearby and the VDC members pledged that they would safeguard and maintain the SPWC against any hazard that may come by. With the support of this intervention, over 270 Households (1900 + individuals) now have access to clean water with dignity and safety.



1223 – Afghanistan Flood Relief – PA USA

Baghlan province was one of the provinces which was very strictly hit by flash floods in May 2024. It caused extensive financial and personal losses. The most damaged districts were the totally 8 districts including Baghlan Jadid, Burqa, Gozara Noor, Khost, Pul-e- Khumri, Jelga, Tala Barfak, and Dahn-e- Ghorī has been badly affected. However, the floods hit most of the districts and inflicted huge losses on the residents of the Baghlan province.

As per reports, over 200 people died and 300 people injured – confirmed 117 dead, 51 children under 5 years, 37 females above, 29 males above 5 years old, and 145 injured. Reportedly over 3000 HHs were destroyed or damaged in these 8 districts. ORCDG mobilized a team to identify the emergency needs of the flood-affected families to share it with the international community, and with the agencies working for humanitarian assistance to reach out to the affected families on time. Fortunately, Penny Appeal USA was one of the first ORCDG partners to respond to the emergency. Through an emergency initiative, ORCDG was able to distribute 80 food packs and 80 Non-food items packs to families that were affected by floods in Baghlan. The response was very effective and helped the affected families survive the difficult times.



1490 - Provision of Emergency support to the flood-affected population in Baghlan

The project was focused on providing emergency support to vulnerable and needy families affected by flash floods in Baghlan province. With funding from Action for Humanity, ORCDG distributed emergency items such as food items as well as non-food items to 20 poor families. The project was immensely beneficial for the affected families as they had lost all their belongings due to floods and had no access to essential kitchen utensils, blankets and food items.



i24-16 - FOW Resettlement of Afghani Refugees

After forced eviction of Afghan refugees from Pakistan, since 1 November 2023 thousands of Afghan refugees are crossing into Afghanistan from Pakistan every day with having nothing with themselves to financially support their families with nowhere to live. During the winter season the problems of Afghan people become more severe. Each year, freezing winter temperatures drive the needs for life saving winter assistance for most affected persons who do not have the ability to cope with harsh winter season. Through this project the immediate needs of the vulnerable Refugee Returnees in terms of food and winterization will be addressed, who do not have any coping mechanism to cope with the situation and to protect against the cold and who do not have the financial capability to purchase heating materials to keep themselves and their families particularly their children. Through this project, 460 refugee returnee families in Kabul, Baghlan and Herat Provinces received food items as well as winterization items (blankets) to help them resettle within the communities they've returned to.



i24-38 Afghanistan Flash Floods Emergency Response

As part of the Baghlan flood response, ORCDG received funding from Penny Appeal Canada and was able to continue providing emergency support to those affected by flash floods in Baghlan province. The subject project provided emergency food and NFI support to over 490 people (70 households).



1494 Qurbani 24 - Afghanistan

This project targeted the most vulnerable families living in Baghlan province. It is considered a crucial project due to its role in strengthening the bonds between the members of the communities (the advantaged and the disadvantaged) as well as providing the people who perform the ritual of sacrifice during the Adha Eid with the opportunity to donate the meat to the most vulnerable families, which is the main objective of performing this type of ritual in the first place.

The project also targeted disadvantaged families who have been living under the poverty lines, vulnerable refugees, and IDPs. In this way, the project played a crucial role in strengthening the bonds between the members of the communities (advantaged with the disadvantaged) as well as providing the opportunity to donate meat to the most vulnerable families. ORCDG/AFH distributed the meat of 2 cows and 12 goats as part of this grant.



2024 - 60 Life-saving assistance to the Flood-affected population in Baghlan province

The heavy floods and rains during April and May 2024 caused extensive financial and personal losses to the people in the central, Northern and Northeastern Afghanistan. To meet their basic needs and to tackle the problems of flood-affected population, the assistance of Non-food items was essential to address most urgent emergency needs of the flood-affected people who have already badly been affected in an already extremely fragile country. The main objective of the project was to assist and promote the dignity of flood-affected population through provision of lifesaving support in terms of NFI Kits to reduce their sufferings. Through this project, ORCDG was able to distribute 244 food and 244 NFI kits along with 244 tents among 244 flood-affected HHs through the financial support of MAUK to make sure that the flood-affected population in the targeted provinces have access to food and NFI items and Tents to meet their immediate needs. The funding will address the most immediate pressing needs of the flood-affected families in terms of provision of Tents, NFI and Food kits. The proposed project specifically targeted the vulnerable flood-affected population in the targeted province.



2024 - 62 Afghanistan Qurbani Programme

Funded by Muslim Aid, ORCDG implemented the Qurbani project during Eid-ul-Adha 2024. By providing Qurbani meat, ORCDG not only addressed immediate nutritional needs but also reinforced the social fabric of the community by encouraging the tradition of sharing during religious festivities. Kabul and Nangarhar provinces were identified as areas with a high concentration of disadvantaged families. The timing was critical as it was provided during Adha Eid, a period when the act of giving is culturally significant. The focus was on families who are economically disadvantaged, unable to perform Qurbani, and those who were socially marginalized, such as refugees and IDPs. To address their needs effectively, ORCDG undertook a meticulous selection process to identify 468 families that met the beneficiary criteria.



Income Generation Through Skill Building

Given the widespread poverty and declining economic conditions in Afghanistan, Afghans are struggling with poverty, lack of livelihood opportunities, and high unemployment rate. To help reduce the unemployment rate and resolve economic issues for some Afghans, ORCDG carried out vocational training activities in two skills (i.e., Tailoring and mobile phone repairing) where youth who have the ambition of starting their own small businesses can be provided with trainings and necessary inputs enabling them to be equipped with the means and necessary tools to do so.

The project was being implemented in Charasiab district of Kabul in close cooperation with the Ministry of Labor and Social Affairs (MoLSA). ORCDG project team selected the beneficiaries from among different villages for both skills. At the end of the assessment 50 eligible youth (20 for Tailoring and 30 for mobile repairing) were enrolled into the program who then received comprehensive vocational skills trainings from professional instructors in a standard training center for a period of 6 months. The students received theoretical lessons in well-equipped training classes with all necessary training materials. Besides theoretical and practical classwork, the students were introduced for a one-month mentorship program within the local market to ensure they learn the market trend and be able to learn practical entrepreneurship with the support of experience mentors. At the completion stage, each student received a graduation certificate along with toolkits to enable them to begin their own small businesses.



Construction of 80 deep tube wells in Afghanistan

Funded by Penny Appeal USA, the project was implemented in the northern Kunduz province of the country. The project was aimed at constructing 80 deep tube wells in the province in order to facilitate access to clean drinkable water for the communities who previously had no or limited access to healthy water. The project team in collaboration with the Kunduz PRRD surveyed various locations across eight districts of the province and were able to select eighty most eligible locations that were meeting the project criteria. Following the site selection ORCDG began the construction process of water wells and accomplished the drilling of water wells, construction of well aprons and installation of hardware. The construction of water wells will be further expedited during the upcoming month to ensure the project is completed within the allotted time. After field activities concluded, a joint technical committee visited the villages to verify the depth of the wells and the quality of materials as a final monitoring activity. ORCDG field team members then handed over each well to community representatives, allowing villagers to use the hand-pump equipped water wells. During the handover ceremony, ORCDG field engineers and supervisors reminded local committee members of their responsibility to maintain the wells and ensure their sustainability and durability.

The project will help improve the education of children in these villages too as they will now not be responsible for bringing water from remote villages and will have more time to concentrate on education and other productive activities. Additionally, the intervention has been greatly appreciated and welcomed by the elders of various communities and the authorities as it supports the sustainable development of rural communities, improves their living conditions, has provided them with one of their basic humanitarian rights and builds on their capacities to be more resilient. Furthermore, during face-to-face interviews at the project completion stage, the beneficiaries were satisfied with the project services and were thankful to those who had financially supported the cause.



Qurbani Project ILM

This project targeted the most vulnerable families living in Kabul province. It is considered a crucial project due to its role in strengthening the bonds between the members of the communities (the advantaged and the disadvantaged) as well as providing the people who perform the ritual of sacrifice during the Adha Eid with the opportunity to donate the meat to the most vulnerable families, which is the main objective of performing this type of ritual in the first place.

The project also targeted disadvantaged families who have been living under the poverty lines, vulnerable refugees, and IDPs. In this way, the project played a crucial role in strengthening the bonds between the members of the communities (advantaged with the disadvantaged) as well as providing the opportunity to donate meat to the most vulnerable families. ORCDG distributed the meat of 28 cows and 73 goats as part of this grant.



1512 Provision of Emergency support to the flood-affected population in Baghlan (Phase II)

The main objective of the project was to assist and promote the dignity of flood-affected population through provision of lifesaving support in terms of food and NFI Kits to reduce their sufferings. Through this project, ORCDG was able to distribute 68 food and 68 NFI kits among 68 flood-affected HHs through the financial support of AFH to make sure that the flood-affected population in the targeted province have access to food and NFI items to meet their immediate needs. The funding addressed the most immediate pressing needs of the flood-affected families in terms of provision of food and NFI kits. The subject project specifically targeted the vulnerable flood-affected population in the targeted province. The project targeted the poorest families among the flood-affected families. Through the implementation of this project, 68 flood-affected HHs were able to have access to meet their immediate pressing needs. The project ensured the participation of beneficiaries throughout the project cycle, from planning to evaluation. The project involved the beneficiaries and their representatives in the community consultation, vulnerability mapping, need assessment, and beneficiary selection. The project also solicited and responded to the feedback and suggestions of the beneficiaries through phone calls, meetings, and feedback boxes. The project used KOBO tools to collect and analyze data from the beneficiaries and to monitor the quality and impact of the project activities. The project also involved the beneficiaries in the distribution of food parcels and the post-distribution review. The project aimed to create a sense of ownership and empowerment among the beneficiaries and to address their needs and preferences. The project also coordinated with relevant local authorities and other stakeholders to ensure the participation of beneficiaries.



i23-64-TR-5 SPWC in Afghanistan (Nangarhar & Baghlan)

To address the dire clean water needs of five communities in Nangarhar and Baghlan provinces, ORCDG recently embarked on implementation of the subject project. The project is financed by Penny Appeal Canada and will aim at providing safe daily-use water for 3 communities in Nangarhar, and 2 communities in Baghlan.

As part of the project, ORCDG constructed deep wells as water source, built water storage tanks in each village for the purpose of storing and distributing water, guard rooms for safeguarding the SPWC. Also, ORCDG installed solar pump and solar panels as the power source for the Solar Powered Water Centers. ORCDG coordinated the response with the relevant stakeholders including the de-facto government authorities by signing a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Ministry of Rural Rehabilitation and Development (MRRD) and collaborated the field assessments and implementation with the provincial directorates of rural rehabilitation and development.



2023 - 93 Afghanistan Earthquake Response Phase 2 – Construction of Transitional Shelter Units for earthquake affected households in Herat

Herat Province located in western Afghanistan, experienced four intense earthquakes measuring 6.3 in magnitude between 7 and 15th October 2023. These earthquakes affected 300 villages and approximately 1.6 million people, with high intensity shaking (MMI 6+) directly affecting at least 114,000 individuals who are now in urgent need of humanitarian assistance. Assessments indicate that the first earthquakes resulted in more than 2400 fatalities and 2,440 injuries. To address the shelter and housing needs of communities, the goal of this project was that Vulnerable earthquake affected families in Herat live in secure, permanent and adequate disaster resilient housing/shelter, and have access to sanitation as part of their recovery and rehabilitation. The project's aim was to construct shelters that not only fulfill the basic requirements of shelter but also provide suitable living conditions, including proper sanitation facility (separate latrines for each HH), a proper cooking space (kitchen), and ventilation. Additionally, the project aimed to support communities with hygiene promotion and basic DRR awareness activities. During the project implementation stage, In addition to holding based-on-need coordination with the de-facto government, the project team made sure the activities are collaborated with the UN-led clusters namely the UNICEF led WASH cluster and the UNHCR led ES/NFI cluster. During the meetings, ORCDG provincial manager provided the donor and project information to the cluster leads in Herat. As an active member, ORCDG provided regular monthly updates to the cluster through email and during the monthly cluster meetings held at regional level. The cluster coordinators were content and satisfied with ORCDG's on-time coordination and contribution to the cluster activities. Following several coordination meetings with the ANDMA, ES/NFI cluster and the aid distribution committee in Herat, ORCDG selected two villages for the project needs assessment and beneficiary selection survey. The project team then planned and performed a beneficiary selection survey in the targeted villages (i.e., Karez Marwi and Shah Mohammad) using a customized questionnaire. The questionnaire was developed in consideration of the project selection criteria, standards set in the project proposal as well as some technical aspects to ensure the area is not at potential risk of natural disasters in the future. Subsequent to the completion of survey, the collected data was analyzed, and the most vulnerable families were selected. ORCDG, through its subcontractors, started the physical construction of the shelters in Karez Marve and Shah Mohammad villages in consideration of the technical designs, Bill of Quantities and specifications mentioned in the initial designs. Each activity was completed in compliance with the project specifications, and if a need for slight changes was felt, the engineering team analyzed its feasibility and benefits as well as the cost implications and shared with the project management for consideration.

To ensure inclusion of beneficiaries and community members in the project activities, ORCDG project team held regular meetings with the community elders and members. During the face-to-face meetings, ORCDG team provided information to the community members and encouraged them to actively take part in the project participatory monitoring and expressing their opinions. Moreover, the community representatives shared their opinions, suggestions and feedback during these meetings, which were then further discussed and addressed. Besides, the project team disseminated the complaints and feedback phone numbers to the villagers to make sure the community members can safely share their concerns through remote calls.

The project turned out to be a great success as the 53 benefiting families have now moved to their new homes, starting a new life post the disaster and enduring hardships for over a year. They are now safe against different environmental and social risks, having access to dignified houses. Also, ORCDG's innovative approach of considering separate sanitation facilities in addition to the shelters also proved to be extremely effective as the families will now be safeguarded against different diseases and women and children will be safe against various risks. ORCDG also worked closely with the head of households in both villages to strengthen their capacities and help them become resilient against future disasters through engagement and training sessions.



i24-19 Construction of 30 deep wells in Baghlan

The objective of this project is to build thirty deep wells equipped with hand pumps in rural and crisis affected areas of Baghlan province. In consideration of the needs of rural communities in Baghlan and in coordination with Baghlan Rural Rehabilitation and Development department, ORCDG selected thirty locations that met the project selection criteria. The construction of water wells was undertaken through a service provider and as a result, over 3,500 individuals were provided with access to clean drinking and domestic-use water. The project targeted the most vulnerable and marginalized groups in different villages of Baghlan province, most of whom were deprived of easy and equitable access to healthy water for drinking and domestic use. The beneficiary groups included marginalized communities from minorities, people with disability and elderly people.



HIFZ Orphan Support Program - Phase 3

Children are already a vulnerable segment of the society getting badly effected by crisis and conflicts which have long been happening in Afghanistan. Most orphans face different challenges in their day-to-day lives and remain in dire need of support. To avoid any potential risks and support orphaned children with their education, ORCDG is implementing the HIFZ Orphan Support Program which is funded by Penny Appeal and is intending to sponsor orphans through monthly stipends which will help them begin learning Quran, attend contemporary education classes, have access to better food, clothing, school uniforms and stationery. Under Phase 3 of the Program, ORCDG has signed sponsorship agreements with 250 orphaned children in Kabul and Nangarhar provinces. The sponsored children are receiving monthly stipends through bank accounts of their guardians/mothers and are able to begin learning Quran and attend school. The project begun during mid-2024 and will continue through mid-2025.



LIFE-SAVING SUPPORT TO THE VULNERABLE FLOOD-AFFECTED POPULATION IN AFGHANISTAN 2024

The humanitarian impact of floods and landslides that affected different regions of Afghanistan during April and May is devastating. The recent rains caused widespread flooding, mudslides and landslides in more than 19 provinces causing civilian casualties and damage and destruction sustained to homes, roads, bridges, and culverts, and agricultural lands and properties. More than 930 houses have been destroyed or damaged, along with around 63,700 acres of agricultural land and at least 470 livestock reportedly killed.

To address the immediate needs of flood affected families, ORCDG in partnership with the King Salman Humanitarian and Relief Center (KS Relief) designed a response project targeting over 4,000 families in 13 provinces of the country. The main objective of the project was to assist and promote the dignity of flood-affected population through provision of lifesaving support in terms of NFI Kits to reduce their sufferings. Through this project, ORCDG distributed 4,882 NFI kits and 4,882 Tents among 4,882 flood-affected HHs to make sure that the flood-affected population in the targeted provinces have access to NFI items and Tents to meet their immediate needs. In coordination with department of Afghanistan Natural Disaster Management Authority's (ANDMA), the project beneficiaries were selected through a committee comprised of ORCDG, representatives of ANDMA and Community elders. ORCDG assessed all families on objective basis and selected and registered the vulnerable and marginalized families among the targeted communities. The program was rolled out in 13 provinces namely, Kabul, Laghman, Nangarhar, Bamiyan, Baghlan, Kunduz, Badakhshan, Herat, Nimroz, Panjshir, Parwan, Kapisa and Ghazni. The project will be a short-term relief effort for vulnerable communities, with an objective of addressing the immediate needs of the flood-affected population in terms of provision of NFI and Tents to meet their urgent needs. The project will help reduce the dependence of the targeted flood-affected households on other community members and will provide them with an opportunity to have access to NFI items and tents.



Winterization assistance for vulnerable Cave-dwellers in Bamiyan province

The Overall objective of the project was to provide winterization assistance to the vulnerable/poor families (cave-dwellers) to address their immediate needs to cope with the harsh winter season, and to reduce their sufferings. Through this project, ORCDG was able to distribute 60 winterization kits among 60 eligible families through the financial support of AFH to make sure that the cave-dwellers in the targeted province have access to winterization kits to enhance their coping mechanism to cope with the harsh winter season. The project was implemented for Cave dwellers in Bamiyan province. These are the people living in caves without or limited access to basic humanitarian needs. These caves were dug by the monks in the Bamiyan valley. Originally used for meditation and retreat, some of these caves are now home to around 700 families who don't have land and cannot afford conventional housing. ORCDG assigned a team to know about their living situation. They conducted individual interviews with some of them. Majority of these cave dwellers were complaining regarding the lack of or limited access to basic needs, such as shelter, food, water during winter season, and education due to their poverty or lack of access to job opportunities.



Afghanistan Winter Emergency 2024

Funded by Penny Appeal USA, the objectives of the program were to address the immediate needs of the vulnerable families for winterization in terms of provision of itemized winterization kits as a winterization support to these families to address their immediate needs to cope with harsh winter season. The program was carried out by ORCDG through in-depth needs assessment in the target communities, coordination with line departments, and beneficiary representatives, and by distributing winterization kits that included essential items like blankets, sweaters, shawls (both for men and women), caps, gloves, and socks. The program was delivered in Bamiyan province of Afghanistan. The area was selected based on the identified needs of vulnerable families affected by harsh winter season. Beneficiaries were selected based on vulnerability criteria prioritizing women-headed households, households with pregnant and lactating women, those with more than 5 dependent children, households supporting people with physical impairment, 'at risk' families, and child-headed households. The project effectively achieved its objectives by providing essential winterization assistance to 60 households, directly benefiting 420 individuals. The activities were carried out as planned, with the actual results aligning closely with the expected outcomes outlined in the proposal. The project's impact was significant, as it provided necessary aid to vulnerable refugee returnees during the critical winter season, addressing their immediate needs and contributing to their well-being.





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