

# **Sustainable Development Application Form**

Please email this form in MS Word format along with detailed financials of proposed projects to Rev. Vy Nguyen, Executive Director (<a href="mailto:vy@weekofcompassion.org">vy@weekofcompassion.org</a>).

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Project Name, Local Country Partner, and Location:

Timor Zero Hunger-Plus (T0H+)

Timor Tengah Selatan (TTS) District, West Timor, Indonesia and Liquiçá District in Timor-Leste

Partner's History/Relationship with the Project:

CWS has partnered with communities and families in Indonesia and Timor-Leste for decades. Timor Zero Hunger (T0H) started with CWS CROP Hunger Walk funding in 2014 to help families in remote, impoverished southeast Indonesia face the complex challenges of child hunger and malnutrition. Week of Compassion (WOC) has generously supported the project's growth and strengthening since 2015. To broaden the T0H approach to sustainable change for women and girls, and again with WOC support, CWS pioneered Berdaya ('Empowerment') in 2017. Through that initiative, women farmers formed saving groups, improved their knowledge of family and business financial management, started saving and then making small loans to members, who have started a variety of home-based micro businesses. In addition, through Berdaya, girls ages 14 to 19 and village Health Post volunteers learned accurately about adolescent sexual and reproductive health, and some girls were chosen and educated to be Peer Educators with support from adult supervisors.

While Berdaya was added to the TOH project in West Timor, core TOH (water/farming) activities started up in Timor-Leste, which shares Timor island with Indonesia. This expansion took place because the CWS Indonesia/Timor-Leste team recognized that socioeconomic and natural conditions like poverty and drought do not change at national borders. And there was awareness of Timor-Leste's acute development needs. So, CWS invested CROP Hunger Walk funding to expand, and the first two years of TOH programming in one Timor-Leste district have gone well.

Now, Timor Zero Hunger – Plus (T0H+) will build on T0H, working with current project participants in West Timor and Timor-Leste while also expanding the reach of T0H to reach more families.

#### **Description of Project**

Name of Project and Purpose (agricultural, health, water, micro-credit, education, community development, etc. and how it might address at least one of the 17 United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals 2015-2030):

Name of Project: Timor Zero Hunger Plus (T0H+)

Purpose of Project: With an overarching aim to help families improve their food security with improved agriculture, additional poultry-raising and supplementary income-generating activities, TOH+ will engage families and government duty bearers to identify locally-specific issues of disaster risk, particularly from climate change, that negatively affect their lives and livelihood options. After considering the issues with all stakeholders, TOH+ staff will support locally-appropriate and possible action to improve their farming in order to further improve their livelihoods and food security. Specifically, TOH+ will support communities to build their adaptive capacities (knowledge, skills, action planning, action taking) to reduce their risks from accelerating climate change – and drought, specifically – and build resilience.

For this project CWS will implement its activities directly in close collaboration with local community and government partners and stakeholders.

#### U.N. Sustainable Development Goals (2015-2030) addressed

- Goal 1 | No poverty: End poverty in all its forms everywhere
- Goal 2 | Zero Hunger: To end hunger, achieve food security and improved nutrition and promote sustainable agriculture
- Goal 6 | Clean water and sanitation: Ensure access to water and sanitation for all
- Goal 13 | Climate action: Take urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts

#### **Priority Population:**

Poor/poorest rural families (households) and, among these, vulnerable groups including women, children and disabled people.

How many persons are/will be served?

Outcomes: Specific results T0H+ will enable	Project Participants*	
	Men*	Women*
nities have capacity, including knowledge and means, to assess locally-specific climate change/related vulnerabilities to avoid near- and long-term disaster	350	377
Families' ability to adapt their farming using new community-based coping/resilience strategies is enhanced	550	593
have improved access to safe water to support adaptation to drought	122	128
Info-data exists for continuous project improvement for future expansion	NA	NA

<sup>\*</sup>There are no known people with disabilities, so this information will be adjusted after a baseline info-data survey

## **Key Objectives:**

1. To help communities develop capacity, including more knowledge and means, to assess locally-specific climate change / related vulnerabilities to avoid near- and long-term disaster

Output: A community-informed approach to home gardening / poultry raising adapted for local climate change(s) is developed

2. To help families gain / enhance their capacity to adapt their farming using new community-based coping/resilience strategies

Output: Farmers have more information, plus improved knowledge/skills for more sustainable home gardening / poultry raising

3. To ensure families have improved access to safe water to support their adaptation to and coping with drought

Output: Cost-effective improvements are made to existing water systems

4. Info-data exists for continuous project improvement and future expansion

Output: A monitoring-evaluation-accountability-learning (MEAL) system to share experiences, lessons-learned plus results and impact is agreed among CWS staff and community leaders

### **Key Activities:**

Objective 1: To help communities develop capacity, including more knowledge and means, to assess locally-specific climate change / related vulnerabilities to avoid near- and long-term disaster

- Community Climate Vulnerability and Capacity Analysis (CVCA)<sup>1</sup>
- Community meetings held to discuss CVCA findings and review current coping/adaptation measures
- Villages develop Community Climate Change Adaptation Action Plans
- Communities test priority adaptation options to build resilience

Objective 2: To help families gain / enhance their capacity to adapt their farming using new community-based coping/resilience strategies

- Families improve chicken raising and home gardening
- Garden plot (farmland) soil is protected and improved
- Organic fertilizer and pesticides are made and used
- Risk reduction plans are made and used by farming families
- 4. Objective 3: To ensure families have improved access to safe water to support their adaptation to and coping with drought
- Natural springs and water tanks are protected
- Rainwater is harvested and properly stored for household and home gardening use

Objective 4: Info-data exists for continuous project improvement and future expansion

- Baseline survey, info-data analysis and interpretation
- Survey findings dissemination workshop
- MEAL tool finalized and CWS/T0H+ team
- Routine project monitoring, evaluation and learning documented and shared

Duration of Project: 12 months

# **Project Budget**

Total Budget: \$205,000

<sup>1</sup> https://careclimatechange.org/tool-kits/cvca/

Amount Requested from Week of Compassion: \$60,000

Is this a one-time request or an on-going request? On-going request. WoC has supported Timor Zero Hunger since 2015. The latest support ended in July 2019 with the Berdaya Empowerment for Women and Girls component of Timor Zero Hunger in Indonesia.

Please attached a detailed, itemized budget and cost breakdown for the requested funds.

Is the project financially supported by ecumenical or outside partners? If so, what percentage does it cover for this project and please list those partners?

For CWS Financial year 2020 (July to June 2019) CWS is funding this project from its own broadly designated/unrestricted funding from individual donors and CROP Walks. It represents 70% of the total project budget.

What is the overall percentage of fund requested that will be used for administration/overhead? Administrative costs are included in the direct costs of the project budget. No separate percentage for overhead is added.

If this project has been funded previously or is in the same geographical area, please specifically state when and how much was granted / Dates and project names of previous approved proposal submissions within the last 5 years.

- 1. July 2015 June 2016: Timor Zero Hunger (T0H) (\$30,000)
- 2. Aflatoxin study (July 2016 June 2018) (\$10,000)
- 3. July 2017 June 2019: Berdaya: Empowerment for Women and Girls through T0H: 2 grants: \$65,000 | \$30,000

How do you plan to monitor, evaluate, and report back to Week of Compassion? (Future funding is contingent on reporting, including stories and photos, made at 6 and 12 months after funding.)

Monthly monitoring in will be done per the T0H+ workplan. Monitoring will use quantitative and qualitative approaches and tools such as checklists for quantitative indicators and in-depth interviews and focus group discussions for qualitative progress checking.

CWS Program Managers, Program Officers and Jakarta-based Program Development Manager and MEAL Specialist are responsible for regular monitoring focused on project achievements vis-a-vis agreed project outputs.

A baseline survey will be done in month 1 of TOH+ and an evaluation will be done at the end of the year to measure accomplishment of expected activities, outputs and outcomes and inform project design changes, if needed, to continue TOH+ in West Timor and Timor-Leste, funds permitting, in the future.

Routine monitoring will involve hamlet, village and district stakeholders, including particularly vulnerable individuals and groups participating in T0H+ activities. Monitoring focus will be on learning for improvements month on month. The final evaluation will assess overall project progress for effectiveness, efficiency and relevance, including successes achieved, mistakes made / corrected and lessons learned.

More specifically, project staff will collect and analyze quantitative and qualitative information and data for monthly reports that track progress for project objectives. TOH+ will also use M&E tools developed for other similar projects, including quantitative tools (e.g., pre-/post-tests for teaching-learning / training activities) and qualitative tools (e.g., activity / workshop / meeting logs and participant stories)

The CWS communications team will work with the Asia regional office team on communication materials including stories and blogs, info-graphics, videos and Facebooks posts to share and/or submit to Week of Compassion.

Have all reports and stories from previous projects been submitted to WOC? Yes

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