

November, 2024 NEWSLETTER



Dear Partners and Friends,

At LESGO, we are committed to transforming lives through impactful health interventions and community support. In this edition, we bring you highlights of our ongoing projects, including our efforts to combat public health challenges and provide essential services to vulnerable populations.



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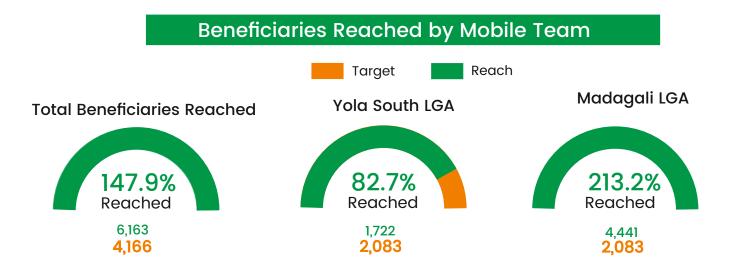


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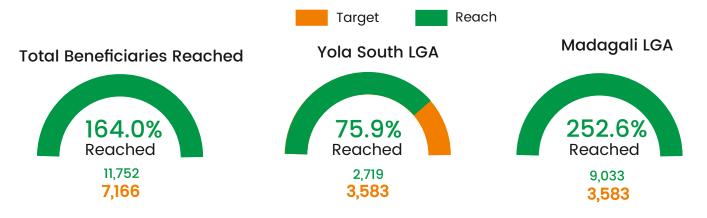


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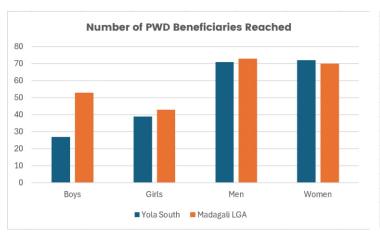
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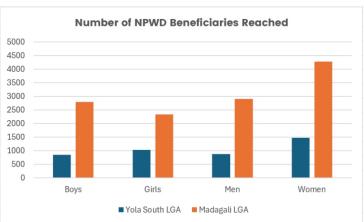


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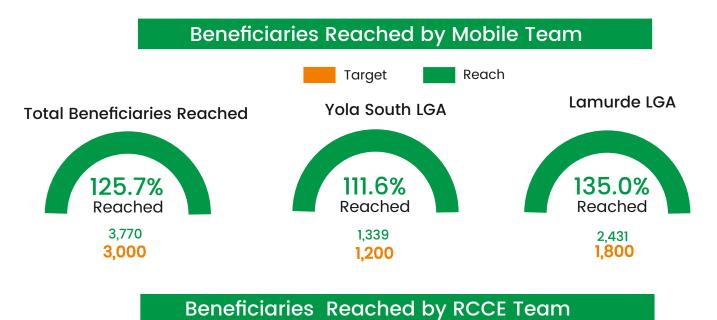
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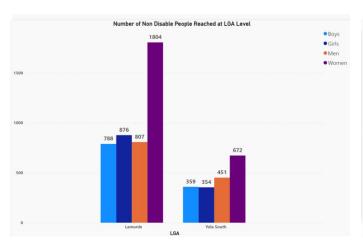


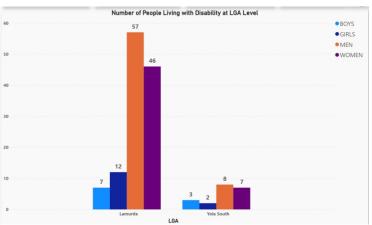
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Beneficiaries Reached by Mobile Team

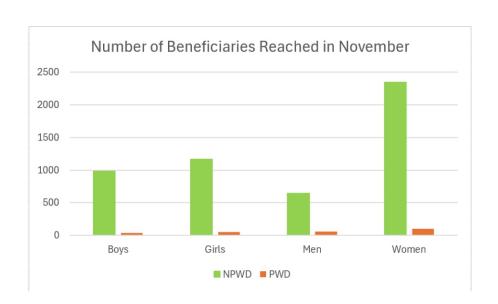


Total Beneficiaries Reached



5,383 3,823

PWDs and NPWDs Beneficiaries Reached





November Digital Communication Metrics at a glance.

Communications





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LESGO Celebrates International Men's Day!

On November 19th, we joined the global community in celebrating International Men's Day, a day dedicated to acknowledging the significant contributions of men to our society and their role in building healthier, thriving communities.

At LESGO, we used this opportunity to honor the strength, resilience, and positive impact of men, especially in the communities we serve.



The theme of the day aligned perfectly with our commitment to health, well-being, and equity, as we encouraged men to lead and inspire change.

The event reinforced the importance of creating spaces where men feel supported, valued, and empowered to lead by example. We remain committed to working with men and boys to build a better world for everyone. Let's continue to celebrate and support the men in our lives—because together, we can achieve stronger, healthier communities!



LESGO Hosts Awareness and Sensitization Event for Community Leaders



our commitment to improving lives goes beyond providing direct support. We understand that building resilient communities requires collaboration, awareness, and shared responsibility. As part of our new project, "Provision of Coordinated **Emergency Health and WASH Response for** Flood-Affected Populations in Yola South and Lamurde LGAs of Adamawa State," we recently organized a one-day awareness and sensitization event for key community stakeholders.

The primary goal of this gathering was to educate and empower these leaders to serve as champions of good hygiene practices within their communities. By equipping them with the knowledge and tools to communicate the importance of hygiene on a regular basis, we aim to create a ripple effect that will positively impact the health and well-being of flood-affected populations.

At LESGO, we prioritize inclusivity and collaboration in all our projects. This event reflects our dedication to carrying everyone along during project implementation. By involving community leaders, law enforcement representatives, and religious figures, we are ensuring that our efforts resonate with and are supported by those who know the community best.





LESGO Advocacy to Stakeholders in Adamawa State

At LESGO, we believe that access to quality healthcare is a fundamental right for every individual, especially in grassroots communities where such services are often scarce. In line with this commitment, we are thrilled to announce the launch of the Reserve Allocation 3 Project themed Provision of Coordinated Emergency Health and WASH Response for Flood-Affected Populations in Yola South and Lamurde LGAs of Adamawa State, lphatransformative initiative designed to improve healthcare services in Yola South and Lamurde LGAs.

This project, undertaken in partnership with CISCOPE, is aimed at addressing critical healthcare gaps and ensuring that communities in these areas have access to essential medical services and support.

Recognizing the importance of collaboration, we held a strategic meeting on the 4th of November with the Executive Secretary of the Primary Healthcare Authority and also with the office of the Commissioner of Women's Affair and social Development respectively to introduce the project and secure their involvement as a key stakeholder.

Their support is crucial to the success of this initiative, as it ensures that the project aligns with local healthcare policies and leverages existing systems for maximum impact.

This endorsement not only validates our efforts but also strengthens the foundation for a sustainable healthcare model that directly benefits the people of Yola South and Lamurde LGA of Adamawa state.









Donor: Nigerian Humanitarian Fund (NHF) Supervisory Visit

On November 18, 2024, we had the privilege of hosting representatives from the Nigeria Humanitarian Fund (NHF) at some of our supported health facilities on a supervisory visit. This visit was part of the ongoing oversight for our Lean Season Project, aimed at evaluating progress and ensuring we maintain high standards in delivering essential healthcare services.

The NHF delegation, led by Mr. Mohammed Abdulrahman, included a robust team comprising LESGO's Coordinator, Project Officer, M&E Officer, LGA Team Lead, two Clinical Supervisors, and the Risk Communication Officer. Together, they conducted a comprehensive review of our facilities' operations, systems, and performance.

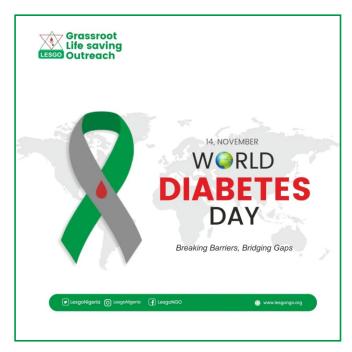
The visit concluded on a high note, with Mr. Abdulrahman commending our team for their dedication and exceptional service delivery. He emphasized the importance of sustaining these efforts to continue positively impacting our communities.

At LESGO, we remain steadfast in our mission to provide quality healthcare to grassroots communities. This supervisory visit reinforces our commitment to accountability, collaboration, and continuous improvement.

Together with our donors and stakeholders, we are determined to achieve better health outcomes for all.



World Diabetes Day: Breaking Barriers, Bridging Gaps



Every year, November 14th marks World Diabetes Day, a global initiative to raise awareness about diabetes and drive collective action to combat this growing public health challenge. This year's theme, "Breaking Barriers, Bridging Gaps," calls for urgent efforts to overcome the challenges that hinder access to diabetes prevention and care while building stronger support systems for affected individuals.

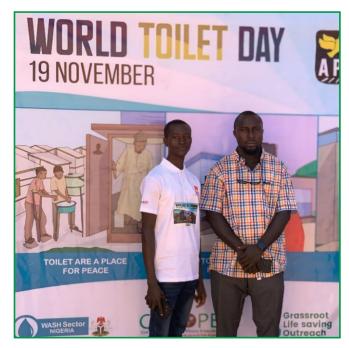
At LESGO, we are proud to stand with communities in Adamawa State, Nigeria, as we tackle barriers to quality healthcare and close the gaps that perpetuate health inequalities.

World Toilet Day - Toilets: A Place of Peace

November 19 every year is celebrated as World Toilet Day. This year, we joined the global movement to highlight the importance of safe sanitation and its role in improving public health, dignity, and well-being.

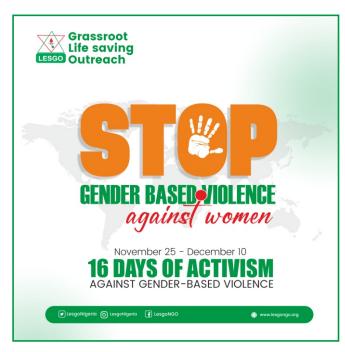
Access to clean and safe toilets is not just a basic need—it's a human right. Yet, millions worldwide, including in Adamawa State, still lack access to this vital resource.

At LESGO, we understand the life-saving impact of proper sanitation. Through our WaSH projects, we are working tirelessly to provide access to safe sanitation facilities for communities most in need.





16 Days of Activism: Say NO to Gender-Based Violence



Gender-Based Violence (GBV) remains a pervasive issue worldwide, affecting millions of individuals regardless of age, race, or socioeconomic status. This year's theme, "Time to Act Now," calls for urgent action to prevent and eliminate GBV in all its forms.

This year's theme highlights that the time for complacency is over. Globally, 1 in 3 women experiences physical or sexual violence in their lifetime, with countless others subjected to harmful practices, economic abuse, and emotional violence. The devastating effects of GBV ripple beyond individuals, tearing at the fabric of families and communities.

Our Actions to End GBV

- Community Awareness Campaigns: Engaging local leaders, religious heads, and stakeholders to spread the message of prevention and support.
- Capacity Building for Survivors: Providing resources, education, and tools to empower individuals affected by GBV to rebuild their lives.
- **Referral and Support Systems:** Collaborating with healthcare providers, legal experts, and psychosocial counselors to ensure survivors get the help they need.
- **Advocacy for Policy Change:** Partnering with government bodies to enforce laws that protect women and girls from violence and discrimination.

GBV is a violation of human rights and a barrier to equality, safety, and prosperity. It affects individuals, families, and entire communities.

On this 16 Days of Activism, let's remember that ending GBV is not just a campaign; it's a commitment.

Together, we can build a future where women and girls live free from fear and violence.



Flag-Off and Distribution of Drugs: A Reserve Allocation 3 Project

15th of November marked a significant milestone as we officially launched the Reserve Allocation 3 (RA3) Project in Yola South and Lamurde Local Government Areas (LGAs).

This impactful initiative, funded by the Nigeria Humanitarian Fund (NHF), focuses on delivering Coordinated Emergency Health and WASH Response to communities affected by devastating floods in some parts of Adamawa state.

The flag-off ceremony was graced by an array of distinguished attendees, including representatives from the state government, World Health Organization (WHO), local government authorities, and partner NGOs. This diverse assembly reflects the collaborative spirit driving the success of this project.

As part of the launch, essential drugs were distributed to healthcare facilities in Yola South and Lamurde, a critical step toward enhancing health outcomes in these vulnerable communities.

In other news, we were also on ground as collaborating partners to support CISCOPE during their flag off event at Numan. With the support of key stakeholders and the active participation of the communities we serve, this project represents a beacon of resilience and recovery.









LESGO's RCCE and Mobile Health Team Conducts Sensitization Visit and Medical Outreach to Communities in Lamurde LGA.





Under our Reserve Allocation 3 Project, titled Provision of Coordinated Emergency Health and WASH Response for Flood-Affected Populations in Yola South and Lamurde LGAs, funded by the Nigeria Humanitarian Fund (NHF), our dedicated teams are on the frontlines delivering critical services to communities in need.

Our mobile health team, working hand-in-hand with the Risk Communication and Community Engagement (RCCE) team, has been actively visiting wards and reaching out to flood-affected populations.

Here's how we're making a difference:

- Administering life-saving medications to those in need.
- ✓ Providing medical treatment for illnesses with efficiency and care.
- ✓ Conducting awareness and sensitization campaigns, empowering communities with knowledge about hygiene, health practices, and available services.
- ✓ Ensuring timely healthcare access and guiding beneficiaries to essential resources.

Through these collaborative efforts, we're addressing immediate health concerns while equipping communities with the tools to sustain better health outcomes.

At LESGO, we believe that healthcare is not just about treating the sick—it's about building resilience, creating awareness, and restoring dignity.

Together, we're bringing hope, health, and healing to flood-affected communities.

Equipping Our Team for Impact: Project Field Staff Training



As part of our Reserve Allocation 3 Project—Provision of Coordinated Emergency Health and WASH Response for Flood-Affected Populations in Yola South and Lamurde LGAs of Adamawa State—funded by the Nigeria Humanitarian Fund (NHF), we are committed to building a skilled and compassionate workforce.

This month, we hosted an intensive training session for our newly recruited field staff, focusing on:

- Disease management and prevention techniques.
- ✓ IMCI (Integrated Management of Childhood Illnesses) treatment approaches.
- Effective communication skills using IEC materials to drive awareness and behavioral change.

By investing in capacity-building, we're empowering our team to deliver high-quality healthcare services while addressing the unique needs of flood-affected communities. Together, we're creating a stronger foundation for health, hope, and healing.





LESGO Attends World Health Organization Northeast Joint Operational Review of HealthEmergency Program in Borno state.

Our Program Manager, Mr. James Siggi, proudly represented LESGO at the Joint Operational Review of the Humanitarian Health Emergency Program organized by the World Health Organization (WHO).

The review brought together key stakeholders from Borno, Adamawa, Yobe, Plateau, and Benue States at the Muhammadu Indimi Learning Centre in Borno State, Nigeria.

The event served as a critical platform to:

- Assess Progress: Evaluating ongoing efforts in addressing pressing health challenges in crisis-affected regions.
- health emergencies.
- interventions across the states.

This engagement underscores our unwavering commitment to strengthening healthcare systems, building resilient communities, and ensuring equitable access to health services, particularly in vulnerable regions.





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LESGO Distributes Relief Material to 11 Flood Affected Communities to Madagali LGAs of Adamawa state.

As part of the deliverables for the 3-months flood response implemented by LESGO as supported by IOM's Rapid Response Fund (RRF), LESGO distributed materials to 1,100 flood-affected households across 11 communities in Madagali LGA.

700 Hygiene Kits and 400 Dignity Kits were distributed across flood-affected communities of Shuwa, Kirchinga, Pallam, Kokohu, Zhau, Kwambula, Mayo wandu, Duhu, Njahili, Lumadu, and Shuwari.

The items were donated by IOM to be distributed among the most vulnerable individuals including People with Disability (PWD) in the flood-affected communities according to the vulnerability criteria set by the Beneficiary Selection Committee (BSC).

The BSC comprises community stakeholders and LESGO officials who worked collaboratively to identify the most vulnerable members of the aforementioned 11 communities, while LESGO conducted verification of those identified. The items were distributed to restore dignity and improve living conditions of flood-affected households across the 11 targeted communities in Madagali LGA.

Beneficiaries of the items were grateful for the thoughtful help of IOM as implemented by LESGO and they advocated for more interventions to help restore their living conditions and improve their means of livelihood.









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