



Country Factsheet

Help a Child Burundi in short



Reach
982 Selfhelp
groups &
Farmer groups
supported



Partnerships
Lead of BBB Consortium
with 4 international and 10
implementing
organizations



Annual turnover
1,8 million euros



Human recourses
7 national staff

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Bld du 28 novembre,
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Bujumbura, BURUNDI

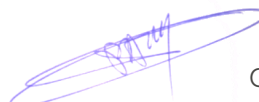
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Since our entry in 2009, Help a Child's visibility in the country is increasing and we are becoming recognized as one of key players in both development and emergency relief sectors. Seeing the first results of the Building Bridges in Burundi, we feel encouraged to empower and restore vulnerable communities, with a focus on youth and employment in Burundi. This is closely linked to our ambition to reinforce top-down accountability by local and good governance. In emergency relief, we see new opportunities, working together with many other partners, testing new methods such as cash transfer. It is inspiring to bring together lessons learnt in both programs and see how we can bridge the gap. We look forward to discuss these and other interesting topics with you!

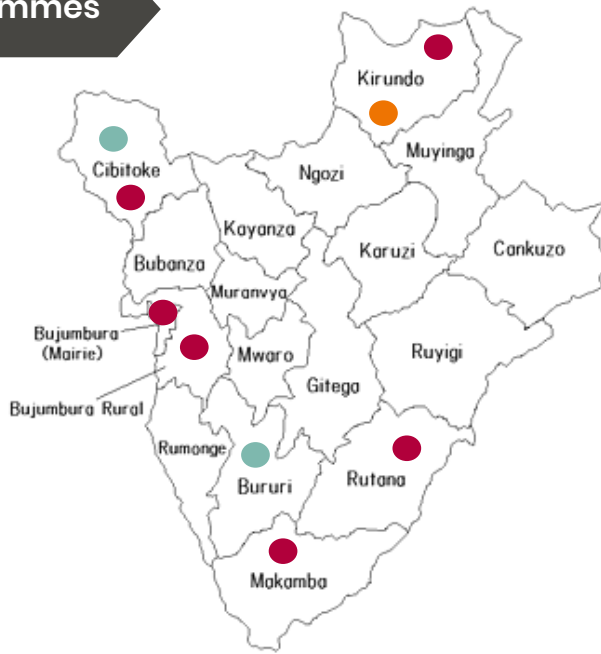
Kind regards,



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Programmes



Child Centered Community Program

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Location: Kirundo

Partner: FECABU

#Social Resilience #FSL #Youth&Work #ECD

Child Centered Community Program

2

Location: Bururi | Cibitoke

Partner: Help Chanel Burundi

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Building Bridges in Burundi

3

Location: Cibitoke | Kirundo | Bujumbura |

Rutana | Makamba | Bujumbura Mairie

#Community Empowerment #Youth&Work

#Social Cohesion #Peacebuilding

Donor: Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs

■ BBB: Social cohesion as key for peacebuilding

The midterm review of 'Building Bridges in Burundi' underlined that this program delivers something that is needed in the Burundian society with its very low levels of mutual trust : social cohesion.

Being a member of a selfhelp group gives youth a sense of belonging, something that is missing in the everyday peace strategies. That's why we want to build on these lessons learnt and expand our selfhelp group intervention.

■ Buterere floods response

Together with IOM, Help a Child provides a 3 months' rent support for 359 IDP families in Buterere. The cash transfer pilot was launched on Friday 24 January.

People have been selected, based on vulnerability: people with disabilities, elders, single parents and parents with many children under their care. After settling into their new homes, other partners in the sector group will step in to follow up the relief program. We are eager to collect lessons learnt and share them with our partners.

Ambitions 2020-2025

- **Boys and girls both have good (work) opportunities:** In cooperation with Oxfam consortium we do our part in gender transformation. We want to make this a mainstreaming topic in our Youth & Work approach.
- **Social cohesion is linked to peacebuilding:** we want to scale up community empowerment through selfhelp groups, using these as a tool to restore trust and encourage cooperation, entrepreneurship and social cohesion. Eventually make this part of a joint peacebuilding strategy on district and national level.
- **Youth is actively involved in program development and evaluation:** we want to support local development and involve youth in the development, implementation and evaluation of local development plans.
- **Young children are able to make a good start:** as we do successfully in other countries, Help a Child wants to contribute to Early Childhood Development from development to implementation.
- **Emergency relief and development are linked:** Basic principles for community engagement and ownership are embedded in our relief programs, while disaster preparedness is part of our development programs.