



<p>Title Improvement of the living conditions of the population affected by the armed violence through access to safe water, basic sanitation and recovery of productive livelihoods in Cordoba, Nariño and Putumayo, implemented by Accion contra el Hambre-España (ACH-E).</p>	<p>Key data of the project</p>
<p>Executive Summary The project was formulated taking into account the results of needs assessments conducted by ACH-E, with men, women and children of communities affected by the armed conflict, as well as with community leaders, local NGO's, local authorities and international organizations (ICRC, Humanitarian Local Teams HLT, etc.) in the departments of Putumayo, Córdoba and Nariño between December, 2013 and February, 2014. Three areas were focalized for the intervention: 1). Water, sanitation and hygiene WASH, 2). Food security, nutrition and resources control, and 3). Community and institutional strengthening. The proposal is comprehensive, so many of the needs in WASH, food security and community organization will be targeted, in order to reach a deep impact and better conditions of sustainability. The project is implemented in remote rural areas affected by the armed conflict and with scarce presence of the state and government institutions. Humanitarian actors are present in the respective areas, with OCHA as the main coordinating body. Municipal administrations, although often with limited resources, are key institutional partners.</p>	<p>Domain of intervention Domain 1: Basic services for victims of armed violence</p>
<p>Context Colombia has been experiencing in the past 50 years a dynamic context characterized by (unevenly distributed) economic growth and a protracted armed conflict with continued humanitarian consequences for the civil population. The possible beginning of a post-conflict phase after the signature of a "Peace Agreement" between the Government and the FARC-guerilla in 2014 or 2015 will open new perspectives for a (complex) transition towards reconstruction, including a high risk of continued armed violence due to the creation of new Post Demobilization Armed Groups. The three regional contexts of operation (departments of Córdoba, Nariño and Putumayo) suffer a high presence of these illegal armed actors. In addition, unsatisfied basic needs remain very high especially in rural areas.</p>	<p>SDC priority theme Reconstruction / Rehabilitation</p>
<p>Overall Goal Improvement of the living conditions (through improved access to safe water, basic sanitation, improved health status, diversified food production) of 29'528 vulnerable people affected by armed violence in the departments of Cordoba, Nariño and Putumayo and indirectly for 7'129 people of surrounding communities.</p>	<p>Country / Region Colombia (Nariño, Putumayo and Córdoba departments).</p>
<p>Outcomes</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Access to safe water and basic sanitation: 27'990 beneficiaries have improved access to safe water and basic sanitation through communal or private water supplies, installation of water tank and filters, collective sanitation facilities (in schools, health posts) and the necessary training for sustained operations of the water and sanitation systems. Food security and nutrition: 13 communal backyards (serving 1'290 persons) generate increased access/availability of food items and productive capacity of these communities; 550 individual backyards (serving 2'260 persons) increase access/availability of food and their productive capacity and from them about 1300 persons are trained on techniques how to market their production surplus in Putumayo, Nariño; 10 school canteens (serving 560 persons) are 	<p>Department Humanitarian Aid</p>



<p>rehabilitated or equipped.</p> <p>3. Institutional/community strengthening: The targeted communities have carried out at least 6 social-exchange gatherings. 90% of the targeted families apply healthy practices within their habitat. 2 beneficiary assessments in each 3 geographic zones are carried out in test communities. 2 local Civil Society Organizations (in Nariño and Cordoba) improved their knowledge management and thus their capacity to provide services.</p>	
<p>Implementing partner Action Against Hunger-Spain (ACF-E) is an experienced and recognized international NGO, SDC partner in Colombia since 2001 and present in the area since 2006 with similar interventions. The project is implemented in remote rural areas affected by the armed conflict and with scarce presence of the state and government institutions. Humanitarian actors are present in the respective areas, with OCHA as the main coordinating body. Municipal administrations, although often with limited resources, are key institutional partners.</p>	<p><u>Current Phase / Duration</u> Phase 4 (01.07.2014 - 31.12.2016)</p>
<p>Target group Directly 29'528 rural poor and conflict-affected persons, of whom 80% will comprehensively benefit of an improvement of their living conditions. They are part of 14 municipalities belonging to 3 departments (6 in Cordoba, 4 in Nariño and 4 in Putumayo), whereas 37% are female, 37% male and 26% are children affected particularly by confinement, situations of displacement and extreme poverty. Additionally, the project will benefit indirectly to 7'129 people living in surrounding communities. A scaling up process will be carried out in new communities within the 12 municipalities affected by the armed conflict where previous intervention phases had been implemented and where the state presence and basic services are generally lacking. In Nariño 2 new municipalities have been added in the project (Linares and Santacruz).</p>	<p><u>SDC Budget of phase</u> CHF 2'489'000 (COP 4.900.000.000)</p>
<p>Key results and insights from previous phases During the last 3 phases, more than 28'000 direct beneficiaries have been attended (12% beyond the target). With the last phase, the health status of 15'273 people (107% of the initial target) affected by the armed conflict could be improved in 7 municipalities, with a reduction of waterborne diseases prevalence by 67% (27% beyond the target). Insights: <i>Integrated interventions</i> (WASH, Food security/nutrition) brought the best impact on the living conditions of the populations.</p>	<p><u>Total budget of phase including local partners and external contributions</u> CHF 4'978'000 (COP 9.800.000.000)</p>