BI-ANNUAL UPDATE
JAN-JUN 2023
Summary

"Family planning could bring more benefits to more people at less cost than any other single technology now available to the human race."
- James Grant, Former Executive Director, UNICEF 1995

Problem Statement A lack of access to family planning (FP) information and services contributes to poverty, suffering, and environmental degradation, which negatively impacts communities and their surrounding ecosystems.

CHAT's mission is to support underserved individuals and communities in fragile ecosystems across Kenya to access family planning information and services.

CHAT's goals are:
1. Increase access and use of family planning.
2. Enable positive behaviour change for increased family planning uptake and environmental sustainability.
3. Increase empowerment and resilience of communities through self-sustaining governance structures.

For more understanding of the environments CHAT works in, go to CHAT's Profile, a 4-minute video clip.

Webpage: Where Page for short 'overview' video clips (maximum 2 min).
An overview of CHATs present operation areas

Currently, CHAT works in 14 ecosystems spread across 19 counties in Kenya. These places are of diverse cultures and environments. Below is a more detailed overview of each ecosystem, together with CHAT's achievements for the past six months Jan - Jun 2023

Legend

1. Northern Rangeland Ecosystem,
   Counties Covered- Samburu, Marsabit
2. Ewaso Ecosystem, Counties covered- Laikipia, Isiolo, Samburu.
3. Mid Rift Valley Ecosystem,
   Counties covered- Laikipia and Barigo
4. Mt Kenya Ecosystem,
   Counties covered- Laikipia and Meru
5. Abadares Ecosystem,
   Counties covered- Laikipia and Nyeri
6. Tana Ecosystem
   Counties covered, Tharaka Nithi and Kitui (Mwingi North)
7. Mau Ecosystem,
   Counties covered- Nakuru county
8. Mara Ecosystem,
   Counties covered- Narok county
9. Lake Basin Ecosystem
   Counties covered- Homa Bay and Kisii
10. Amboseli Ecosystem,
    Counties Covered- Kajiando
11. Mt Elgon Ecosystem,
    Counties covered- Trans Nzoia
12. Coast Ecosystem,
    Counties covered- Kilifi county
13. Suguta Valley Ecosystem
    Counties covered- Turkana and Samburu
14. Slum Ecosystem,
    Counties covered- Nairobi, Nanyuki and Maralal Slum
CHAT's overall achievements for the past 6 months, Jan - Jun 2023

For the first half of 2023, Jan - Jun

- **64** Community Own Resource Persons (CORP) partners supported.
- **40,745** women accessed different **FP contraception methods** of choice.
- **62,577** People reached with positive behaviour change information implementing CHATs Population Health & Environment (PHE) approach.
- **1,394** people were provided with basic curative treatment.

For more highlights, refer to page 19 below.

**Key to the ecosystem data.**

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Ewaso Nyiro Ecosystem

Legend
- River Ewaso
- Mt Kenya
- Ewaso Ecosystem
- Kenya Counties

Location of Ewaso Ecosystem in Kenya context

Health Facilities
- CCRP
- Referral

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Mid-Eastern Great Rift Valley Ecosystem

Legend
- CHAT CORP / Health facility
- Village
- Town
- Road network
- River
- Lakes
- Mid Great Rift Valley ecosystem

GPS Data source: Community Health Africa Trust
GIS application: NAREDA Consultants, July 2022

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Mt. Kenya Ecosystem
Tana River Ecosystem

Legend

Health Facilities
- CORP/Referral health facility
- Health facilities/Towns
- Tana River
- Mt. Kenya
- Tana River Eco
- Kenya Counties

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Mt Kilimanjaro (Amboseli) Ecosystem

Legend
- Roads
- Villages
- CORP/Referral Health Facility
- Mt. Kilimanjaro Ecosystem
- Amboseli National Park
- Mt. Kilimanjaro

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Mt. Elgon Ecosystem

Legend
- Villages
- CHAT CORP I Health Facility
- Roads
- Rivers
- Town
- Mt Elgon
- Mt Elgon Ecosystem
- Counties

Sources: Eco HEI; GKI;
NRCGR; Jed Jigai; MGRA
(Taole); NSEC; (c) RKC;
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Location of Mt Elgon Ecosystem in Kenya Context

CHAT Operation Area Within Mt Elgon Ecosystem

[Map showing geographic area and place names]

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Coast Ecosystem

Legend
- Villages
- Health Facility/CORP
- Referral Health facility
- Kilifi County Hospital
- Kilifi County Hospital

National Geographics, ESRI, Gammon, HERE, UNEP-WCMC, USGS, NASA, ESA, METI, NRCAN, GEBCO, NGA, NGA, GEBCO.

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1,129
## Suguta Valley Ecosystem

**Legend**
- CHAT CORP / Health Facility
- Village
- Road network
- Rivers
  - Lakes
  - Forested area
  - Lake Turkana Ecosystem

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Slum Ecosystem

GPS Data source: Community Health Africa Trust
GIS application: NAREDA Consultante, July 2022.

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3,029
4,929
456 households of TB patients visited for contact screening and referrals for presumptive cases

63 TB treatment interrupters physically traced

6065 Samples were referred for various tests through the sample referral network
January 2023

Updated organization policies and plans for the year.

CHAT attended a TB intervention meeting in Nyali supported by Global Fund and facilitated by AMREF – a Kenyan International NGO.

February 2023

CHAT spread its reach into a new ecosystem in Kilifi County at the coast. After a successful ‘Entry’ into Kilifi County, CHAT mentored the newly identified CORP to cover the Vipingo/Shariani area and neighbouring communities, including working with the fisherfolk on the beaches surrounding the Kurwitu Marine Sanctuary.

Fundraising - An interested party from the UK paid a flying visit (by helicopter) to CHAT’s motor mobile clinic, who camp out 10 days a month in the Ewaso Nyiru Ecosystem in communities surrounding Loisaba Conservancy in Northern Laikipia. The CHAT team were focused on providing integrated FP and basic curative treatment partnering with the MoH in Kirimon on the Laikipia-Samburu border.
March 2023

Fundraising
In Nanyuki, CHAT met 2 representatives from the UK and New York working with organisations Oxfam and from New York focusing on women's empowerment and reproductive health rights.

GlobalFund, which funds CHAT's TB program via AMREF in 2 counties, Laikipia & Isiolo, did a sight verification visit in Laikipia, where CHAT implements part of their TB project.

CHAT had an amazing opportunity to attend a lunch meeting with a donor and his team from the USA at a Loisaba tented camp in Laikipia.

A baby bushbuck was found abandoned by its mother at the CHAT base. The fawn was about 10 days old and rescued by the team and taken to the Mt. Kenya Wildlife Orphanage, where it has been receiving excellent care.

CHAT conducted 2 integrated outreaches with the support of GlobalFund via AMREF in Isiolo and Laikipia counties. These outreaches were focused on screening for TB and HIV in the more densely populated areas in the counties. These took place in Isiolo and Nyahururu slums focusing on illicit brew dens.

April 2023

CHAT organised in Nanyuki, Laikipia, a 2-day event to update and review progress for all 64 of CHAT’s grassroots partners, i.e. Community Own Resource Persons (CORPs) who came from all 14 Ecosystems (covering 19 counties). Facilitators from both the GoK & Private Sectors were also invited and participated in presenting a variety of topics:

- Advocacy - participants focussed on ways to build and or strengthen reliable FP commodity flows from the national level down to the grassroots.
- Gender-Based Violence (GBV) bringing CORPs up to speed about updated protocols & opportunities, sharing mitigation strategies & other Reproductive Health updates, including sharing of challenges presented.

Parts of CHAT’s event were featured on national TV during a 9:00 pm special bulletin.
May 2023

CHAT attended the third annual CHASE Africa Partner Conference held in Limuru. CHASE partners from 14 organisations in Kenya and Uganda shared their successes and challenges in implementing their programs with a focus on FP services. (CHAT is a founding partner of the UK-based Community Health and Sustainable Environments (CHASE) registered UK charity. Various topics were covered, including advocacy for a consistent flow of FP commodities, holistic integration of FP services using the PHE approach, adolescent sexual reproductive health rights, and so much more.

June 2023

CHAT was requested to attend a lunch meeting with a possible interested donor at a Loisaba tented camp.

CHAT was requested to meet with interested parties – visiting from Holland who were interested in CHAT’s project. They also requested to visit the CHATs FP project at Kendu Bay in the Lake Victoria Basin Ecosystem.

CHAT held its annual general meeting with the trustees in Nairobi.
Field visits play a pivotal role in fostering meaningful connections and deepening the impact of philanthropic efforts. These visits provide donors with a first-hand understanding of the communities they support, allowing them to witness the realities, challenges, and successes of their contributions.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to those who have taken the time to visit the communities CHAT serves through their support. Your presence has made a profound difference in the lives of individuals, families and the environment, and we thank you for your unwavering commitment and generosity.

“When the family is small, whatever little they have, they are able to share. There is peace.”
Pastor Philip Njuguna, Nairobi, Kenya
On behalf of the underserved communities CHAT reaches, we extend our sincere gratitude for your unwavering support towards our mission.

You can reach us on: