

East Africa Food Crisis Appeal

Millions of people face imminent starvation

East Africa is currently facing famine which has the potential to affect up to 20 million people. That is almost equivalent to the whole population of Australia.



In South Sudan alone, 270,000 children are suffering acute malnutrition. Photo: NPR

The causes of the famine include drought, conflict and a lack of humanitarian access to communities in need.

As a result of a call for assistance from our partners, we have launched our East Africa Food Crisis Appeal to provide urgently needed assistance for people in South Sudan, Ethiopia and Kenya.

Monies raised from the Appeal has initially gone to South Sudan, through the ACT Alliance, directed to Christian Aid.

This money is providing emergency food and nutrition, health services, water, sanitation, and agricultural livelihoods support to vulnerable communities, particularly women and children.

Widespread water shortages have also led to increased migration and displacement among drought-affected people, putting even more pressure on areas hosting those displaced.

It is a tragic situation for millions of people, including those with whom some of our partners work. Communities require emergency food and nutrition, health services, water, sanitation, and agricultural livelihoods support. Women and children are particularly vulnerable.

This appeal builds on our earlier rapid response to three partners in Africa: the Episcopal Church of South Sudan (to support the Sudanese Development and Relief Agency in South Sudan (SUDRA)), Anglican Church of Kenya Diocese of Mt Kenya West in Kenya

(ACKMCW), and the Afar Pastoralist Development Association (APDA) in Ethiopia. We have already provided \$10,000 to each partner from our Rapid Response Emergency Fund.

Valerie Browning, Program Coordinator for the Afar Pastoralist Development Association, says that “we are really on the edge of a precipice of imminent disaster, with communities growing weaker at each turn.”

This is an important opportunity to support our partners in these countries. You can donate to the East Africa Food Crisis Appeal by:

- Filling out the form below and returning it to: East Africa Food Crisis Appeal, Anglican Overseas Aid, PO Box 389, Abbotsford, Vic, 3067.
- Donating securely online at www.anglicanoverseasaid.org.au.
- Calling us for free from anywhere in Australia on 1800 249 880.

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