CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES

Building Sustainability and Resilience

Lessons learned and best practices in the delivery of emergency shelter support

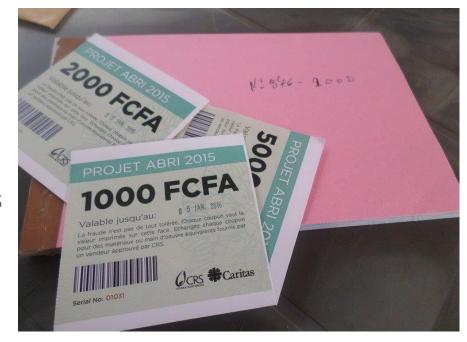
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Background

- Countries: CAR, DRC & Niger
- **Type of Crisis:** Emergency response, protracted conflict situation
- Markets: Functional
- Context: Rural and semi-urban
- Project Objectives: conflict affected families meet their HHs' basic shelter needs
- Assistance Modality: Mixed
- Transfer Modality: restricted & unconditional (voucher for labor/goods)



Distribution of paper vouchers for shelter support in Boda, CAR.



The projects

- Provision of services through vetted <u>local</u> carpenters
- Disbursement of restricted vouchers for
 - Construction materials (iron sheets, cement, wood, straw, etc.)
 - Labourers
- Provision of trainings to beneficiaries, labourers and vendors
- Monitoring quality and progress of reconstruction





Reinforcing Resilience and Recovery at...

The HH level

- Dignity
- Local appropriateness
- Choice



Shelter fairs in Diffa, Niger

The market/community level

- Increase in <u>local</u> vendors' revenues
- Engagement of vendors in financial systems
- Multiplier effect
- Integration of people into the local market/labor force

Challenges & Lessons Learned

- Building trust
- Vouchers for labor only appropriate in certain contexts
- Inclusion of smaller vendors/local artisans & application of local labor laws
- Price inflation (for benef. And non benef.)
- Technical accompaniment









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