

Localisation of Humanitarian Aid

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Charter for Change Localisation of Humanitarian Aid

The <u>Charter4Change</u> (C4C) is an initiative that aims to transform the way the humanitarian system operates to enable local and national NGOs to play an increased and more prominent role in humanitarian response.

International NGOs are encouraged to play an active part in this transformation towards a more locally-driven response by changing the way that they work and addressing the imbalances and inequality in the global humanitarian system.

The C4C brings together 35 international NGOs <u>Signatories</u> working to implement the <u>8</u> <u>Commitments</u>. They are joined by 380+ national and local NGO <u>Endorsers</u>, keen to encourage their INGO partners to improve their partnership practices in order to deliver better outcomes for crisis-affected people.



Charter4Change Timeline



Charter4Change Commitments

1. DIRECT FUNDING

Commit to pass 25% of humanitarian funding to national and local NGOs by 2020

5. ADVOCACY

Emphasise the importance of local and national actors to humanitarian donors

2. PARTNERSHIP Reaffirm the 2007 UN/NGO Principles of Partnership

6. EQUALITY Address subcontracting and ensure equality in decision-making

3. TRANSPARENCY Publish the amount or percentage of funding that is passed to national and local NGOs

7. SUPPORT Provide robust organisational support and capacity building

4. RECRUITMENT Address and prevent the negative impact of recruiting national and local NGOs staff

8. PROMOTION Promote the role of local and national actors to media and public



C4C Endorsers - Roles and Responsibilities

- Endorse and support the Charter for Change! You can endorse the Charter by clicking on 'ENDORSE' on the Charter4Change website <u>here</u> or by writing to admin@charter4change.org
- Sign the <u>Charter of Accountability</u> to strengthen downward accountability of the humanitarian system to the affected community
- Participate in the <u>C4C Endorsers discussion group</u> to share information and discuss progress and challenges related to implementation of the Charter for Change
- Help hold INGOs to account in their partnerships
- Actively encourage INGOs who are not C4C signatories to sign the C4C and commit to localisation
- Identify creative ways to mobilise L/NNGOs to actively engage in the localisation and C4C process (e.g. convening country-level dialogue/webinars)
- Advocate with C4C signatories for the common goals of the C4C

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Get Involved!

- Become a member of Charter4Change working groups:
 - <u>C4C Endorsers Task Group</u>
 - <u>C4C Advocacy Group</u>
 - <u>C4C Capacity Strengthening Group</u>
- Spread the word! Encourage other Local and National NGOs to endorse the Charter4Change (C4C) and sign the Charter of Accountability (COA)
- Document and share good practices, case studies and blogs on localisation efforts and C4C progress





More Information

- The Charter4Change is currently available in English, French, Arabic, Nepali and Spanish
- To sign or endorse the Charter for Change, please email <u>admin@charter4change.org</u>
- For information on the structure of the C4C, see <u>here</u>
- For an overview of recent Charter for Change publications and reports, see <u>here</u>
- For more information on the Charter4Change, visit the <u>Charter4Change website</u> or write to <u>admin@charter4change.org</u>

C4C signatories (by end 2020):

Asamblea de Cooperación por la Paz CAFOD (Catholic Agency for Overseas Development) CARE Caritas Denmark Caritas Norway Caritas Spain Christian Aid Church of Sweden (Svenska Kyrkan) Cordaid (Catholic Organisation for Relief and Development Aid) CRS (Catholic Relief Services) Danish Church Aid Diakonia Diakonie Katastrophenhilfe Finn Church Aid Help – Hilfe zur Selbsthilfe HelpAge International Human Appeal Humedica ICCO International Planned Parenthood Federation (IPPF) Islamic Relief Worldwide Johanniter International Assistance/Johanniter-Auslandshife Kerk in Actie Kindernothilfe e.V. Norwegian Church Aid (NCA) Norwegian People's Aid Oxfam **Rescue Global** SCIAF (Scottish Catholic International Aid Fund) Tear Australia Tearfund Terram Pacis Trocaire WarChild UK World Jewish Relief



*See mapping of country offices of <u>C4C Signatories</u> here: <u>https://bit.ly/38LwOYN</u> **See the list of C4C Endorsements here: <u>https://charter4change.org/endorsements/</u>



The Charter4Change Secretariat is currently being hosted by <u>Humanitarian Aid International, India</u>.

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