



**CARE ORGANIZATION FOR RURAL ASSISTANCE,**  
**CORA CAMEROON.**

**Organisational Profile**

**Information for Partnership & Project Development**

*(In search for Creative Partnership to support the Development of Cameroon)*

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## 1.0 Introduction

### 1.1. Organization Registration Details.

| <b>1.1. Name of Organisation &amp; Registration Status:</b> |  |
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| <b>Registered Name</b>                                      | Care Organization for Rural Assistance, CORA Cameroon.   |
| <b>Registration Number</b>                                  | 19/AR/E.26/A2/SALPA/PS/118   |
| <b>Registration Date</b>                                    | 24 <sup>th</sup> October 2014  |
| <b>MISSION:</b>   | To alleviate poverty, suffering and oppression by helping rural people build secure, productive and healthier lives through assistance in healthcare, education, protection of the girl child and the environment, infrastructure building and training programs for youths, women and minorities. |
| <b>VISION:</b>  | CORA's vision is of a society in which the down trodden are given equal opportunities, not just equality-but equity, where we can use the same limited means to reach all. Our belief is in doing the "little things that change lives"  |

### 1.2. CORA Values:

- (i) Participatory approaches-to involve the target groups as much as possible in project activities
- (ii) Team Concept- team work and team-building to ensure unit of purpose and joint accountability of results.
- (iii) Community mobilization- for integration of project activities into community structures to give ownership and ensure sustainability of projects
- (iv) Volunteer Concept- mobilization of local & international human resources willing to support the project
- (v) Alignment to National Instruments-compliance to Local Policy Standards and Best Practices

### 1.3. The main objectives of Care Organization for Rural Assistance are as follows:

- Contributing towards reduction of HIV infection through prevention, care and support
- Environmental protection: training, awareness and mitigation services
- Child Development: Orphans and Vulnerable Children (OVCs) Support
- Youth Empowerment through health information and life skills training
- Poverty reduction through supporting community livelihoods initiatives
- To promote sustainable agriculture and food security among the rural communities of Cameroon through the use of new techniques in farming.
- Promotion of Community Micro-Businesses & Employment Creation
- Promote infrastructural development through rehabilitation of classrooms, health centres and other community structures
- To ensure potable water for all and mitigate the incidence of water related illnesses among the rural communities.
- To ensure the respect of the girl child as a human person who has inalienable values as man.
- To support and collaborate with councils in order to achieve sustainable development
- Support especially rural children and young adults in their quest for education

## 2.0 BACKGROUND & CAPACITY:

## 2.1 CORA PROGRAMS AND OVERALL OBJECTIVES

| <b>CORA Programs</b>         | <b>Over all Objectives.</b>  |
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| Water and sanitation         | To ensure potable water for all and mitigate the incidence of water related illnesses among the rural communities.                 |
| Women Empowerment            | To enhance the rural women's initiatives and sustain their livelihoods to become lead actors in sustainable community development. |
| Protection of the girl Child | To ensure the respect of the girl child as a human person who has inalienable values as man.                                       |
| Agriculture                  | To promote sustainable agriculture among the rural communities of Cameroon through the use of new techniques in farming.           |
| Social Welfare               | To carry out extension services in the domain of social welfare to the rural communities.  |
| Environmental Protection     | To promote environmental sustainability by training target groups on environmental protection and management in rural communities  |
| Volunteering and Internship  | To provide professional experience to young graduates in order to prepare them for a sustainable job market.                       |
| Council Support              | To support and collaborate with councils in order to achieve sustainable development   |
| Health                       | To sustainably support the health of the rural population in Cameroon through capacity building and infrastructural development.   |
| Education                    | To ensure sustainable education in the rural areas.  |

## 2.2 CORA'S Achievements till date

CORA has implemented a number of projects under the following programs: child protection, social welfare, education, environment, council support, volunteering and internship and Health.

### a. Health

-Launching of free cervical cancer screening and treatment of phase1 and 2 at CORA's Head Office: 152 screened and 4 cases of cervical cancer were recorded; Outreach to youths on the dangers of HIV/AIDS and other STDs & Voluntary HIV screening: Three schools were reached during the campaign and 1000 students attended and 150 opted for Voluntary screening; Drug Donation project Prevention of Mother to child Transmission of HIV; Health and Hygiene( Maternal and Child Health).

### b. Environment

- Tree planting project: About 3000 trees planted in Kam, Taron, Jakiri and Kintsenjam

### c. Social Welfare

- Construction and rehabilitation of schools; Book donation; Construction of bridges in Ntohti, Rohntong, Kwanso and Sarkong.

### c. Water and Sanitation

- Extension of potable water to schools at Rohntong.

### d. Health and Hygiene: ANC and wash hand project targeting pregnant women

## DISTRIBUTION OF PROJECTS IMPLEMENTED IN JAKIRI



Some CORA Plan of action in brief in the next 20 years.

CORA seeks for funding to implement projects:

- 1) Project to bridge the wide gap between the rich and poor in peri urban and rural Meme and Manyu Division of South West Cameroon within the next five years targeting averagely 3000 families as primary target and 10000families as secondary targets and then scale up to other Divisions of North and West Cameroon.
- 2) CORA- Cameroon seeks to Support community and peer groups to respond to Sexual Reproductive Health (SRH) needs and rights in the Jakiri sub division of the the North West region Cameroon and then scale up to other Division of West Cameroon.



**North West Cameroon**



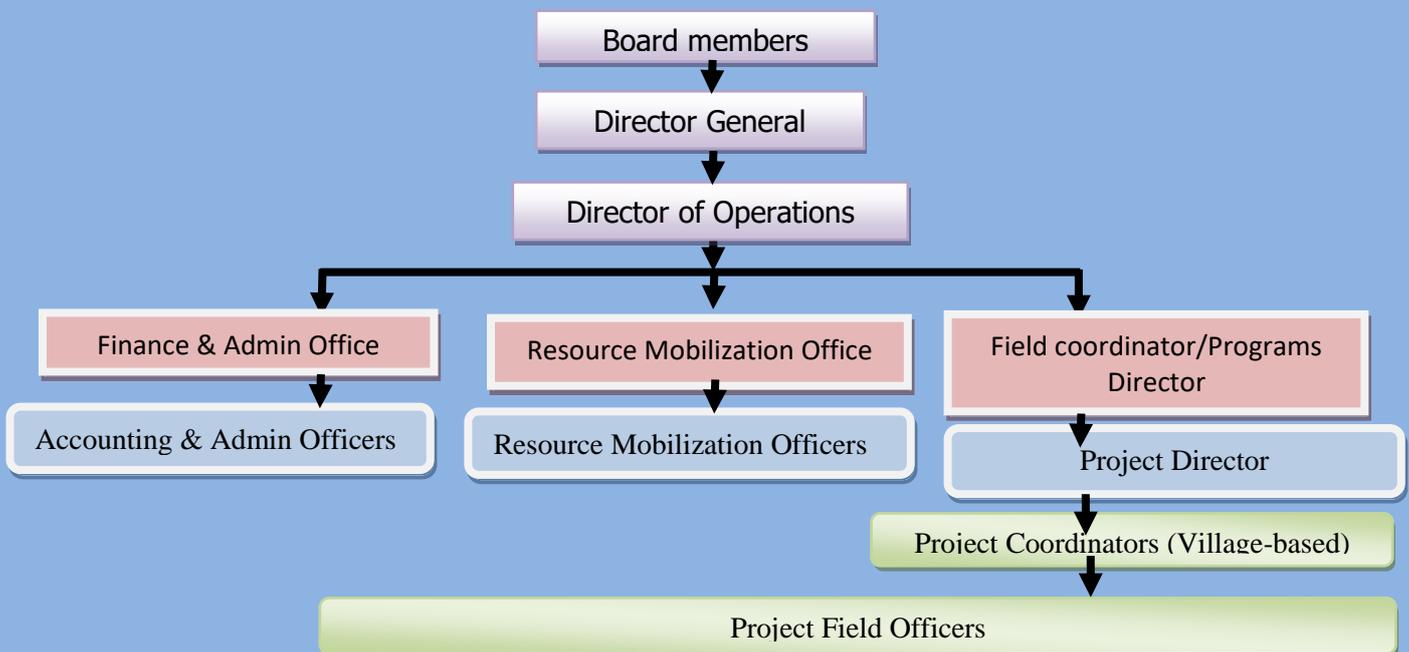
**South West Cameroon**

### **Management Experience**

CORA Cameroon has a sound management systems and policies in place; all of which have been independently audited and verified. The organization has clear guidelines and procedures for human resource management, financial management, procurement and governance, and general donor compliance. CORA Cameroon has during the past 5 years accumulated extensive experience and a proven positive track record in managing and accounting for donated franc spent. The partners include: the Government of Cameroon through 75% of the ministries represented in Bui, Councils, Sub Divisional and Divisional Delegations and Private institutions like the CBC Health Services and Abroad.

### **3.0 Governance structure of the Organization**

#### 3.1. CORA-Cameroon Organizational Structure:



#### **CORA Cameroon Board and Staff Composition:**

CORA Cameroon is run by a Board of Trustees composed of 12 members who have experience in running community projects and coordinating non-profit activities. The operations of the organization are headed by the Director of operations and has staff at the Head Office in Jakiri and will in future at project level put up offices in 10 regions around the country.

#### **Current Partners:**

CORA Cameroon has a good record of operating with the following partners who supported its projects since the year 2011:

##### 1)Government Departments

- Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development(MINADER)
- Ministry of Public Health (MINSANTE)
- Ministry of Secondary Education (MINESEC)
- Ministry of Basic Education (MINEDUB)
- Ministry of Territorial Administration (MINAT)
- Ministry of Fisheries and Animal Industry (MINEPIA)
- Ministry of Employment and Vocational Training ( MINEFOP)
- Ministry of Economic Planning and Regional Development (MINEPAT)
- Ministry of Water and Energy (MINEE)

- Ministry of Environment, Nature Protection and Sustainable Development
  - Ministry of Women Empowerment and the family
- 2) Village Development Associations
  - 3) Councils (Councils of Kumbo, Nkum, Mbiame, Nkor, Jakiri, Nkor, Bamenda 2, Njinikom, Ndu, Ndop and Oku)
  - 4) Parent Teachers Associations in communities where CORA operates
  - 5) Denominational Organizations like Cameroon Baptist Church Health Services, CBCHS
  - 6) Networks- CORA Women Networks and North West Association of Development Organizations (NWADO)

CORA Cameroon has more than 45 partners both at National and international level.

### **CORA Cameroon BEST PRACTICES:**

CORA Cameroon has learnt many lessons during the past 5 years of its operations and has incorporated the following BEST Practices in its projects:

- Utilizing local people and existing traditional structures as community entry point e.g. Chiefs and Village Committees
- Clear reporting mechanism and accountability to the community on project issues.
- Development of own data collection/monitoring tools e.g. activity reporting, data base for instant analysis and behavior monitoring tools like the House-hold Registers.
- Maintaining accurate records and statistics for projects outcome and relating them to the set targets
- Door to Door approach which proves to be working in identifying the needy from different communities (Community-needs Analysis).

### **NETWORKING**

In order to effectively work with the rural communities with our participatory approach, CORA has sealed partnership agreements with international bodies, rural councils, women groups, denominational institutions like CBC Health Services.



Figure 1: American missionaries chart a way forward for CORA in the diaspora



Figure 2: CORA introduces its activities to Divisional Administration Bui



Visit to the Governor, North West Region Cameroon for partnership and collaboration.