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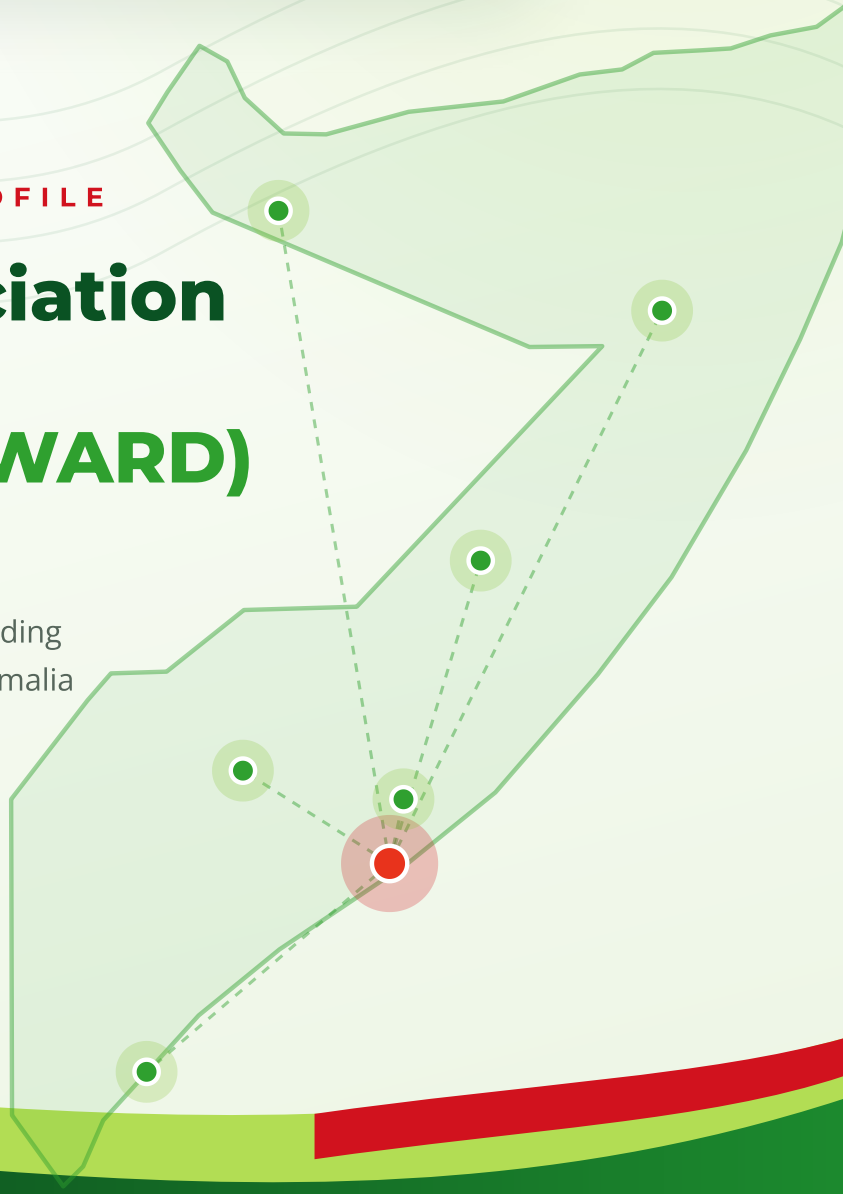
Humanitarian Aid

ORGANIZATIONAL PROFILE

Watchful Association for Relief and Development (WARD)

Saving lives, restoring livelihoods and building resilient, peaceful communities across Somalia since 2006.

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Mogadishu, Somalia

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AT A GLANCE

General Information

NAME OF ORGANIZATION
Watchful Association for Relief and Development (WARD)

TYPE OF ORGANIZATION
Non-governmental, non-profit Relief and Development Organization

ESTABLISHED
November 2006, Mogadishu

HEAD OFFICE
Mogadishu, Banadir Region

PHYSICAL LOCATION (MAIN OFFICE)
Near Abdirashid Ali Sharmarke Mosque, Taleh area, Hodan District, Banadir Region, Mogadishu, Somalia

BRANCH OFFICES
- Banadir
- Hirshabelle
- South West
- Jubaland
- Galmudug

SUB-BRANCHES
- Puntland
- Somaliland

TARGET BENEFICIARIES
- Marginalized and landless peasants
- Marginal farmers
- Destitute men and women
- Children, youth and elderly people
- People with disabilities

SECTORS OF OPERATION
- Emergency Relief Response
- Livelihood Development
- Nutrition
- Health
- Education
- WASH & Protection
- Peacebuilding & Conflict Resolution
- Technical & Vocational Training

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CONTEXT

Background

Every year, Somali communities face both natural and man-made disasters — floods, droughts, disease outbreaks, conflict and displacement — that disrupt the lives and livelihoods of large numbers of people.

Floods & droughts destroy crops, livestock and homes, pushing families into food insecurity.

Disease outbreaks strike hardest where health and water services are weakest.

Conflict & displacement uproot households and break community support systems.

Children and women remain the most vulnerable groups: their rights to survival, protection, development and participation are consistently unmet, and they bear the brunt of disease, violence, malnutrition and poverty.

Watchful Association for Relief and Development (WARD) stood up to support people affected by disasters, as well as children and families made vulnerable by armed conflict, disease and circumstances beyond their control. The organization is committed to improving the lives and livelihoods of these disaster-affected communities.

WHO WE ARE

About WARD

WARD is a **non-governmental, non-profit and non-political** local organization operating in Somalia. It was established in **November 2006 in Mogadishu** by a group of concerned Somali intellectuals in response to the growing suffering, starvation and loss of life caused by ongoing civil conflict and famine.

WARD is committed to easing the hardships faced by vulnerable communities through rehabilitation and development projects, focusing on the most impoverished populations across the whole of Somalia.

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FOUNDED IN MOGADISHU	OFFICES ACROSS SOMALIA	SECTORS OF OPERATION	PARTNER ORGANIZATIONS

WARD works with the Federal Government of Somalia (FGS), Federal Member States and local administrations, and is registered with all of them at national and local level, so that it can serve communities effectively and lawfully.

OUR PURPOSE

Vision & Mission

VISION

To ensure that our target communities live in prosperity and dignity, free from poverty and conflict.

MISSION

To improve, strengthen and transform the social and economic structures of our target communities, addressing the root causes of poverty and violence and fostering sustainable development and peace.

WHAT GUIDES US

Core Values

Integrity, Transparency & Accountability

Honesty, respect and responsibility toward communities, donors and partners in every aspect of our work.

Integrated Relief & Development

Bridging immediate humanitarian response with sustainable livelihood development.

Promoting Self-Reliance

Strengthening local institutions to build resilience and autonomy.

Equality & Inclusion

Fairness across gender, age and all sectors of society.

Advocacy & Networking

Promoting the rights and voices of communities through strategic advocacy and strong networks.

Partnership & Collaboration

Trust and effective relationships with all stakeholders through participation, teamwork and open, regular communication.

> Our values shape every decision we make, from how we listen to communities to how we account for every resource entrusted to us.

STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK

Our Objectives

WARD is guided by a strategic, community-centred framework designed to achieve the following core objectives:

01 Humanitarian Relief & Development

Provide timely humanitarian assistance and sustained development support to communities affected by natural or man-made disasters.

02 Capacity Building for Displaced People

Train and equip refugees and internally displaced persons (IDPs) with skills to anticipate, respond to and recover from disasters.

03 Local Disaster Management Capacity

Strengthen early warning, preparedness, prevention, response and recovery, and support local NGOs and networks dedicated to rapid humanitarian response.

04 Support for Vulnerable Groups

Targeted support for children, the elderly, people with disabilities, orphans and widows through education, healthcare and sustainable livelihoods.

05 Community Self-Reliance

Empower communities to become self-sufficient and resilient through livelihood programmes and capacity-building initiatives.

06 Strategic Partnerships

Foster cooperation and shared objectives with national and international organizations aligned with WARD's mission and vision.

WHO WE SERVE

Target Groups

WARD prioritises people who are most often left behind by markets, services and recovery efforts:

- **Marginalized & Landless Peasants**
- **Marginal Farmers**
- **Destitute Men & Women**
- **Children, Youth & Elderly**

WHAT WE DO

Sectors of Operation

Emergency Relief
Rapid food, shelter and non-food assistance when floods, drought or conflict strike.

Livelihoods
Restoring incomes through agriculture, livestock, fisheries and small enterprise.

Nutrition
Preventing and treating malnutrition among children and mothers.

Health
Supporting access to primary healthcare and community health awareness.

Education
Formal and non-formal learning for children, youth and adults.

WASH & Protection
Safe water, sanitation and hygiene, with protection for those at risk.

Peacebuilding
Grassroots mediation and conflict resolution between communities.

Vocational Training
Technical and vocational skills that lead to employment.

EXPERTISE

Sectors of Specialization

Over two decades of field work, WARD has built specialist experience in the following areas:

- Production sector development (fishery, agriculture & livestock)
- Micro-credit management
- Sustainable livelihoods & food security
- Non-formal education
- Support to health and education
- Training and capacity building
- Sustainable development
- Cultural and human development
- Peace and conflict resolution
- HIV/AIDS, FGM and STI awareness

WHERE WE WORK

Coverage & Operational Network

WARD operates across multiple regions of Somalia, implementing a wide range of humanitarian and development activities from its head office in Mogadishu and a network of branch and sub-branch offices.



Mogadishu — Head Office
Banadir Region · Hodan District

1 **Hirshabelle State**
Branch office · Jowhar

2 **South West State**
Branch office · Baidoa

3 **Jubaland State**
Branch office · Kismayo

4 **Galmudug State**
Branch office · Dhusamareb

5 **Puntland State**
Sub-branch · Garowe

6 **Somaliland**
Sub-branch · Hargeisa

Head office · Branch · Sub-branch

Rooted in communities

Well-trained field staff skilled in community mobilization work through existing local structures. WARD has a track record of grassroots mediation and conflict resolution, particularly in:

- Human rights protection
- Gender protection and women's participation

This community-driven, participatory approach allows WARD to tackle challenges effectively and to foster inclusive, locally-owned solutions.

HOW WE DELIVER

Organizational Capacity

Needs Assessments

Participatory approaches and formal survey methods, with qualified consultants engaged on call for participatory appraisals and comprehensive assessments.

Project Design & Implementation

Strong technical expertise in design, planning and implementation, with strategies tailored to each community's needs and priorities.

Monitoring & Evaluation

Participatory monitoring that involves all stakeholders, supported by on-call M&E consultancy to keep projects effective, transparent and impact-driven.

Financial Capacity

Funds management and accountability

WARD runs a structured financial management system that ensures transparency, accountability and compliance with donor and organizational requirements.

Financial Reporting

Annual financial reports, including audited statements, are presented to the General Assembly and certified by the Chairman, Treasurer, Project Manager and other responsible officers. Copies reach members, patrons and sponsors within 60 days of year-end.

Internal Controls

Segregation of duties across procurement, payment authorization and cash management safeguards resources and reduces risk.

Auditing

A functional internal control system and regular internal audits ensure financial integrity and compliance.

RESOURCES

Sources of Funding

WARD's work is sustained by a diversified, locally anchored funding base:

Somali Diaspora

Contributions from Somalis abroad.

Local Business

Support from local business groups.

Own Resources

The organization's internal resources.

WORKING TOGETHER

Our Partners

WARD has established strong partnerships with national, regional and international organizations, including:

- Organization of Islamic Cooperation
- World Food Programme
- KSrelief (through OIC)
- ACTED
- Muslim World League
- Int'l Islamic Relief Organization
- IICO – Kuwait
- Zakat House – Kuwait
- Abdalla Nuri Charitable
- IHH Foundation
- Deniz Feneri – Turkey
- Hayrat Foundation – Turkey
- Union of NGOs of the Islamic World
- Malaysian Relief Agency
- LM International
- Muslim Aid
- Int'l Org. for Relief, Welfare & Development
- Lazis Ar-Rahman – Indonesia

SN Saudi National Campaign

IR Irtiwa International

AD Ahmed Dabous Charitable Organization

WARD welcomes partnerships with organizations that share our commitment to serving vulnerable communities across Somalia.

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