



3. Empowered Communities

Summary	Support greater community ownership of individual health needs and encourage delivery of patient-centered and responsive , health services, while driving social accountability for improved community capacity to advocate for better health services
Specific Objectives	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Improve community engagement, ownership, and ability to make informed decisions about its own health. 2. Enhance CSO capacity to advocate for improved health system accountability, transparency, and responsiveness. 3. Strengthen accountability systems and platforms to improve the health outcomes.
Geographic Focus	Amhara, Oromia, Sidama, Southwest Ethiopia and SNNP regions
Total Estimated Cost	\$25 million
Expected Release of Funding Announcement	o/a Dec 1, 2022
Expected Award Date	o/a April 1, 2023
Where are we now?	We have put out a Request for Information in June/ July 2022 to seek input and feedback from the global, regional, and local experts and responses are being inculcated into the final project description. We will also share more detailed info with other donors to ensure no duplication of efforts but alignment in interventions to support greater coverage . Industry day in Addis Ababa, Bahirdar and Hawassa planned in the coming weeks to share the details of the activity and get clarifications to local stakeholders.
Partnership with RHB/ASK	Codesign participation in March and collaboration in its implementation