

Global Financing Facility

Civil Society and Youth-led Organization Landscape Assessment

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Country Report: Somalia

Number of respondents: 1

PAI conducted an open consultation in February and March 2023 inviting civil society organizations (CSOs) and youth-led organizations (YLOs) to share their perspectives about civil society and youth engagement in country-level policy processes as well as global health financing fora, including those related to the Global Financing Facility (GFF). The survey, which was publicly available in both English and French, received a total of 150 responses from 33 GFF focus countries. The survey elicited feedback on the CSO/YLO landscape in each GFF partner country, including strengths, gaps and challenges faced by CSO/YLOs in their work and engagement in GFF processes. The findings from the consultation will be used to define opportunities to strengthen multi-sectoral collaboration, including increasing meaningful CSO/YLO engagement GFF



processes at the country level. The survey is also intended to identify priorities and opportunities to strengthen CSO/YLO networks to ensure they are positioned, resourced, and equipped to act as advocates to advance sexual, reproductive, maternal, newborn, child and adolescent health and nutrition (SRMNCAH-N).

Overview

One respondent to the 2023 CSO/YLO Community Survey reported working in Somalia. This respondent identified as an international NGO and reported that they were unsure whether they receive funding from PAI.

This respondent reported working in health and nutrition, including SRMNCAH-N, as well as education, gender equality, and governance. Within the health and nutrition sector, the respondent focuses on the following areas: maternal health and adolescent health. The respondent also predominately conducts the following activities: advocacy, research, accountability and monitoring, civic engagement, youth engagement and health financing, among others.

The respondent that works in Somalia categorized their significant accomplishments or “wins” as the following: mobilized multilateral or bilateral resources for health and/or nutrition; mobilized domestic resources for health and/or nutrition; supported policy development; and supported a specific policy win.

Survey respondents were asked to select all the geographic levels at which they work (e.g., subnational, national, regional, and global). The respondent that works in Somalia reported that they work at the subnational, national, regional, and global levels, so they work in different countries, as well as across the African continent.

Given the breadth of this respondent’s geographical focus and the lack of data from other CSO/YLOs that work in Somalia, there are not enough survey data to present country-specific findings that reflect the broad range of experiences of organizations that work in this country. To better understand the CSO/YLO landscape in Somalia, future outreach to CSO/YLOs who are active in this country should inquire as to their awareness of and engagement with GFF processes in Somalia, as well as factors that enable or hinder their participation in these processes.