



Bahir Dar Charity Association (BDCA)

Partnering for Sustainable, Integrated Impact in Ethiopia

1. Who We Are: A Proven Catalyst for Change

Founded in 2022, the Bahir Dar Charity Association (BDCA) is an Ethiopian Civil Society Organization (Reg. No 188) dedicated to empowering the nation's most vulnerable communities. We move beyond temporary aid by implementing a **proven, integrated development model** that combines emergency relief with sustainable, capacity-building initiatives—because real change doesn't just address symptoms; it transforms systems.

Our Vision: An Ethiopia where every individual, especially women and girls, thrives with dignity, security, and self-reliance.

Our Mission: To empower vulnerable communities through evidence-based, locally-led solutions in health, education, livelihoods, and community resilience, with a dedicated focus on women and girls as leaders of change.

Our Strategic Evolution: Having established a strong track record in the Amhara region, BDCA is now **transitioning to a federal-level entity**—with a new name and headquarters in Addis Ababa—to scale our impact nationwide and write a new story of hope for Ethiopia.

2. Our Integrated Model: Four Pillars for Transformative Impact

Our holistic approach ensures interventions reinforce one another, creating a multiplier effect and maximizing the social return on every investment.

Pillar 1: Transformative Health & Well-being

Building a foundation of health for families and futures.

- **Core Interventions:** Expanding access to **Reproductive, Maternal, Newborn, and Child Health (RMNCH)** services; enrolling communities in health insurance; conducting health education on nutrition and sanitation.
- **Tangible Results to Date:**
 - **18,000 individuals** enrolled in life-changing health insurance.

- **Six critically ill individuals** received life-saving medical care.

Pillar 2: Foundational Education & School WASH

Unlocking potential through safe, inclusive learning environments.

- **Core Interventions:** Constructing climate-appropriate, furnished classrooms.
- **Tangible Results to Date:**
 - **34 modern classrooms** constructed across seven schools.
 - **Increased enrollment and decreased dropout rates**, especially among girls.
 - Barriers to education reduced through essential material support.

Pillar 3: Sustainable Livelihoods & Women's Economic Empowerment

Catalyzing self-sufficiency and fostering economic leadership.

- **Tangible Results to Date:**
 - **46 modern housing units** provided for **67 vulnerable families**.
 - Livelihood assets donated, including fishing boats for monastic communities.

Pillar 4: Inclusive Community Development & Social Cohesion

Strengthening the social fabric for lasting resilience.

- **Core Interventions:** Funding sports and youth engagement; supporting community associations.
- **Tangible Results to Date:**
 - Supported the **Bahir Dar City Administration Football Club** to promote unity.
 - Partnered with **three local community associations**.
 - Hosted communal meals for **over 9,000 individuals**, reinforcing solidarity.

3. How We Work: Systems That Guarantee Integrity & Impact

BDCA's effectiveness is rooted in operational excellence and unwavering accountability.

- **Evidence-Based Management:** All programs are guided by a **results-based framework** to ensure strategic focus and measurable outcomes.
- **Rigorous M&E:** A dedicated **Monitoring & Evaluation system** tracks progress, evaluates effectiveness, and demonstrates quantifiable impact.
- **Community-Centered Approach:** We integrate **continuous beneficiary feedback** and operate under a robust safeguarding policy; ensuring programs are participatory, respectful, and safe.
- **Uncompromising Financial Integrity:**

- Accounts maintained on the **accrual basis** per international standards.
- Strong **internal controls** with clear segregation of duties.
- **Regular independent audits** with a clean audit history.

4. The BDCA Partnership Advantage: Why Invest With Us?

Partnering with BDCA is a strategic investment in sustainable human development with a demonstrable return. We don't just implement projects—we build lasting relationships grounded in trust, transparency, and transformative outcomes.

- **Maximized Impact:** Your support fuels our **integrated model**, creating synergistic change across health, education, livelihoods, and community cohesion simultaneously.
- **Proven Track Record:** We deliver **tangible, documented results**—backed by data and human stories of change.
- **Deep Local Expertise & Gender Lens:** Our grassroots presence ensures **cultural resonance, operational efficiency, and genuine community ownership**, with a strategic focus on **women and girls** as agents of change.
- **Absolute Transparency & Accountability:** We offer **full fiduciary responsibility** and clear, donor-friendly reporting, ensuring you see exactly how your investment transforms lives.

Our Growing Network of Trusted Partners

BDCA is proud to be recognized and supported by leading global and local institutions:

- **Global Giving Partnership**
BDCA has been selected by **Global Giving**—the first and largest global crowd funding community connecting nonprofits, donors, and companies in nearly every country. As a trusted and valued member, we have access to tools, training, and a worldwide network of supporters. Our verified status—marked by **Global Giving's "Vetted" and "Effective" badges**—signals our commitment to transparency, impact, and excellence.
- **Collaboration with the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation**
We are honored to collaborate with the **Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation** on targeted initiatives that advance health, gender equity, and community resilience in Ethiopia. This partnership enables us to align with globally recognized standards and scale evidence-based interventions.
- **Local Organizational Networks in Ethiopia**
BDCA works hand-in-hand with **local community associations, faith-based organizations, and government bodies** across Ethiopia. These partnerships ensure our programs are culturally attuned, collaboratively designed, and sustainably embedded within the communities we serve.

5. A Call to Action: Scale Proven Impact with Us

BDCA has demonstrated a powerful, replicable model for holistic community transformation. As we **strategically expand to a national platform**, we are seeking visionary partners to amplify this impact.

Join us in writing the next chapter. Your partnership will enable us to:

- **Scale** our proven programs to new regions.
- **Deepen** our impact within existing communities.
- **Innovate** for even greater sustainability and reach.

Become a catalyst for nationwide change. Let's collaborate to build a future where every Ethiopian community is healthy, educated, economically vibrant, and resilient.

Ready to explore a strategic partnership?

Contact us today to discuss how we can achieve transformative impact together.

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