



**Partner  
with us**

**Humanitarian  
assistance**

### **We need more evidence**

Every year the number of people in need of aid is growing rapidly.

Humanitarian agencies will have to be more effective to address these needs.

We believe having high-quality evidence is crucial to improve aid effectiveness.

### **How we can help**

3ie has more than a decade of experience in disaster-stricken, fragile and conflict-affected countries.

We produce and support high-quality and policy-relevant evidence.

We want to partner with humanitarian agencies to accelerate evidence production and its use.

**Filling critical evidence gaps in development**

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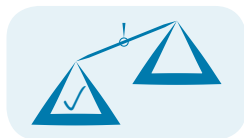
## What we offer



Put **safeguarding and ethical research** at the heart of our humanitarian evaluation and synthesis research.



**Manage, conduct and assure the quality** of impact evaluations, systematic reviews and other types of evaluations.



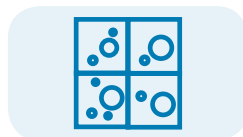
**Test the feasibility, acceptability and scalability** of programmes using formative evaluations.



**Synthesise rigorous evidence** and provide actionable recommendations with explicit attention to gendered differential impacts.



Conduct **scoping studies** to map the evidence landscape, ensure adequate, gender-responsive and politically aware context analysis.



**Produce evidence gap maps** to guide decision-making on where to prioritise investments in producing more evidence or synthesising existing evidence.



Promote the use of **innovative and ethical methods** to undertake evaluation research with vulnerable populations.

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## Our studies have impact

Our studies have helped improve programme design and how programmes are delivered to vulnerable populations, informed global and national policies and improved humanitarian agencies' monitoring and evaluation capacities.

- The World Food Programme (WFP) is using the evidence from 3ie-supported impact evaluations in the Sahel to improve the organisation's global nutrition policy and operational strategies in several countries.
- Sudan's Federal Ministry of Health and WFP have used study findings to improve its programme to address moderate acute malnutrition.
- In Pakistan, ACTED has worked with a 3ie-supported study team to improve its monitoring and evaluation practices.
- In Democratic Republic of Congo, a 3ie-supported study team helped improve the type of data that UNICEF and its implementing partners were collecting to target eligible households.

- Findings from a study in Uganda have informed discussions on revisions to the national guidelines on integrated management of malnutrition.
- Findings from a study of Ethiopia's large-scale Productive Safety Net Programme have informed the next phase of the programme design.

WFP works in environments where often we are faced with the lack of robust evidence to inform our programmes and our policies. These evaluations, despite the limitations that were given, give us the foundation of the solid data that can help support the way we will move forward.

**Nancy Aburto**  
chief, nutrition  
WFP



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## **We promote ethical humanitarian impact evaluations**

3ie-supported studies have employed a range of experimental, quasi-experimental and mixed-methods designs to safeguard vulnerable participants, meet the needs of humanitarian agencies and work in fragile contexts. Wherever possible, our studies work with existing systems to minimise disruptions in programming and provide real-time feedback to improve monitoring and evaluation systems. Our studies in Uganda and Pakistan are strong examples of successful collaboration with programme monitoring and evaluation staff that led to improvements in their capacity to deliver assistance to all who needed it.

Our studies have been used as examples in a practical guide for research in the humanitarian sector, developed by Evidence Aid, Nesta and the London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine's Health in Humanitarian Crisis Centre. This guide is designed to meet the needs of humanitarian agencies and donors that manage and commission evaluations.

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## **We help fill evidence gaps**

Our impact evaluations and systematic reviews have evaluated or synthesised the evidence on a variety of large-scale and multisectoral humanitarian programmes. We have produced actionable findings for immediate use in improving disaster preparedness, economic well-being, food security, malnutrition, mental health, peacebuilding, reproductive health, resilience, social cohesion, and water, sanitation and hygiene. Moreover, we are working with like-minded partners to ensure all our work looks at gendered differential impacts and is equity focused.



Evidence Aid is pleased to work with 3ie to promote the generation, uptake and use of evidence in the humanitarian sector. We have worked together on several projects, including the Evidence Lounge at the World Humanitarian Summit and “Use of evidence in the humanitarian sector: A practice guide”.

**Claire Allen**

operations manager  
Evidence Aid

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## We fund studies in fragile contexts

We have funded and managed impact evaluations and systematic reviews in low- and middle-income countries, particularly in fragile and conflict-affected states, including Chad, Ecuador, Ethiopia, the Democratic Republic of Congo, Kyrgyzstan, Liberia, Mali, Niger, Pakistan, Sierra Leone, Sudan, Uganda and Zimbabwe.

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## Our partners

3ie-supported studies have evaluated programmes being implemented by NGOs, governments and multilateral aid agencies. We have developed evidence programmes in consultation with Danida, UNOCHA-Common Humanitarian Pooled Fund in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, USAID, WFP and UK aid. We have also worked with Evidence Aid, the International Fund for Agricultural Development, the International Rescue Committee, Mercy Corps, Save the Children, UNICEF, the World Health Organization and other humanitarian agencies to produce useful evidence.



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## How can you partner with us?

We believe evidence is crucial for achieving equitable, inclusive and sustainable development. 3ie welcomes collaboration with organisations working to increase the production and use of high-quality evidence in sectors where rigorous studies are scarce and more evidence is needed to improve how humanitarian assistance is designed and delivered.

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