

INTEGRATING HIV CONSIDERATIONS INTO WATER SUPPLY AND SANITATION POLICIES

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BACKGROUND

Bread of Life Development Foundation is a faith based NGO, and hosts the National Secretariat of the Christian Coalition on AIDS in Nigeria. We work on HIV/AIDS and Water and Sanitation issues.

DESCRIPTION

Bread of Life developed Water Supply and Sanitation policies for six states in Nigeria between 2009-2012 under several contracts financed by the EU/World Bank. In implementing the assignment, we painstakingly ensured the water supply and sanitation needs of marginalised and vulnerable groups, particularly People affected by HIV and AIDS are guaranteed by the Policy documents.

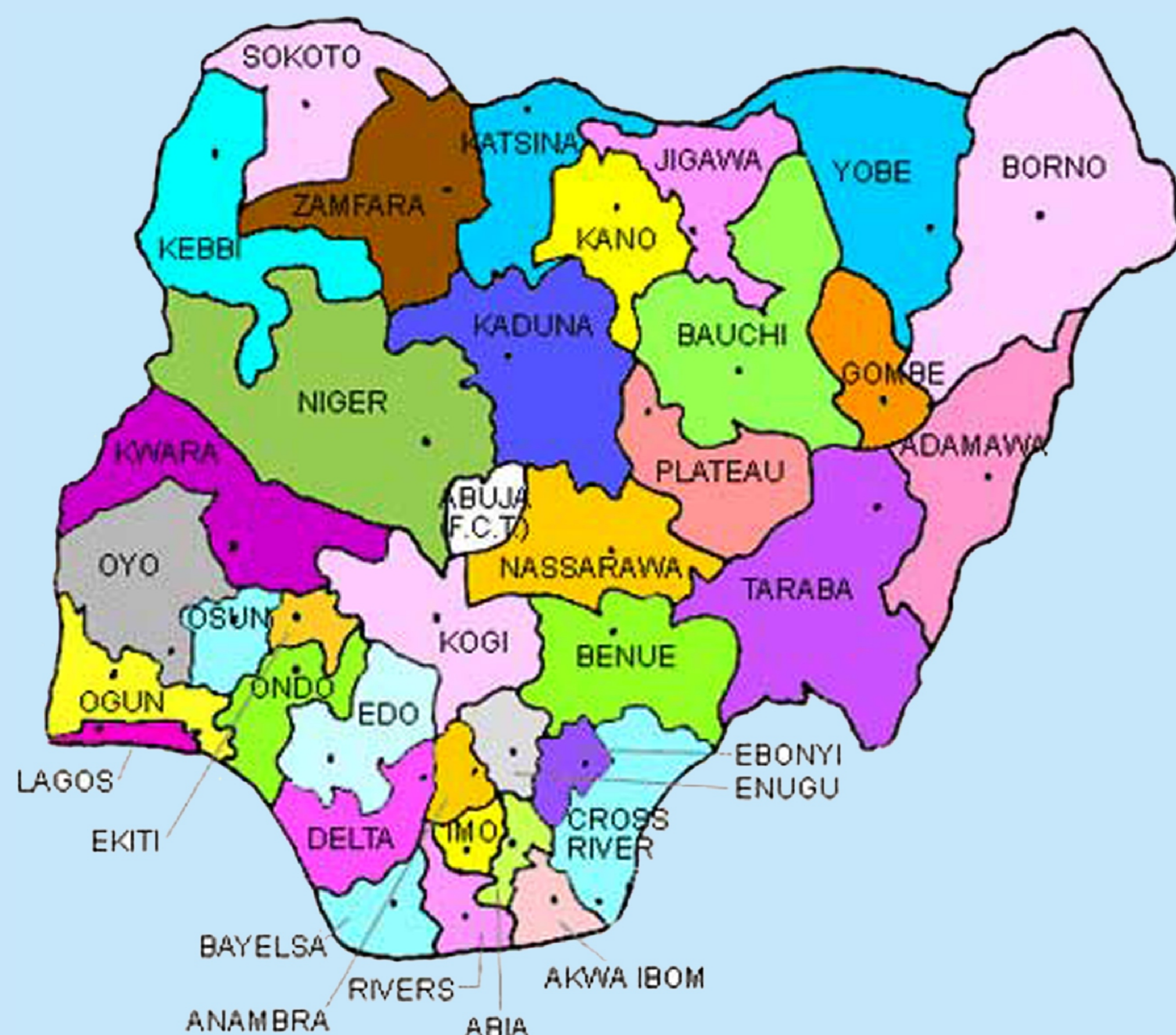


SUCCESSSES

Stakeholders in six states resolved that People affected by HIV and AIDS have greater needs to safe water and sanitation services, and resolved to support the implementation of programmes and projects that address these needs.

RESULTS

For the first time in Nigeria, HIV sensitive Water Supply and Sanitation policies were developed in six states which guarantees greater access to safe drinking water and improved sanitation services forvPeople Living with HIV and AIDS, as a strategy of reducing the impact of HIV and AIDS.



NEXT STEPS

Advocacy to ensure the provisions of the Water supply and Sanitation polices are respected and implemented

REPLICATION

HIV progamme managers should engage with national and local governments to ensure the review of existing WASH policies to make them HIV sensitive; or mainstream HIV issues in areas where WASH are being newly developed.

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