

TRANSFORMING RURAL LIVES

Building Resilient Futures Through Grassroots Action.

2024 ANNUAL REPORT

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Message from the Executive Director

Dear Partners, Friends, and Community Members,

It is with deep gratitude and pride that I present to you the 2024 Annual Report of Modesto Agriculture and Development Organization (MADO). This past year has been both challenging and inspiring—a year where our resilience was tested, but our commitment to transforming the lives of South Sudan's most vulnerable communities never wavered.

Throughout 2024, MADO expanded its reach across Juba, Lanya, Mangalla, Rokon, and Yei Counties, working hand-in-hand with communities affected by displacement, conflict, and climate-related shocks. From providing emergency food and WASH services to displaced families in Onduruba and Mangalla, to empowering blind and marginalized adults through literacy programs in Gudele and Hai Peace, we remained true to our mission—to build hope, dignity, and opportunity for every life we touch.

Our Functional Adult Literacy Program gave voice and power to those long silenced by illiteracy, particularly women and persons with disabilities. Our emergency response teams acted swiftly during multiple flood and conflict emergencies, delivering critical food and hygiene support in partnership with national and international agencies. Through gender-based violence awareness campaigns, we amplified voices, educated communities, and created safer spaces for survivors.

These accomplishments would not have been possible without the tireless efforts of our dedicated staff, the trust of our communities, and the unwavering support of our partners and donors. You have all been part of a journey that is not only changing lives but shaping a more inclusive and resilient South Sudan.

As we look ahead to 2025, we remain focused on deepening our impact—strengthening livelihoods, expanding education and protection programs, and responding rapidly to humanitarian crises with compassion and dignity. We also aim to foster stronger partnerships, build our institutional capacity, and invest in long-term, sustainable development solutions. On behalf of the entire MADO family, thank you for standing with us. Together, we are not just responding to emergencies—we are **rebuilding hope, restoring dignity, and transforming futures**.

In solidarity and service,

Judith Danga

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Emergency Response

In 2024, Modesto Agriculture and Development Organization (MADO) played a critical role in delivering timely, life-saving humanitarian support to thousands of people affected by conflict, displacement, and climate-related disasters across Central Equatoria State. Through strong collaboration with local authorities, community leaders, and humanitarian partners, MADO participated in conduct of inter-agency rapid needs assessments led by ICRC in Juba, and Lanya counties. In Juba County, the assessment were conducted in Mangalla, Rokon, Wunduruba, Luri Payams, Munuki, and Rejaf Payams. In Lanya the assessments for the needs of the conflict displaced people were conducted in Lanya Payam. Following the assessment, urgent humanitarian support was provided to the affected families through material and financial support from ICRC, UNFPA, USAID, IRC, IOM and WHO.

Key achievements:

- Emergency Food Distribution:
 - Provided life-saving food aid to **hundreds of displaced households**, preventing hunger and malnutrition in the hardest-hit communities.
 - O Distributed emergency food to *8670 people* (*1475 men, 3550 women, and 3645 children* in Onduruba Payam.
 - O Distributed emergency food to 4734 people (1027 men, 1750 women, and 1955 children) in Lanya payam in Lanya County.
- WASH Interventions: Delivered clean water, hygiene kits, and hygiene education to reduce the spread of waterborne diseases during emergencies.
 - O Distributed water purification tablets to **1238** households which benefited 8670 disaster affected people in Juba County.
 - Distributed water purification tablets to 789 disaster affected families in Lanya County which benefited 4734 people.
 - O Distributed hygiene kits to **1238** disaster affected households in Juba County.
 - Distributed hygiene kits to 789 disaster affected households in Lanya County which benefited 4734 people.
 - o 3823 disaster affected people reached with hygiene messages in Juba county.
 - o 2478 disater affected men and women reached with hygiene messages in Lanya county.

GENDER BASED VIOLENCE PREVENTION



Gender-Based Violence Prevention

In 2024, Modesto Agriculture and Development Organization (MADO) expanded its Gender-Based Violence (GBV) Information and Advocacy Program to Juba, Lanya, and Tore Payam in Yei County, helping communities confront and prevent GBV through awareness, education, and survivor support.

MADO conducted over 47 community education and engagement sessions in selected Payams affected by disaster in Juba and Lanya counties, reaching 4,231 people, including women, youth, men, and traditional leaders. These sessions created inclusive platforms to discuss the causes and consequences of GBV, challenge harmful norms, and encourage collective community action to promote safety and equality.

In **Tore Payam**, MADO's work focused on community dialogue and education GBV, while promoting **positive masculinity and gender justice**. We conducted 10 community dialogue meetings and door-to-door education sessions two Bomas. We reached 387 people with messages on prevention of GBV and sexual and reproductive health rights of women and girls. MADO also trained **3 community-based GBV focal points and volunteers** to support survivors with safe and confidential referral pathways to health, psychosocial, and legal services.

As a result, communities in our project sites in Juba, Lanya, and Yei Counties are now more aware of GBV, more equipped to support survivors, and increasingly committed to fostering safer, more respectful environments for women and girls.

Key Achievements:

- Reached 2934 people women, men, girls and youths in Juba County with GBV awareness messages.
- Reached 1297 women, men, girls and youths in Lanya county with GBV awareness messages.
- Reached 387 men, women, girls, men and youths in Tore Payam in Yei County with GBV awareness messages.
- Dignity kits distributed to 400 women and girls in Rokon Payam, Juba County.



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Education

Functional Adult Literacy Program: Restoring Dignity through Learning

In 2023, Modesto Agriculture and Development Organization (MADO) launched a small but powerful initiative—the **Adult Literacy Program**—to give a second chance at learning to those who never had the opportunity to go to school. Focused in **Gudele 2 and Hai Peace in Juba County**, the program welcomes adults from all walks of life, many of whom have been affected by conflict, poverty, or disability.

The classrooms are filled with women, men, and people with visual impairments, eager to learn how to read, write, and handle basic math—skills that many of us take for granted. From the start of the program in 2023, a total of 93 learners have been enrolled for the program. Although the demand is high, MADO had to restrict the number because of limited learning facilities. For the learners enrolled in 2024, including 12 people with disabilities, learning isn't just about education—it's about restoring dignity, gaining confidence, and reclaiming their voice in society.

Simple things like reading a medicine label, signing a name, or helping a child with schoolwork have become moments of pride and empowerment. The program creates a supportive and inclusive space where everyone is treated with respect, regardless of age or ability.

At its heart, the Adult Literacy Program is about more than literacy—it's about hope. Hope that it's never too late to learn. Hope that communities can grow stronger when everyone has the tools to participate and thrive. Through this program, MADO is lighting the path forward for adults who were once left behind—and changing lives, one word at a time.

Key Achievements:

- 39 adult learners enrolled in 2024, including:
 - o 18 women & girls and 9 men.
 - o 12 people with disability (eye impairment); 10 women and 2 men.

All the 39 learners enrolled in 2024 have successfully completed and passed their examinations and are now waiting for graduation. Graduations have not been organized and conducted due to lack of funds.









Appreciation Message to MADO Donors

On behalf of **Modesto Agriculture and Development Organization** (**MADO**), we extend our heartfelt appreciation to all our donors and partners for your unwavering support throughout 2024. Your generosity has made it possible for us to reach vulnerable communities with life-saving emergency aid, empower adults through literacy, promote gender equality, and strengthen resilience in the face of crisis.

MADO funding in addition to that of donors enable us to extend our humanitarian emergency response services, GBV, education, WASH services to people who need it most and contributed to saving lives during critical times of individuals and families especially in Juba and Lanya Counties in Central Equatoria State, South Sudan. Thanks to your commitment, lives have been touched, dignity restored, and hope renewed across Juba, Lanya, Yei. Your support is not just funding projects—it's transforming futures.

Thank you for believing in our mission and walking this journey with us. Together, we are making lasting change.



















What We Do

- 1. Livelihood and Food security for grassroots people.
- 2. Humanitarian Emergency Response.
- 3. Education for children & youth from vulnerable families & adult literacy.
- 4. Health & Nutrition for vulnerable grassroots people.
- 5. Water, Hygiene & Sanitation for vulnerable grassroots people.
- 6. Environmental Conservation & climate change.
- 7. Protection of women, children, marginalised and vulnerable populations.



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