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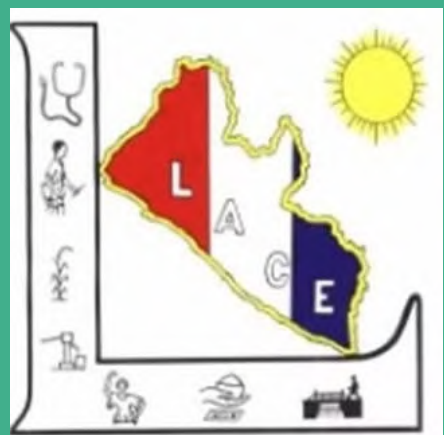
Overcoming poverty is not a gesture of charity. It is an act of justice. It is the protection of a fundamental human right, the right to dignity and a decent life.



Nelson Mandela



Empowering Social Protection in Liberia



Welcome to the NSPSC inaugural meeting



Agenda

Welcome Remarks

Hon. Gbeme Horace-Kollie

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Mr. Henry Sumo

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Mr. Henry Sumo

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Mr. Aurelius Butler

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Mr. Shadrach Gbokie

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Mr. Jesse Bengu

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Mr. Henry Sumo

Summary and Next Steps

Mr. Aurelius Butler & Mr. Henry Sumo

Closing Remarks

Hon. Gbeme Horace-Kollie

Objective



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i. To provide strategic direction and policy guidance for the national social protection system.



Another key point

ii. To ensure efficient coordination and implementation of social protection interventions across various sectors and levels of government.



They're all key points

iii. To promote the equitable distribution of resources to vulnerable populations.

Composition

The NSPSC will be chaired by the Minister of Gender, Children, and Social Protection and will include Ministers from key sectors, representatives of civil society organizations (CSOs), and donor agencies. The committee may establish technical sub-committees as needed.

Members:

- Ministry of Gender, Children, and Social Protection
- Ministry of Health
- Ministry of Agriculture
- Ministry of Education
- Ministry of Finance and Development Planning
- Ministry of Internal Affairs
- Ministry of Youth and Sports
- Liberia Agency for Community Empowerment
- National Social Security and Welfare Corporation
- Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) engaged in social protection
- Donor agencies supporting social protection programs



Pilot County Structure

Starting with Grand Bassa

- Objectives and scope of the pilot
- Roles and responsibilities at the county level
- Expected outcomes and monitoring mechanisms

Establishment of the pilot county-level structure for the National Social Protection Policy and Strategy implementation. Let's build a strong foundation together!



Status of the National Social Protection Policy

01

The process of updating Liberia's National Social Protection Policy and Strategy is currently underway, led by the Ministry of Gender, Children and Social Protection (MoGCSP) with support from the REALISE project and its donors

02

Capacity-building sessions for MoGCSP staff are ongoing to ensure effective policy updating, alignment with national priorities, and global best practices.

03

Consultations with key stakeholders, including government agencies, development partners, and civil society, will be conducted to ensure inclusivity and ownership.

04

A technical review of the draft NSPP is planned to ensure alignment with the National Agenda and Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), particularly SDG 1.3 on social protection coverage.

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The updated policy will incorporate measures to address vulnerabilities caused by climate change, food insecurity, and post-pandemic economic recovery.



Another key point

The revised National Social Protection Policy and Strategy is expected to be finalized and presented for endorsement by early 2025.



They're all key points

Discussions will include developing an actionable implementation plan that includes roles, responsibilities, funding, and monitoring mechanisms for all stakeholders.

Crafting the vision for social protection advancement

Formation of Technical Working Groups

Proposed Technical Working Groups

- Street Children TWG
- Social Registry TWG

Forming technical working groups (TWGs) is essential for fostering effective collaboration, coordination, and implementation of social protection programs. These groups serve as specialized platforms, bringing together experts, stakeholders, and practitioners to address specific technical aspects of program design, delivery, and evaluation.

In the context of Liberia's social protection landscape, TWGs are critical for advancing initiatives such as the Social Registry, Cash Transfer targeting, monitoring and evaluation frameworks, and the integration of social protection with other sectors like health, education, and agriculture, ensuring that interventions effectively reach the most vulnerable populations.



Mr. Jesse Bengu

REALISE Project Update

Stakeholder Input



Updates from Sector Members

Engaging sector stakeholders for insights and updates



Innovative Suggestions

Welcoming new ideas for improvement



Q & A

Assessing sector members' progress



Closing Remarks



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