



## Global Team for Local Initiatives – GTLI

*Helping People Help Themselves*

GTLI's founding principle is to ensure that all investment of time and money results in positive lasting change in the lives of people, communities, and their land. GTLI's aim is to equip South Omo Pastoralists so that within five years they will have the ability—the health, livelihood options, and leadership skill—to thrive. GTLI interventions are geographically focused, targeted, and finite, and they promote community responsibility and accountability.

## Pastoralists Gain New Knowledge to Help Themselves

### Shifting gender and cultural norms enables resilience

GTLI's successful behavior change model, Community-Based Learning in Action (CBLA), is a highly participatory, visual discovery process that works within the context of the community—paying attention to the way people think, the influence of their culture, and the individual's behaviors and actions. Mixed-gender Integrated Functional Vocational Literacy (IFVL) promotes female inclusion in decision making and community governance and improves food security and nutrition. **45% of emergent leaders** are female.

### Improving Access to Basic Services

**WASH**—**101,000 people** living in Hamar, Dasenech, Nyangatom, and BenaTsemay Woredas have gained improved access to clean water and have learned disease prevention behaviors. **42% of households** trained are transitioning to healthy hygiene and sanitation behavior.

**Health Services**—Demand for family planning and reproductive health services in Dasenech and BenaTsemay Woredas increased when **14% of the participants** realized that small healthy families generate more wealth than large malnourished families.

**Education**— More than **400 emergent leaders** in 18 kebeles (Dasenech, BenaTsemay, and Hamar) have gained basic literacy and numeracy skills, which is starting to shift cultural norms in favor of education. Current literacy rate in South Omo is < 10%.

### Empowering Women

**27% of females** trained are participating in community-level decision; **11% of females** trained have assumed new leadership positions; **1,250 women** have gained productive time.

### Diversifying Livelihoods

**48,000 people** have become chicken farmers, vegetable gardeners, and/or Moringa farmers, and all are diversifying their diets through consuming their own produce and earning money to buy additional food.

### Sustainable Land Management

By blending modern science with traditional knowledge and by leveraging the pastoralists' symbiotic relationship with their land, **47,150 people** have improved the fragile environment by planting **114,000 Moringa trees** and have started practicing Participatory Forest Management.

### Our Partners



## Family Planning & Reproductive Health



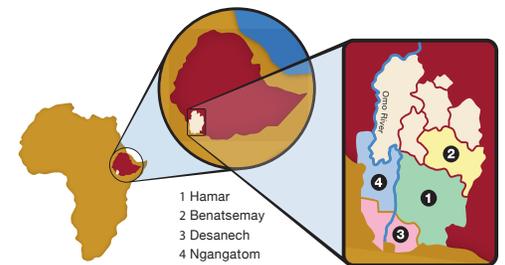
*Dasenech women participate in a CBLA session exploring the connection between the health of mother and child.*

## Education



*A Stimba woman shows her community that she can read and write.*

## Where We Work



- 1 Hamar
- 2 BenaTsemay
- 3 Dasenech
- 4 Nyangatom

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