

# Lisungi Safety Net Project — Gender-Responsive Cash Transfers and Refugee Women's Economic Inclusion in the Republic of Congo

Gender Equality · Good practice · Congo

Quality score: 85/100

Evidence strength: Observational / pre–post

## Summary

Congo's Lisungi safety-net project paid cash transfers and business grants directly to women, reaching 76,000 cash-transfer beneficiaries and 95,000 business-grant recipients (2015-2023) and later 60,000+ refugees, before being institutionalized as the National Safety Net Program

## Key dimensions

| Dimension                       | Score |
|---------------------------------|-------|
| Transferability / replicability | 2/3   |
| Impact on gender equality       | 1/1   |
| Effectiveness                   | 1/1   |
| Efficiency                      | 0/1   |
| Evaluated outcomes              | 1/1   |
| Sustainability                  | 1/1   |
| Achievement / evidence          | 1/1   |
| Gender-mainstreaming embedding  | 1/1   |
| Curator validation              | 1/1   |

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## Data sources

[C-NAPSE web research](#) — accessed 2026-07-11

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