



## Global Field Experience Opportunity Form

Please e-mail this completed form **as soon as possible (ideally before Oct 31<sup>st</sup>)** and send it back to

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### 1. Contact

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### 2. Project description

- a. Project Name: Budikadidi

### 3. Project Description: Budikadidi, meaning ‘self-sufficiency’ in Tshiluba, is implemented by Catholic Relief Services (CRS) and its partners, National Cooperative Business Association Cooperative League of the USA (NCBA CLUSA), Caritas Mbuji Mayi, *Réseaux Femmes et Développement* (REFED), Human Network International (HNI) and *Réseau d’Associations Congolaises des Jeunes* (RACIJ), to achieve sustained nutrition, food security and economic well-being outcomes for 263,935 participants in three rural health zones in Kasai Oriental province. This integrated multi-sectoral project leverages CRS and partners long experience in the Kasais to deliver an evidence-based, locally appropriate package of interventions that builds local capacity, strengthens service-delivery systems, increases accountability, and reduces structural, cultural and gender-based barriers to change.

Budikadidi interventions holistically address key underlying causes of food security in Kasai Oriental, which include limited access to a sufficient quality and quantity of diversified foods, seeds, seed saving techniques or improved storage, unaccountable institutions and structures, poor governance, limited livelihood opportunities, and inaccessible and unintegrated markets. In addition, many vulnerable farming households lack the knowledge and skills in improved care practices, access to health services, climate-smart and time-saving techniques for agricultural production, and general household management. All of the factors above are exacerbated by women’s limited control over decisions impacting nutrition, health and access to productive assets and inputs, negative gender norms and practices, early pregnancy/forced marriage, and a high prevalence of



gender-based violence (GBV).

a. Project Location / Country: Mbuji mayi, Democratic republic of Congo

4. Student engagement

- a. Describe student role in the project: Student will lead a comprehensive analysis of time allocated by program volunteers in Health Nutrition, Agriculture WASH and the impact on their livelihoods
- b. Expected deliverables: conduct a comprehensive study on the roles of volunteers, the time they spend on program activities and the impact on their livelihoods. Produce a time calendar for each category of volunteer. Produce a comprehensive report on the study and conduct presentation to stakeholders to ensure that findings are used to formulate recommendations to improve program
- c. Specific skill requirements (qualitative, survey design, including language): survey design, qualitative data collections and analysis, ability to speak and write in French. Ability to use statistical tools such as SPSS EPINFO
- d. Is the Project paid or unpaid? Is there any in-kind support (e.g., housing)? Program will provide shared housing, transportation and logistical support
- e. Timeline (students are typically available to travel to the site between May and August, but can work with the team both before and after this work): February -March 2019

5. Emory University faculty contact (if any):