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Distribution of live protective rations in the village of Marotreka, Marovato commune, Tsihombe district,
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Rima: Mutual Support

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The alarming situation in the far south of Madagascar caused by climate change, recurrent droughts, and the impact of COVID-19 have resulted in 1.43 million people in southern Madagascar needing food assistance.

Catholic Relief Services received over \$10 million in funding from USAID’s Bureau for Humanitarian Assistance to continue supporting communities in the Atsimo Andrefana and Androy regions.

In the dialect of the region, Rima means “to provide mutual support.”

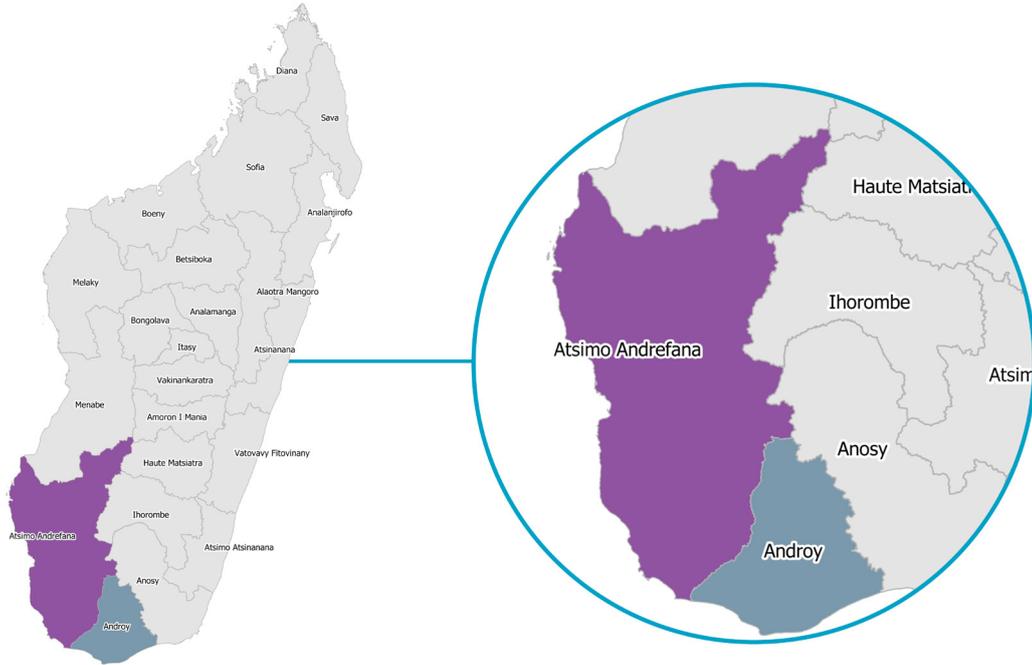
Program Goal

RIMA’s goal is to protect households from malnutrition and loss of productive assets and to strengthen protection services and access in communes in Atsimo Andrefana and Androy regions.

Key information

TYPE OF PROJECT	Food assistance, Nutrition, Economic recovery and market system, Protection
FUNDING	\$12,482,314 from USAID
INTERVENTION AREAS	Androy and Atsimo Andrefana regions
NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS	385,929
IMPLEMENTING PARTNERS	Conseil Diocésain de Développement de Tuléar (CDD-U)
DURATION	2022 - 2023

Intervention areas



Objective and participants targeted

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| 1. | Providing food needs to protect against malnutrition and loss of productive assets in drought-affected households in target communities. | ➔ | 174,768 individuals
(104,861 women) |
| 2. | Improving and maintaining the nutritional status of pregnant and lactating women and children under five years of age. | ➔ | 65,000 individuals
(39,000 women) |
| 3. | Supporting households to save and financially manage savings of vulnerable households in the targeted communities. | ➔ | 1,400 individuals
(840 women) |
| 4. | Strengthening protection services in targeted communities. | ➔ | 40 individuals
(20 women) |

Activities



General Food Distribution



Maternal and child nutrition



Food for Assets (FFA)



Saving and Internal Lending Communities (SILC)



Protection activities