

CSSP Contribution – ICDP report

Organization Name

Child-Sensitive Social Protection (CSSP)

Implemented by Save the Children Côte d'Ivoire

Name of your ICDP project

Child-Sensitive Social Protection Project (CSSP)

Funded by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Finland

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Main actions

In 2025, the Child-Sensitive Social Protection (CSSP) project, implemented by Save the Children Côte d'Ivoire and funded by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Finland, strengthened positive parenting and child-sensitive social protection systems through the ICDP approach.

- Implementation of the ICDP – Positive Parenting in Communities program;
- Training and support of 18 ICDP community facilitators;
- Certification of 12 community facilitators, 03 Save the Children staff and 06 social workers
- Facilitation of parent groups on positive communication, reduction of corporal punishment and tutoring;
- Pilot deployment of the Cash Plus Parenting approach;
- Institutional advocacy actions for the integration of the ICDP in the training of social workers;
- Documentation and capitalization of the results (final evaluation, film and booklet).

Beneficiaries

- 90 parents trained, including 60 women and 30 men (25–60 years old);
- 9,553 direct beneficiaries cumulated at the end of 2025;
- 78,388 indirect beneficiaries, including children, adults and households from vulnerable communities, including people with disabilities.

Results and impact

- The project contributed to:
- Reduction of corporal punishment and improved parenting practices;
- A strengthening of the parent-child bond based on dialogue and listening;
- Better involvement of parents in school monitoring;
- A more protective family climate, favourable to the emotional and social development of children.

A brief history illustrating the impact

In Tangamourou, **N'Gamin Cynthia**, a mother of two, explains that before the project, the stress of poverty negatively influenced her relationship with her children. Through the ICDP sessions, she learned to dialogue rather than shout. Today, she testifies to a more peaceful relationship with her children, better school follow-up and describes herself as "a different mother, more attentive and aware of her responsibilities".

Key Achievements

- Strong mobilization of community facilitators;
- Institutional recognition of the ICDP as a lever for social protection;
- Commitment of national actors to integrate the Cash Plus Parenting approach into the training of social workers.

Challenges

- Socio-cultural constraints affecting the participation of certain households;
- Logistical difficulties in rural areas;
- National certification of ICDP trainers not finalized in 2025.

Links and partnerships

- The CSSP works closely with:
- The Ministry of Employment and Social Protection and Vocational Training
- The Ministry of Women, Family and Children;
- The Regional Directorate of Social Protection and the Directorate of Social Action (DAS);
- The National Institute of Social Training (INSFS);
- The partner NGO Soleil Levant / Education;
- The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Finland as the main donor.

Outlook

- Finalize the national ICDP certification;
- Expand the program to new areas;
- Institutionalize the ICDP in national policies in the long term;
- Strengthen the sustainability and community ownership of positive parenting.